



# PROPWASH

December 2021

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### 5AC MEETING

Monday, Nov. 29

**6:00 PM** (recurring monthly on the last Monday) All interested in the Auburn Airport are welcome to attend in person the 5AC (Auburn Airport Association Airport Advisory Committee).

KAUN.5ac@gmail.com

Members in good standing are eligible to vote.

### GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Wed, Dec. 1st 6:00 PM

Local musicians [The Auburnaires](#) will entertain us with classic and original music at our holiday social. There will be no broadcast.

## DEC MENU

AAA will provide turkey, ham, and gravy for our December meeting. Here's what you might bring, according to the first letter of your last name:

**A-I: Dessert**

**J-Q: Side**

**R-Z: Side**

## President's Message

### No Use Crying Over Spilled Soup....

The past two years have been marked with quite a variety of opportunities and challenges. Some being the obvious and others very personal. Perhaps you have read my past "Soup" articles featured in September, 2020 newsletter, "There Is a Fly in My Soup" and also in March of 2021, "There Is a Fly in My Soup Again" Alas, I offer one more Soup tale.

Three and a half years ago, I set foot on the Auburn airport to see what opportunities may be available. After a short visit with Diane Hammer I was signed up to provide flight instruction at Sunshine Flyers. In my wildest dreams I had no idea what Auburn Airport had in store for me. It opened the door to meet so many incredible people and to fly and ride in many of my bucket list airplanes, like



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## President's letter continues

a Red Stearman, a Gyro Copter, Gliders, Sporty Light Sports and many others. I have had the the honor to teach and mentor many pilots with a dream to fly for fun or to make it a full time career. And to top it off, I was asked to serve as president of Auburn Aviation Association.

