

# May 2020 Newsletter

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Well, it probably goes without saying, but activities at VAA 25 are at a standstill right now. Our planned May fly-out to Alta Sierra is canceled. Or another way to look at it is, it's on, but we aren't leaving until May 2021! We are also moving our Young Eagles' flights to June, subject to relaxing of social distancing standards. We will update you in our June Newsletter.

On the plus side, Kim Owens, Stan Lawrence, Esteban Nava, and I are still keeping things going with bimonthly conference calls to make plans for our Chapter, including Young Eagle activities and fundraisers. (A big tip of the hat to Kim for scheduling the conference calls and keeping our action spreadsheet updated!) Right now, many of our plans are on hold, but once the social distancing standards are relaxed, we will be able to push forward. In the meantime, it's worth noting that we have received the first installment of our scholarship money from the EAA Ray Scholarship, and Stan is using it to train one of our Young Eagles. Additionally, during this downtime, Kim is developing a Donation Log and Thank You letter to acknowledge all donations to the Chapter,

and Esteban is finalizing the design our Chapter log (I'm hoping it includes shark's teeth like the Flying Tigers!). So, progress is being made. And speaking of donations, check out the "Count Your Blessing" tax in Stan's column. A fun donation device, if you're interested!

The past monthly VMC club meetings were a big success. Unfortunately, the coronavirus caused us to shut them down. However, we are going to try to get them going again, this time using Zoom. Our next VMC meeting is scheduled for Saturday, May 16th, at 9 a.m. If you don't already have the Zoom app, you will need to download it to your smartphone, tablet, or computer. The Meeting information is shown in the **VMC Club Report**. Check in on the meeting, and let's see how it goes.

One more thing before I close this month's column. Last month I mentioned designating Steve Lightstone as our VAA 25 Media Spokesperson. Just to expand on this, I will act as the clearing house for all inquiries from the media about aviation-related subjects. If we receive an aviation-related question or are asked to comment on an aviation-related news item or event, I will coordinate with Steve and we will figure out if, when, and how to respond. Steve will then act as our spokesperson and respond to the media.

Well, that's it for now. Stay safe and keep the greasy side down!

Jim Sobolewski President

### SECRETARY'S REPORT

My report will be brief this month, because all activities, except the VMC Club meeting scheduled for May 16 by Zoom, have been cancelled through May. The Young Eagles first flight scheduled for May is rescheduled to June at a date TBD.

I am thrilled to report that Tyler did two solos this past week. You can read more details in Stan's and Kim's reports.

I hope everyone can stay healthy.

Scott Pierson Secretary

### TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance as of March 31, 2020

\$2,193.09 corrected

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### February 2020

#### Income

Ray Foundation Deposit	\$ 4,000.00
Marilyn & Red Count Your Blessing tax	\$ 35.00
Mark McElroy New Member	\$ 20.00
Stan & Michele Count Your Blessing tax	\$ 58.50
Total Income	\$ 4,113.50

Expenses

\$ 0

Final Payment for AirAcademy

Balance as of February 29, 2020

\$6,306.59

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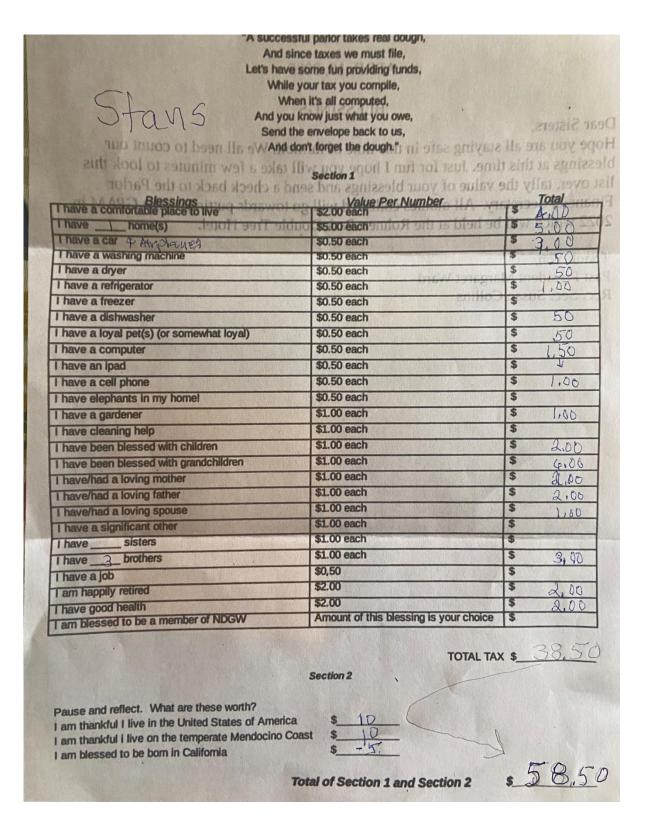
In case you are wondering about the "Count Your Blessing tax" income shown above, it was a fund-raising idea submitted by Marilyn and Red. I just think it's a great idea. We all have so much to be thankful for. And it's so nice to pay your taxes when you know it will be spent judiciously for things we love and support.

