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## **Regular Monthly Meeting**

The April meeting will be held at the main hanger of Heritage Field (594 West Ridge Pike, Limerick, PA, 484-938-7082) on Saturday April 23, 2016. The meeting will start at 10AM. The guest speaker will be AOPA's Les Smith. After the meeting pizza and soft drinks will be available for \$2 per slice and \$1 for soft drinks

Please RSVP with Gene Poppel (610-647-1332 or [genepoppel@comcast.net](mailto:genepoppel@comcast.net)).

## **Flyout**

### **Flyout for April, 2016**

#### **Springtime in the Scenic Hudson Valley**

Break into springtime with a brunch flight into the historic Hudson River valley. Explored by Henry Hudson, along the river that bears his name, the pre-revolutionary towns and breathtaking views of the Catskills (and, on a clear day, maybe even the Berkshires) make this trip a highlight of the PAOP year. Home of artists, authors, and presidents, the Hudson valley forms a perfect trail through the political and cultural history of early America.

On April 24, we'll fly for brunch amid this splendor, at the Tail Winds Café (yes, they spell it with two words) at Sky Acres airport (44N), in Millbrook, NY. With the restaurant and pilot shop housed in a converted dairy barn, the country ambience will be complete. Be aware that Tail Winds does not accept credit cards. Cash and personal checks are the only forms of payment accepted.

It's just 121 nm across some of the most scenic country in the northeast. Be sure to establish communications with the tower at Dutchess County Airport at

Poughkeepsie (KPOU), as your approach to Sky Acres goes through their Class D airspace. Our destination is just a few miles east northeast of KPOU, and 5 nm on the 068 radial of Kingston VOR (IGN). There is self-service fuel available.

You may want to plan your return trip to include a flight down the Hudson and through the corridor along Manhattan. Just be sure to have a current New York Terminal Chart and take the free online FAA course on operations in the Hudson River Exclusion. Procedures are simple, but deviation can be costly.

We'll gather at Penn Airways at 0930 for 1000 takeoff. Take a non-pilot or a student along, for an introduction to the world of general aviation—the fun and camaraderie. Contact Tim Drager (484-999-0060 or [tdrager@yahoo.com](mailto:tdrager@yahoo.com)) and let him know if you'll need a ride or have a seat available in your plane.

## **A Reminder—Your Dues, a Financial Support for PAOP**

Dues for 2016 have been trickling in, but we really need a strong response this month. The dues are only one of our ways to raise funds, but an important one for this time of year. There are still some stragglers, and we'd like to keep you as part of the organization.

We need to meet our fixed expenses—rent, insurance, utilities—as well as equipment, supplies, and repairs. With a good return at the fly-in breakfast, and increasing membership rolls, we've been able to keep the dues at \$29 per year. Also, consider making an additional donation to PAOP. While it's not tax-deductible, it still would help us fulfill our mission.

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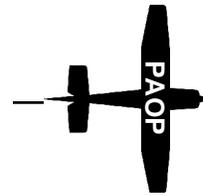
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There are two convenient ways to renew.

You can send a check for \$29 made out to PAOP, Inc. to PAOP, 3310 W. Ridge Pike, Pottstown, PA 19464. Please include the filled-out coupon below, so we can keep your info up to date in our database.

You can save a stamp and pay with a credit card (or using your own PayPal account) through PayPal. Just go to our web site [www.paop.org](http://www.paop.org), and click on the *Buy Now* link in the middle of the page. If you do it this way, please email the info on the coupon to [www.genepoppel@comcast.net](mailto:www.genepoppel@comcast.net). You don't have to use the actual form.

Take a moment now to pay your dues, and help ensure PAOP's continuing success.

## From the Prez

### Originality

We follow in the footsteps of those who paved the way before us. It is rare to accomplish anything that is original. Even the Wright brothers used others' ideas in their designs. Orville and Wilbur had a unique sense of skepticism, curiosity and originality which enabled them to create the first heavier-than-air flying machine. They were also stubbornly believed in math, which allowed them to validate key factors of flight including thrust, lift and drag. They had difficulty finding a lightweight, high-horsepower engine, so they had a local machinist build one from scratch.

Q: Why should we fly when it's all been done before?

