



## **AAA Events**

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### **JANUARY MEETING**

**Wednesday, January 8**

6:00 p.m. Barnstormer Room  
Joint meeting with  
EAA Chapter 526. Working  
together, the two organizations  
will be able to give more  
scholarships in 2020.

### **FEBRUARY MEETING**

**Wednesday, February 5**

6:00 p.m. Barnstormer Room  
AAA Members Jerry Severson  
and Nancy Benjamin will tell us  
of their trip to Moosehead Lake,  
Maine, to the [International  
Seaplane Fly-In](#).

### **MARCH MEETING**

**Wednesday, March 4**

6:00 p.m. Barnstormer Room  
General Membership Meeting

## **JANUARY MENU**

EAA will provide some pizza.  
Please bring a dish  
according to the first letter  
of your last name.

A-H: Main Dish  
I-Q: Salad or  
Vegetable  
R-Z: Dessert

## **Past President's Message**

As our new President, Randy Leys, is in the bullpen warming up, I offered to step in for him with an opening message this month.

Our December meeting brought a room full of members and guests who showed up to partake of the fun. Aside from the usual great dinner, and a little bit of Association business, we had live Christmas music as member Marcia Winborne-Graven played the keyboard for us.

The big event for the evening, however, was the silent auction that wasn't always quite silent. We had a surprisingly extensive and eclectic array of donated items available for bidding, with all of the proceeds going to our scholarship endowment. Model airplanes, E6-B flight computers, navigation plotters, a guitar, RC models, books, collectible magazines, a bottle of scotch, headsets, a birdhouse--we had tables full. The bidding was robust, competitive and fun. In the end, we all had a good time, and the auction wound up adding over \$800 to our endowment. It was a real win-win. There's talk about making it an annual event.

On a more somber note, I'm sorry to be reporting the sad news to you that our own Tom Camilli has gone west. Most of you will remember Tom as our entertaining speaker from a year or so ago when he presented us his story and slideshow about flying his Sundancer motorglider from Auburn to Florida for the Sun 'N Fun fly-in. Tom was not a loud, flamboyant sort of guy, but had a quiet, upbeat, cheerful humor and intelligence that made him an extremely pleasant and entertaining fellow to be around. Flying seemed to be part of his DNA. Reared on episodes of Sky King, Whirlybirds and WWII flying movies, he soloed on his third birthday (in an orange crate "airplane" constructed by his uncle) and earned his pilot's license before he was old enough to shave.

As with many aviators, real life and family obligations caused him to set aside his flight bag. But



## Past President's Message, continued



after a 40 year career as an educator, author and workshop presenter, he returned to the cockpit to tackle the challenge of learning motorless flight. He has since been an avid supporter of general aviation. Tom is survived by his wife, fellow glider pilot and AAA member Karin, as well as two adult children.

Tom was an integral part of our Association, as well as our airport community, and will be missed. Our condolences go out to his family.

Blue skies,

Doug

*photo: Left to right: Richard Pearl , Tom Camilli, Karin Camilli.*

## Aviation Scholarship Opportunities 2020

The Auburn Aviation Association (AAA) and Auburn Chapter 526 of the Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) are offering scholarship opportunities to individuals in the greater Auburn area. The goal is to expose qualified applicants to the exciting world of aviation and its related careers (pilot, mechanic, air traffic controller, aeronautical engineer, flight instructor, etc.).

There are two flight scholarships available. EAA Chapter 526 and AAA will each offer a \$2500 flight scholarship for 2020. These scholarships will be used at one of the 3 flight schools at the Auburn airport and are for individuals ages 16-23. Mach 5 and Sunshine Flyers provide ground and flight instruction in airplanes and Sierra Air Helicopters Inc. offers ground and flight instruction in helicopters.

EAA Chapter 526 is also offering two Scholarships to the EAA Advanced Air Academy in Oshkosh WI. The seven-day experience at the Academy provides an atmosphere for mature students to become totally immersed in the world of flight. Ground instruction and introductory recreation

flight experiences highlight this meaningful, action-packed camp. It combines "in-the-air" and "on-the-ground" hands-on activities. This stimulating opportunity is available for individuals age 16-18.

EAA Chapter 526 and AAA will be using a combined application and interview process. By combining forces the two organizations will be working together with a common process to mentor and offer exciting scholarship opportunities to individuals ages 16 - 23.

**Steve Kendall** (EAA), **James Jacobson** and **Don Wolfe** (AAA) have been working together to create the 2020 online application program. The scholarship application and more information can be located on the websites for EAA Chapter 526 and Auburn Aviation Association.