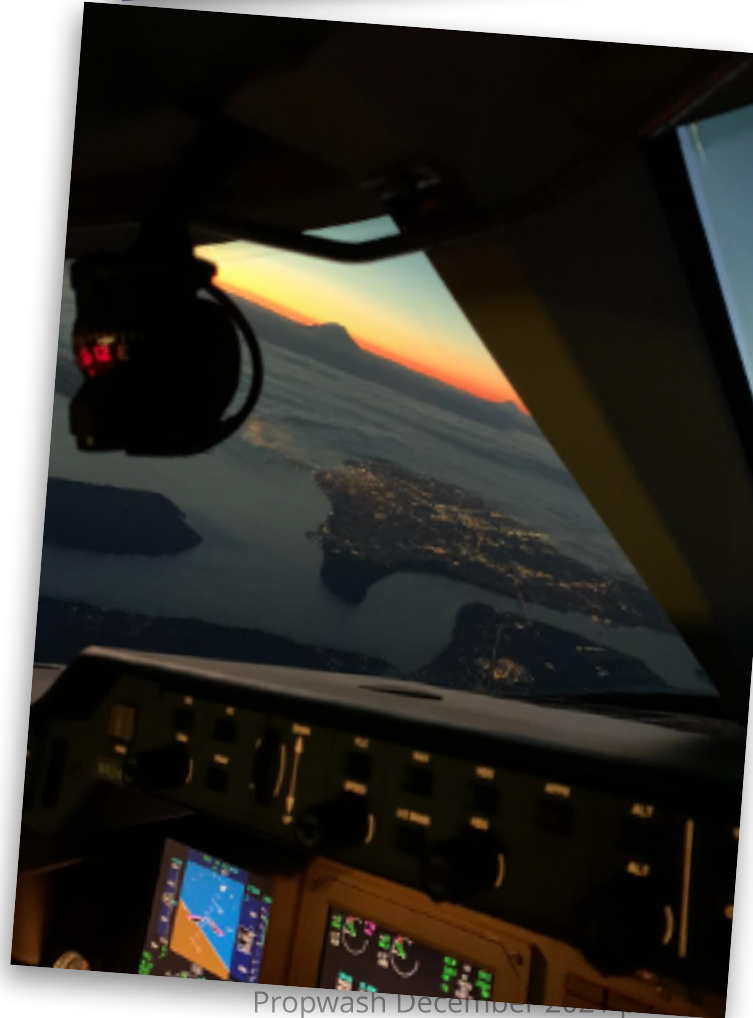
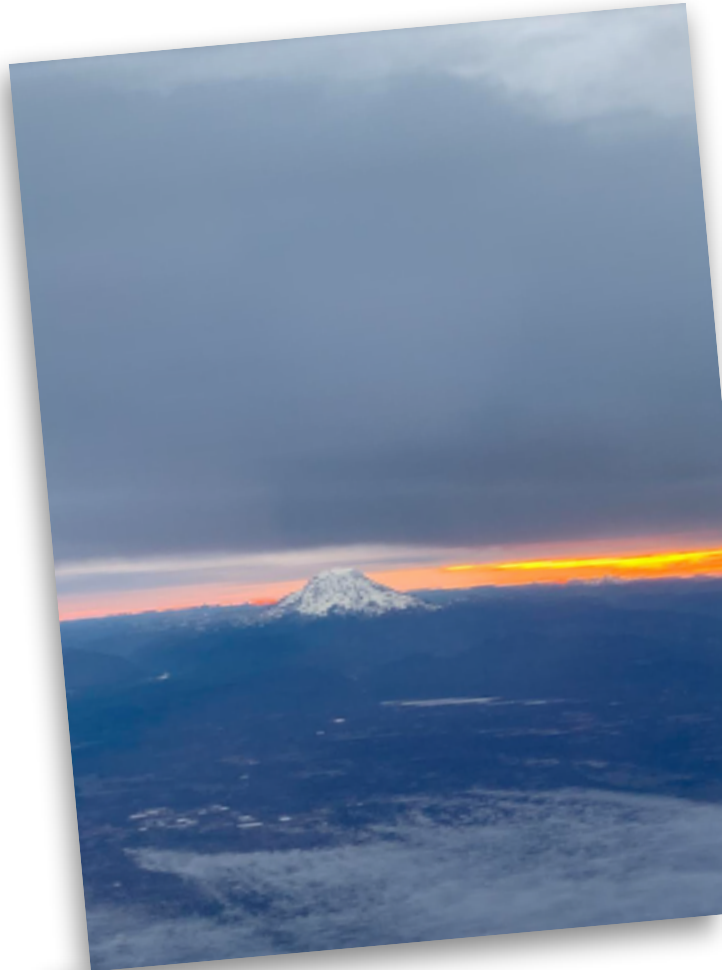
But life can throw curve balls from time to time that give us setbacks and challenges to overcome. There is a famous motivational speaker named Mel Robbins and she is quoted as saying: 'Motivation is garbage. Making a decision is everything! Life comes down to making decisions. Motivation is useful for things that are easy. Decisions change everything. When a baseball is traveling at a high rate of speed towards your head, you best make a decision rather than attend a group meeting or a seminar on motivation.' Today and everyday let's make good decisions that benefit ourselves and others. Thank you everyone for your support these past two years as president and I look forward to many years of service with Auburn Aviation Association, "Paying it Forward".

Sincerely,

Randy

President AAA

PS Thx Mucho JR





# As The Prop Turns

I hope everyone has had a good Thanksgiving. Don't forget Christmas is only a few days away. Some students have given themselves an early present by achieving aviation goals. **Cameron Thompson** soloed in a Cessna 152 with **Rory Ondracek** as his instructor. **Ron Uyeyama** finally was able to take his check ride for the Private Pilot Rating with **Wade Mayorga** as his instructor. After numerous delays due to examiner scheduling and weather he was able to take his check ride with **David Tranquilla** in our Sports Star. David Tranquilla did not stop there, **Devin Herron** earned her Instrument Rating with him in a Cessna 182. Devin only had five hours in the airplane due to a radio installation in the airplane she did most of her training in. Our very own **Helen Dobeck** completed her Multi-Engine Instructor rating with **Richard Conte** as her examiner. Congratulations to all of you on a job well done.

