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Calendar of Chapter Meetings

July 6th Board Mtg
July 8th AWO Fly-in
August is Fly-out Month

**No General Meetings
for July and August**

**July brings Grass Roots
Events during the
Arlington Fly-in**

**August is Flyout Month:
weekend and/or day
flyouts**

President's Message *by Rich Jones*

Skykomish Airport Cleanup Day

I had a wonderful time at the Skykomish Airport cleanup day this year. The combination of making a positive difference in the aviation community and being able to do it with a bunch of cool people is hard to beat! The really great weather was a big plus and it made for a more relaxing time socializing with those who remained behind for a while after we finished up. A more detailed report follows in this newsletter.

Friends with Airplanes

As many of you already know my wife Stephanie suffered a hip fracture while we were having fun at the Sun River resort in Oregon on May 31, 2017. We were a long way from home but the EMS guys took good care of her and got her to Saint Charles hospital in Bend. A successful hip replacement was performed two days later by the orthopedic surgeons at Saint Charles and Stephanie was out of bed with a walker a bit the next day. Now the problem was getting her home. One option was to fly the Bonanza back to Paine Field and drive the Murano back to Bend, Oregon to get her. This would mean an 8+ hour drive home which would probably have to be done over two days and finding an ADA hotel room somewhere in between. This would be a 1:40 trip in the Bonanza but Stephanie was in no shape to climb up on the wing and then back down into the cabin. Fortunately we have friends with airplanes. George Futas told me that he could fly Stephanie back to Paine Field in his Cessna Cardinal. With the high wing and low slung cabin it is a very easy airplane to get in and out of. We had perfect weather for the return trip. I passed Stephanie and George in the Bonanza on the way home and had the car out to receive her. Of course we could both see each other on the whole trip as we both have ADS-B in and out. Of course we owe George Futas a lot for helping us get home easily. George is used to doing this sort of thing as he flies for Angel Flight West fairly regularly. I don't think many of us expect to find ourselves on the receiving end of such generosity but when we do it helps us understand the positive difference we all can make in other people's lives.



Oshkosh 2017?

Given Stephanie's recent injury and anticipated recovery time it seems unlikely that Oshkosh 2017 is in our future. At this point I am not counting on it. Last minute decisions are possible of course based on the rate of the healing process. If we miss Oshkosh 2017 it will be the first AirVenture I have missed since 1990. I guess we all know that we will not always be able to do the things we love doing forever and if this year does not turn out to be my 29th AirVenture then that is OK. I believe that there are still many wonderful adventures for Stephanie and me to share. I was talking with Daniel Diessner on Saturday afternoon about camping at Oshkosh as he and his wife LeAnn will be heading out on their first AirVenture experience as part of the Cessna's to Oshkosh this year. It warms my heart to think of them going to Oshkosh for the first time thinking of all the new friends they will make and adventures that they will have both on the trip and at AirVenture. And in thinking on this I find that I have been so blessed with such a rich set of adventures and friendships myself.

Paine Field WPA Chapter Fly Outs 2017

I would like to finish up by reminding our membership that there will not be any general membership meetings during the month of July or August. Instead there will be other opportunities for us to get together during the summer months at fly outs:

July 8 – Arlington Air Show

July 15– Saturday fly out to Troutdale (KTTD) with lunch and tour provided by the engine overhaul shop.

Aug 12-13 – Weekend fly out to Astoria, OR with tour of the Maritime Museum and Sunday visit to the WAAAM museum in Hood River

Aug 25-27 – Weekend wine tasting in Walla Walla organized by Wine with Wings.

Please check the past and current newsletters for details about how to participate in these events.



