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## Further Updates on 2018 GWBAA Events and Other News

### 2018 Safety Standdown Scheduled for May 17

GWBAA will return to the NTSB's Safety Training Center in Ashburn, Virginia for its Annual Safety Standdown on May 17, 2018. The keynote speaker will be Greg Feith, a/k/a "The Aircraft Detective," an aviation analyst for NBC News and a former NTSB investigator/"go team" captain.



 Additionally, attorneys Kent Jackson & Kali Hague of Jetlaw, LLC will present their PDP Regulatory Compliance and Documentation course on May 16, in conjunction with the Standdown. Jackson and Hague will walk participants through operating scenarios and engage attendees to solve every-day compliance problems. Attendees will learn to issue-spot red flags and understand how their decisions affect DOT, FAA, IRS, TSA, OSHA, and DOA compliance requirements. Separate registration will be required; for more information please visit <https://jetlaw.com/gwbaa-pdp/>.

Additional details (including about a networking reception on May 16) will be posted soon, but registration for the standdown is already open, for attendees and sponsors. Please visit <http://www.gwbaa.com/Events> for more information.

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## 2018 Golf Tournament Scheduled for September 13



GWBAA is pleased to announce that our 2018 Golf Classic will be held on September 13, 2018 at the 1757 Golf Club in Dulles, Virginia. This will be GWBAA's 14th Annual Golf Tournament. The day supports GWBAA to help us continue our mission to promote the corporate aviation community in the Baltimore, Washington DC, and beyond. The day also benefits the Aero Club of Washington Foundation introduce aviation to local youth and the Corporate Angel Network, which provides transportation as part of their mission to assist young cancer treatment patients.

Registration is available now at <http://birdeaspro.com/2018GWBAAGolf>. For a detailed brochure, please visit

<http://www.gwbaa.com/resources/Documents/GWBAA%202018%20Golf%20Classic%20Brochure.pdf>. And if you have any questions, please contact Dan Walker, GWBAA's Golf Tournament Chair, at [daniel.walker@flightsafety.com](mailto:daniel.walker@flightsafety.com), or by cell at (302)-465-1837.

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## Regional News Round-Up

Rectrix Aviation has announced that it has obtained the necessary approvals from the TSA to operate charter services at **Reagan-Washington National Airport**.

A study by the Virginia Department of Aviation reports that **Manassas Regional Airport** generated the greatest economic impact among the state's 57 general aviation airports - more than \$375 million, along with 1,351 jobs. In total, the state's GA airports created 6,119 jobs and more than \$1 billion in economic impact.

**Charlottesville-Albemarle Airport** has acquired neighboring property for about \$2 million in anticipation of future development.

Transportation and Infrastructure Committee Chairman Bill Shuster (R-PA) has announced that the pending aviation reauthorization bill in the House of Representatives will not include ATC privatization; this issue will continue to require attention, but in the meantime NBAA President Ed Bolen has expressed his appreciation to the GA industry for its efforts to oppose this proposal. For more information about this issue, please visit <http://www.atcnotforsale.com>.

## Social Media Updates

Some recent items from our social media feeds:

- NBAA has three internship opportunities available for summer 2018, in conventions, operations, and air traffic services. The application deadline is March 16, 2018. Please visit <https://www.nbaa.org/about/careers/> for more information.
- The 2017 NBAA Annual Report provides an overview of the Association's work to advocate for the business aviation community. Highlights include the continuing fight against ATC privatization and initiatives to develop the business aviation workforce. See <https://www.nbaa.org/news/annual-report/>.
- NBAA has responded to an inaccurate editorial in the *Wall Street Journal*, attacking NBAA for its effective work in stopping airline-backed efforts to privatize ATC. See <https://www.nbaa.org/advocacy/issues/modernization/nbaa-wall-street-journal-misses-key-facts-in-supporting-atc-airline-giveaway-plan.php>.
- NBAA has identified its top safety focus areas for 2018:
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  - Loss of Control Inflight (LOC-I)
  - Runway Excursions
  - Single-Pilot Operation Safety
  - Procedural Compliance
  - Ground Handling and Taxi Incidents
  - Distraction Management
  - Scenario- and Risk-Based Training and Checking
  - Positive Safety Culture Promotion
  - Inflight Aircraft Collision Risk
  - Workforce Competency and Staffing
  - Safety Data Sharing and Utilization

See <https://www.nbaa.org/news/pr/2018/20180216-016.php> for more information.

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## FAA General Aviation News



The January/February issue of the FAA's general aviation newsletter, FAA Safety Briefing, is available at [https://www.faa.gov/news/safety\\_briefing/2018/media/JanFeb2018.pdf](https://www.faa.gov/news/safety_briefing/2018/media/JanFeb2018.pdf). This issue takes a journey "back to the basics" of flying fundamentals, tying into the FAA's revised "compliance philosophy" which is intended to emphasize the ultimate goal of safety over a strict interpretation of agency rules. Articles in this edition provide advice, techniques, and resources to help better navigate, communicate, and mitigate in today's complex operating environment.

## Upcoming Events

**March 1:** U.S. Chamber of Commerce's 17th annual aviation summit at the Washington Hilton Hotel. For more information, please visit <http://aviationsummit.cvent.com>.

**March 1:** Aviation Week's 61st annual Laureate awards at the National Building Museum. For more information, please visit <https://laureates.aviationweek.com/en/home.html>.

**March 2:** International Aviation Club luncheon featuring Derek Kan, Under Secretary of Transportation for Policy, at the Mayflower Hotel. For more information, please visit <https://iacwashington.wildapricot.org/Events.aspx>.

**May 17:** Hold this date for GWBAA's safety standdown; see above for more details.

**June 14:** National Aeronautical Association Robert J. Collier Trophy Dinner. For more information, please visit <https://naa.aero/userfiles/files/documents/Press%20Releases/2017%20Collier%20Trophy%20Nominees.pdf>.

**July 26:** FlightSafety's 6th annual networking dinner at the National Press Club. For more information, please visit <https://flightsafety.org/events/>.

**September 13:** Hold this date for GWBAA's golf tournament; see above for more details.

**October 16-18:** NBAA Business Aviation Convention and Exhibition in Orlando, Florida. For more information, please visit <https://www.nbaa.org/events/bace/2018/>.

**October 27:** Aviation Education and Career Expo at ProJet Aviation at Leesburg Executive Airport. For more information, please visit <http://www.aveducationexpo.com>.

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