The ceremony to lay Wreaths Across America at more than 2500 cemeteries across our great country happens this year on December 18th, a Saturday. You can attend this ceremony at the Old Auburn cemetery. Contact **Marilyn Schneider** at 831-521-8238 or [mjs1045@aol.com](mailto:mjs1045@aol.com) to participate as a volunteer.

Winter flying is upon us and it is time to think about those beautiful winter days of flying both VFR and IFR. The cold clear days will make for great performance and some stunning winter wonderlands we see in post cards. With that comes proper preparation for winter flying. Are you ready for cold engine start? Does your cabin heat work properly? Does it leak? Can you recognize the symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning? Are you ready for that off airport landing in the cold? Good flight planning is part of that. Plan your route to minimize the time spent in the cold before rescue if you go down. Bring warm clothes and some sort of fire starter so you can stay warm until help comes. If nothing else bring warm clothes to stay warm pre-flying. Are all of your electronic devices have fully charged batteries? It would be terrible that your ELT, PRT, and or cell phone does not work when you need it

the most. Did you file a flight plan? Filing a flight plan will guarantee that someone will come looking for you if you do not show up in time. The FAA will initiate search and rescue procedures within 30 minutes of your expected arrival time. If you wait for your friends to report you missing, you will probably spend a cold night in the woods. Winter flying is enjoyable, so go out enjoy it. Additionally it is getting dark earlier and you can get night current and be home at a reasonable hour.

Well that is about all for this month, I hope every one has a Happy Thanksgiving and a Merry Christmas. Good Night Miss Daisy.

The Prop  
Turner

Mike  
Duncan



# Flight Scholarships 2022

by Don Wolfe



Auburn Aviation Association (AAA) will begin accepting Flight Scholarship applications on January 1, 2022. Scholarship flight training must be accomplished in helicopter or fixed wing aircraft at a flight school located at the Auburn Airport (KAUN).

8 flight scholarships will be available next year, 6 of which will be up to \$10,000 each!

Sponsors are: The Ellsworth Hovey Getchell Foundation, EAA Chapter 526, Mach 5 Aviation and the Auburn Aviation Association.

The primary goal is to expose qualified applicants to the exciting world of aviation. 6 individuals will have sufficient funds to earn a Private Pilot License and 2 certified pilots will be

able enhance their qualifications with an Instrument Rating.

We are excited to administer the 2022 Flight Scholarships for these generous organizations. Our Interview Team will be looking for dedicated, energetic individuals with a positive attitude. People that are willing to work hard and become licensed aviators will be chosen. The 2022 Awardees will be joining a long list of successful pilots that began their career at the Auburn Airport.

Look for more information and a link to the applications in the January 2022 Propwash.

Don Wolfe  
Scholarship Director

# 2022 Air Academy Scholarships by Don Wolfe

In partnership with the Auburn Aviation Association, Auburn Chapter 526 of the Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) is offering scholarships to individuals in the Greater Auburn area to attend the 2022 EAA Air Academy.

One applicant who will be age 14 or 15 as of July 5, 2022, will receive full tuition (\$1280) and air fare reimbursement to attend the July 5 - 10, 2022, session of EAA Basic Air Academy.

One applicant who will be age 16, 17, or 18 as of July 29, 2022, will receive full tuition (\$1605) and partial air fare reimbursement to attend the July 29 - August 6, 2022, session of EAA Advanced Air Academy.

These highly regarded summer camps are held at Oshkosh, Wisconsin, Home of EAA's AirVenture, the world's largest aviation event.

Participants are immersed in many aspects of aviation. AirVenture will be held July 25 - 31, 2022, and Advanced Air Academy participants will be able to attend. Basic and advanced camps usually sell out well in advance, and Chapter 526 has already secured the necessary slots.