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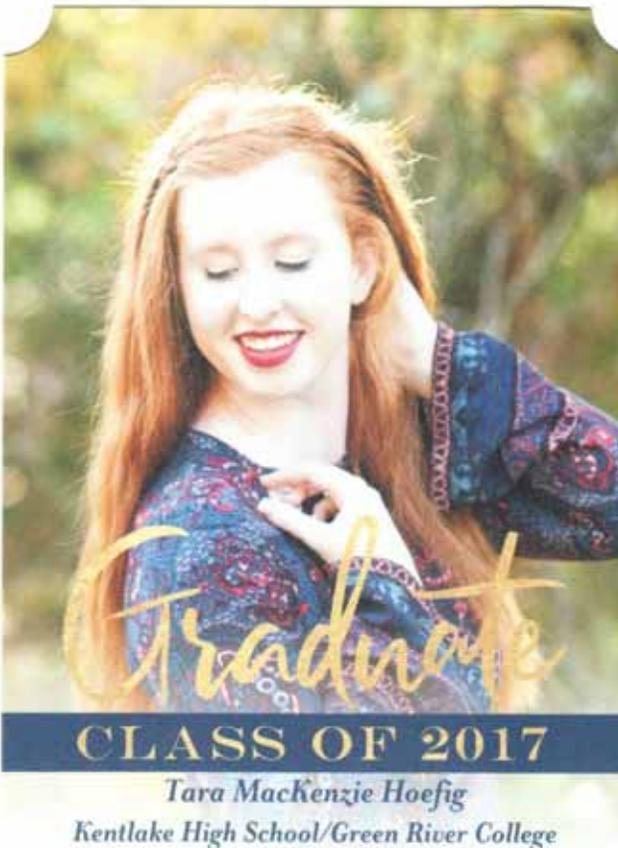
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A letter from one of our 2016 Scholarship Winners

Hi Mr. Kelly and Mr. Jones

Yes-it has been a tough two years with education and I am really looking forward to the summer!! If I were to do it again-I may have done it a bit different but I really enjoyed the Running Start program. In the end, it places me two years ahead in education but Embry Riddle will cherry pick through my courses. I am hopeful to receive credit for a 1 to 1 1/2 years towards my Bachelor of Science degree. With the completion of my Private Pilot's License I will enter a year ahead on my flight training. I anticipate to start my Instrument rating courses in August.

Orientation at the Embry Riddle Prescott campus is scheduled for August 23. I am taking my car with me so I will be leaving around the 19th or 20th of August. I will keep Washington Pilots Association updated as I continue with my education. Please feel free to share what I am doing with the association as I would like to keep in touch. I plan on returning (maybe summers too) to the Pacific Northwest to start my career!! Just an outdoors girl at heart!!

Thank you for always supporting me!!

Tara Hoefig

This year, camp with fellow members, WPA BBQ on Saturday.

Sunday's Events, Times to be Announced

Photo Safari

Spot Landing

FATPNW BBQ - Fly-Bys & STOL

Flour Bombing

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Celebrating and Honoring the Veterans Preserving Our Freedom

Respectfully submitted by Karyn F. King PhotosHappen.com

Like a time machine, going back to WWII the Boeing B-17, "Aluminum Overcast" this year made it's appearance in Washington State's capital Olympia. Not only did this rare bird fly in but few of what is left of the living legendary pilots of this grand ole lady were present to "hop" aboard and fly as passengers (and most likely remembering piloting) as they had more than SEVENTY years ago! A rare look into the past is quickly fading away as we lose so many of these heroes.

I had the honor and privilege to fly to Olympia with CWB member Dave Desmon in his Navion as we picked up Dick Nelms from Seattle's Museum of Flight. Now I'm not saying Dick belongs in a museum, but he DOES! He, at 94 still volunteers at the museum as a docent describing what very few pilots can convey how it was to fly THIRTY FIVE B-17 bomber missions and still live to tell about it! He (and others at the event) tell their stories with humor and grace and can answer all questions, describing hair raising experiences he had as a 20 year old B-17 pilot. Dick speaks about losing hundreds of these magnificent flying fortresses, losing many friends.

If you've never seen one of these four engines B-17 warbirds up close it's difficult to imagine it's four huge radial engines, 74' long with 104' wingspan! Dick talks about being only 20 years old with co-pilots just out of their teens! Scary to think of it these days but these men and women thought it their duty and "did what we needed to do." Purely inspirational and an honor to have him fly with us to and from the Olympia event honoring these precious times in our history. Dick took the controls of the Navion to fly us roundtrip as if he had flown those missions yesterday!