A: Since every day brings an incremental improvement in understanding to our environment including the weather, flying

skills, aircraft condition, etc..., each flight is a new experience.

I fly a Cessna 172, a rather boring, run-of-the-mill airplane. However, every flight provides something new to learn, whether it be an improved flying technique, improved understanding of aircraft performance (this is a 145 HP model, so it's a dog), weather, or even a better \$100 hamburger.

Next week, new ideas will be presented at our April 23 meeting. AOPA's Les Smith is an aviation "spark plug" who will give you at least one idea to improve your aviation experience. If cost is a barrier to flying Les will share some ideas to reduce the cost. If you miss the days when flying was fun, Les will provide a few ideas to bring back the joy.

Come for the presentation on April 23 at 10AM at the KPTW Penn Airways main hangar. After the presentation, we will have pizza at \$2/slice. If it rains, we will meet on the south side in one of Wayne Long's hangars. Follow the signs.

I look forward to seeing you there. Bring your original ideas to share with your fellow aviators.

Tim

## Board Minutes

PAOP Executive Board

April 6, 2016

Attendees: Tim Drager, John Green, Gene Poppel, Laura Poppel, Bob Nesspor, Barry Kerchner, Dennis Galvin

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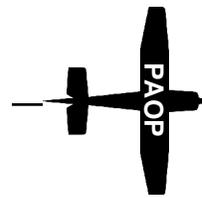
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Minutes from March 2, 2016 meeting were read. Motion made and carried to approve the minutes.

## Treasurer Report: April 2016

Starting balance	\$ 6107.02
Expenses	\$ - 550.27
Income	\$ <u>499.00</u>
Ending Balance	\$ 6055.75
Gain (Loss)	(\$ 51.27)

Motion made and carried to accept the report.

See new business for additional Treasurer report out

## Old Business:

- Mike Sehl and Gene Poppel to work on combining mailing lists as we currently have several members on different email lists. DUE 3/2/16
  - Making progress in combining lists, including culling the Yahoo News group list
- John Green working on formatting address list into booklet form. Reformatted into Excel, next step to reformat into mailing lists, then into booklet form. DONE Create booklet DUE 3/2/16
  - Board decided cover layout and what goes on the inside of the front cover, back cover and outside back cover.
- Following or changing Constitution and By-Laws: Suggestions for changes should be submitted to Gene Poppel.
  - Tim to announce at March meeting to have proposals sent to Gene for drafting. A few suggestions have already been submitted.

- Rick Jones looking to purchase wood for picnic table repair, he needs to know number and size of boards. Bob Nesspor to measure and provide to Rick. IN PROGRESS
- Spring cleanup at the Flyers Roost is set up for April 30<sup>th</sup> from 08:00-12:00 with coffee and donuts provided.
- Fly-Out March 20<sup>th</sup> to Smoketown, PA - S37
- Speaker for March 31<sup>st</sup> meeting, Dave Szymanski, speaking on his trip to Antartica. Gene to confirm.
- Tim covered AOPA presentation by Les Smith covering “Less bucks, more fun!” April 23<sup>rd</sup>. We will sell pizza @ \$2/slice, sodas and water at \$1, Suzy Jo donuts for \$1 as a fund raiser. Discussion on what is needed eg., tables, chairs, coffee for April 23<sup>rd</sup> from 10 AM-1 PM. AOPA is advertising on their website and we are advertising on Social Flight. We are asking for RSVP to help us better estimate how much food to buy and how many tables/chairs we will need.
- Mike Sehl’s letter to insurance carrier for Camporee coverage was distributed and discussed.
  - Gene to shop our current policy and see if we can get better pricing.

## New Business:

- Gene Poppel did follow up on discussions regarding insurance coverage, but has not yet had a chance to review the policy.
- Gene has sent out 1 email, 1 postal mailing and 1 newsletter notification regarding dues. 2 people have paid dues twice and 2 have made additional donations.

