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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE • BY NORM PEEBLES

FUND RAISER. The November 1st Fund Raiser was a huge success. Even with the inclement weather we had over 225 people attend. It might have been cool and wet outside, but inside it was rocking. There are many people who made the event a big success, but I want to highlight a few who went beyond expectations. Mel and Suzan McGowan's hospitality at their new hangar was outstanding. The organizing committee efforts were superb. Thanks to Charlene Beam, Kay Meermans, Patty Peebles, Kym Purifoy, Kay Smith, and Barbara Coldren. Paul Purifoy was the best auctioneer we could have found. What a great job he did all night.

We also want to thank all of our donors who gave so much and to the BUYERS who made the night a tremendous success. Special thanks to John & Sandy Stone and Mel & Suzan McGowan who donated their homes for the auction which netted us over \$3,000 each. Thank You!

The results were more than we expected. When we added up all the money we earned from the food, drinks, 50/50, the country riders, the mayors' race and the auction we made over \$25,000 with a net of over \$23,000! That's what I call performance, almost two and half times what we expected. THANKS TO ALL OF YOU.

The moneys earned will now be distributed to Dan Vance and Jason Wondolleck to help with their props. The rest will be available to help with future PMLAA activities and to help support our own PML airport.

PMLAA ELECTION. During the fund raising event we held our 2009 elections. It went real fast so for those of you who don't remember here is a quick recap with a complete list on the last page. We want to thank Bob Cowley, Kym Purifoy, and Diane Harrison for their service to PMLAA. They will be leaving the team but we won't let them get to far away and I'm sure we can count on them to help when needed. Replacing them will be Debbie Peters (VP Social) and Frank Perry (Secretary) Mike Lella will be assuming the additional role of Roster. Our committee members have all volunteered to continue for next year. I have agreed to stay on as President along with Mike Lella (VP Airport) and Barbara Coldren as Treasurer. We look forward to serving you and the organization in 2009.

2009 MEETING DATES. We are in the process of setting up our meeting for 2009. Here are the tentative dates for planning purposes.

March 7th

April 4th

May 2nd

June ?

August 1st

September 5th

October 3rd

November 7th

Our next newsletter will sent out in late January.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS AND BE SAFE.

FROM THE AIRPORTS DIRECTOR – JIM THOMAS TOWN HALL STYLE AIRPORT SAFETY MEETING

I have been working with Harlow Voorhees, the FAA Safety Team representative for the Pine Mountain Lake Airport on a town hall style airport safety meeting that will be held on Wednesday, November 19th from 1:00 PM until 5:00 PM at the Groveland Community Hall.

This town hall style safety meeting is to review and raise awareness of our Pine Mountain Lake Airport traffic patterns, procedures, communications, and weather characteristics. Additionally, there will be a discussion on the deer problem in which individuals can express their ideas on what can be done to reduce the impact of the deer on our airport. Other airport safety topics identified by the public will also be discussed.

Our intention is also to share safety information with the airport users and for the Airports Department and the FAA to obtain input from the public regarding safety issues. This meeting is not for the purpose of making any decisions. There will be time for individuals to voice their safety concerns as it relates to the maintenance and operation of the airport.

Harlow Voorhees, from the FAA Flight Standards District Office will be the moderator however; there will be other participants there, including myself, to answer questions that may be raised by the audience.

I should note that pilots located within a 50 mile radius of Pine Mountain Lake Airport received an email notice of this meeting through the FAA. Also, a meeting notice has been sent to those people on my Manager's Approach email distribution list. Seating in the Groveland Community Hall is limited, so those planning on attending the meeting should sign up on the FAA's website at http://www.faasafety.gov/SPANS/event_details.aspx?eid=21649. However, if you don't sign up through the FAA's online registration, you are still welcome to attend the meeting.

I'm looking forward to a large attendance and an informative meeting.

Questions? Call me at 209.962.0910 or send me an e-mail to: JThomas@co.tuolumne.ca.us.

AIRCRAFT OF HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE DISPLAY DATES

- The dates at PML Airport for the remainder of 2008 are **November 15**, and **December 20**. The display times are from 9:00am to 1:00pm for each scheduled day.
- Mariposa County airport schedules its display day on the first Saturday of the month. Many events at Columbia airport also qualify.
- Contact Pat/Ken Helling at 962-7597 or Bob Hornauer at 962-4541 or 402-0005 for information.

SOME IMAGES FROM 2008



Tim Just, talking about Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAV's)



Virginia and Mike Gustafson received the Prop of Appreciation Award



June 21 air show



Our competent auctioneer



Line dancers



Studying auction items

BOARD OF DIRECTORS • 2009 OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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December 13th is the 13th annual It's A Wrap day.

See flier on next page for details

There will be no regular meetings in January and February.

Our next meeting will take place in March 7, 2009.



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SPIRIT OF ST. NICHOLAS

IT'S A WRAP

13TH ANNUAL TOY DRIVE FOR NEEDY CHILDREN

Bring a toy, game or two. You'll feel good through & through

6pm - Saturday, December 13, 2008

Blankenburg Museum

20810 Elderberry Way, Pine Mountain Lake Airport - Groveland, CA

MENU

Appetizers - Baguette & butter.

Christmas salad - Mixed baby greens, caramelized walnuts, and dried cranberries in a balsamic vinaigrette. Green beans almondine, wild rice pilaf. Turkey au vin - Roast turkey with a mushroom - Madeira sauce. Chocolate cake

Hosted beer, wine, champagne, soft drinks
& water and a visit from Santa

*Make your check, for \$26 per person, payable to
and remit to Ken & Sandy Blankenburg*

P. O. Box 203 - Groveland, CA 95321

Include names of those attending. Seating will be pre-assigned. *Reservations will be on a first come, first served basis.*

No refunds after Nov. 30th.

