

## VOLUME 27: ISSUE 10 ● DECEMBER 2012 A PUBLICATION OF THE PINE MOUNTAIN LAKE AVIATION ASSOCIATION

## PMLAA Highlights for 2012

We're about to close out another year in paradise. Our speaker program, block party, airport day and Christmas party all lived up to our expectations; read on for highlights:

### **Speakers:**

February: J. R. Williams recounted the last flight of the Red Baron



March: Bill Behrns took us to CBI in WWII flying his P-38 "San Joaquin Siren"



April: Einar Enevoldson took us to 50,724 feet in a glider (a record) and shared his plans to get to 100,000 feet



May: Ken Orloff talked about "Recipies for Creating Your Own Accident"



June: Kenny Fields and George Marrett recounted an amazing air combat rescue in Vietnam



August: Norm Peebles, Ed Peters and Joe Riley engaged us with their Vietnam Chopper adventures



November: Jackie Potts & Deputy Rob Lyons talked about the Tuolumne County Sheriff's Search & Rescue Unit



Airport Day: Best yet thanks to Wayne, Michael, and all our volunteers





## Christmas Party: Can you believe these picts?

#### Joe dressed to the nines



Our hosts: Alan and Conni



New guard + date, old guard



**Tom and Gina** 



Peter and Karla



#### A festive table



Lee and Michelle



**Randy and Marie** 



Dick and Thelma



Alan and Yuni



#### Meet the New PMLAA Board:

#### **President: Eric Henderson**

A former Army Apache maintenance technician, I'm currently an enterprise



software engineer in the bay area. I like technical wall climbing (El Capitan, Half Dome, etc.). I'm an active member of the County Sheriff's SAR team.

### **VP Airport: Lynne Orloff**

Flying has been my passion since 1977. I bought my cabin on the airport 14 years ago prior to my retirement as an aerospace engineer. My 1941 Ryan PT-22 is my favorite of the three airplanes I have owned.. She has been with me for 27 years. Lately, Ken's Bonanza has been my most "go-to-ride" other than my horse.

## VP Social: Catherine Santa Maria

I'm a retired bank executive. I've lived in PML

full time with my husband Larry for 16 years. I just celebrated my 1 year anniversary as a private pilot.

### **Treasurer: Allen Craig**

A past PMLAA president, I spent 20 years flying for American Airlines retiring as a 767 captain. I also



spent 7 years active as a navy pilot and an additional 14 years flying in the Navy reserves.

### **Secretary: Carol Simpson**

Our PML Airport community is my family and I'm still consulting with the Army on



occasion. My 3 flying cats, my '46 Cessna-140, '55 Bell-47 heli, & '71 Lake keep me sane & having fun.

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### President's Message by Marle Hewett

s I write this, my term as President will expire shortly. I think it's been a good year. My favorite monthly speaker was Bill Behrns, our local P-38 pilot from the CBI theater in WWII. After 90+ years on the planet, he was a sharp as they come

Aviation Day was a huge success this year thanks to Wayne and our many volunteers. The block party poker run worked beautifully thanks to Randy and Marie, and Conni and Alan's Christmas party was great fun.

After years of mulling it over, we finally obtained liability insurance for our Aviation Day this year. Yes, it was expensive and, thankfully, we didn't need it, but most members I've talked to agree that it was a good idea. In addition, your new board is looking into adding "Executive and Officer" liability insurance for the board in 2013. This is a good idea. PMLAA boards have been exposed since the beginning years ago and our sue happy culture continues to get worse.

Your retiring PMLAA board met with your new board last weekend. All members were present. I'm quite impressed with the new "team". The speaker schedule is set through June. The speaker lineup is impressive. Eric is currently working out hangars. As usual the first monthly meeting will be in February (the 2<sup>nd</sup>).

Once more, I am grateful for the support I had all year from my board and all committee chairs. I would like to single out Kathy McConnell and Kay Smith for their work. They will not be returning to next year's board. Amongst the committee chairs, I am grateful to Ed Peters, Larry Jobe, Norm Peebles, Jim Thomas, Carol Simpson, Silvano Gai, my spouse – Judy, and, of course, the media duo – Phil Hickerson and Ken Codeglia. Then there's the "setup" party that shows up for meeting setup every time like clockwork (Kay Meermans, Wayne and Karen Handley, Rich McGlashan, Roger and Jan Sloan, Norm and Patty Peebles, Larry Roessler, Allen and Linda Craig, and several others who might be mad because I didn't list them.

Finally, there are the hangar owners whose floors we have worked over;: Benzing's, Meerman's, Peeble's, Buchner's, Behel's, McGowen's and Barber's.

So, it's farewell to my flock. Eric, they're all yours; good luck.

Check out our on-line "store" for PMLAA items: hats, shirts, fleece tops, and other neat memorabilia at www.companycasuals.com/pm/aa/start.jsp.

# From the Airports Manager by Jim Thomas

### Stormwater

expect that most airport users are not aware that we are required by the California State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) to have a Stormwater Discharge Permit for each airport. Airports like Columbia and Pine Mountain Lake are members of the Airport California Monitoring Group which is a group of small California airports that have joined together through the Association of California Airports (ACA) to form an organization that manages our sto rmwater monitoring requirements. The Airport California Monitoring Group has hired Ecoptions, Inc. to manage the stormwater permit reporting requirements and Barnes & Thornburg, LLP to manage the training and regulatory changes. Through the Airport California Monitoring Group we also receive a non-regulatory inspection of our airports to help us stay in compliance. The formal name of this inspection is the Annual Comprehensive Site Compliance Evaluation.

Our current permit requires us to monitor any water flowing from the airport whether it is stormwater (runoff from a rain storm) or non-stormwater (like fire hydrant flushing). We visually check the run-off for turbidity, floating debris, odor, and sheen. The biggest concern is that there may be hydrocarbons leaking onto our ramps which in turn get washed into the local streams and rivers during a discharge event. In addition to the visual observations, the regulations require that 40% of the airports in the Airport California Monitoring Group obtain stormwater samples for laboratory testing each year. This year both Columbia and Pine Mountain Lake Airports were required to be sampled. The samples are obtained using a very stringent procedure which includes packing the samples in an insulated shipping container with ice and making sure the container is delivered to the testing laboratory within 24 hours of obtaining the sample.

The State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) is in the process of rewriting the stormwater permit requirements. It can be assumed that when finally adopted and implemented, the requirements for stormwater observations and storm water sampling will be more stringent. Even though there has never been any violation at either airport, the new permit requirements will add to our workload. I certainly hope the annual permit fee of \$2,200 and the annual Airport California Monitoring Group membership fee of \$1,360 for each airport doesn't change in the near future.



## 2012 Meeting Calendar

Date Program

Time & Location

The 2013 speaker program will be published in the January newsletter. The first monthly meeting will take place on February 2nd

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