### Application Opening Date:

January 1, 2020

### Application Closing Dates:

EAA Advanced Air Academy January 31, 2020  
Flight Scholarships February 29, 2020



# As the Prop Turns

Auburn Aviation Association has sponsored several new students this year. Many of past scholarship recipients have finished their licenses and gone on to college or the military with the help of mentorship from AAA members. Thank you, **Don Wolfe** and **Larry Borchert**, for your efforts. Additionally, we have started our scholarship foundation to help fund the scholarship in perpetuity. The fund raising has been very successful and is ahead of our original expectation. Thanks again to immediate Past President **Doug Fee** and immediate Past Vice President and fundraising chairman Don Wolfe for seeing this long-time dream through to reality.

The Wreaths Across America has been another of our successful endeavors with the placing of flags on the veteran graves in Auburn. Thank you, **Joanie Mooneyham** and **Paula Celick**, for your efforts in heading that drive again this year. And let's not forget our board of directors who led us through this year of great accomplishments and welcoming in the many new members.

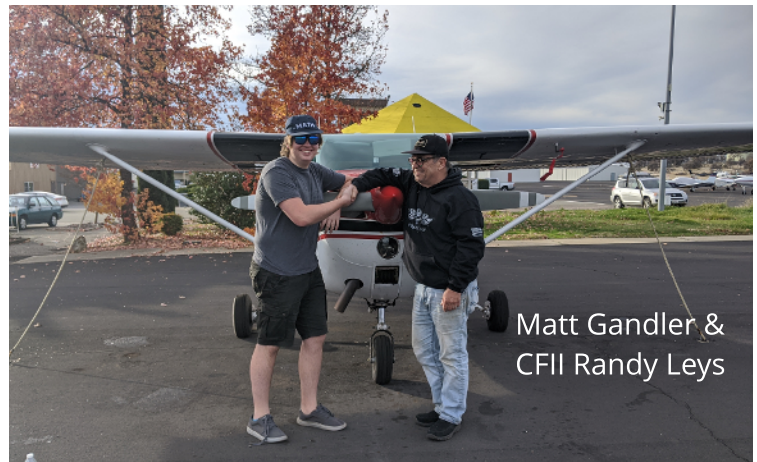


Foryst Van Dyck &  
DPE Ashley Snider.

Now on to the year, 2020. What would you like to see for the new year? Perhaps we could sponsor some new events for our meeting or for the general pilot population. Do you have any airport improvements you would like to see? Perhaps you like to help Don Wolfe and Larry Borchert with the mentorship program and give the kids the benefit of your own talents as a pilot or even some ground school. My personal New Years' resolution is to sponsor some FAA Safety Team (FAAST) seminars in the coming year. Many of these seminars meet the requirements for your Flight Review ground time.

# Mike Duncan

Perhaps I can even get some more donations to our Scholarship Foundation. We have done a lot of things over the last 35 years. What can you do for the next 35 years?



Matt Gandler &  
CFII Randy Leys

Accomplishments: **Foryst Van Dyke** can now put CFI after his name after passing his check ride with examiner **Ashley Snider** and **Mike Duncan** as his CFI. Also, **Matt Gandler** did his first solo with **Randy Leys** as his instructor in a C-172 out of Auburn Airport. **Helen Dobeck** was able to solo the Citabria with **Randy Leys** as her instructor. Next for her will be learning to fly the Citabria from the back seat as she works toward her Certified Flight Instructor rating. Congratulations to all on a job well done and another step into that great adventure of flying.

Well that is about all for this year so Happy New Year to all and good luck on your 2020 resolutions. Good Night Miss Daisy

The Prop Turner

Mike Duncan



CFII Randy Leys  
with Helen Dobeck

# Tammy's Treatment Milestone

Dec. 18th was a good day to celebrate. I finished 5 months of chemotherapy at Sutter Infusion Center in Auburn. I'm proud to say there are plaques in the waiting room listing many Auburn aviators as supporters of the center. Using this Auburn location saved me from traveling to Roseville every week for all those months. Surgery, scheduled for Jan. 21st, is the next phase of treatment, then I'll go on to radiation.

Some of my local Placer Gold 99 sisters from our Alaska trip & my parents came to my final appointment to help celebrate! In the photo we're all signing "I love you" and wearing matching special "faith" shirts Janet found for us. I'm holding my "F U Cancer" balloon I've taken with me to every treatment. The poster has my start/finish dates along with everyone's notes of encouragement. The Oncology Nurses have since added theirs.