[Click here for more information on EAA Air Academy.](#)

Applications will be accepted on line beginning on December 06, 2021 through January 31, 2022 at:

[EAA Chapter 526](#) and [Auburn Aviation Association](#).





# 88 Year Old Veteran Fulfills Longtime Goal

A retired military and corporate pilot realized a dream last week. Flyers Energy Commercial Fuels Sales Manager **Chris French** brought his dad to Auburn to meet with **Ken Dwelle** and get a ride in Tinkertoy, the Dwelles' former air racer T-6.

**William French** served in the Air Force from 1953 to 1963 and was stationed at 13 separate air bases. He also spent TDY and Assignment Time in seven foreign countries during that time. He started as an enlisted man, then was an NCO and became an officer through OCS, rising to the rank of captain. He served in the Air Force Intelligence School as well as field intelligence with the 100th Bomb Wing. He completed flight training and was assigned to the 99th ARS. He had the opportunity to fly T34s, T37s, T33s and KC135s while in the military. As a private pilot he flew a Beechcraft Bonanza and later a Rockwell Commander.

How was the ride? "Great! Bill flew the plane the whole time," said Ken.



*"I love flying guys like Bill. In fact, I feel it's my duty, considering what they've done for us."*

**Ken Dwelle**



# Veterans Day Parade

by Larry LaVerne

The parade was a huge success thanks to the efforts of our Auburn Veterans Day Parade Committee. Here are the members who made this happen:

**Cynthia Haynes** *Veterans Parade Committee Chair*

**Paula Celick** *Parade Director*

**Gene Freeland, Earl Montgomery, Bonnie Potter, Mike Holmes, Chuck Spinks, John Murray, Dan McLain, Terry Crouson**

We had several local businesses who generously contributed money and supplies in support of our parade. The beautiful Veterans Medals were ordered through Auburn Trophies located on

Highway 49. The spectacular Fly Over provided by Tom Dwelle, Auburn Jeep Club provided the wonderful breakfast.

At the Post Parade ceremony, Pizzas came from Pizza Express and Old Town Pizza. The other food, chips, snack packs, drinks, and more were provided by local super markets. Servers at the Post Parade Ceremony were members of our own Auburn Elks Lodge 1691.

Many contributed to make this a truly fun and great event for our community. You know who you are and so we say, many many thanks to you! -Larry and Paula





# Photos



**CHP Flight Officer & Paramedic Mark Flores** receiving a watercannon salute on his retirement flight after 25 years of service. Photo credit **Walker Carpenter**

Is there a pot of gold at the end of 25? Photo credits this page, including the 0:0 vis background: Rory Ondracek



T-6 Kitchen Pass lands on 25 at Auburn.



# Corporate Sponsors for Endowment Fund

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## Endowment Fund Corporate Sponsors



# AAA Members List September 2021

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## LIFETIME MEMBERS

We thank our lifetime members for their donations to the [AAA endowment](#)

**Gold \$2500**

**Silver \$1500**

**Bronze \$750**

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### Honorary Lifetime Members

Clarence "Bud" Anderson  
Noah & Renata Mackenroth

### Silver Lifetime Members

Mike Duncan  
Mike Shoemaker  
Jay Selby  
Shawn & Juliette Bickford

### Gold Lifetime Members

Doug & Yvonne Fee  
Tom Murray  
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Peggy Dwelle  
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Mike Long  
Tim Pinkney  
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Doug & Nancy Van Howd  
Matt Diccico



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## GENERAL MEMBERS

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Andy Anderson  
Don & Mona Anderson  
Richard Anderson  
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Aaron Benedict  
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Michael Brown  
Kelly Bruno  
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John & Hilary Burns  
Julia Carey  
Matthew Carlson  
Kristina Carroll  
Paula Celick & Larry LaVerne  
Hugh & Debbie Charles  
Andrew Chubatenko  
Bill & Diann Cola  
Rick Confer & Babs Crowell  
Joe & Terry Conyers  
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Dennis & Dianne De Cuir  
Beau & Rhonda De Graaf  
Jill Densmore

