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## **CONGRATULATIONS!**

New Members		
Chad Adamson	Class I	RNT
Jacob Apple	Class III	RNT
Xiping Bai	Class I	Both
Jeff Dempsey	Class I	PAE
Kevin Fritz	Class III	RNT
David Lewis	Class I	PAE
Ryan McTaggart	Class I	RNT
Nick Patrick	Class III	RNT
Jordan Schiemer	Class I	RNT
Andrew Young	Class I	RNT

New Solos!	Date	Instructor
David Dufault	3/30	Jacobson

New Ratings!	Date	Instructor
<b>Bob Dunwoody, SES</b>	3/25	Spanier
Todd Johnson, Private	4/3	Jacobson
Russ Mackey, Private	4/4	Heinle

### **CALENDAR**

#### **Monthly**

**Aircraft Maintenance Team**: Meets every Thursday from 4-8 pm at the Renton Office. Contact Ray Pedrizetti for more information.

#### May 2017

**Board of Directors Meeting**, 4pm 5/19 at Renton Office

# From Your President By Bob Ingersoll

The 2017 Annual Meeting/Crab Feed was another success. The crab was outstanding, the briefings short;

and Mother Nature provided an incredible rainbow right over the airport for dessert.



The attendees got to hear that we've had another great year at BEFA. Safety record is outstanding; cash flow is positive; and the building committee is making great progress. Our aircraft fleet is ready for Spring/Summer flying and will be expanded with the addition of a Beech Sierra sometime in May. A special thanks to Bob Bumpous and all the volunteers who helped make this a fun and successful event.



Peter Morton was the recipient of the Derdick Award this year. Peter has had an outstanding career at Boeing and has since contributed to many aviation organizations in the Pacific Northwest promoting the development and interest of aviation, including here at BEFA. Well Deserved.

Kevin Chaney was our BEFA Member of the Year. Since joining BEFA, Kevin has epitomized the volunteerism culture at BEFA. We appreciate his involvement and effort.

We had a special award this year for Bob Guthrie. The FAA has recognized him as a Master Pilot. His career as a pilot for over 50 years and 6000+ flying hours has been accomplished without any citations or bent airplanes. There are not many pilots in the country that ever achieve this level of flying. We all commend MASTER BOB for this and his everlasting contributions to BEFA.



Dr. Martin Makela gave us an update of the FAA program Basic Med at the Annual Meeting. The documents have been released by the Government and this program will go into effect 1 May 2017. Martin has made a very generous offer to provide periodic briefings to BEFA, as well as individual consultations for pilots that are considering using this program in lieu of a Class III medical.

The ballots have been counted and the By Law revisions has passed. Many thanks to our election committee and Troy Larson for working this with Boeing. .

#### **Aircraft Rates**

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Aircraft	Н	ourly Rate		
PCATD-M	\$	15.00		
PCATD-NM	\$	20.00		
Redbird FMX (member)	\$	50.00		
Redbird FMX (non-member)	\$	85.00		
C150	\$	96.05		
C172	\$	114.81		
C172SP	\$	130.78		
Citabria	\$	132.59		
R172K XP Float	\$	156.29		
C182Q	\$	159.68		
SR20 (HOBBS)	\$	166.56		
C182RG (68T)	\$	170.83		
BE C24R (566)	\$	186.90		
C182RG (65C)	\$	208.24		
CT210	\$	248.35		

("M" and "NM" refer to members and non-members, respectively.)

# **Angel Flight West**

By Harium Martin-Morris, BEFA Secretary

Boeing employees don't just build airplanes. They build community.

And as more than 10,000 Boeing commercial jetliners have come into in service, that community has truly become global.

Now Angel Flight West would like to invite Boeing Employees Flying Association members to spread their wings.

Every year, millions of people in the United States miss an important medical appointment simply because they don't have transportation. For some, the care they need may only be a few miles away, but without a car or convenient bus, they have no way to get there. For others, the ones who need to travel great distances, it's even more complicated. That's where we come in.

Angel Flight West (AFW) bridges the gulf between home and health, and gives hope for a better future to patients and their families.

Through our network of volunteer pilots and partnerships with commercial airlines, Angel Flight West provides more than 4,000 free flights each year in Washington and 12 other western states.

Besides flights to access health care, AFW can arrange transportation for other needs as well -- individuals and families escaping domestic violence; injured military personnel taking part in therapeutic programs; prospective parents hoping to adopt a child; and youngsters and teens traveling to special needs camps like those for burn survivors or kids with cancer.



Alexis and her family, with AFW pilot Jeremy Katz.

Angel Flight West is a lifeline for people like Alexis M., who has acute myeloid leukemia and needed a bone marrow transplant at Seattle Children's Hospital. She lives with her parents Kathy and Brian in Republic, Washington, where the family operates a large ranch. "I don't make recommendations for charitable organizations very often, but I can't praise the work of AFW enough," said Renton-based volunteer pilot Jeremy Katz, who flew Alexis and her family. "Bar none, they have provided me the best reason I've ever had to fly a plane."

