

Langley Research Center Alumni Association (LAA)

Formed in 1987

Purpose

- To maintain relationships among former civil service and contractor employees of the LaRC and its predecessor, the Langley Memorial Aeronautical Laboratory (LMAL).
- To assist the LaRC to maintain contact with Alumni to the mutual benefit of the LaRC and the Alumni.
- To encourage and facilitate Alumni involvement in activities benefiting students from elementary school through college to increase the students' ability to succeed in all educational opportunities.
- To recognize notable contributions with enduring impacts to aerospace science.
- To encourage and facilitate interactions between Alumni and NASA personnel to make available Alumni experience and knowledge to benefit NASA missions and to support the LaRC's outreach efforts.

Eligibility

- All former NASA, NACA, or Army civil service and contractor employees of LaRC, other centers, and NASA HQ who have retired or left employment in good standing.
- Current NASA or U.S. Army civil service and contractor employees of LaRC who are eligible to retire.
- The surviving spouse of an individual who qualified for membership.

Dues

- Dues are \$10 per year or \$100 for Life membership.
- First calendar year is free for new members.

LAA Benefits

Engage with other members and the Center

- Members can maintain social contacts with other Alumni.
- LAA provides a mechanism for the Center to interact with retirees.
- Members can volunteer in special Center events, such as open house and visitor tours, employee mentoring and STEM education.

Participate in monthly meetings

- Held on the second Tuesday of each month at noon in the NACA room in Building 2102.
- Members gather at 11:30 AM for lunch (bring your lunch or use the NASA cafeteria).
- Provides opportunities to socialize and interact.
- Enjoy presentations on past or ongoing NASA research and technology work, or other general topics that benefit members.
- Special meetings are held in the summer (picnic) and winter (holiday luncheon).

Enjoy social gatherings

- In lieu of regular meetings, LAA hosts a picnic in the summer and a holiday luncheon in the winter.
- LAA may also offer other social gatherings throughout the year.

Attend Colloquia and Sigma Lectures

- Presented in the LaRC Reid Center auditorium about four times per year.
- The same or similar Sigma Series lecture is delivered in the evening at the Virginia Air and Space Center in Hampton, VA.

Special Activities

NACA and NASA Hall of Honor (HoH)

Honors the pioneers and significant contributors to LaRC over the years. The permanent display of the honorees can be viewed in the NACA Room in Building 2102, adjacent to the cafeteria.



Local Tours

Organized day tours to places that are enjoyable and informative to the members. Examples: Military Aviation Museum, Mariners' Museum.



Join now to engage in LAA-related activities

See <https://larcalumni.org/membership> or contact the membership chair at membership@larcalumni.org.

The 2025 LAA Officials

Officers

President: Kathy Ferrare

Vice President: Charlie Dunton

Secretary: Mary DiJoseph

Treasurer: Ray Rhew

Communications: Richard Hueschen

Committee Chairs and Other Officials

Programs: Charlie Dunton

Membership: David Hinton

NACA/NASA Hall of Honor: Open

Website and Publications: Rick Ross

Information Technology (IT): Roman Paryz

Nominations: Susan McClain

Education and Outreach: Open

Registered Agent: Geoffrey Tennille

Center Representative: Jessica Friz

Board Members at Large, by Class

Class of 2026: George Allison, Wayne Richie, Charles Cockrell, Kathy Ferrare, George Finelli

Class of 2027: Geoffrey Tennille, Ray Rhew, Craig Ohlhorst, Tony Pototzky, Rich Antcliff, Susan McClain, Mary DiJoseph

Class of 2028: Mark Ballin, Charlie Dunton, Odilyn Luck, Roman Paryz, Eric Rissling, Liliana Richwine



Contact Us

Join the LAA:

www.larcalumni.org/membership

Membership Chair:

membership@larcalumni.org



LAA is currently conducting hybrid meetings in the NACA room in Building 2102 at NASA Langley Research Center, plus streaming meetings using Microsoft Teams for those who are unable to attend in person. All new members will be added to the email distribution list and will receive instructions on how to join the hybrid meetings.



NASA Langley Retirees

Do You:

Miss your retired co-workers?

Want to learn about NASA activities or volunteer at Center events?

**Come join the
Langley Alumni
Association!**

