

Langley Alumni Association (LAA) General Membership Meeting

Tuesday, March 10, 2026



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2025 LAA Officers

President: Kathy Ferrare (757 880-8676)

Vice-President and Programs: Susan McClain (757 285-3778)

Secretary: Jill Marlowe (757 209-2131)

Treasurer: Ray Rhew (757 880-5817)

Communications Officer: Richard Hueschen (757 868-6453)

2025 Committee Chairs and Other Officials

Membership Committee: Amy Radford

Nominating Committee: Susan McClain

Hall of Honor Committee: Mary Beth Wusk

Website and Newsletter Committee: Rick Ross

IT Committee: Roman Paryz

Langley Representative: Eileen Nelson and Mariya Georgieva

Past President: Dan Palumbo

Registered Agent: Geoff Tennille

Board Members-at-Large By Class

2027

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

2028

Mark Ballin
Charlie Dunton
Odilyn Luck
Roman Paryz
Liliana Richwine
Eric Rissling

2029

Mike Fremaux
Wes Goodman
Jill Marlowe
Neil O'Connor
Amy Radford
Ray Whipple
Dave Young

LAA General Membership Meeting – March 10, 2026

11:30 PM to 1:00 PM - Update

- **Welcome & President's Report:** Kathy Ferrare
- **Secretary's Report:** Jill Marlowe
- **Treasurer's Report / Ad Hoc Committee – Donation Guidelines/Process:** Ray Rhew
- **Communication Report:** Dick Hueschen
- **Committee Reports:**
 - **Membership:** Amy Radford
 - **Website and Newsletter:** Rick Ross
 - **Information Technology:** Roman Paryz (pass)
 - **Hall of Honor:** Mary Beth Wusk
 - **Ad Hoc Committee – Retirement Protocols (NASA/LAA):** Rich Antcliff
- **Vice President's Report:** Susan McClain
- **Speaker:** *Dr. Trina Dyal, Acting Center Director, NASA Langley Research Center*
- **Next Meeting:** April 14, 2026 – Rick Ross, “Charlatans, Swindlers, and Bilks”
- **Adjourn:** Board Meeting next – *All LAA members are welcome!*

President's Report - Redo

- ***Productive Transition is continuing.***
 - ***Hall of Honor activity started with several introductory meetings in Feb/March.***
- ***LAA Health: Growth in Membership this month +3; Treasury is \$23k***
- **February 10, 2026, Board Meeting**
 - MOTION PASSED to invest \$15K in 13-month Certificate of Deposit at LFCU since high yield savings account is not an option for businesses (*passage of this motion closed ACTION on near-term investment decision*).
 - DISCUSSION on overworking the investment strategy, given the relatively low amount of capital in question? To be addressed by ad-hoc committee Donation Guidelines/Process (Ray Rhew, Chairperson).
- ***March 2026 Newsletter – Thank you to LAA members who contributed articles!***
- ***LAA activity badges are being converted to scannable badges.***
 - ***Please go to the Badge and Pass Office prior to 4/6/26 to get your new badge.***
 - If you do not go by 4/6/26, you will be directed to the BPO from the gate officials.
 - More information will be provided to LAA badged members from Amy Radford.
 - **PLEASE DO NOT WAIT UNTIL 4/6/26 TO GO TO BPO.**

Secretary's Report

- **February 2026 General Meeting minutes approved & posted to Box**
 - Attendance: 57 in person, 11 remote
 - No significant motions / actions / discussions
- **February 2026 Board Meeting Minutes approved & posted to Box**

PLEASE SIGN THE ATTENDANCE SHEET BEFORE YOU LEAVE!