My "mission" was to fly with Dave to photograph the B-17 as it flew over Olympia and the capitol building. I managed to capture a few once-in-a-lifetime images. Expert long time Pilots of the B-17 for this event was Captain Neil Morrison of Port Townsend, WA with Pilot Tom Ewing (who came all the way from) Naples Florida.

I've added a few images that I photographed in 2016 as CWB Commander Ron Morrell flew me in his T-28 as the B-17 graced our Seattle skies.

All Photos credit: Karyn F. King/PhotosHappen.com



Editors Note: Karyn's article was published by the EAA : <http://inspire.eaa.org/2017/06/08/rarified-air/>

We were blessed with wonderful weather for the Skykomish Airport work party this year. I found that it was a refreshing change to be working in a T-shirt rather than the rain coat I wore last year. Most of the work accomplished was on filling low spots in the runway surface and trimming back the small trees and other growth along the ditches and around the wind sock. Mother Nature is relentless in her efforts to reclaim the airport.

Will Silva flew his GlaStar GS-1 in from Bellingham WA where he has moved recently. I was glad to find out that Will has already hooked up with the Bellingham WPA Chapter but we will miss him. Do you remember his program on living and working as the station doctor in Antarctica?

Some of the facilities at the airport are: Aircraft tie downs (bring your own ropes), Picnic tables; Two steel fire pits with cooking grates on top of them and an outhouse. The airport entrance is less than one mile into town where you can find things like the old historic Cascadia Inn and the Whistling Post Saloon.

Many thanks to Paul Wolf and his wife Deanna from Washington State Dot, Steve Koch (local resident), Jennifer Eckman and her family from Paine Field Airport, and the other members of Paine Field Chapter: John Artman, Jerry & Lynnett Barkley, Daniel Diessner, Alix Frazer, Gregg Ortega, Mark Henninger, Matthew Nash, Will Silva, Mark Wilkerson and my wife Stephanie who arranged lunch for all of us.

by Rich Jones



Astoria, Oregon Fly-out
August 11th, 12th and 13th
organized by Lynnett and Jerry Barkley

Astoria Flyout August 11th – 13th

Come enjoy a weekend of sightseeing, embrace the Riverwalk Trail by walking, biking & trolley. There are great opportunities for Dinning, Breweries, Museums, Astoria Column, Glass blowing, Shopping & Good Friends. The plan for Sunday's return is to visit WAAAM at Hood River.

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Walla Walla Fly-out With Wine Tours. August 25th, Saturday August 26th, Sunday August 27th

Prior to July 1st \$199, then \$225 until August 1st, then \$249 per person for two nights lodging, shuttles to/from airport, shuttles to wineries, vineyard tour, lunches, drinks & a dinner.

\$395 per person for non-pilots in Cessna 205, min. 4, with same as above.

\$150 per person for one night lodging and the same except for dinner.

\$ 95 per person for one day shuttles, wine touring & lunches

WPA Fly over to Walla Walla for touring & tasting one of the best winery regions anywhere! Fly over with other members of the Washington Pilots Association (WPA), and spend the weekend of August 25th sipping wine, taking winery tours and discover one of the true gems in the Northwest, the Walla Walla Wine Valley.

On Sunday join Norm McKibben and/or a famous wine maker, on an aerial tour over vineyards and see the this incredible industry and infra structure from the air.

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- Tour with WPA pilots & guests.
- Drinks & Dinner at Pub 124.
- Friday/Saturday Night Accommodations.
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July 7th & 8th AWO Fly-in Camping & BBQ
July 15th Fly-in to Troutdale, Engine Shop Tour & BBQ, limit of 20 attendees please RSVP to jerrybarkley@msn.com
July 21st - 23rd 35th Annual Concrete Vintage Fly-In
Aug 11th-13th AST Fly-in
Aug 25th-27th Wine with Wings Fly-in Walla Walla

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