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Calendar of Chapter Events

Jan 5th Board Mtg
Jan 6th General Mtg
Feb 2nd Board Mtg
Feb 3rd General Mtg
March 1st Board Mtg
March 2nd General Mtg

For a complete calendar go to
Chapter Business on our
Website

**Sno-Isle Vocational Skill
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Everett, WA 98201

Doors open at 6:30 P.M.
Catered dinner \$13 at 7
P.M.,
Meeting & Program
@ 7:45 PM

President's Message *by Steve Waterman*

I hope everyone enjoyed their holidays. It's a new year and I am excited to take the helm of our pilot association from which I receive a great deal of enjoyment.

I am a fairly low time pilot receiving my private pilot certificate in May of 2005. I currently rent but just began construction of an RV-7A. I have been active in the WPA for six years. I thought it would be appropriate to invite the members to share with me what they would like to get out of their membership in the WPA. A good start might be to share with you the results of a survey conducted by our past president Les Smith a few years ago. At that time he received responses from 45 members. That seems to be about the number of members who participate in many of our meetings and some of our other activities. He asked out of our four main areas of activities, which was most important. Advocacy came in first, followed by education, social activities, and outreach. When asked about the most important chapter activities, the top three responses were seminars, political involvement, and General Aviation Day. 70% of the responders indicated they were satisfied with the organization. 76% responded that they had been to a general meeting. When asked if they wanted more of a voice in what the WPA does, 88% said no. We have about 200 members in our chapter. If people are joining and lending their financial support to our group for our political involvement or public outreach programs then I am obligated to support their wishes.

Our former state president John Dobson will be keeping a close watch on things for us in Olympia. Our former chapter president Les Smith will be keeping in close touch with John as well as doing his own information gathering and contributing a regular column in our monthly newsletter. We will also send out time sensitive emails as important issues arise. We will continue doing events like General Aviation Day, Aviation Academy, Science of Flight for Teachers, and providing Aviation Scholarships.

Our outreach programs take a lot of people power. We are seriously short of volunteers for many of our programs. We will continue to bring interesting programs to our general meetings but for now we do not have anyone to head up our Safety and Education Programs. The Harvey chapter has an active Saturday seminar program and we are welcome to join them. I will make sure the schedule is posted on our website.

My particular slant is toward social activities. One way to expand the scope of activities is to combine efforts with other chapters like Harvey and Arlington. I plan to involve them in our events and get word of their events to our members. I love the Saturday fly outs and hope that we can have the other chapters

join us. I believe that members will get more out of our organization if they get involved. I invite you to join us in a new activity and get involved with running the chapter. All members are welcome to the board meetings which are generally held on the Thursday night before the general meeting at 6:30 at the Paine Airport office. We usually go out for dinner afterwards. Finally I want to be available so you can email me at paine-president@wpaflys.org with any comments or questions. Hope to see you at our next meeting or event.



January 6th General Meeting. Dave Waggoner's annual report on Paine Field



Back to Sno Isle Skill Center.

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February 3rd Program: 4 Corners USA Flite – 2005 - by *George Futas and Jim Chapman*

Jim and I flew 10,000 miles around Australia in 172's in 2002 & 2004, and celebrated our 70th birthday there. Then Jim and I decided to enjoy traversing the four corners of the USA at a leisurely pace, in a Cardinal (C177B).



The 2011 WPA Christmas party has come and gone. With 58 members in attendance it was enjoyed by all. Our President Dave Wheeler facilitated the evening fun. We had scrumptious meals of steak, chicken penne, seafood penne or salmon with all the trimmings, along with delectable chocolates, cheese cake and cakes for dessert. The Dickens Carolers stopped in to bring us all into the Christmas spirit with songs new and old that entertained us. And there were gifts. Several restaurants donated to our event including delicious Restaurant NASA on the interestingly multi-aircraft Arlington Airport, The Blue Water Bar and Grill located in beautiful Friday Harbor, The Airport Diner, Bremerton, otherwise known as the best fish and chips place around, and Anthony's Woodfire Grill, Everett, whose delightful food and great service we were enjoying. We also received wonderfully useful gifts from our friends at Oregon Aero; Scappoose, OR, Paine Field Airport, Regal Air, Castle and Cooke, Crown Aviation; Everett, WA, and National Aviation; Boeing Field, Seattle, WA. Please see the contact information for all of these sponsors and show your thanks and appreciation by making it a point to enjoy their services your self in the New Year.

