

# 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 on the first Tuesday of each month.
- 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 [davidhinton@larcalumni.org](mailto:davidhinton@larcalumni.org).

# The 2024 LAA Officials

## Officers

**President:** Olaf Storaasli

**Vice President:** Kathy Ferrare

**Secretary:** Mary DiJoseph

**Treasurer:** Ray Rhew

**Communications:** Richard Hueschen

## Committee Chairs and Other Officials

**Programs:** Kathy Ferrare

**Membership:** David Hinton

**NACA/NASA Hall of Honor:**  
Duncan McIver

**Website:** Olaf Storaasli, Rick Ross

**Information Technology (IT):** Rick Ross

**Registered Agent:** Geoffrey Tennille

**Immediate Past President:**  
Daniel Palumbo

**Center Representative:**  
Melanie Robinson Holman

## Board Members at Large, by Class

**Class of 2025:** Dave Hinton, Stan Cole,  
Domenic Maglieri, Melvin Ferebee,  
Liliana Richwine, Wes Goodman

**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



## Contact Us

Join the LAA:

[www.larc alumni.org/membership](http://www.larc alumni.org/membership)

Membership Chair:

[davidhinton@larc alumni.org](mailto:davidhinton@larc alumni.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.*

*"Paid LAA members in good standing and who require regular physical access to LaRC to participate in LAA activities may request a six-month activities badge. Badges are issued at the discretion of the NASA Office of Protective Services for LAA purposes only. All members must agree to the LAA badging policy.*



## 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!**