Helen Dobeck  
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Dennis Huber  
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Luke Jacobson  
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Jaian Jiminez  
Ariana Judd  
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Keith & Delinda Leafdale  
Kyle Lehr  
Randy & Lisa Leys  
Casey Long  
Dion Louthan  
Ray & Linda Lux  
Ken & Karine Lux  
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Renata Mackenroth  
Patrick Marquina  
Jeanie Marshall  
Frank & Debralyn Martinez  
John Massey  
Shane McAlister  
Doug McDougall &  
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Rob & Teri Miller  
Rita Miller  
Nick Moore  
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Karsten Murphy  
Michael Murphy  
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Erin & Cameron Myers  
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Kenneth & Diana Nielsen  
Christy Oliveira  
Rory Ondracek  
Adriel Palaia  
Tom & Louise Palmer  
Ernie & Janice Peterson  
Carole Pierce  
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Ben Samp  
John & Beverly Samp  
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Erik Schenk  
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David & Caryn Slane  
Dug Smith  
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Pierce & Gaylie Stewart  
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**Don't see your name?**  
**Call Chase! 530-263-8550**



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## Engraved Bricks for Veterans

Commemorative Bricks are available for sale to be installed around the Monument at Auburn Airport. As many of you know, our Association has taken on the task of ordering the bricks for the amazing Doug Van Howd monument honoring WWII veterans. For those of you who haven't seen it, stop by the grassy area at Wings Restaurant - you'll be awed and amazed. Bricks cost \$500 each. Proceeds, after costs, go to fund the "Col. Bud Anderson Scholarship Fund." See form on the next page for ordering. Questions? See Secretary, Joanie Mooneyham, 530-878-0434.



## Col. C.E. 'Bud' Anderson Fundraiser BRICK ORDER FORM

*Bronze monument of Col. Bud Anderson and his P-51 Mustang "Old Crow" created by Douglas Van Howd and installed at the Auburn Airport*

### Create an engraved brick!

***Honor a loved one – Advertise a business – Share another message***

Your inscription must fit into the white boxes below, 1 character per box. Each brick can have a maximum of 16 characters per line. A character is defined as a letter or number, a space or punctuation mark. Please do not use special characters. Text will automatically be centered.

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*(If you would like to order a second brick.)*

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Payment: 4" x 8" bricks @ \$500 = \$	
<b>Contact Information</b> Name: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____	<b>Make check payable to:</b> <b>Auburn Aviation Association</b> 501 (c) 3      Tax ID# EIN 68-0083066

*Please mail your check payable to "Auburn Aviation Association" to:*  
**Auburn Aviation Association**  
**P.O. Box 6454**  
**Auburn, CA 95604**

Contact Joanie Mooneyham with questions: (530) 401-0595 [joaniemoon05@gmail.com](mailto:joaniemoon05@gmail.com)



# Membership & Scholarship Donation Form

## Auburn Aviation Association—Membership and Donation Form

Fill out and return the form payment or log on to [www.auburnaviationassociation.org](http://www.auburnaviationassociation.org) to use PayPal or credit card to join or to pay your annual renewal. Scholarship donations are welcome at any time.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_

eMail: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Type of License (Circle One or More):    Student    Glider    Rotorcraft    Other \_\_\_\_\_

Ratings:    Private    Commercial    CFI    Instrument    Other \_\_\_\_\_

Aircraft: \_\_\_\_\_

**Annual Individual Membership: \$30.00**

Dues:

**Annual Family Membership: \$30.00**

Dues:

(Up to two contact and email addresses per family membership)

Family Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_

eMail: \_\_\_\_\_

Name Badge: \$11.00 each    Name on badge: \_\_\_\_\_    Amount:

**Endowment Fund Donation (optional):**    \_\_\_\$20    \_\_\_\$70    \_\_\_\$120    Amount:

**Total Payment:**

**Mail form plus check payable to:**

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