

# *The Outer Market*

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**2020**

## **“Important Dates”**

### **General Meeting**

**March 13th**

**8:30 AM**

**Gateway EAA Chapter 1401**

**Merced Regional Airport**

**HANGAR 10**

### **Board Meeting**

**April 1st**

**7:00 PM**

**Mike Bodine**

**2519 Sea Breeze Ct.**

**Merced, CA**





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# Happy St. Patty's Day!

## Hello Flight Enthusiasts!

Last month was an interesting meeting. Monika had a wonderful presentation and made us aware of many things happening in our community that we can help with. She has several underprivileged children that they take on trips as treats. One time they took them to the Ocean, which they had never in their lives seen nor had they ever stepped foot on a beach. I suggested a Young Eagles flight day for them, Monika and the chapter thought it was a great idea. However, she wants the children to do something on the ground first to see if they are really interested in flying. At our last board meeting Linton suggested building the planes like we did at our January meeting and the board decided that would be good. But it was suggested to do it at the hanger where they could also get in the flight simulator to get a feel for an airplane ride. All of this is pending Monika's approval of course. I have photos in our Event section of her speaking.

I only recently was made aware that we lost John Mitchell (Fuzzy) shortly after the loss of his wife Doris, who was our Vice President for many years. It was suggested that we put an obituary section in the newsletter, but I am not able to do so if I am not made aware of people's demise. Maybe not an obituary every month but may I suggest letting me know via email [bcake250@gmail.com](mailto:bcake250@gmail.com) of any members or past member's passing so I could let others know within the Outer Marker.

We had some good suggestions at the board meeting for speakers: Joe Pruzzo CEO of Castle Air Museum , Michael Toland Chief Pilot for the Dept. of Energy at Nellis, AFB and Tom Lopes Gateway Air Center for a start. Depending on their availability of course. We will try to get Joe from Castle Air Museum in April. Mike Smith will be speaking at our May meeting. He has graciously accepted the challenge of getting our local chapter's website up and running. Thank you, Mike! Hope to see you all on the 13<sup>th</sup>. Until then. God bless you all with health, prosperity and clear blue skies!

Bonnie G.



# President's Proclamation



**Mike Bodine**

## **March 13, 2021** **Gateway EAA Chapter 1401**

Our March EAA General Meeting is Mar 13th at 8:30 AM at the EAA hangar.

Clancy Flanagan, our newest EAA chapter member, will be our guest speaker. If you are into old military aircraft, Clancy has (2) Stearman antiques we will get to see.

Remember to wear your face masks and maintain social distancing at the meeting.

Hot coffee and water will be available for all those attending.

We hope to see everyone at the March General meeting March 13th.

Mike Bodine

# 2021 Gateway EAA

## Tentative Meeting Schedule

<b>Board Meetings</b>	<b>General Meetings</b>	<b>Meeting Location</b>	<b>Meeting Agenda and Activity</b>
Mar 4	Mar 13	EAA Hangar 10	Clancy Flanagan's Stearmans Aircraft Display and Social
Apr 1	Apr 10	EAA Hangar 10	Aircraft Display and Social
Apr 29	May 8	EAA Hangar 10	Mike Smith Chapter 1401 Website Aircraft Display and Social
Jun 3	Jun 12	EAA Hangar 10	Aircraft Display and Social
Jul 1	Jul 10	EAA Hangar 10	Aircraft Display and Social
Aug 5	Aug 14	EAA Hangar 10	Aircraft Display and Social
Sep 2	Sep 11	EAA Hangar 10	Aircraft Display and Social
Sep 30	Oct 9	EAA Hangar 10	Aircraft Display and Social
Nov 4	Nov 13	EAA Hangar 10	Aircraft Display and Social
Dec 2	Dec 11	EAA Hangar 10	<b>Chapter Christmas party</b>



# Chapter Events Monika Grasley







Our Speaker last month was Monika Grasley from Lifeline; the “Christmas With Dignity” group we donated our toys at Christmas time to in 2019 & 2020.

Lifeline exists to provide a platform for people to come together over community issues they care deeply about. Lifeline volunteers along with community members that have been painting over graffiti, tutoring and mentoring students, clothing the poor, feeding the hungry, helping put an end to recidivism, and using their skills to help their neighbors.

Join us to help build stronger communities in California’s Central Valley. We believe that a community is more than its streets, buildings, and land. At the heart, a community is made up of individuals and families and their stories – some wonderful and some heartbreaking.

Come, listen, learn, and uncover these stories, but don’t stop there. We invite you to take part and invest your time, talent, and treasures to help transform lives, including your own!

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## **EAA, AOPA Letter Advocates for U.S. Homebuilts Flying to Mexico**

February 18, 2021 – EAA and AOPA have sent a joint letter to the AFAC, the civil aviation authority of Mexico, asking it to correct a regulatory snag that has prevented many U.S.-registered amateur-built aircraft from crossing the border in recent months.

Unlike other neighboring countries like Canada and The Bahamas, Mexico does not use a standardized blanket flight authorization to validate the airworthiness certificates of homebuilts based in the United States. This makes permission for flights from the U.S. susceptible to changes in policy, interpretation, and/or enforcement.

Since late last year, such a change in policy has grounded many amateur-built flights to Mexico, and EAA has heard from many members who have had issues. Working with AOPA and international partners, EAA hopes that this latest communication will help bring an expedient end to the problem. The joint letter explains the current policy snag, the safety and importance of experimental aircraft to the general aviation economy, and a proposed solution. The letter asks the AFAC to adopt a blanket authorization similar to the aforementioned Canadian and Bahamian examples.

In addition to AOPA, EAA worked with Baja Bush Pilots to gain background and points of contact on the subject and CST Flight Services for translation and liaison with the AFAC. This project has been an excellent example of the GA community working together to solve a problem, and we value the contributions of all involved.

# A BIT OF HISTORY

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## MARCH WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

Happy Women's History Month! Throughout March, we celebrate the many women who have influenced and inspired all kinds of aviators, whether they are commercial pilots, air traffic controllers or spacewalking astronauts.

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Women have played a critical role in AFSOC since its inception in 1987. They have made their mark across almost every career field in AFSOC and continue to break down barriers every step of the way.

Air Force Special Operations Command

Dr. Mae Jemison. "Mae Jemison is a physician, engineer, educator, entrepreneur and the first woman of color in the world to go into space - she was a NASA



astronaut for six years. Currently Mae devotes much of her attention to the 100 Year Starship, which she says is "pursuing an extraordinary tomorrow to create a better world today." In her spare moments, Mae is a lifelong and accomplished dancer." Watch below to listen to Dr. Jemison tell her story.

<https://www.pbs.org/.../mae-jemison-i-wanted-to-go-into.../>



With the establishment of the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps (WAAC) in World War II, females entered military service as something other than nurses for the first time.

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Got to enjoy a night flight. It was pretty clear. You can see Delhi (nearest), Livingston, Atwater and Merced. The city lights are pretty from 5500'.  
~ John Gottschalk



Wing walker over the pier in my hometown back in IN. This photo was taken on July 6, 1997 during the Michigan City Air Show. Featured wing walker Tony Kazian of Dacy Airshows from Wisconsin and their Stearman Biplane.



First time my 3<sup>rd</sup> great grandson has visited great-grandpa John's airplane. Did not fly still afraid of loud noises. Maybe next time.

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