Over $45,000 awarded

On June 19, the Aero Club of Pennsylvania Memorial Scholarship Fund awarded $36,500 in aviation scholarship awards to 13 young men and women from the Philadelphia area. The annual scholarship dinner is held at the Philadelphia Aviation Country Club at Wings Field in Blue Bell, PA. The Eastern Pennsylvania Chapter of The Ninety-Nines also awarded $9000 in scholarships to five women at the dinner. 75 members, recipients and family members attended the ceremony.

Our guest speaker, Dena Williams, is a WC-130J instructor in the U.S. Air Force Reserve 53rd Weather Reconnaissance Squadron, the “hurricane hunters.” She talked about her career in the Air Force and how she focused her efforts to achieve her aviation goals.

The Aero Club of Pennsylvania has been awarding aviation scholarships through its affiliated scholarship funds for over 75 years. Since 2001, the club has awarded over $200,000. The funds are raised from a combination of donations, fundraisers, and investment income. The enrollment period begins each spring.

Many years back, the Aero Club scholarship trustees established a formula to help provide generous scholarships while also growing its own endowment fund. Each year, the club uses 100% of new donations plus one half of the year’s investment income for awards. In this way, donors can make an immediate impact while the fund can grow and provide greater impact over time. In lean investment or donor years, the fund is still sufficiently funded to provide generous awards.

Member wins ride on B-24

Werner Volkmann earned a B-24 ride by renewing his membership early during our 2014 membership campaign. The flight, conducted by the Commemorative Air Force, took place at this year’s Reading WWII Weekend in June. Werner recounted his flight on “Diamond Lil:” “What a memorable flight being on the inside of a big bomber. Lying on my belly in the very end of the tail, I pulled the trigger of the machine gun. It did not work. And sitting next to the bomb racks, I could see how the hand release latches work. Thanks to the Aero Club.”
PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE
Bruce Thompson

Forty five years ago this past July, Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin placed their feet on the surface of the moon as Michael Collins orbited the moon awaiting their return…truly, “one small step for a man, one giant leap for mankind” Our scholarship season has ended for 2014 and I must say our recipients never cease to amaze me in their desire and abilities. Maybe, just maybe, there is another Neil Armstrong or Pete Conrad, another Apollo Astronaut that learned to fly in the Delaware Valley, amongst the ranks of our awardees.

On a more somber note the Greater Delaware Valley aviation community lost one of it’s aviation stalwarts with the passing of Alex Sheves at the age of 93. He was a World War II veteran and spent his life doing what he loved - flying and maintaining antique aircraft. He managed the Chester County Airport for almost 40 years. Al had a passion for World War II Navy fighter planes and owned a P-51, FM2 and a T6. Al’s widow, Pat, graciously asked that donations be sent to the Aero Club of Pennsylvania Memorial Scholarship Fund in lieu of flowers.

Jon Martin, manager of New Garden Flying Field reports that the sixth annual, Future Aviators Summer Camp was a rousing success. The July camp had 63 campers that visited the Udvar-Hazy Museum by Dulles International Airport, flew R/C aircraft, flew on orientation flights and were introduced to ballooning by our own Debbie Harding. The second summer camp was anticipating the same turnout.

For all of you aviation enthusiasts out there don’t forget the Festival of Flight, Air and Car Show at the New Garden flying field in late August and the Fall Flying Festival held at the Chester County Airport in October.

Please keep the Aero Club of PA Memorial Scholarship Fund or the Shannon Memorial Fund in mind as you consider your charitable contributions. We are proud that we can continue to report that 100% of donations go directly into these funds to be awarded to worthy candidates.

I leave you with the following quote from Astronaut Ellison Onizuka:

Every generation has the obligation to free men’s minds for a look at new worlds, to look out from a higher plateau than the last generation. Your vision is not limited by what your eye can see, but by what your mind can imagine. Make your life count and the world will be a better place because you tried.

Just maybe there is another astronaut that learned to fly in the Delaware Valley.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPORT
Elaine Farashian, Secretary

The Aero Club Board of Directors met at Wings Field on July 17. President Bruce Thompson presided over the meeting.