From left to right in the photo is me in the pink hat, my friend Carol Tomasi, 99 sister Connie Schrader holding bells she brought along for me to ring, 99 sister Janet Walsh, Mom Dee Meredith, Dad Bob Meredith, 99 sister Merrilyn Lockerbie. In the center is Robbie Rudder, an

aviation-themed bear given to me by past AAA president Doug Fee. Robbie traveled to Alaska with us this summer. Mom's good friend Phyllis played photographer.

Although very, very tired, I'm thrilled to have chemotherapy behind me and just in time for my birthday and Christmas!!

I plan on doing some more flying before my surgery. For my birthday Helen from Sunshine Flyers took me up to look at Christmas lights. Kelsey surprised me and was able to join us. We had a great flight. Helen performed a textbook landing. (If Mike wants proof, I took a video!)

I want to thank everyone for your continued support. Your love & well wishes have helped keep my spirits up through this challenging time. I love my aviation family!!

Tammy Meredith  
Chair - Placer Gold 99s  
AAA Membership Director 2019



## Lifetime Memberships Available

President Doug Fee noted earlier this year that AAA now offers "Lifetime Memberships". The funds collected from these memberships are deposited in to the Scholarship Endowment Fund. The proceeds from this fund "work forever" to provide aviation scholarship opportunities to young adults in our area.

There are 3 levels of Life Memberships available on the AAA website: Bronze, Silver and Gold. The Life Memberships can be purchased directly or by giving a check to an Auburn Aviation Association Board member. Members can upgrade their membership by selecting the "Change Your Membership Level" tab in the upper right hand corner of the AAA home page.

Lifetime Members will be listed as such on the Auburn Aviation Association Roster. Thank you to the members that support this valuable program.





# Mach 5 Musings

Season's Greetings, KAUN!

Winter has finally arrived! And with it, lots of rain. We may not have been high in the skies much this month but we are high in holiday spirits!

We do have some exciting news to share. We have a newly licensed CFI... Tony Wright is in the house! Congratulations! Despite four cancellations by the DPE and needing to finish the check flight with a second DPE, you persevered and came away with your certificate. We are all so very proud of you and all your hard work. Now let's get you in here to train some up and coming pilots!

Speaking of hard work, congrats to Annalisa Sanfilippo for receiving a scholarship and Outstanding Senior Award from the University of Oklahoma College of Atmospheric and Geographic Sciences! Annalisa trained at Mach

5 and through hard work and dedication obtained her Private Pilot's license in 3 months. Annalisa is a Senior in the UO AFROTC program and is slated for flight school after graduation. So she will be graduating with a Bachelors in Meteorology.

With the new year right around the corner, keep a lookout for our 2020 ground school dates. Let's make this next year the best one yet!

Just a reminder that the FAA ADS-B clock is ticking. Luckily you can get your ADS-B installs here at Mach 5. We do both wingtip and taillight installs, give us a call and we can get you in our maintenance hanger ASAP.

Everyone here at Mach 5 is wishing you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Stay safe out there and keep flying high, KAUN!



# New Members

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## CHASE MORGAN

Chase Joined AAA in October. He grew up in Grass Valley, graduated from California Maritime Academy, and spent four years in naval contracting in Honolulu before he discovered he wanted to become a pilot. Chase is working for Flyers Energy in Auburn and preparing for the private pilot written test as well as the AFOQT for Air Force Reserve/guard unit entry.

## DAVID DWELLE

Auburn native David M. Dwelle is a graduate of the University of Southern California, where he studied business and accounting. David returned to Auburn in 2018 to pursue family business interests, and also resumed flight training at AUN, where he first began flying with Mike Duncan some 10 years ago. David proudly earned his private pilot certificate last June and is now pursuing the instrument rating under the tutelage of CFII Randy Leys.





## Dancing in the Clouds

Dancing in the clouds  
There's music in my ears  
My heart is pounding in my head  
My eyes are full of tears

There are no eagles here  
No hawk or bee or dove  
I feel such power within myself  
A greater force than love

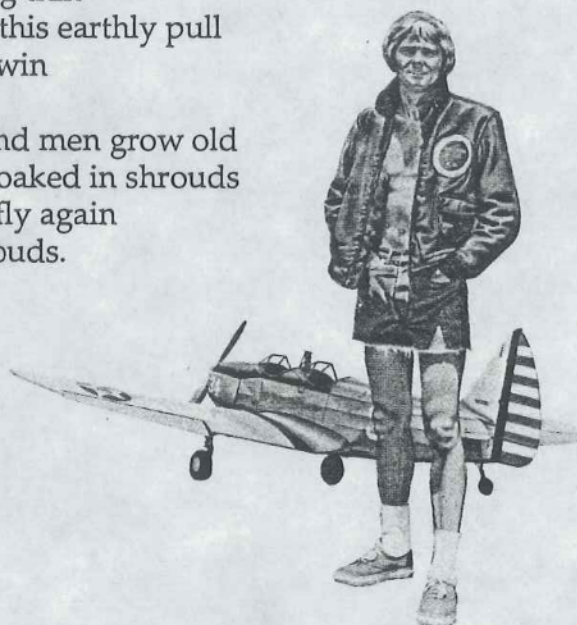
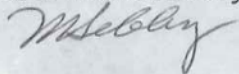
I can see forever  
Over endless beds of white  
I roll and turn and climb and fall  
And soar up out of sight