Treasurer Summary for February 2026

- February 2026 Summary

• Organization Share	\$25.00
• Money Market Savings	\$18,959.69
• Smart Checking	\$3,548.86
• Total	\$22,533.55
• Increase (from December):	\$80.72
• Income:	
• Interest	
• Dues (8 yearly)	
• Expenses	
• None in January	

- \$15K deposited in LFCU CD: 12 months at 3.3%

- Investigated other CD and MM options – similar terms

- Long term – develop investment strategy that aligns with LAA financial goals

Ad Hoc Committee: Donation Guidelines/Process

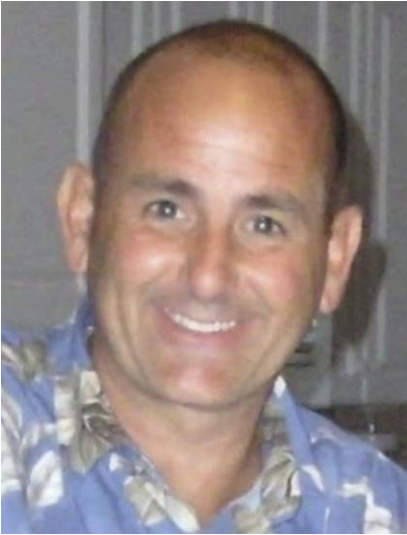
Develop a process for researching and selecting opportunities to donate LAA funds that align with our mission, including the following Guidelines:

- for funds needed by the LAA for non-discretionary and discretionary categories to enable determining funds available for donations
- for acquiring funds other than membership dues
- for determining donation fund level

March Update:

- Team – Rick Ross, Bill Tomek, and Dave Young
- Initial Meeting:
 - a) Discussed other organizations approaches/activities – AIAA Hampton Roads Section, Virginia Space Grant Consortium, Hampton Education Foundation, LaRC
 - b) Discussed donation funding approaches in context of our financial status and outlook – importance of setting donation goals to help guide process and decisions
- *Next meeting – week of March 9th or 16th*

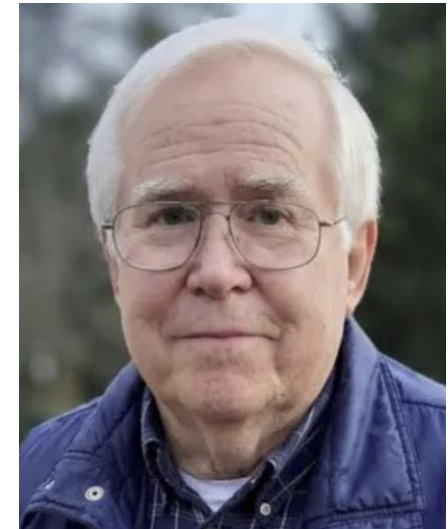
In Memory Of Individuals March 10, 2026



James Fenbert, 66



Wallace "Wally" Sawyer, 82



Glenn Taylor, 85



Dr. Frank Allario, 85



Long Yip, 76

Membership Report

Three New members:

- **Vincent Schultz** who retired from the Aeronautics Research Directorate in 2026 with 35 years service. Vincent resides in Williamsburg with his spouse Deborah.
- **Russ Rausch** who retired from the Aeroelasticity Branch in 2026 with 25 years service. Russ resides in Yorktown with his spouse Elizabeth.
- **Mark Saunders** who retired from NASA Independent Program Assessment Office in 2008 with 19 years service. Mark resides in South Carolina with his spouse Beth.

Be sure to sign the attendance sheet!

Membership Report

- As of March 1, we have 286 Active Members
- 35 members classified as Past Members at the end of February
 - Reminders were sent out in December 2025
 - Emails were sent in February 2026 to members who haven't paid dues for a year or more about their status change
 - Routine emails and invitations to special events have stopped
- If your phone number, address or email address have changed, please send updates to Membership@larcalumni.org



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Membership Report

- Membership Committee Initiative Updates
 - New LAA video
 - Researching different types of software
 - Drafting script
 - Badging Process
 - Met with Mariya – what’s working/what’s not
 - Application Process
 - Meeting with Data Analytics analyst March 10
 - Send your thoughts/suggestions for improvements to Membership@larcalumni.org

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Website & Publications

- Updated the website with recent information & events
- March 2026 [newsletter](#) is now available
- LAA [Facebook page](#) continues to grow

Thanks to those who submitted newsletter articles!

