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## Editors Notes

*Joel Weyhe*

Our illustrious editor is on a flying vacation, and is currently in parts unknown without email access. Joel and Monica are traveling by Grumman Cheetah up and down the west coast. When they come back, they do promise and enlightening program of their trips.

In the mean time, here is the second edition of our monthly newsletter with more goings on about our local Yakima WPA Chapter.

## President's Message

*Dennis Klingele*

The Yakima Valley WPA Chapter met at McAllisters last month. The Museum is very much alive and well. They have recently invested in a new printer/display head for the self-serve fuel pump and it really is a pleasure to use, you can easily read the new display and the printer doesn't eat your receipt. As a WPA member you are eligible for a fuel discount, to learn more about how you too can save some real money, simply go to the State WPA website, [wpaflys.org](http://wpaflys.org) and click where it says "Membership Benefits Program"

We have some samples of WPA items that can be purchased on the above website, the really cool part is that you can order them with your name, airplane N number, or such engraved on the shirt or hat or such. The samples will be on display at our next few meetings, so take a look. Our next meeting will be Thursday, May 8th, at the Barnstormers Restaurant, social starting at 6:30 PM with dinner at 7 or so. Mike Bull will provide a program about Ron Rankin and his recent trip to Sun N Fun in Florida.

The Barnstormers Restaurant really did a great job with a special menu for us last time we met there. And they are ready to do the same again, so please do your best to join us and enjoy some good food and conversation.

Please don't hesitate to call any of your WPA board if you have any ideas, concerns, or such, we will always be happy to do our best for you.

Take Care,

Dennis Klingele

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*"Mankind has a perfect record in aviation; we never left one up there!"*

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## Meetings and Information for Members

### Editor

- The next membership meeting is 6:30 p.m., Thursday May 8 at Barnstormers Restaurant. We will be using the same menu that they had for us last time. Mike Bull will be giving us some insights as his and Ron Rankins' second annual trip to Florida and working the Sun N Fun event
- 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Vista Fly-In Breakfast, May 10, 2008; 7:30 to 10:30 a.m. The EAA Chapter 391 will be cooking up a pancake breakfast and hosting a Young Eagles Rally. More information at <http://www.eaa391.org/Vista%20Young%20Eagles%20Poster.pdf>
- Yakima EAA Spring Pancake Feed, June 14, 2008.
- EAA monthly meeting - May 15, 2008; 7:00 p.m.
- Mountain Flying Seminar, Harvey Field, May 10<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m. Featuring Lynn Nguyen, Mountain Flying Instructor and check pilot for CAP and WASAR.

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*"Weather forecasts are horoscopes with numbers."*

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## Happenings at McAllister Field

- The final draft of the rules and regulations at the airport are ready for review. Copies are at the administration office
- The Valley Mall BLVD and 16th Avenue projects continue. A new traffic signal will control the intersection of 16th and VMB.
- The Board met in Sunnyside on April 26. Our topics included moving the Airport Overlay to the public process ASAP, develop a reporting process to the city and county and a review of all airport properties and their future uses.
- The Board is moving forward towards presenting the Airport Overlay to the City for adoption. The City is required by the Growth Management Act to manage the public process that will eventually adopt the zoning changes to protect the land surrounding the airport and the airport infrastructure.



## WPA Member Benefits

*By Les Flue*

The following businesses support the WPA. When you fly, please support them:

- McCormick Air Center - 25 cent per gallon fuel discount, 10% discount on VFR/IFR Certification, 10% discount on some radios and GPS units.
- McAllister Museum - 10 cent gallon fuel discount (why not join the museum and get all of the museum member benefits).
- AC Propeller Service (KBFI) - 10% discount on Propeller and Governor Overhauls
- Barnstormers Restaurant - 10% food discount
- Northwest Aviation Center (KPAA) - \$75.00 discounted price on a flight review.
- Tsunai Lake Lodge - 10% discount on lodging.
- Jeff Lustick (KBLI) - 15% discount on aviation legal services.
- Pilottraining.com - 10% discount on training materials (use coupon code wpa (all lower case)).

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*“If the wings are traveling faster than the fuselage, it is probably a helicopter – and therefore unsafe.”*

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## Who's Who and What's Up

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**Meeting Notice:** The next meeting of the Yakima Chapter of the WPA will be held May 8, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. at the Barnstormers Restaurant.

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