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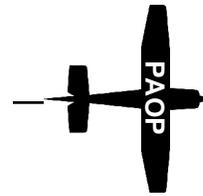
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- Civil Air Patrol will have a demo for ELT tracking and Search & Rescue at the Aviation Jamboree
- April 23<sup>rd</sup> AOPA presentation, Jim Fowler will help with setup and Dennis Williams will get pizza and soft drinks. We need chairs.
  - Tim Drager showed a layout of the grounds for the Jamboree
- EAA would like to rent the Roost for a lunch cookout on June 11<sup>th</sup>
  - Rental fee of \$50
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Roost cleanup scheduled for May 7<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM
- Fly-out to Sky Acres Millbrook, NY (44N) April 24th KPTW @ 9:30
- Tim to send a letter to Dave and Dayle Szymanski thanking them for their presentation at the last monthly dinner.
- Barry Kerchner was looking for ideas on repair/replacement of bar at the pavilion
- Dennis Galvin brought up buying flexible refrigerator magnets with PAOP logo for sale-tabled for later discussion. Dennis to provide wings logo for pricing in a 4"x6" oval. A minimum quantity of 60 for \$2.92 each including setup is required. Motion made and carried to authorize \$300 expenditure.

Motion made and carried to adjourn at

Respectfully submitted,

John Green

## Mike's View

Radios.....

I don't think it matters whether you are an airplane renter or an airplane owner; the current race in the aviation electronics world to build the better mousetrap is mind boggling or head spinning. Pick one.

For owners, it is a matter of understanding how the ADS-B in and out offerings will fit in best with or replace the existing electronic equipment in your plane and at what cost. For renters, it will mean becoming familiar with new equipment so you can fly safely (I think the point of the whole deal) in a couple of different airplanes.

As I read all the adverts and view the videos from the online aviation news sources as well from the many manufacturers, my mind becomes boggled in all the claims and attempts to sort out apples and avocados.

The year 2020 is looming, as the changes must be implemented in each airplane. I remember the hoopla about the approaching Millennium (2000 for those younger pilots). If you listened to people it was either going to be the end of civilization as we knew it with all computers and mirrors no longer working, or we were going into the age of enlightenment. Both predictions were untrue, but we lived through the year 2000, 2001 etcetera.

I am lucky to have two intelligent and technology savvy partners to share the burden of making the correct choice for our situation with, but I still read all the ads and announcements, and then my aviation brain turns to mush. And yes, I do understand that it is about more than radios, it's radios mixed in with computers and satellites and I feel the room spinning again.

Sky-hawk

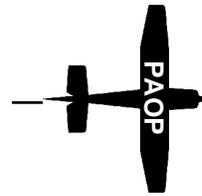
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## Lancaster Fly-in and Seminar

### Fuel—We have to have it

Lancaster Airport (KLNS) has instituted a new series of combined brunch or lunch and seminar events. They combine an inexpensive meal (\$7 for adults, children 6-12 \$3) with a safety seminar. This is an easy choice to get Wings knowledge credit. It's held in the airport terminal building.

On May 7, 2016, the presentation is, "Fuel—the Lifeblood of General Aviation." The speaker is John Sibole, FAASTeam Safety Program Manager at the Harrisburg FSDO. He's a former research engineer at AVCO Lycoming. Breakfast is 9:00-10:30, with the presentation starting at 10:30.

You can register either through a link on [www.lancasterairport.com](http://www.lancasterairport.com) or on the FAA site [www.aviationsafety.gov](http://www.aviationsafety.gov). For more information, go to the airport web site, [www.lancasterairport.com](http://www.lancasterairport.com).

As the date draws nearer, we can organize a group flyout to this event, or even set up carpooling to drive.

## Upcoming FAA Seminars

### **"Avoid the Unthinkable - Key Strategies for Collision Avoidance"**

Topic: Collision Risk and Avoidance Strategies

Tuesday, April 26, 2016 at 19:00 EDT

Location: Jet Center - Philadelphia Northeast Airport, 11301 Norcom Road, Philadelphia, PA 19154

**Select Number:** EA1768032

### **Description:**

The more flying hours you accumulate, the more likely you are to be able to relate at least one incident of a near miss incident or having had to execute an aggressive escape maneuver to avoid another aircraft. In this presentation, we will examine the flight scenarios and types of operation that present the greatest risk for an in-flight or on-the-ground collision and best practices to avoid them. We will examine operations at, and in the vicinity of, towered and non-towered airports, the enroute on and off airway cross-country environment, and both VFR and IFR operations. We will analyze how pilot, crew, aircraft, environment, external factors and mission all play a role in both creating and mitigating collision risk. Practical examples will be discussed, drawing from thousands of hours of flight experience and NTSB accident reports. After attending this seminar, you will be more aware and better prepared to avoid a serious or fatal on-ground or mid-air collision. Don't miss this potentially life-saving presentation. Click on the link below and register TODAY.