Many thanks to the Christmas Elves that helped with the Christmas party this year: Our Pres. Dave Wheeler for his help and support; Lori Bell, for arranging for the yummy desserts; Gary Hill and Dick Kinnier for their outreach work with sponsors; Greg Bell for doing his Treasurer thing which kept people contented; Dave Prutzman for the organizing and creation of the attractive reusable name tags, Les Smith for organizing the Christmas House toy drive, and Rebecca Monaghan, General Manager of the Woodfire Grill who was wonderful to work with. Thank you one and all for making the 2011 Christmas party a night to remember.

by Janis Wheeler

See photos on pages 6 through 8

Welcome to a new item in the chapter newsletter. Our new chapter president, Steve Waterman, has requested this new feature. The four pillars of WPA are Advocacy, Outreach, Education, and Social Activities, and we each have our own opinion of which is most important. While there are many opinions, one could suggest any one of the pillars to be the most important at a given time. For this column, yours truly will deal with Advocacy. Since WPA focuses on state issues, I'll try to do the same, but some issues at the national level deserve our attention as well.

The special legislative session, in Olympia, appears to have concluded without affecting the cost of aviation for us in Washington. There is little doubt that the new 2012 session, which convenes January 9th, will find its way to reconsidering how we "rich pilots" can be called upon to contribute greater revenues (in other words, taxes) to the state. With that in mind, the WPA State Board voted to contribute \$1,000 in support to WAMA (Washington Airport Management Association) with the lobbyist they have retained for work in Olympia. This lobbyist has successfully served WAMA, The Washington Aviation Coalition and WPA well over the last two years and the Board felt it appropriate to put a little skin in the game.

So, enjoy your holiday and be prepared to lock and load for a communication campaign with our State Legislature in 2012. Just as your vote counts, so do your letters, emails and phone calls.

Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!



Renew Your Membership and get a Fuel Discount

The new year also brings this reminder to renew your WPA membership. Online at wpaflys.org is easiest. **Renewals completed by the end of February 2012 makes you eligible** for a 15 cent per gallon discount from Castle and Cooke at KPAE and KAWO. Renew today! Questions? Contact me at paine-membership@wpaflys.org.

by Frank Hummel

A Thankyou to our Christmas Party Sponsors

Thank you for donating your gift to the Washington Pilots Association. We enjoyed a wonderful evening that was made even better by your generosity.

We would like to repay your kindness by expressing our gratitude to you in our newsletter which is received by over 200 members, and by posting our thanks and your company link on our chapter website which may be viewed by 100s more pilots across the State, nation and the world.

The Washington Pilots Association wishes you and your business much success now and in the New Year.

*All the Best,
Janis K. Wheeler*



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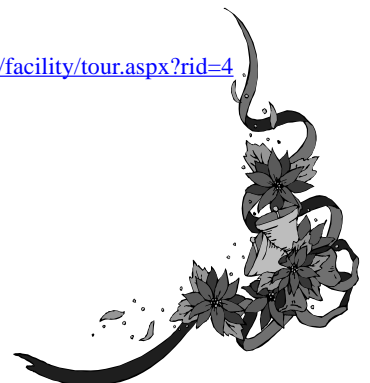
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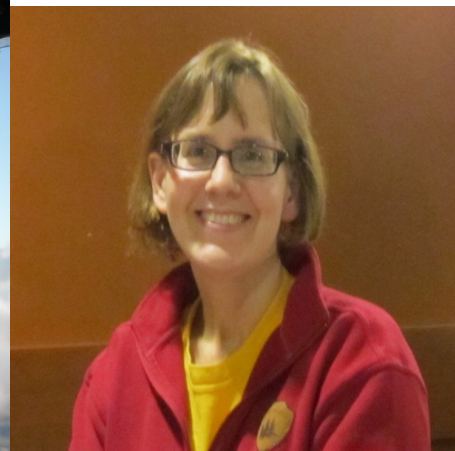
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Meet your 2012 Vice President Vera Martinovich