Hall of Honor Committee Report

Hall of Honor Committee

Mary Beth Wusk, Chair

Jeff Antol

Steve Bauer

Wes Goodman

Susan McClain

Neil O'Connor

- **Initiated HoH Process Discussions**
 - **Feb 12: Background: Kathy Ferrare/MB Wusk**
 - **Feb 26: Lessons Learned meeting: Michelle Ferebee/Bo Walkley/Kathy Ferrare/MB Wusk**
 - **Mar 5: Ops team Lessons Learned meeting: Michelle Ferebee/Bo Walkley/Kathy Ferrare/MB Wusk**
- **Meet with Center Leadership (March)**
- **Kick-off meeting with HoH Operations Committee (March/April)**
- **Brief LAA with plans forward (April 14th)**
- **Summer: On-line nomination system active**

Ad Hoc Committee: Retirement Protocols (NASA/LAA)

- **Outstanding Action from LAA Board Meeting: Retirement Protocol Question (Rich Antcliff)** – What is the protocol policy that NASA follows for retirements (album, certificates, party)? Should the LAA have one?
 - Nov 2024 & April 2025 Updates: Contacted NASA Langley Human Capital Ofc – The employee’s organization decides.
- Jan 13, 2026: Action for President to determine approach for DRP Retirement Party: Possibly ad hoc committee or Program Committee to lead.
- Feb 2026 Update: Ad Hoc Committee, Retirement Protocols (NASA/LAA), was established.
 - Rich Antcliff is the Committee Chair. Expanding scope to include short and long term activities.
 - Committee Members: Rich Antcliff, Jill Marlowe, Sharon Monica Jones, and Christina Moats-Xavier
- **March 2026 Update: Retirement Celebration – May 1st @ 3:00 pm Reid Center**
 - *Finalized initial plans with Steve Gayle (Office of the Director).*
 - *Invite will go to employees who retired January 1, 2025 – January 31, 2026.*
 - *Celebration Activities: Employee recognition, Class of 2025 photo, & light refreshments*
 - *LAA members and Center employees will also be invited.*

Vice President Report – Membership Involvement

February 21, 2026: Aerial Drone Competition

- Thanks so much to everyone who volunteered at the Aerial Drone Competition on February 21, 2026. Sharon Monica Jones, Louis Glaab, Lil Richwine, Kathy Ferrare, Linda Bangert, Mary DiJoseph, Dave Hinton, Lawrence Taylor, John Berry, and Christina Moats-Xavier volunteered a total of 58 hours that day and worked the check-in desk, served as a referee, pit administration, lunch assistance, inspection table support, and team queueing.



Vice President Report – Membership Involvement

Langley Anniversary Orchestra

- As part of NASA Langley’s celebration of the 250th Anniversary, they want to showcase the incredible musical talent within our center.
- They are planning to assemble a special **Langley Anniversary Orchestra** and are inviting interested musicians to participate.
- ***Dates: In late July or early August, they anticipate holding:***
 - ***One afternoon rehearsal***
 - ***A dress rehearsal the day of the concert***
 - ***A late afternoon or evening concert***
- ***The LAA will be sending out a request soon for members to sign up.***



Vice President Report – Upcoming Events

March 10, 2026:

- The State of the Center –presentation by Dr. Trina Dyal, Acting Center Director, NASA Langley

Upcoming Speakers:

- April 14, 2026 -- Rick Ross (LAA Member): Charlatans, Swindlers and Bilks
- May 12, 2026 -- Quesst Project Update: X-59 Soars: A New Era in Supersonic Flight Begins presentation by Lori Ozoroski, NASA Langley
- June 9, 2026 -- NASA Langley's Air Traffic Operation Laboratory presentation by Neil O'Connor (LAA Member) - Tour details to follow.
- July 14, 2026 -- LAA Picnic – Details to follow!

Interested in volunteering to organize a Tour or Event this Fall?

Please contact Susan McClain.

Today's Speaker



Dr. Trina Dyal
Acting Center Director
NASA Langley Research Center