The group discussed the minutes from the April meeting, followed by financials, newsletter and membership. Membership stands at about 125.

Next, Bob Smith reported on behalf of Debbie Harding on the 2014 Scholarship Dinner.

The group discussed proposed changes to the Aero Club bylaws to bring them more inline with the way the club has been operating in recent times. Final changes will be voted on at the next board meeting.

The board also discussed upcoming field trip ideas, including a Philadelphia tower tour and Eagles Mere Air Museum.

The meeting adjourned for dinner and a presentation by Dan Kurkjian and Roger Thorne about the history of the Philadelphia / Paoli Main Line Airport.
Aero Club Scholarship Report
By Debbie Harding, VP Scholarships

From fund investing and raising, applicant recruitment, selection, award presentation, award distribution and follow up it takes an Aero Club to administer an Aviation Scholarship fund! For 75 plus years such contemporary folks as Peter Wood, Bob Mills, Terry Hatcher, Bob Shannon, and Steve Najarian have volunteered both their time and their expertise to support General Aviation in the Delaware Valley region. The baton now is carried by present members. Carris Kocher was instrumental in raising funds from the family and friends of Peter Wood in order that together with her and husband Erik’s contribution they could have an award in Pete’s name. Those same contributors hope to continue doing so for another award in Pete’s name next year! Terry Hatcher’s estate generously has given ten $1000 awards ($10,000!) to be given annually for the next ten years in Terry’s name. Bob Mills, Jr. is seeking Aero Club support in raising substantial funds that can be given in his father’s name in perpetuity. These efforts are in addition to the donation of volunteer time, monetary contribution or even donating old aviation goods to our “fly market” or items to our silent auction at the Wright Brother’s Dinner.

Applicant recruitment is accomplished by members spreading the word and by newsletters and bulletin board announcements at FBOs and flight schools. Announcements go to aviation oriented schools and businesses and our website and more recently our Facebook page.

As for selection, this year we had 45 applicants! The five man-volunteer committee, collectively called the “Scholarship Review Board” spends hours pouring through written applications, confering with flight schools and each other in order to make difficult decisions on who best fit award criteria as well as award amounts.

The selections are then presented to the club at large. Again an all-volunteer crew run the process including the design and printing of programs, organization of presentations, volunteer speakers, reservations for dinner, etc.

We start in January, end in June only to continue to talk to the flight schools and recipients on how the funds are working for them or how they are working for the funds! Please take note of this year’s awardees’ pictures, home towns and planned training facilities, and make a point of extending a little moral support when your paths cross, an atta boy or girl can go a long way!

Thank you to Nancy Kyle and her diligence in keeping up with current events and postings for our Facebook page. Because of this the club was introduced to Major Dena Williams USAF

Quite the Summer Adventure
By Emily Lewis, Scholarship Recipient

I had a great experience competing in my very first Air Race Classic this June. When the final results of the race were in, my team, Classic Racer #48 ended up placing 26th out of 48 competing teams. Over ten teams did not finish the race in time, so finishing the race without any penalties or disqualifications was a huge success for us! We also placed second place on leg #7, from Iowa City, Iowa, to Danville, Illinois. Shortly after landing in Danville, our left engine’s starter broke, which did set our time back on the last two legs. We knew we couldn’t stop once we were started, so we had to do everything possible to conserve our fuel burn, which ended up slowing us down tremendously. Before this event, our scores had put us in a running possibility for the top 15. We finished the race and that’s what counts! The opportunity introduced me to some incredible women in the aviation community. All are passionate about what they do, and work hard spreading the word of aviation throughout the nation.

All in all, I have had quite the adventure the past several months. From obtaining my multi-engine license, to flying all the way across the country twice, to finishing my Commercial, and working as a camp counselor at the New Garden Aviation Camp, my life has been a non-stop whirlwind of aviation and adventure! I have a lot of aviation goals planned and I am beginning to move onto my CFI as well. I would not have been able to accomplish what I have so far without the help and support of friends, family, and of course the Aero Club of PA. Aviation has brought me numerous adventures thus far, and I cannot wait to see what the future holds!