My universe gets bigger  
My thought is really free  
And know that I could fly and fly  
On through infinity

I feel the anchor breaking  
The chain is getting thin  
And fight to shed this earthly pull  
I know that I will win

When machines and men grow old  
And worlds are cloaked in shrouds  
I know that I will fly again  
Dancing in the Clouds.

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# AAA Members List January 2019

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Don Anderson	JON (JACK) & MARCIA FRIESELL	Gary & Darlene Mourning
Mona Anderson	Rick & Ruby Hammer	Erin & Cameron Myers
Clarence "Bud" Anderson	Tim Harmon	Kenneth & Diana Nielsen
Chris Anselmi	David Harris & Noah (grandson)	Christy Oliveira
Jack Bell	Chris & David Haven	Tom & Louise Palmer
Frank Bell	Joe Hemmer	Ernie & Janice Peterson
Tierra Bickford	Tom & Desiree Hennessy	Tim Pinkney
Shawn & Juliette Bickford	Robert Hewett	Bill & Nancie Radakovitz
Claude & Diana Biddle	Rose Horsman	Steve & Sandy Rhodes
Joe Bittaker	Dennis Huber	Bethany Roberts
Larry & Margot Borchert	Frederick Immen & Robin Staub (Daughter)	David & Pam Robertson
Tom & Judy Boucree	David Immen	Dave Rohlfes & Cathie
Darcy Brewer & Greg Gappert	Luke Jacobson	John & Beverly Samp
Brandon Brown	James Jacobson	Mikaela Sawaya
Michael Brown	Dennis James	Erik Schenk
Kelly Bruno	Jaian Jiminez	Martin & Dawn Scheyhing
Aaron & Heather Burns	Lyle & Jane Kelsey	Bernie & Jay Schroeder
Thomas & Karin Camilli	Chuck & Maggie Klunker	Mike Shoemaker
Julia Carey	Erik & Diksha Knierim	Chris Silva
Kristina Caroll	Keith & Delinda Leafdale	James D "Loy" & Virginia Sizemore
Paula Celick & Larry LaVerne	Randy & Lisa Leys	David & Caryn Slane
Hugh & Debbie Charles	Casey Long	Dug Smith
William & Diann Cola	Ray & Linda Lux	Bob & Stephanie Snyder
Rick Confer & Babs Crowell	Ken & Karine Lux	Pierce Stewart & Gaylie
Joe & Terry Conyers	B M	Chris Stroup & Gavin (son)
Brice Corcoran	Noah Mackenroth	Caleb Switzer
Dave & Melissa Cowles	Renata Mackenroth	Nancy Thym
Micah Doe	Jeanie Marshall	Don Treco
Eric & Kera Dolan	Frank & Debralyne Martinez	Camile Tricomo
Michael Don	John Massey	Victor & Carol Uhouse
Jessi Dreschler	Doug McDougall & Rosemarie La Rocca	Larry Uzelac
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Ken & Judy Dwelle	Tammy Meredith	Philip Vardara
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Joan Fischer	Wayne Mooneyham	Walt & Bonnie Wilson
Kenneth & Nancy Fisher	Nick Moore	Marcia Winborne-Graven
Steve Fitzgerald	Chase Morgan & Natalie Orr	Roger & Joyce Wofford
Dan & Karen Foster		Scott & Sharon Woodland
Elmer & Mary Ann Frank		

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## LIFETIME MEMBERS

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Honorary Lifetime Member: **Clarence "Bud" Anderson**

Gold Lifetime Member: **Doug & Yvonne Fee, Tom Murray, Don Wolfe, Peggy Dwelle,  
Jerry Seversen & Nancy Benjamin**

Silver Lifetime Member: **Mike Duncan**

Bronze Lifetime Member: **David & Stephanie Holloway**



# 2020 AAA Board

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## Your Gear Is Ready

The following badges can be picked up at our next general membership meeting: Dennis De Cuir, Jakub Edgar, Jonas Edgar, Steve Kendall, Tom Schaub, Larry Uzelac. And there are tee-shirts, too.

Call Joanie Mooneyham. (530) 401-0595

## 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.



# 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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