For information on how to become an Angel Flight West volunteer pilot, contact Ivan Martinez at our Santa Monica headquarters (<a href="mailto:ivanm@angelflightwest.org">ivanm@angelflightwest.org</a> / 310 390-2958) or AFW Washington Wing Leader Randy Scott (<a href="mailto:steamfitter32@live.com">steamfitter32@live.com</a> / 206-300-9225).

# Notes From The Office 'Attaboys' For Our Volunteers

Your fellow members continue to pitch in to keep us running smoothly, often saving money in the process. This month we thank:

• Marissa Singleton & Curtis Jacobson (CFI) for helping with the invoicing.

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- James Walker (CFI) for mowing the BEFA RNT property
- Steve Baier for all of his support work at the PAE BEFA operation, he has been a huge help to BEFA, thanks Steve.
- Harlan Zentner, (CGI), for repositioning planes
- Chuck Malmsten for Audio Video work, and setting up our new security monitor screen.
- The hardworking volunteers who put together our delicious crab and BBQ dinner at the annual meeting!

# From Your Safety Officer By Matt Smith, BEFA Safety Officer

"You have the airplane." "I have the airplane." "You have the airplane." It's a simple, positive exchange of controls. Do you say it every time you swap controls with someone, or simply when you're with a CFI or an FAA examiner? How about even then? Are you self-conscious about it because it sounds redundantly redundant? The more comfortable I am with another pilot/student, the less I tend to enforce it. That's an invitation to disaster......

There's a running joke the most dangerous airplane in the air is the one with two CFIs at the controls. I'm not sure it's a joke. I got reminded just how true it is earlier this year. I was at BEFA to do a six-month check ride with someone in the Citabria. While I waited for him to finish his walk-around, I wandered by the CATS testing room and saw Jody, a Canadian CFI friend of mine, taking a test. She's in the process of transferring all her Canadian licenses to the US so she can go teach aerobatics in the Southeastern US. She finished the test, came out while I was chatting with someone, and stopped to say hi. I had the Eagle scheduled after my student, so invited her to tag along to go fly upside down. She eagerly agreed and wandered off to keep herself busy while I did my Citabria flight.

When I was done at BEFA, we drove over to the east side of Renton field, did a walk around, chatted about the emergency procedures in the Eagle, fired it up, and took off. I've seen her fly several different aerobatic planes, and she teaches out of a Citabria like BEFA's, so was surprised when she said she'd never flown an Eagle. Then, she asked me to teach her some aerobatic maneuvers. I was thinking this would be a great opportunity to work on the teaching skills I hope to

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employee in the Citabria if the rain ever quits, and I can get through the aerobatic teaching syllabus. We started with some spins, moved on to loops, and eventually got to one of my favorite maneuvers, the hammerhead. She couldn't seem to get the timing down for the pivot at the top of the maneuver, wanting to kick the rudder too early. I had talked her through several, and I assumed she was about to do another. From the back seat, I could see the airspeed indicator, and watched it go through 180 MPH, and begin to creep towards 190. VNE is 210. I was thinking "This is a little excessive for an entry speed to the maneuver." About then, I pushed the intercom switch and said, "What are you setting up to do?" She replied "Nothing, I assumed you had the airplane." I took the controls, and brought the airplane back to level flight so we could discuss what had just happened, and to figure out what to do next......What's that about two CFIs in an airplane?

While we were having fun, we had gotten cavalier about who was actually flying the plane. A simple "You have the airplane" had become the shorthand. The Eagle has a push-to-talk intercom. Jody forgot to push the button, said "Your airplane" to nobody in particular, and didn't wait for me to respond....oops. Fortunately, nothing bad happened.

It should always be clear in everyone's mind who has the controls. This applies to flying buddies as much as it does to formal training or examination flights. You can accomplish this with the formal mantra I gave at the beginning of the article, or some other method. Apparently, before intercoms came into vogue, in tandem airplanes, some folks merely agreed to shake the stick a certain way to indicate a change of controls. The other pilot responded with a shake, and so on. It doesn't make any difference how you do it, as long as it's agreed on and adhered to. I've made a pledge to myself to never let this happen again. I highly recommend it to you.

We'll talk again next month. Until then, be safe out there.

Matt

## **CLASSIFIED ADS**

New book – "Stop Trying to Keep Up with the Jone\$es – They're Broke Anyway – A Financial Planner's Guide to Living Your Ideal Life"

Brad Berger, a BEFA member, CFP and CLF, has published a new book on financial planning. It is available at <a href="http://amzn.to/1GI0Ovs">http://amzn.to/1GI0Ovs</a>

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BEFA has a Facebook Page



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