

NASA Langley Alumni Association Members Meeting

Tuesday, Nov 12 2024



2024 LAA Officers

President: Olaf Storaasli (757) 354-3133 Olaf@cox.net

Vice-President and Programs: Kathy Ferrare (757) 880-8676

Secretary: Mary DiJoseph (757) 217-5511

Treasurer: Ray Rhew (757) 880-5817

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2024 Committee Chairs and Other Officials

Membership Committee: Dave Hinton

Nominating Committee: **Susan McClain**

Hall of Honor Committee: **Vacant**

Website/Newsletter Committee: Olaf Storaasli/Rick Ross

IT Committee: Rick Ross

Langley Representative: **Jessica Friz + Angela McGill**

Immediate Past President: Dan Palumbo

Registered Agent: Geoff Tennille

Board Members-at-Large By Class

2025

Dave Hinton
Domenic Maglieri
Melvin Ferebee
Lillian Richwine
Stan Cole
Wes Goodman

2026

George Allison
Charles Cockrell
Kathy Ferrare
George Finelli
R. Wayne Richie

2027

Rich Antcliff
Mary DiJoseph
Susan McClain
Craig Ohlhorst
Tony Pototzky
Ray Rhew
Geoffrey Tennille

2028

NASA LAA General Members Meeting Agenda – Nov 12, 2024

11:30 AM to 1:00 PM

TEAMS Link: Meeting invite + LarcAlumni.org

- **Welcome:** Olaf Storaasli
- **President's Report:** Olaf Storaasli
- **Nominating Committee Report:** Susan McClean
- **Treasurer's Report:** Ray Rhew (via TEAMS)
- **Secretary's Report:** Mary DiJoseph
- **Communication Report:** Memorials - Richard
- **Membership Report:** Dave Hinton
- **VP's Report:** Kathy Ferrare
- **Speaker:** [SpaceWorks](#): [John Olds](#)
- **Next:** Dec 10: Holiday Luncheon @Crab Shack
- **Adjourn => Board Meeting *Members welcome***

President's Report – Nov 12, 2024

- Welcome: 11th LAA Meeting - Holiday Luncheon ends '24
- **LAA Board 1pm (Join us)** Oct Minutes@LarcAlumni.org
- *LAA Healthy: 230 members, \$16K, STEM, '25 Speakers*
- Dec **10 Holiday Party** + Dec 5 2-4 *Director's Reception*
- *Tickets to Newport News Park **Celebration in Lights** - Geoff*
- ***2025 Officers, 2028 Board, Bylaws for Jan '25 Meeting***

Proposed Changes to LAA By-laws

- **February 2024** Board meeting discussion:
 - Review By-laws for potential editing & simplicity with the intent to move some items into an informal guidelines document
 - General Premise:
 - By-laws for the most part reflect “**what** we do”
 - Policies and Procedures (P&P) document is “**how** we do it”
- Board reviewed iterations of By-law and P&P documents => P&P focus:
 - Guidelines on how to implement our By-laws
 - LAA activities that often change: badge policy, committees
 - Document in one place in detail, procedures that LAA historically practices: communication, treasury submissions, documentation. This assists Jan transition & continuity for Board members.
- Both documents will be updated as needed to reflect LAA changes

By-laws Next Steps

- **November 13:** Send LAA members proposed By-Law + P&P documents
- ***Nov 13–Dec 6: Comments received from LAA members***
- ***December 7–14: Incorporate comments provided by members***
- **December 15:**
 - Distribute to LAA members the proposed By-Law document that includes comments rec'd prior to December 6th & latest P&P document.
 - This email will fulfill the By-Law requirement to provide written notice to all members about the proposed change to the Board & members two (2) weeks prior to our Annual Membership Meeting (Jan 14, 2025), when the change will be presented to members for comment.
- **January 14, 2025:**
 - General Membership - Review of By-laws/comments received
 - Board Meeting – Vote on suggested changes

Nominating Committee Report- Susan McClain

- Officers - current VP, Secretary, Treasurer and Communications officer will continue in 2025. President position is open.
- Committee chairs - current Nominating, Website and Newsletter will continue in 2025. Membership and IT committee chairs are open for 2025.
- At large board members for 2026 and 2027 confirmed. 6 positions for 2028 are open.
- Next steps - email to all LaRC alumni members seeking interested individuals for open Officer, Committee Chairs and At Large members

Treasurer Summary for October 2024

- **October Summary**

• Organization Share	\$25.00
• Money Market Savings	\$13,335.73
• Smart Checking	\$2,805.14
• Total	\$16,165.87
• Increase of (from August):	\$1.70
• Interest	

- **Audit complete – a big thank you to Yvonne Dellapenta**

- **Developed list of improvements to implement mainly regarding file management/organization**

Secretary's Report - Mary DiJoseph

- Oct 2024 Meeting Minutes approved, posted on BOX + [LAA Website](#)
- Attendance List posted on BOX + [LAA Website](#)
- [32 attended](#) meeting: 31 in person + 1 online (Olaf)

In Memory Of NASA Colleagues

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- 1. Robert Stallings, Jr. 90 ?**
- 2. Robert Huston, 93**
- 3. Nancy White, 80**