To view further details and registration information for this seminar, [click here](#).



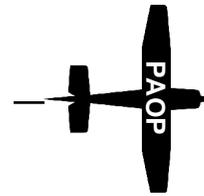
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## Tentative 2016 PAOP Event Calendar

Date	Event	Comment
1/6/16	Board Meeting	
<b>1/28/16</b>	<b>ANNUAL Meeting (Including Elections &amp; Speaker)</b>	<b>Copperfield Inn at Lakeside</b>
1/31/16	Flyout— Millville (KMIV) Brunch	
2/3/16	Board Meeting	
<b>2/25/16</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting</b>	<b>Copperfield Inn at Lakeside</b>
2/28/16	Flyout— Sky Manor, Pittstown.NJ (N40)	Brunch
3/2/16	Board Meeting	
3/19/16	Flyout—Smoketown, PA (S37)	Breakfast and Old Plane Collection
<b>3/31/16</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting</b>	<b>Copperfield Inn at Lakeside</b>
4/6/16	Board Meeting	
4/??/16	Cleanup	Roost 9AM
4/24/16	Flyout— Sky Acres Millbrook, NJ (44N)	Brunch
<b>4/23/16</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting</b>	<b>AOPA Presentation</b>
5/4/16	Board Meeting	
<b>5/13-15/16</b>	<b>Scouts at PTW</b>	<b>Roost</b>
<b>5/14-15/16</b>	<b>99's Pennies a Pound at PTW</b>	
<b>5/26/16</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting @ The Roost</b>	<b>Steak</b>
5/21/16 (Sat)	Flyout— Grimes, Bethel, PA (8N1)	Golden Age Museum
6/1/16	Board Meeting	
6/26/16	Flyout— Kentmorr Marina, Stevensville, MD (3W3)	Crabs!
<b>6/30/16</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting @ The Roost</b>	<b>Chicken*</b>
7/6/16	Board Meeting	
<b>7/28/16</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting @ The Roost</b>	<b>Steak</b>
7/31/16	Flyout— St. Michaels, MD (Fly to Easton, MD)	Lunch and Maritime Museum
8/3/16	Board Meeting	
8/25/16	Monthly Meeting @ The Roost	
8/28/16	Flyout— Massey Aerodrome, Massey, MD (MD1)	Massey Air Museum
9/7/16	Board Meeting	
<b>9/11/16*</b>	<b>Annual Fly-In/Drive-In Breakfast</b>	
9/25/16	Flyout—Sullivan County, Monticello, NY (KMSV)	Brunch at the New Restaurant
<b>9/29/16</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting @ The Roost</b>	<b>Lobster (and optional steak)</b>
10/5/16	Board Meeting	
<b>10/27/16</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting @ The Roost</b>	
10/29/16 (Sat)	Flyout— Cherry Ridge, Honesdale, PA (N30)	Brunch
11/2/16	Board Meeting	
11/27/16	Flyout— South Jersey Regional, Mt. Holly, NJ (KVAY)	Brunch and Air Victory Museum
<b>11/17/16</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting</b>	
12/7/16	Board Meeting	New Slate of Officers
<b>12/29/16</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting – Christmas Party</b>	<b>Cutillos</b>
12/18/16	Flyout— Frederick, MD (KFDK)	
1/4/17	Board Meeting	New Slate of Officers
<b>1/26/17</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting</b>	<b>Copperfield Inn at Lakeside</b>
1/29/17	Flyout— Greenwood Lake, West Milford, NJ (4N1)	Brunch and a visit to a Constellation

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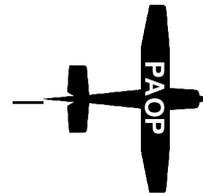
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