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GWBAA Supports Worthy Aviation Causes

GWBAA Announces 2013 Charitable Donations

In 2013, GWBAA devoted a portion of its revenue to charitable causes related to aviation. In particular, it was a co-sponsor of the scholarships awarded at ProJet's Aviation Education Expo; from its golf tournament, GWBAA donated \$1500 to the Aero Club of Washington Foundation for scholarships as well as \$3000 to the Corporate Angel Network; and also contributed \$1500 to the Veterans Airlift Command.

In related news, the new Executive Director of the corporate Angel Network is Dick Koenig (the former publisher of *Flying* magazine); to learn more about CAN and its valuable work assisting cancer patients, please visit <http://www.corpangelnetwork.org>.

Regional News Round-Up



The new terminal at **Stafford Regional Airport** will be dedicated on January 25. The \$3.4 million facility will replace the trailer that has been used as an interim terminal and will include a passenger lounge and other facilities. \$2 million of the cost has been paid for by grants from the Virginia Department of Aviation and the remainder by loans.

Aviation Daily recently provided an update on the status of general aviation at **Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport** (DCA). Notably, the number of approved gateway airports has increased to 92 (up from 82 at the end of 2012 and 67 at the end of 2011). Additionally, approximately 300 operators are approved to participate in the DCA Access Standard Security Programs (DASSP) according to Mary Miller, a Corporate Vice President for BBA Aviation/Signature Flight Support who is based at DCA (and is a former GWBAA board member). However, a key stumbling block for operators continues to be the requirement for an Armed Security Officer (ASO), and GA operations at DCA continue to average only about five per day.



The FAA has reimbursed most of the \$13.65 million that recently has been expended by the City of Frederick to acquire properties neighboring **Frederick Municipal Airport**, according to the *Frederick News-Post*. The properties have been acquired in preparation for a runway expansion project. A contract is being negotiated with Delta Airport Consultants for engineering support for the project.

A federal budget bill passed earlier this month among other provisions ensures that control towers that previously had been threatened by "sequestration" will continue to operate; they include the towers at **Easton Airport, Frederick Municipal Airport, Hagerstown Regional Airport, Martin State Airport, and Salisbury-Ocean City Wicomico Regional Airport**.

Henry Ogrodzinski, the President and CEO of the National Association of State Aviation Officials (NASAO), passed away earlier this month. Ogrodzinski was a long-time supporter of general aviation causes, and had led NASAO since 1996. For a tribute from NBAA, please visit <http://www.nbaa.org/news/pr/2014/20140123-007.php>.

The pilot of a Beechcraft Bonanza was killed on December 18 when his aircraft crashed near **Charlottesville Albemarle Airport**. Also, a Cessna 195 crashed while landing at **Winchester Regional Airport** on January 19; no injuries were reported. As always, fly safely!

FAA General Aviation News



The November/December issue of the FAA's general aviation newsletter, "FAA Safety Briefing", is now available in PDF format at http://www.faa.gov/news/safety_briefing/2014/media/JanFeb2014.pdf. The theme of the issue is "new technology in aviation" and it includes articles on topics such as avoiding technological distraction; making the most of NextGen ATC modernization options; and using data and technology to improve runway safety.

Upcoming Events

- **January 31:** Aero Club luncheon featuring John Potter, President and CEO of MWAA, at the Capital Hilton. For more information, please visit <http://www.aeroclub.org/events>.
- **February 4:** National Aeronautic Association luncheon featuring Rear Admiral Michael Manazir speaking on air warfare at the Crystal Gateway Marriott. For more information, please visit <http://naa.aero/html/events/index.cfm?cmsid=110>.
- **February 13:** Royal Aeronautical Society presentation of award to Barry Eccleston, President and CEO of Airbus Americas, Inc., at the British Embassy. For more information, please visit <http://raeswashingtondcbranch.cloverpad.org/Default.aspx?pageId=603363&eventId=822004&EventViewMode=EventDe>

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- **February 19:** National Aeronautic Association luncheon featuring Richard Aboulafia of the Teal Group at the Crystal Gateway Marriott. For more information, please visit <http://naa.aero/html/events/index.cfm?cmsid=110>.
- **March 6:** Aviation Week Laureate Awards at the National Building Museum. For more information, please visit <http://atwonline.com/aviation-week-laureate-awards>.
- **June 4-7:** Maryland Regional Aviation Conference in Frederick, Maryland. For more information, please visit <http://www.marylandairportmanagers.org/conference>

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