Thank you to the fund trustees and treasurer: John O’Toole, Dan Kurkjian, Bruce Thompson, Mike Dunleavy, and Jeff Kahn without whom we wouldn’t have funds to give. Thank you to this year’s Review Board; individually Dan Kurkjian, John Stubbs, Tim Field and Bob Smith. And of course News and Print chair Rob Dant for all the news and print! As I said, it takes a long standing club made up of dedicated standing members to administer scholarship funds. The Club has a strong foundation from the members that proceeded them. It is great to be able to remember them through these awards and inspire by their legacies those in receipt!
Remembering Alex Sheves, 1921-2014

Member Story by Nancy Kyle

Alex Sheves was a World War II veteran and a lifelong flyer and mechanic. He managed the Chester County Airport for almost 40 years and owned a P-51, FM2 and a T6. The name Al Sheves conjures up a host of memories for those of us who knew him. The stories are legendary. Just a very few follow:

Al was a confirmed bachelor until he met Pat. Al and Pat had applied for a marriage license and almost let it lapse. One day as the license was about to expire, Pat showed up at the airport looking for her groom. They went to the Justice of the Peace in Parkesburg accompanied by Al’s very good friend Bill Bohmier. Al balked at paying the Justice of the Peace’s fee so Bill declared that just to see Al marry, he would pay the fee. Following the wedding, Al was called to fly a trip to DCA, Washington National Airport. He decided to take Pat with him telling her that he would take her to a nice dinner in DC. When they arrived in DC they discovered that the terminal restaurants were closed for the day so their wedding dinner wound up at a hot dog stand. They re-enacted their wedding dinner by dining at Harry’s Hot Dogs in Sadsburyville on their 30th anniversary.

Back in the days when Al was courting Pat, he elected to fly a Learjet, N1968W, up to Bad Axe, MI to pick her up. He landed at a very small airport with a very short runway. The locals had not seen a Learjet land at their airport before and were quite impressed. That event led Pat’s two sons, David and Michael, to tell their mother that, “Al was a keeper.”

There was once a Widgeon whose keel Al had just replaced. He took it out for a test flight with the owner and decided to give the fellow a little dual. While Al was a mechanic and a pilot, most would judge him better at the former. In the midst of the dual, they managed to land gear up. Al’s only comment was, ‘well, at least I have practice in replacing the keel’

He was the consummate master mechanic who had the capability of fabricating parts from merely an oral description. He liked foreign cars especially Mercedes and other German makes, and bought and sold both cars and airplanes. You just knew you could always go back to him for maintenance, and to even buy the thing back if you needed to sell. If you were his friend, he would do anything for you—a loyal, true-blue guy with a heart of gold.

Procrastination, though, was one of Al’s best attributes. Al and Joe Pew had an Aero Commander 500S that they flew 600 hours in 16 years. They were approached about sell-

ing it. Al cautioned the buyer that he had not ever overhauled the engines or the props, and did not perform the gear overhaul which was a 5-year item. Gee, has it been 16 years?! The hydraulic system leaked, the gear backup nitrogen system only held pressure for 2 minutes, but the plane was flown VFR with the landing gear down to the Commander dealer in Ohio for a pre-purchase inspection and it was successfully sold.

Al was always late, extremely late. One day, he was running through the hangar to start up an Aztec on his way to an important meeting. Trying to save time, he jumped in, and since he needed to make an immediate left turn to get to the taxiway, he started up the right engine first and proceeded to taxi out. He started cranking the left engine with no results. He peered over to see what the problem might be and only then noticed that there was not only no left engine and no cowling, but no left prop either...only sand bags.

Al test flew a 150 after it had been in for maintenance. The rudder cables were installed in the reverse position. When Al landed, all he said to the maintenance crew was “fix those cables right.” Anyone else would have fired everybody.