>> How and when did you get interested in or into aviation?

I thought airplanes were cool as a kid growing up in rural Iowa, but I thought the only way you could fly them was to go into the military. With poor eyesight and a bout of Hodgkin's lymphoma at 14, I didn't think it would happen. So I went into aerospace engineering instead. I finally realized flying was something mortals did, too, and got my private pilot certificate at age 38.

>> What aircraft have you owned and if you own one now what model?

My husband and I own a 1974 Cessna 150 Aerobat, a 1969 E33C aerobatic Bonanza, and a 1961 95-55 Baron. The Bonanza was his before I was, and there has been some good-natured debate about which one of us is the wife and which is the girlfriend.

>> What non-owned aircraft have you flown?

I teach at Regal Air, so I fly their stable of Cessna and Piper products. I have flown Aeronca Champs, Luscombes, Decathlons, various floatplanes and hullplanes, and even a Tiger Moth at a grass field in England. I just got my B-25 type rating at Historic Flight in Mukilteo, and I participate in their ride program. What a hoot!

>> Are you involved or have ever been involved as a volunteer in any other aviation related organization?

I am a Young Eagles pilot with EAA and have flown animals for Pilots n Paws. I have volunteered at the International Aerobatic Club displays at Oshkosh for several years now. I have also been very involved in the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics as local and national chair of various committees.

>> What is/was your career?

I have been at Boeing for over 23 years, mostly in aircraft handling qualities and flight control design on fighters, helicopters, and commercial transports. Currently I am in Flight Deck Research, working on new displays and cockpit environments for future commercial airplanes.

>> What inspires you about aviation?

Learning. Every type of flying I try, from aerobatics to water flying to formation flying, makes me a better pilot. You can't ever know it all, but you'll never get bored and there are always such helpful people around to support each other. I also enjoy teaching and sharing my experiences in aviation.

>> Why are you a member of WPA

I joined to support local aviation, but I remain a member because of the wonderful people and good friends I've made. Dinners with Chef Becky don't hurt, either!

>> Anything else of interest would you would like to share?

My husband and I had our first date in the Museum of Flight's 247 on a trip to the Arlington Fly-in, got engaged in a B-17, and got married in the North 40 campground at Oshkosh. And you should see the airplane decor in our house! Flying and aviation are very big parts of our lives. Another hobby I have is sewing. I'd like to start a side business making airplane art quilts or machine embroidery. In my "spare" time, I am also the head instructor for the Boeing Employees Taekwondo Club.

2011 Award Winners

Steve Waterman Pilot of the Year. This is the highest award the Chapter may give. The nominations shall be a licensed pilot judged to have made outstanding contribution(s) to the advancement of general aviation throughout the past year. Recipient of this award shall be nominated for the State WPA Pilot of the Year competition.



Photo by Janis Wheeler



Photo by Les Smith

Terry Wilcoxson of Castle and Cooke Aviation Sponsor of the Year. To be awarded to the individual, group, or company who contributes most significantly in helping the Chapter to achieve its stated goals. This contribution should not be a financial one but rather should be based on the greatest contribution of effort, expertise, donated services or facilities and leadership training by the example it sets.

Les Smith Sparkplug of the Year. This Award shall be given to the person or persons, who by their enthusiasm, talent, leadership ability and hard work inspire others to get involved and actively participate in the projects of the Chapter.



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The 2012 Board is sworn in

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