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GWBAA Welcomes New Board Members

Board Announcements

GWBAA was represented well at the NBAA convention in Las Vegas this month. Among others, Paige Kroner, Jol Silversmith, and Bob Blouin attended numerous meetings and sessions on behalf of the GWBAA membership, such as the Access Committee, Careers in Business Aviation, and Regional Group Networking meetings. When it comes to NBAA regional groups GWBAA members should be aware that we are at the top of the list for the best organized and active groups. For more on the convention, go to <http://www.nbaa.org/events/bace/2013/>.

GWBAA welcomes to its board **K. Hunter Weiss**, a Partner with Welsch Aviation, an aircraft sales and acquisition firm, and **Kyle Herbig**, a Duty Manager at Signature Flight Support. Additionally, **Glenn Hediger, CPA** has been approved by the Board as the Treasurer of GWBAA for the upcoming year. Glenn is President of Aviation Financial Consulting. If you're interested in helping GWBAA and becoming involved with the board, please drop us a note at info@gwbaa.com.

Annual Party and General Meeting To Be Held First Week In December



Planning for the GWBAA holiday party (and annual meeting) is under way and a date is expected to be set shortly for the first week in December. Please plan to join us in nibbling on some hors d'oeuvres and washing them down with a glass of holiday cheer. We also have a few things in the "GWBAA closet" to give away but please let us know (via email at info@gwbaa.com) if you or your company want to provide a door prize. We will give you all

the credit! Please watch for an email soon about the date as well as location.

Regional News Round-Up

Frederick Municipal Airport has announced that its new manager will be Christopher Lawler, a former AOPA program manager. Kevin Daugherty, who previously was the airport manager for seven years, left in August to manage Brooksville-Tampa Bay Regional Airport in Florida.

Louisa County is considering the complete repeal of its aircraft tax (currently 48 cents per \$100 of value) with the intent of generating more revenue at **Louisa County Airport/Freeman Field**. Its Airport Manager, Jarrod Powers, told *The Central Virginian* that there is already a waiting list to park aircraft at the airport.

Metropolitan Aviation, a tenant at **Manassas Regional Airport**, for the second year in a row was named the best charter service in Northern Virginia by *Virginia Living* magazine.



The expanded runway (now 3740 feet) at **Maryland Airport** formally opened on October 18, with a ceremony at which members of the Charles County Board of Commissioners in attendance (also pictured: Gil Bauserman, co-owner of the airport). This marks the completion of the third phase of improvements at the airport. Further planned improvements include an additional extension of the runway to 4300 feet, a parallel taxiway, a new ramp, and a new terminal.

Rider Jet Center has received tentative approval from the Washington County Board of Commissioners to expand its FBO facilities at **Hagerstown Regional Airport**. The \$6 million project would include a new 25,000 square foot building adjacent to its existing facilities.

MWAA has announced plans for the redevelopment of the food and retail facilities at both **Ronald Reagan National Airport** and **Dulles International Airport**, which will see an outpost of Ben's Chili Bowl established at DCA, among other developments.

The pilot of a Cessna 170 was uninjured after it crashed near **Ridgely Airpark**. As always, fly safely!

If you're aware of any news of interest to business aviation occurring around the greater Washington area, please let us know at info@gwbaa.com. For links to news stories compiled by GWBAA, please visit <http://www.gwbaa.com/links.html>.

Upcoming Aviation Events

- **November 4:** FAA Safety Team "weather challenge" seminar at the Holiday Inn Frederick Mall at 7pm, so-sponsored by AOPA. For more information, please visit http://www.faasafety.gov/SPANS/event_details.aspx?eid=51643.
- **November 8:** Committee for Dulles 47th annual gala at the Hyatt Dulles. For more information, please visit <http://www.celebratedulles.com>.
- **November 12:** National Aeronautics Association fall awards dinner at the Crystal Gateway Marriott. For more information, please visit <https://naa.aero/html/events/registerOnline.cfm?eventType=FallAwards&eventName=FallAwards>.
- **November 15:** International Aviation Club annual L. Welch Pogue Award Dinner; the posthumous awardee is Andy Steinberg. For more information, please visit <http://www.iacwashington.org/Events.aspx?eventId=763384&EventViewMode=EventDetails>.
- **December 13:** Aero Club 66th annual Wright Memorial Dinner, honoring former NTSB Chair and FAA Administrator Marion Blakey. For more information, please visit <http://www.aeroclub.org/event/2013-wright-memorial-dinner/>.



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