To show you the background for my \$58.50 donation, I have included my completed "Count Your Blessing Tax Return" following the Treasurer's Report.

To facilitate your donation, I have also included a blank "Count Your Blessing Tax Return" for your tax. Please feel free to send your Count Your Blessing Tax Return with a check made payable to EAA Vintage Chapter 25 to me at 5800 13<sup>th</sup> Street, Sacramento, CA 95822, it will make you feel a lot better!

Respectfully submitted,

Stan Lawrence Treasurer



STAN & MICHELE COUNT YOUR BLESSING TAX RETURN

#### COUNT YOUR BLESSING TAX RETURN "A successful parlor takes real dough, And since taxes we must file, Let's have some fun providing funds, While your tax you compile, When it's all computed, And you know just what you owe, Send the envelope back to us, And don't forget the dough." Section 1 took a look water \$5.00 each I have \$0.50 each I have a car \$0.50 each I have a washing machine \$0.50 each I have a dryer \$ \$0.50 each I have a refrigerator \$0.50 each I have a freezer \$0.50 each I have a dishwasher \$ \$0.50 each I have a loyal pet(s) (or somewhat loyal) \$ \$0.50 each I have a computer \$0.50 each I have an ipad \$ \$0.50 each I have a cell phone \$ \$0.50 each I have elephants in my home! \$1.00 each I have a gardener \$1.00 each I have cleaning help \$ \$1.00 each I have been blessed with children \$1.00 each I have been blessed with grandchildren \$1.00 each I have/had a loving mother \$ I have/had a loving father \$1.00 each I have/had a loving spouse \$1.00 each I have a significant other \$1.00 each \$1.00 each \$ sisters I have \$1.00 each brothers I have\_ \$0.50 \$ I have a job \$2.00 \$ I am happily retired \$2.00 I have good health I am blessed to be a member of NDGW Amount of this blessing is your choice TOTAL TAX \$ Section 2 Pause and reflect. What are these worth? I am thankful I live in the United States of America I am thankful i live on the temperate Mendocino Coast I am blessed to be bom in California **Total of Section 1 and Section 2**

### COUNT YOUR BLESSING TAX RETURN FOR YOUR USE

## YOUNG EAGLES SACRAMENTO / DGA REPORT

Initial solo endorsements  I certify that (First name, MI, Last name)  has satisfactorily completed the presolo knowledge exam of §61.87(b), received the required presolo training required by §61.87(c), and has demonstrated the proficiency of §61.87(d) and is proficient to make solo flights in (category, make, model aircraft)  SIGNED  CESSVIC 150/150 N 304 28  CFI NO. 1576673 EXPIRATION DATE May 2022	
the required presolo training required by §61.87(c), and has demonstrated the proficiency of §61.87(d) and is proficient to make solo flights in (category, make, model aircraft)  SIGNED  DATE 4/24/2020	INITIAL SOLO ENDORSEMENTS
	the required presolo training required by §61.87(c), and has demonstrated the proficiency of §61.87(d) and is proficient to make solo flights in (category, make, model aircraft)  SIGNED  DATE  A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A

Tyler's logbook First Solo Flight Endorsement. Franklin Field(F72) 04/24/2020 @ 8:30am, in a Cessna 150/150.