Then, there was Spinner, a beloved mutt who had a sweet disposition and wouldn’t harm a flea, much less a human. Spinner flew with Al a lot and would gleefully jump into the plane for his next adventure and bolt out upon landing. His routine was to then run to the back of the plane and lift his leg on one of the tires. One day, Al and Spinner were in a Seabee and they landed on the Delaware Canal. Spinner was very anxious to get out of the plane, so before they docked, Al opened the hatch and Spinner leaped out. As he was momentarily flying through the air, realizing that there was no ground to land on, he splayed out all four legs and belly flopped into the water. When Al docked the aircraft, Spinner, who had easily made it to shore, promptly bit Al on the leg. Wouldn’t you just love to hear his stories about Al? Spinner was fondly laid to rest out by the wind sock.

In aviation circles, Al was a local legend, a real character and a man of few words who loved aviation as we all do. He WAS a keeper, and we will keep him in our collective hearts. We will miss you, Al. God speed on your last flight home.

Special Note: The aviation community is planning a special memorial service for Al at the October 4, 2014 Fall Flying Festival and Car Show at Chester County Airport (see next page). Like us on Facebook and we’ll post more details as they become available.
Event Planning

Festival of Flight, Air & Car Show
New Garden Airfield
August 23-24, 2014
Airshow performers include Greg Koontz and The Alabama Boys, our own Matt Chapman, Kevin Russo SNJ Demo, Jerry Wells Bucker Aerbatics, MAAM's TBM and B-25.
Gates Open at 9am on Saturday and Sunday. Morning activities include the Manhattan Dolls and The Ultimate Abbot and Costello Show. Air Show starts at 11:30.

Chester County Warbirds Tour
Chester County Airport
August 30, 2014, 2:00 PM.
The Aero Club will visit a private collection of warbirds, including a P-51, Spitfire, T-6s, L-4 and an SNJ project. Those interested should respond to mailbox@aeroclubpa.org with “Chester County War Bird Tour” in the subject. A $10 donation is requested.

Fall Flying Festival and Car Show
Chester County Airport
October 4, 2014, 10 AM - 4 PM.
The Fall Flying Festival is a community outreach event. In its third year, the free festival features static aircraft displays, aircraft fly-bys, a car and motorcycle show, monster truck, music, and other activities for the whole family. This year’s event is dedicated to Al Sheves and a T6 ride will be raffled to benefit a scholarship in Al’s name. Airplane rides are also planned.

Regional Airport News
Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission Report
JUNE 19, 2014, WALT ELLIS

PHILADELPHIA INTERNATIONAL
Taxway K extension underway. Runway 9R localizer project to be rebid. Terminal F baggage upgrade and retrofit of airport signage underway.

PHILADELPHIA NORTHEAST [PNE]
Crack repair underway on taxiway L.

PENNS LANDING HELIPORT [PZ2]
Grant funding expected soon for Pier 36 S seawall rehabilitation.

PHILLY SEAPLANE BASE [9N2]
Although there are no current operations, the base officially remains open. The township is preparing plans to renovate the grounds and the historic Lazaretto House. Considerations for seaplane operations are included in the plans.

BRADEN [N43]
In an April 22 decision, the Lehigh Valley Airport Authority reversed their plan and voted against the motion to close the airport.

BRANDYWINE [OQN]
LPV Approach Feasibility Study is awaiting approval from the Board of Aviation. Tree removal is underway on the Runway 9 approach end in order to eliminate a NOTAM for night GPS approaches to that runway.

Cecil County [58M]
The airport was sold to new owners at auction last fall. Fuel concessions have resumed. The airport will be renamed Claremont Airport.

Chester County [MQS]
In Phase 6 of the south apron project.

CROSS KEYS [17N]
Three grants have been issued covering runway lighting and PAPILs.

DOYLESTOWN [DYL]
Runway 5/23 obstruction removal going to be completed in September.

HERITAGE FIELD [PTW]
Master plan update underway.

NEW CASTLE [ILG]
The terminal apron is now closed to transient parking due to air carrier operations.

