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From the Manager..

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Standing Meetings and Events

- **CAP Squadron 35**
Every Wednesday
7:00 PM
- **Whiteman Airport Association**
Every 3rd Thursday
7:00 PM—Civil Air Patrol Meeting Room
- **Aviation Explorer Post 747**
2nd & 4th Monday's
6:30-8:00—2nd Fr Conf Room (Airport Terminal)
- **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

2018 Aviation Commission Meetings

October 31 10:00 AM	KWHP
November 28 10:00 AM	KEMT
December	No Meeting

Aviation Quote of the Month

I think it is a pity to lose the romantic side of flying and simply to accept it as a common means of transport.
— Amy Johnson

American Heroes Air Show at Hansen Dam. The annual American Heroes Air Show will take place at the Hansen Dam Recreation and Sports Complex on Saturday, November 3rd from 9am until 4pm. Parking and admission are free and we'll also be there hosting a tent representing the Airport. The event features a diverse collection of helicopters on static display as well as flying demonstrations. Helicopters from local, county, state and federal agencies will be on display plus displays of specialized rescue vehicles and tactics, technical rope rescues and safety demonstrations. Several helicopters will be operating in and around the dam so please keep that in mind for that day as operations in the air will be even busier than normal

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.

Storm Water Season. Our annual storm water monitoring season has started and requires that we inspect all ramps for possible pollutants. Please remember that painting, sanding or the use of any chemicals or solvents is not permitted in or around storage hangars or tie downs. If you see potential storm water issues around the airport please do not hesitate to contact my office at (818) 896-5271 or Airport Operations at (818) 312-2911 so that we may clean up any potential problems before they become one. Thanks in advance for your help!

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.

Fire Extinguisher Recertification Pickup. For those that dropped off a fire extinguisher during our March 2018 fire extinguisher recertification; the extinguisher is ready for pickup if you have not already done so. A date for our Fall recertification program will be scheduled soon, please watch for the drop-off date in the next newsletter as well as on signage around the Airport.

Support your Airport Association.

Please come on the 3rd Thursday of each month to the old Airport Admin Building meeting room (New CAP HQ) and join the Airport Association for \$10 a year in dues. The next regular Airport Association meeting will be held on **October 18, 2018.**

Spotlight on...

Industry Gathers to Tackle Pilot and Mechanic Shortage

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More than 100 aviation professionals, representing government, industry, advocacy groups and other aspects of aviation, gathered in Washington, D.C., Sept. 13, 2018, to discuss the shortage of pilots and mechanics facing the industry.

“The aviation community has always come together to tackle its most pressing challenges, and today we need to do it again,” FAA Acting Administration Dan Elwell said at the start of the agency’s Aviation Workforce Symposium: Ensuring America’s Pilot & Mechanic Supply. “There needs to be a common understanding of the gravity and urgency of the situation. We have a diminishing supply of qualified pilots and mechanics and technicians.”

By 2021, the country will be about 5,000 pilots short, and by 2026 that number will increase to about 15,000 pilots, leaving 1,500 aircraft inoperable, noted Marty Lenss from Eastern Iowa Airport and the American Association of Airport Executives.

Dr. Heather Wilson, secretary of the Air Force, added that at the end of the last fiscal year, the Air Force was 2,000 pilots short.

More airplanes will be put in the boneyard if the pilot and mechanic shortage continues.

“This issue goes far beyond what the government alone can do,” said Secretary of Transportation Elaine Chao. “It is incumbent upon all of us to find solutions. This summit was called to bring attention to this critical issue and to convene stakeholders who are experts, to create a path forward, so that we can work together to address this very important issue, comprehensively and collaboratively.”

According to Wilson, the aviation workforce is underrepresented when it comes to women and minorities.

“There’s a whole segment of our population that has not yet been touched and inspired by the bug to fly,” she said. “There’s a deep talent pool out there that can’t afford the ticket to the show, not even in the nosebleed section.”

According to Frank Slazer of the Aerospace Industries Association, his group is working to create more apprenticeship programs, so young people can learn on the job, reducing some of the financial burden that can accompany the pursuit of a degree.

He also discussed reaching out to middle schoolers and encouraging them to choose Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) classes in high school that will allow them to continue an aviation education into college.

National Aviation Business Association (NBAA) Senior Director of Educational Strategy Jo Damato said the event drove home the point that everyone must work together on a solution.

“There are a number of paths people can take once they enter this workforce, but this ecosystem that we all are responsible for is why NBAA needs to be a part of the solution,” she said, adding that the industry must be creative in reaching out to young people, and connect with them in ways different than outreach efforts aimed at previous generations.

NBAA, she said, will continue working with regional groups to get the word out specifically about the opportunities available in business aviation by going into high schools and universities, as well as flight schools and technical schools.

The association will continue to work with these local groups on holding career days and other events to showcase the industry, such as a recent event hosted by the Northern California Business Aviation Association, in which NBAA representatives participated, she added.

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Hangars (790sf) starting at
\$355.71/month



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

Half Hangars starting at
\$133.42/month



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

Half Hangars starting at
\$194.93/month

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

Half Hangars starting at
\$152.19/month



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

Half Hangars starting at
\$137.59/month

Airport Display Days

KPOC

Every 3rd Sunday
10AM-2PM

KCPM

Every 1st Saturday & Sunday
10AM-2PM

KEMT

Every 4th Sunday
9AM-1PM

KWJF

Every 2nd Saturday
All Day

KWHP

Every 2nd Sunday
10AM-2PM