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SPOTLIGHT ON...

GENERAL AVIATION SERVES AMERICA CAMPAIGN GROWS BY GOING SMALLER

General Aviation Serves America, the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association's nationwide campaign to improve understanding about general aviation, is getting bigger by going smaller.

At a March 17 event held at the Planes of Fame Museum in Chino, Calif., AOPA President and CEO Craig Fuller joined San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors Chairman Gary Ovitt, Director of Airports Mike N. Williams, and other county leaders to kick off General Aviation Serves San Bernardino County.

"San Bernardino County's leaders are an extraordinary group," said Fuller. "Not only have they recognized that general aviation and GA airports serve everyone who lives here, whether they fly or not, they have also recognized that these airports will play a vital role in the future growth of this region. And, as they will be quick to tell you, this region is poised to grow!"

"This new partnership with AOPA will enhance the use of regional airports and expand local economic development and opportunities in our region," added Ovitt. "It will also educate the public on the numerous positives that result from viable and dynamic local airports."

Fuller reminded the crowd of more than 100 pilots and aviation enthusiasts how rare it is to find community leaders with such a firm grasp of the value and benefit of general aviation. He urged them to support those leaders.

"The focused leadership here in San Bernardino County is anxious to ensure that the region's community airports are not only here to stay but thrive and prosper along with the county," said Fuller. "And I strongly encourage you to get involved with them as they look to the future of aviation in this area and the role that community airports can and must play in development.

"Being more engaged can be as simple as staying informed about the issues that affect your flying and as involved as hosting a major public event. But in between are almost infinite opportunities."

Fuller urged pilots to take an interested non-pilot up for a flight in a GA aircraft, be a part of the political process whether the election is local or national, volunteer to support a community airport, or even consider hosting an airport open house event.

"We can no longer take our freedom to fly for granted," concluded Fuller. "And in San Bernardino County we are fortunate to have leaders who recognize that. But they can't do it alone. We can support their efforts and ensure our future by showing our commitment to aviation and getting engaged!"

Posted by Janice Wood · March 18, 2010 -www.generalaviationnews.com

Photo of the Month



Featured in the picture is seventeen year-old Kelsey Lomen in the cockpit on her first flight as P.I.C. Kelsey received her private pilot's certificate on March 16, 2010. On March 22nd Kelsey also received a high performance aircraft endorsement. Kelsey is a member of Aviation Explorer Post 747 based here at Whiteman Airport. She is also the youngest member of the San Fernando Valley Ninety-Nines. Congratulations Kelsey!

Aviation Trivia

Who was the first woman to break the sound barrier?

(answer on pg.2)

FROM THE MANAGER

Whiteman Airport recently lost another long-time tenant and friend to many on March 25th. John Jefferies had been at Whiteman Airport for many years and was a long-time member of the Quiet Birds. John served in the U.S. Air Force as a Flight Engineer on aerial tankers with the Strategic Air Command, worked at Lockheed for several years, had a 40-year career in the motion picture industry, and loved aviation - he owned, flew, and worked many hours on his 1946 Luscombe Silvaire, 1958 Bellanca Cruisemaster, and 1946 Aircoupe among other aircraft. John is survived by his wife, six children, and 15 grandchildren.



He will be truly missed by all who knew him.

John Daniel Jefferies, Sr.
February 8, 1936 – March 25, 2010



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**MAY AVIATION
COMMISSION MEETING**



May 26, 2010
7:00 PM
Fox Airfield

Trivia Answer: Jacqueline "Jackie" Cochran
In 1953 Jackie Cochran flew a F-86 Sabre past Mach 1 becoming the first woman to break the sound barrier.

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FROM THE MANAGER CONT..

Challenge Air Event – THIS MONTH!!

The Challenge Air event is scheduled for May 8th. There are still opportunities for volunteering, sponsorship, or participation in this great event. For more information, please visit the Challenge Air website at www.challengeair.com or contact Jason Morgan at (818) 896-5271.

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>.

Support your Airport Association

Please come out on the 3rd Thursday of each month to *Rocky's Restaurant* and join the Airport Association for \$10 a year in dues. The next Airport Association meeting will be held on May 20, 2010.



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**CALENDAR OF EVENTS
MAY 2010**



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30	31 6:00 pm Pacoima Rotary Club (Rocky's)					1 10:00-2:00 Compton Antique Auto & Aircraft Display
2 10:00-2:00 Compton Antique Auto & Aircraft Display	3 6:00 pm Pacoima Rotary Club (Rocky's)	4	5 7:00 pm CAP Squadron 35 (CAP Trailer)	6	7	8 All Day Fox Airfield Open Hangar Day
9 10:00-2:00 Whiteman Display Day	10 6:00 pm Pacoima Rotary Club (Rocky's)	11 7:30 pm Latin American Pilot's Assoc. (Rocky's)	12 7:00 pm CAP Squadron 35 (CAP Trailer)	13	14	15 9:30 am EAA Chapter 40 (Rocky's)
16 10:00-2:00 Brackett Antique Aircraft & Auto Display	17 6:00 pm Pacoima Rotary Club (Rocky's)	18	19 7:00 pm CAP Squadron 35 (CAP Trailer)	20 7:00 pm Whiteman Airport Assoc. (Rocky's)	21	22 9:30 am Young Eagles (Grassy Area Adj. to Pilot's Lounge)
23 9:00-1:00 El Monte Vintage Airplane & Auto Display	24 6:00 pm Pacoima Rotary Club (Rocky's)	25	26 7:00 pm CAP Squadron 35 (CAP Trailer)	27	28	29