

# WHITEMAN AIRPORT Volume 8 Issue 12 December 2009

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Another year has flown by! Throughout 2009 we continued to make improvements to the Airport while hosting and participating in numerous successful events held by various organizations including, but certainly not limited to, Young Eagles, Aviation Explorers, Experimental Aircraft Association, SFV 99's, Civil Air Patrol, the Whiteman Airport Association's annual summer barbeque and aircraft display days, and the American Heroes Air Show.

The coming year promises to bring to the Airport new and positive developments, service and facility improvements, and minimum standards for aviation businesses and activities. We anticipate that the Master Plan Update for the Airport will be completed early during the year which will help to set the course for the future of Whiteman Airport. In addition to the development of approximately 70 new aircraft tie-down spaces and several new third-party hangars, the Airport will be getting an Automated Weather Observing System (AWOS) and possibly an LPV approach (a WAAS approach with lateral precision and vertical guidance) on Runway 12 in 2010.

On behalf of the American Airports team, I'd like to thank all of you who have helped to make 2009 a safe, secure, compliant and <u>really fun</u> year at Whiteman Airport. We wish you all happy holidays and a wonderful new year!

#### Aviation Meetings & Seminars

For FAA meeting information, please see the FAA's website at http://faasafety.gov. Meetings are typically held in the Civil Air Patrol trailer or the Pilots Lounge. For information on aviation seminars regularly offered by Richard Mend, please visit his website at http://www.mendaviation.com.

#### Airport Association & Holiday Party

Please come out on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month to *Rocky's Restaurant* and join the Airport Association for \$10 a year in dues. There will be no meeting in December 2009. All are welcome to participate in this year's Airport Association Holiday Party which will be held at Rocky's Restaurant on December 12, 2009 at 6:30 pm. As usual the Holiday Party will include good food and beverages, giveaways and more. Hope to see you all there!

Jason Morgan Airport Manager jmorgan@americanairports.net

# **Photo of the Month**



With the help of Whiteman Airport tenant Summit Helicopter's airlift and many thanks to the Los Angeles County Aviation Division, the Air Traffic Control Tower at Whiteman Airport gets a new HVAC system.

# **SPOTLIGHT ON...**

Senators push to pass FAA funding this year

Posted by Janice Wood · November 11, 2009-GeneralAviationNews.com

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Members of the Senate have joined together to voice the importance of passing a long-term FAA funding bill (S.1451) before the end of the year.

In a letter circulated by Sen. John Kerry (D-Mass.), who is a pilot, 35 senators said the bill would provide much-needed funding for metropolitan and rural airports and for the FAA's NextGen air traffic control system.

"The bill ensures that we have a safer and more efficient aviation system, and in doing so it will provide good construction and technology jobs," said the letter, which was sent to Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid (D-Nev.) and Minority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-Ky.). "As we all travel to our home states, we talk to people every day who are struggling to keep their homes and their jobs. From rural America to our largest cities, the entire country will benefit from what the FAA bill will provide."

"We're pleased to see that members of the Senate have taken the initiative to voice the necessity of passing an FAA funding bill this year," said AOPA President and CEO Craig Fuller. "AOPA supports the Senate bill, which would fund the FAA through aviation fuel taxes, ticket taxes, and a general fund contribution."

The most recent funding authorization bill for the FAA expired Sept. 30, 2007. Since then, there has been series of continuing resolutions. If the Senate passes its bill, it will go to conference committee to work out differences with the House version.



# **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

# WHITEMAN AIRPORT

- 12/2 ...... CAP Squadron 35 7:00pm - CAP Trailer
- 12/7 ......Pacoima Rotary Club 6:00pm - Rocky's
- 12/8 ......Latin American Pilots' Assn 7:30pm Rocky's
- 12/9 ...... CAP Squadron 35 7:00pm - CAP Trailer
- 12/13 ..... Whiteman Display Day 10:00am-2:00pm
- 12/14 .....Pacoima Rotary Club 6:00pm - Rocky's
- 12/16.....CAP Squadron 35 7:00pm - CAP Trailer
- 12/17.....Whiteman Airport Association 7:00pm - Rocky's
- 12/19.....EAA Chapter 40 9:30am - Rocky's
- 12/21 .....Pacoima Rotary Club 6:00pm - Rocky's
- 12/23 ..... CAP Squadron 35 7:00pm - CAP Trailer
- 12/26.....Young Eagles: 10:30am Grassy area adjacent to Pilot's Lounge
- 12/28 .....Pacoima Rotary Club 6:00pm - Rocky's
- 12/30.....CAP Squadron 35 7:00pm - CAP Trailer



12/20... Brackett Antique Aircraft & Auto Display 10:00am - 2:00pm Transient Parking Lot

# **COMPTON/WOODLEY AIRPORT**

12/5-6.. Compton Antique Aircraft & Auto Display 10:00am -2:00pm (both days)

# **FOX AIRFIELD**

12/12...Fox Airfield Open Hangar Day All Day

# **EL MONTE AIRPORT**

12/27...Vintage Airplane & Auto Display 9:00am – 1:00pm Center Field



#### DECEMBER AVIATION COMMISSION MEETING

There will be no meeting in December



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