NEW GARDEN [N57]
Runway widening and reconstruction is in the design phases. Rehab of west GA apron is complete and hangar painting is in progress. 43rd annual Festival of Flight air show is Aug. 23-24. Two week long “Future Aviators” summer camps were held. Airport Open House was held in June. An Airport Development Committee has been formed to look at the best use of two saleable lots adjacent to the Airport; one area is currently being considered for a business park and the other an airport residential community.

PERKIOBEN VALLEY [N10]
PennDOT advised that the airport will stay open.

POTTSTOWN MUNI [N47]
PennDOT to issue funding for runway rehabilitation.

QUAKERTOWN [UKT]
An obstruction removal and lighting project is out for bid. This project will include tree removal on both ends of the Airport and lighting a structure on the Runway 11 end.

TRENTON MERCER [TTN]
Phase I & II taxiway rehabilitation scope change modification reviewed by NJDOT and awaiting final approval.

WINGS [LOM]
Fuel sales and flight school activity have bounced back from last quarter. AOPA had anniversary event at the airport. Terminal apron rehabilitation project awaiting a TA from the BOA for the Final Design and Bidding Phase for this project. A ground repeater station for Philadelphia Clearance Delivery is under consideration.

The annual Aero Club Scholarship Donation Drive begins now with your contribution to help young men and women advance their careers in aviation. Donations can be made by mail or online. A $100 or more donation includes free membership for the year 2015. One hundred percent of your donation goes to scholarship awards each year.

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Aero Club and Ninety-Nines scholarship awards

2014 Aero Club of Pennsylvania Awards

The Aero Club of Pennsylvania Memorial Scholarship Fund awarded $36,500 in scholarships. Awards were given in honor of Terry Hatcher, Bob Shannon, Bob Mills, Steven Najarian, and Peter Wood.

Memorial Award Honorees:

Bob Shannon
Operated West Chester Airport (Brandywine) and then Downingtown Airport (Shannon Airport) in the 1960’s and 1970’s. Passed away in 1970.

Terry Hatcher
Past Aero Club President and long-time Bob Shannon Scholarship fund trustee. He was member of the Aero Club for over 50 years. Passed away in 2013.

Bob Mills

Steven Najarian
Long-time Aero Club member and very active board member. WWII tail gunner in a B17 Flying Fortress. Passed away in 2007.

Peter York Wood
An aviation idealist, past officer and one of the longest continuous members of the Aero Club. Oper- ated Delco, Benedict Air- port. Passed away in 2013.

Louise Sacchi
Instructor, pilot, mechanic, and engineer, Louise taught Advanced Navigation to the RAF during WWII. In 1965 she started Sacchi Air Ferry Enterprises overseas. By 1968, she had made her 100th ocean crossing.

Connie Wolf
Connie flew hydrogen bal- loons in the 1950’s and 1960’s and set 15 world records. She was the first woman to cross the Alps in a balloon. She had a life- long love of aviation, ad- venture and public service.

Theresa Dellaquila
Longtime local fixed wing and helicopter pilot and Ninety-Nine. Became well known within the aviation community while traveling with her partner, Drew.

Elaine Huf
Loved flying her tailwheel aircraft, a 1947 Aerona and a 1941 Baby Stinson. The Elaine Huf Tailwheel Endorsement Scholarship was donated by a chapter member in Elaine’s memory.

85+ hours at Dover AFB Aero Club. Advanced ground instructor and part-time English Litera- ture teacher. PhD from Trinity College Dublin. Also likes to scuba dive. Former board member of Delaware Aviation Hall of Fame.

55+ hours at New Gar- den. Private pilot work- ing on IFR. Student at Bishop Shannahan HS. Interested in Naval Academy and in becoming an astronaut. Will study Aerospace Engi- neering at either Purdue or Penn State.

270+ hours with Chesapeake Aviation. Recently completed Commercial. Competed in 2014 Air Race Classic. Degree to be in Geography with possible second degree in Meteorology. Loves to teach. Interested in career in commercial aviation.

