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GWBAA Safety Standdown To Be Held on May 5th

Please Join Us for GWBAA's Tenth Annual Safety Event



The Greater Washington Business Aviation Association will host its tenth annual Safety Standdown at the NTSB Training Facility in Ashburn, Virginia on May 5, starting at 7:30am. A networking reception will be held the evening before on May 4 at the DoubleTree Dulles Airport. This year's Keynote Speaker will be Bob Agostino, who is credited with being the father of the concept of the safety standdown, and who will discuss: "What is normal for today's professional flight department".

The day will also include presentations by Bombardier on loss of control and jet upset; Honeywell on future aircraft requirements for navigation, communication and surveillance; NBAA with an industry and safety update; and Potomac TRACON with an ATC briefing.

Sponsorship opportunities for the standdown are still available. For more information and to register or sponsor, please visit <http://gwbaa.com/event-2076030>. (Need a place to stay? Make a reservation by April 12 and ask for the GWBAA rate at the DoubleTree - (703) 230-0077.)

Members and Friends Join GWBAA for Social Bowling



year.

Dozens of GWBAA members from across the region enjoyed complimentary food, beverages and at our bowling Happy Hour event at Bowl America in Sterling. Bowling, Brats and Beverages is a great opportunity to “strike-up” conversations and network with colleagues from around the DC area. You don't need to be a USBC-qualifier to win prizes - GWBAA members won prizes for best form, most gutter balls and most colorful shoes! We look forward to doing this again next

Employment Opportunities



Chantilly Air is currently seeking applicants for three positions: a Challenger 605 Pilot in Command (<http://www.chantillyair.com/careers/challenger-605-pilot-in-command/>), an Airframe and Powerplant Mechanic (<http://www.chantillyair.com/careers/ap-mechanic-job-opening/>), and a Corporate Flight Operation Ground Support Technician (<http://www.chantillyair.com/careers/ground-support-technician/>). For the descriptions and requirements of these positions, and to apply, please visit the Chantilly Air website via the links above.

FAA General Aviation News



The March/April issue of the FAA's GA newsletter, FAA Safety Briefing, is online at https://www.faa.gov/news/safety_briefing/2016/media/MarApr2016.pdf. The theme of the issue is loss of control and how to avoid accidents based upon it - including articles on loss of control warning signs and mitigation strategies and recovery techniques (such as upset prevention and recovery training).

FAA Reauthorization Update

NBAA has issued a call to action, urging members to express their support for the Senate version of the FAA reauthorization bill, S.2658, which includes many of the reforms that general aviation has been promoting, but does not propose to privatize the air traffic system and fund it with user fees, which NBAA and other GA groups have opposed. To contact your member of Congress about this issue, please visit <https://www.nbaa.org/advocacy/contact/?ISSUE=nbaa0094>. (Congressional passage of legislation to extend current FAA programs and funding through July 15 is also expected, which will allow the House and Senate additional time to reach agreement on a long-term FAA bill. More information is available from NBAA at <https://www.nbaa.org/news/pr/2016/20160321-026.php>.)

NBAA Tax Seminar Comes to DC

The NBAA will host its annual business aviation taxes seminar in Washington, DC on May 6, at the Omni Shoreham Hotel. The seminar will focus on real world tax planning for your aircraft ownership and operations, emerging tax policy issues and tax audit preparedness. This annual seminar is created to be an intermediate to an advanced level program and provides CLE, CPE and CAM credits. For more information, please visit <https://www.nbaa.org/events/taxes-seminar/2016/>.

Regional News Round-Up



Fauquier County's supervisors have preliminarily approved the design for a new \$2.8 million terminal at **Warrenton-Fauquier County Airport**. The two-story terminal will be funded in part by the Virginia Aviation Board, and will be accompanied by other county-funded projects, including water and sewer upgrades, intended to spark economic development near the airport. Barbara and Ralph Crofts, who keep two planes at the airport, also agreed to donate \$500,000 to enable the construction of a larger terminal than otherwise could be funded, but an additional half-million dollar in funds must be raised. Construction is targeted for no earlier than fiscal year 2018.

Piedmont Airlines is to lease a hangar at **Richmond International Airport** for a maintenance facility. The airline will pay over \$150,000 per year, starting on June 1, and expects to hire two dozen mechanics and other support staff.



Cycle Aviation is to establish an aircraft and maintenance facility at **Hagerstown Regional Airport**, supplementing its existing operations at **Leesburg Executive Airport**. The expansion will be conditioned on a \$100,000 loan from Washington County, tied to the creation of new jobs by the project; a May opening date is expected at hangar 64.

On February 25, a Piper Malibu ran off the runway at **Manassas Regional Airport**; no injuries were reported. As always, fly safely!

Upcoming Events

April 7: Royal Aeronautical Society presentation of the 2016 Transatlantic leading Edge award to Lt. gen. Christopher Bogdan, at the British Embassy. For more information, please visit <http://raeswashingtondcbranch.cloverpad.org/event-2176015>.

April 13: Seminar on "Aircraft Accident Investigation, How Do We Learn From The Past" at Bay Bridge Airport at 7pm. For more information, please visit <http://airportprograms.com/seminar-schedule/>.

May 5: Save the date for GWBAA's safety standdown. For more information, please visit <http://gwbba.com/event-2076030>.

May 6: NBAA business aviation taxes seminar at the Omni Shoreham Hotel. For more information, please visit <https://www.nbaa.org/events/taxes-seminar/2016/>.

May 7: Essex SkyPark annual fly-in and drive-in. For more information, please visit <http://www.essexskyparkassn.org/essex/index.jsp>.

May 11: Seminar on "Maryland State Police Aviation Command: When Minutes Matter...!" at Bay Bridge Airport at 7pm. For more information, please visit <http://airportprograms.com/seminar-schedule/>.

June 1: International Aviation Club luncheon, awarding the L. Welch Pogue Lifetime Achievement Award to Dave Barger, at Jones Day. For more information, please visit <http://www.iacwashington.org>.

June 8: Seminar on "White Knuckles: Why your airline pilots don't have them" at Bay Bridge Airport at 7pm. For more information, please visit <http://airportprograms.com/seminar-schedule/>.

June 9: National Aeronautical Association annual Robert J. Collier dinner, awarding the trophy to the NASA/JPL Dawn program team. For more information, please visit <https://naa.aero>.

June 16-17: Maryland Airport Managers Association 2016 conference in Cumberland, Maryland. For more information, please visit <http://marylandairportmanagers.org/conference-information/>.

September 8: Save the date for GWBAA's golf tournament. For more information, please visit <http://www.planmygolfevent.com/28435-GWBAAgolf/>.

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