Tyler Pierson and Stan Lawrence following Tyler's first Solo flight Stan Lawrence

Young Eagles Sacramento / DGA

### **WELCOME NEW MEMBER!**

We are pleased to report that we have added the following new member:

Mark (MAC) McElroy who flies a Van's RV-7A

### VMC CLUB REPORT

Let's try a May VMC CLUB meeting Virtually on Zoom.

Steve Lightstone is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: VMC CLUB VAA Chapter 25

Time: May 16, 2020 09:00 AM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87484267629?pwd=ajdxYk4zM0h6aTVXQmhvVTBkYTIxZz09

Meeting ID: 874 8426 7629

Password: vaa25 One tap mobile

+16699009128,,87484267629# US (San Jose)

Dial by your location +1 669 900 9128 US (San Jose) Meeting ID: 874 8426 7629

Steve Lightstone VMC Club Leader

### **SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE**

We are excited to have a Ray Scholar this year. The initial funding has been received and we are looking forward to enjoying Tyler Pierson's journey through the program! However, as most can understand, flying for our Ray Scholar has not progressed as we had originally planned. Due to the Coronavirus - Stan has been carefully dictating flight time and lessons in order to maximize the safety of all involved. However, I am happy to report that both instructor and

student have managed to carve out some flying time recently and Tyler continues to make good progress - not only in flying, but also using the "down" time to study for his written. The following is a brief update from Tyler.



Tyler Pierson trying on his First Solo shirt

"The past few months have been fairly difficult trying to get in my training for the scholarship. The recent coronavirus has really thrown off our schedules a lot and has led to some confusion. However, for the few lessons I am able to get in with Stan, we've tried to make the most of it. Perfecting my landings, practicing stalls, radio work, etc. All of it preparing me so I can complete my solo successfully! I will hopefully be able to actually do my solo flight soon, however no one can be certain during these times."

A hearty congratulations are in order as our Ray Scholar, Tyler, who completed his first solo on Friday, April 24th! Congrats go out to both Tyler and Stan!

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Owen Ray Scholarship Coordinator

### **WEBMASTER REPORT**

Hello all,

When you look at our website, you will notice that it has changed dramatically. The EAA changed webhost providers in March. Our website is affected because we use the website provider that EAA has worked with for the last number of years. I think this was a good thing, first because our website could use some updating (newer pictures, more info on the YE program, etc.), and second the current webhost system for updates is pretty funky and not so easy to use IMHO. I have started the migration process, so you will notice that several of the pages are in still in development. It is a major project, so it will take a while to transform the EAA template pages to give them the Vintage Chapter 25 look and feel.

Dave Magaw Webmaster

### **CALENDAR - DATES AND EVENTS**

May	Saturday, May 2, Young Eagles Flights at KLLR postponed to date to be determined					
	Saturday, May 9, Fly-out to Alta Sierra (09CL) Cancelled					
	Saturday, May 16, VMC Club Meeting - Scheduled by Zoom (see VMC Club article)					
	Sunday, May 17, Young Eagles Flights at KSAC postponed to date to be determined					
June	Saturday, Jun 13, Fly-out to Chico (KCIC) (10:00 a.m.) Visit the Chico Air					
	Museum and lunch after at airport restaurant.					
	Saturday, Jun 20, VMC Club Meeting at KSAC (8 a.m. to Noon)					
July	No Meetings					
August	Saturday, Aug 8, Meeting at KSAC for Corn & Brats BBQ (10 a.m. to 1 p.m.)					
	Saturday, Aug 15, VMC Club Meeting at KSAC (8 a.m. to Noon)					
September	Saturday, Sep 19, VMC Club Meeting at KSAC (8 a.m. to Noon)					

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October	Saturday, Oct 3, Young Eagles Flights at Little River (KLLR) (8:30 a.m. to Noon)
_	Saturday, Oct 10, Fly-out to Shelter Cove (OQ5) meet at airport (11 a.m. to 1 p.m.)
	Saturday, Oct 17, VMC Club Meeting at KSAC (8 a.m. to Noon)
	Sunday, Oct 18, Young Eagles Flights at KSAC (8 a.m. to 3 p.m.)
November	Saturday, Nov 21, VMC Club Meeting at KSAC (8 a.m. to Noon)
December	Saturday, Dec 12, Holiday & Planning meeting at Aviator's Restaurant KSAC (10 a.m.)

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