230+ hours at Chester County. Working on com- mercial. Banner towing at shore this summer. Wants to complete CFI and ATP. Studying Environmental studies at University of Delaware. Wants to be an airline pilot.

250+ hours at Wings. Senior in High School. Working on IFR and Multi. Interested in Lynchburg or Embry Riddle. Wants to be a commercial pilot and may consider A&P.


80+ hours. Heading to Embry-Riddle. Private Pilot completed in January. Transitioning from C152 to C172. Will work on IFR next. Interested in UAV or commercial pilot.

350+ hours at Advanced Wings. Finishing IFR. Was a combat medic in the Army and works as a medical lab tech. Would like to combine interest in EMT with aviation. Starting Embry Riddle in AZ this summer.
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2014 Eastern PA Chapter Ninety-Nines Awards

The Eastern PA Chapter of the Ninety-Nines awards scholarships to women to help foster their interest in aviation. This year, they awarded five scholarships, totalling $9000.

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<td>75+ hours at New Garden. Avon Grove High School. Wants to fly helicopters for the Army. In Army ROTC. Interested in Clemson for Mechanical Engineering. Also interested in A&amp;P.</td>
<td>85+ hours at Dover AFB Aero Club. Advanced ground instructor and part-time English Lit teacher. PhD from Trinity College Dublin (Dr DeYoung!) Husband is a military lawyer.</td>
<td>50+ hours in gliders at P.G.C. Junior at Perkasie H.S. Helps to run a dog kennel. Will train in C172 at Pennridge this summer. Interested in Aeronautical Engineering and the Air Force or Navy.</td>
<td>Completed private in 2001 and after raising a family, was recertified in 2013. Will use award to get tailwheel endorsement to compliment her continuing passion about all things flight related.</td>
<td>This award will help Lin achieve her goal to finish her private training. She passed her written test in January and estimates 20 hours are needed to complete her Private Pilot’s License.</td>
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AVIATION EVENT CALENDAR

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AUGUST
23-24 New Garden Pancake Breakfast and Airshow (N57)
30 Aero Club visit to Chester County Warbirds (MQS)

SEPTEMBER
6 Wings & Wheels, Wings Field (LOM)
6 EAA 643 Fly-in, Sky Manor Airport (N40) 10AM-2PM
7 Heritage Airfield/PAOP Fly-In Breakfast (PTW)
13 Allen Airstrip Pancake Breakfast (3NJ9)
13 Ocean City, NJ Airfest (N26), 10AM-3PM
20 Essex Skypark Annual Wheels & Wings (W48)

OCTOBER
4-5 History Weekend at Lazaretto, Philly Seaplane Base
4 Chester County Airport Fall Festival 10-4 (MQS)
4 EAA 216 Fall Festival, Lunch 11-2, Alloway, NJ (NJ02)
11 EAA 240 Pancake Breakfast, New Garden (N57)
11 Allen Airstrip Pancake Breakfast (3NJ9)
23 Board of Directors Mtg, Thursday, 6PM, PACC

NOVEMBER
7-10 Waterfowl Festival, Easton, PA (ESN)

Board of Directors Mtg, Oct 23
Wings Field, Philadelphia Aviation Country Club

The Aero Club will hold its next quarterly Board Meeting on October 23 at the Philadelphia Aviation Country Club at Wings Field. Following the board meeting at 6PM, we will have dinner and a presentation by Mike DeLorey. Members and guests are welcome to attend our presentations.

Dinner (optional) begins at 7PM and the presentation begins around 8PM. Please RSVP at aeroclubpa@gmail.com. Dinner is around $40 per person, not including drinks.

Mike DeLorey is a lifelong helicopter pilot, flying Search & Rescue and anti-Sub missions for the U.S. Navy in the 1970’s. In 1973, he earned the dubious distinction of being the only Navy pilot to ever bail out of the pilot’s compartment of the H-3 Sea King helicopter. Mike left the Navy in 1979 but has continued supporting the Navy by serving Naval associations and institutes. He continues to fly helicopters as a civilian while also managing his own investment advisory and financial planning firm.