



American Airports Corporation

June 2017  
Volume 17, Issue 6

**Standing Meetings and Events**

- **CAP Squadron 35**  
Every Wednesday  
7:00 PM—CAP Trailer
- **Whiteman Airport Association**  
Every 3rd Thursday  
7:00 PM—Admin Building
- **Aviation Explorer Post 747**  
2nd & 4th Monday's  
6:30-8:00—Pilot's Lounge
- **Young Eagles**  
Every 4th Saturday  
10:30 AM—Grassy Area adjacent to Pilot's Lounge
- **Whiteman Display Day**  
Every 2nd Sunday  
10:00 AM — 2:00 PM

**2017 Airport Commission Meetings**

June 28, 2017 7:00 PM	KPOC
July 2017 No Meeting	
August 30, 2017 7:00 PM	KCPM
Sept 27, 2017 7:00 PM	KWJF

**Aviation Quote of the Month**

*The airplane has unveiled for us  
the true face of the earth.*

— *Antoine de Saint-Exupéry*

# Whiteman Airport



## From the Manager..

**Andrew Marino, Airport Manager**  
amarino@americanairports.net

**Ruth Logan Honored** — At the April meeting of the Los Angeles County Aviation Commission, long time airport tenant and Aviation Explorer Post 747 founder Ruth Logan was honored with a Certificate of Recognition from the Commission for the wonderful volunteer work she does helping young people realize their aviation dreams. Ruth founded Aviation Explorer Post 747 here at Whiteman in 2003. Since then over 180 youth have participated in this wonderful program that helps students realize and achieve their aviation goals. To date; 26 students have obtained their private pilot certificates and many have gone on to advanced ratings. To highlight a few; two of the students have become CFI's, two air traffic controllers, one is an officer in the U.S. Navy with jet training and was awarded the Marine Corps Commendation Medal and one is an airport manager with instrument and commercial ratings. Another of Ruth' students, Nick Meyer, is now a private pilot with complex and high performance sign-offs as well as tail wheel, multi-engine, instrument, float plane and commercial ratings, is a ground instructor, and the was the recipient of the Congressional Award Gold Medal. Most recently he won the Paul Soucy Trophy for First Place in the International Aerobatic Club's competition.

Ruth continues to generously give her time to all her students and the Explorer Post, hosting monthly meetings, airplane washes and a yearly fundraising Gala. Explorer Post 747 is a wonderful asset to all at Whiteman Airport that not only creates tomorrow's aviators but also helps to create a bond between the Airport and it's owners, the Community. Congratulations to Ruth on the recognition and the continues success of the program!

**Vehicle Access Gate Cards** — As a reminder; the new vehicle access gate cards that were issued in 2014 when our new gates were installed require annual renewal, which is scheduled to coincide with the holder's birthday. Please stop by the office or call us during office hours (Monday through Friday, 8am-5pm) at (818) 896-5271 before your birthday to have your card renewed.

**County Hangar Inspections** — We've completed our first round of County hangar inspections and thank you to all that came out to help us complete this important process. For those that missed the Inspections; please give us a call in the office at (818) 896-5271 to set up a time for your inspection. We are available seven days a week, by appointment, to complete your quick and easy hangar inspection.

**Support your Airport Association** — Please come out on the 3rd Thursday of each month to the Airport Meeting Room at the Old Admin Office (new Civil Air Patrol HQ) and join the Airport Association for \$10 a year in dues. The next Airport Association meeting will be held on June 15th.

**Looking For a New or Different Hangar?** — If you currently lease a tie down or if you're in a hangar and would like to move to a different hangar please stop by the Administration Office, Monday through Friday between the hours of 8 am and 5 pm, to discuss hangar spaces that are currently available. If the particular hangar of your choice is not available now, we will provide you with a hangar waitlist application to fill out so that we can move you in to the hangar of your choice as soon as possible.

**Need Hangar Repairs?** — If you are having difficulty with your hangar please to not hesitate to call the office at (818) 896-5271 so that we may diagnose the problem and make the appropriate fixes.

### Photo of the Month



Longtime WHP tenant Ruth Logan receiving a Certificate of Recognition from the Los Angeles County Aviation Commission

(L-R — Richard Smith—Aviation Div. Chief, Steve Weeks—Aviation Commissioner, Ruth Logan, George Butts— Chair, Aviation Commission)

## Spotlight on...

### SANTA MONICA DEAL TO BE REVIEWED

MAY 15, 2017, 2017 BY RUSS NILES | WWW.AVWEB.COM

A panel of judges will review the deal struck between the FAA and the city of Santa Monica that will close the airport by 2028 and severely curtail operations in the meantime. A U.S. District Court of Appeals rejected the National Business Aviation Association's bid for an injunction against implementing the deal but it did agree the legal underpinning of the agreement needs further study. A separate "merits panel" of judges will take a detailed look at the arrangement, which was agreed to by the city and FAA in January. NBAA President Ed Bolen said the decision "makes clear that the court holds steadfast on the need for a thorough and fair hearing about this unprecedented situation," according to a story in the Santa Monica Lookout.

NBAA alleges that in making the deal with the city, the FAA "failed to follow established procedures when issuing the settlement order, including consideration of its detrimental effects to operators and businesses at the airport, and to the National Airspace System." Although the airport will remain open for 11 more years, the deal gives the city the right to shorten the runway from 5,000 feet to 3,500 feet, which is too short for many business aircraft. It also allows the city to take over all services at the airport after the runway is shortened. The deal ended decades of costly legal sparring between Santa Monica and the FAA but the bulldozers will be held at bay at least until the merits panel completes its review. It's not clear how long that might take.

#### Did You Know?

You can arrange to pay your monthly rent via credit/debit card so it gets automatically charged every month, at **NO CHARGE**.

**Starting June 10, 2017 any payments made via credit/debit card over the phone to the Airport or Accounting Customer Service will be subject to a \$10 convenience fee.**

Contact your Airport Manager for more information or to enroll in auto pay.



American Airports Corporation

#### Whiteman Airport

10000 Airpark Way, 2nd Floor  
Pacoima, CA 91331  
Phone: 818-896-5271  
Fax: 818-897-2654

#### Contact Us:

For questions about your statement or to pay your rent via credit card call:

**Accounting Customer Service**  
(310) 752-0559

For General Questions call  
Customer Service at:

(310) 752-0578 or email us at  
[aacservice@americanairports.net](mailto:aacservice@americanairports.net)

#### Available for Lease

**Whiteman Airport**  
(818-896-5271)

Standard Hangars (832 sf)  
starting at  
\$362.82/month



**Brackett Field Airport**  
(909-593-1395)

Standard Hangars (1013 sf)  
starting at  
\$445.14/month



**Compton/Woodley Airport**  
(310-631-8140)

Standard Hangars (1024 sf)  
starting at  
\$472.58/month

**San Gabriel Valley Airport**  
(626-448-6129)

Standard Hangars (857 sf)  
starting at  
\$454.29/month



**Fox Airfield**  
(661-940-1709)

Standard Hangars (950 sf)  
starting at  
\$364.85/month

#### Airport Display

**KPOC**

Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday  
10AM-2PM

**KCPM**

Every 1<sup>st</sup>  
Saturday and Sunday  
10AM-2PM

**KEMT**

Every 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday  
9AM-1PM

**KWJF**

Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday  
All Day

**KWHP**

Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday  
10AM-2PM