Membership Report – Dave Hinton

- New member this past month
 - **Pieter G. Buning** retired in 2024 from the Computational AeroSciences Branch (D302) with 48 years service. Pieter resides in Yorktown with his spouse Gail.
 - **Christopher Rumsey** retired in 2024 from the Computational AeroSciences Branch with 41 years service. Christopher resides in Henrico with his spouse Kimberly.
 - **Richard Eckman** retires Jan 2025 as Program Manager, NASA HQ/ESD/SMD with 37 years service at LaRC & HQ. Richard resides in Yorktown with his spouse Kathryn.
- Several from word-of-mouth recruiting – please continue!
- Recruiting Opportunity: Table at Director's Holiday Social – Dec 5
- Opportunity to mentor high school students (NASA HUNCH program)

Badge Policy Update

- Meetings with Office of Director & Chief of Security
 - Feedback – we’re aligned
 - Updates on policy & workflow
- Resolved use of Activity Badge vs. Visitor Badge for “other visits”
 - Okay to use our Activity Badge for other visits invited by NASA – Don’t request a visitor badge.
 - NASA employees not trained on Activity Badge privileges. You must be escorted in other building as if you had a visitor badge. You do NOT have a PIV card & are NOT free to roam.
 - You still represent LAA when you do this. Any security incidents will have repercussions for LAA. Activity badge holders have been barred from the Center.
- At Badge & Pass
 - Avoid Mondays & 1st day after holiday.
 - Best times: **10AM – 3PM Tues-Thu**
 - LAA strives to advise you when badges ready – we can’t see process after submitting names.
- LAA badge policy document now updated on our web site.
- Please **complete sign-in sheet** at all LAA Meetings!
 - Attendance used to screen badge renewals: **NO SIGNATURES => NO BADGE RENEWAL**
 - “I was there” is no substitute for signing in

Vice President Report – Membership Involvement

December 5, 2024: LAA Table at the Center Director's Social

- NASA Langley offered to have a table for LAA members to distribute information and answer questions about the LAA during the social
- **Volunteer Opportunity: 4 volunteers are needed (2 people/hour)**
- **Working details of information to be distributed**
- **Please contact Kathy Ferrare (KFerrare@verizon.net / (757) 880-8676)**

December 14-15, 2024: NASA Langley Aerial Drone Competition

- Potential Volunteer Opportunity / Bldg. 2102 Reid Center
- Middle and High School Students
- Request for assistance at check-in, field reset, referees, scorekeepers, judges, practice field official etc. See email for additional opportunities.
- Volunteers can work as many hours as they would like (1 hour to both days)
- Volunteer Training (Optional): December 4th at 2:00 pm
- **Electronic form requesting volunteer sign-up sent out**
 - **Please RSVP by Dec 2nd**



AERIAL **DRONE**
COMPETITION



Vice President Report – Membership Involvement

NASA Langley HUNCH Mentors are needed

- High school students **United with NASA to Create Hardware** or HUNCH is an innovative school-based program that partners NASA Centers with high schools nationwide. The partnership involves students fabricating real-world products for NASA and astronauts aboard the International Space Station (ISS) as they apply their science, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics skills while learning to work in teams and think creatively.
- Working with the HUNCH Regional Program Manager on details of mentor responsibilities.
- ***More details to follow.***

Future Activities:

- Combined Federal Campaign 2025 Chili Cook-off (Nov 2025 timeframe)

Vice President Report – Upcoming Events

November 12, 2024: Dr. John R. Olds

- Founder and retired CEO of SpaceWorks Enterprises, Inc.
- His professional journey at NASA Langley and the commercial space revolution (“NewSpace”)

December 5, 2024 (Thursday): Center Director’s Social

- 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm / Bldg 2102 (Reid Center)

December 10, 2024 (Tuesday): LAA Winter Luncheon

- Crab Shack on the James
- ***Sign-up form sent out on Nov 4th / RSVP by December 2nd***

December 12, 2024: Flight Dynamics Research Facility (FDRF) Tour

- Tour of the new FDRF facility (Mike Fremaux)
- Available to members who signed up for the May/Sept tour

Vice President Report – Upcoming Events

January 14, 2025

- LAA Elections & Review of comments on proposed By-Law Changes
- Chris Carter: Director, Virginia Space Grant Consortium
Volunteer and mentor opportunities
- NASA Langley Security Chief Bright (extended invitation)

February 11, 2025: NASA Langley Center Director

March 11, 2025: Linda Bangert (LAA Member)

- Linda will share her experience with the Ninety-Nines
- Mission: The NINETY-NINES® INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION OF WOMEN PILOTS® promotes advancement of aviation through education, scholarships, and mutual support while honoring our unique history and sharing our passion for flight.

May 13, 2025: Entrepreneurial Information and Life Experience

- *Tim Ryan – Director, REaKTOR Innovation Center*
- *Steve Sandford – Founder and Chief Technology Officer, Psionic*

Today's Speakers

Dr. John R. Olds

*From NASA to Academia to Entrepreneurial Space:
My Journey through the NewSpace Revolution*

Back-Up

ARTICLE IX: AMENDMENT OF THE BY-LAWS

- These By-Laws may be amended:
 - By written notice of proposed change to the Board & membership two (2) weeks prior to the Annual Meeting of the Membership or to a special meeting of the Membership during the year, at which time the change will be presented to the membership for comment.
 - The quorum for these meetings is as defined in Article VI, Section 1c.
 - The amendment shall be voted upon at the next Board meeting. A 2/3 vote of the Board, providing a quorum is present as defined in Article IV, Section 4(c), is necessary to ratify an amendment to the By-Laws.