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# From the Manager

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Slurry Seal Project Rescheduled for spring 2012. The slurry seal project here at WHP has been rescheduled for early spring 2012. After meeting with the contractor the County decided that it would be prudent to wait for spring so that the slurry could be placed down in warmer temperatures and also so that any weather related delays could be kept to a minimum. Those that have airplanes in the project area will receive another letter sometime in early 2012 which will lay out the projects start date and also the procedures for relocation of airplanes. If you have any questions about the project please do not hesitate to contact the Administration Office at (818) 896-5271 and thank you for your cooperation.

Hangar Inspections. As you may remember hangar inspections commenced here at WHP back in March and they are still ongoing. If you have not had your hangar inspected yet you will be contacted by my office to set up an inspection time. This inspection is mandated by the County and is not voluntary. The inspection only takes a few minutes and if you ask your neighbors and friends here at the Airport that have already completed their inspections, they'll tell you it's painless and over quickly! I thank you for your cooperation in completing this process.

Larger Than Life. Our Picture of the Month shows a group photo from the Larger Than Life event which took place here at WHP on September 15th. Larger Than Life is a nonprofit organization that aims to improve the quality of life and welfare for children with cancer. One of the ways they do this is to fund trips for children giving them an opportunity to experience unique activities and adventures and one of those adventures was to take a helicopter ride here at WHP. Four R-44 helicopters (one based here and three from other area airports) took children and their family members for rides around the LA area that morning. Most of the children participating had never been on a helicopter before and it was a real joy to see all the smiling faces as they boarded and then returned from their flights!

MEND Food Drive at WHP. Our MEND food drive, which I highlighted in last months newsletter, is now underway. Anyone who would like to donate to this wonderful organization (which helps those less fortunate right here in the Valley) can find donation barrels at the fuel pit and in the Administration Office. We are looking for cereal, pasta, rice, peanut butter, canned meat, canned green vegetables, canned soup and dry beans. If you are not familiar with MEND or did not see last month's newsletter you can find more information about the organization at www.mendpoverty.org.



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# Photo of the Month



Larger Than Life group photo after completing their helicopter flights.



# Quote of the Month

I ask people who don't fly, "How can you not fly when you live in a time in history when you can fly?"

— William Langewische



#### **Need Fuel?**

Operations staff can be contacted for fuel and services by phone at any time by calling 818-312-2911

Or

Unicom at

122.95

# Spotlight on...

# Senate says 'go slow' on 100LL ban

Posted Sept. 29 by Janice Wood. www.GeneralAviationNews.com

More than one-quarter of the U.S. Senate recently signed a letter to the administrators of the FAA and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) asking those agencies to delay using any regulatory process to eliminate lead in aviation fuels until a suitable replacement can be found.

A bipartisan group of 27 Senators co-signed the letter, led by Sen. Mark Begich (D-Alaska) and Sen. John Thune (R-S.D.). They stressed the importance of working with the GA community and the Congressional General Aviation Caucus to ensure that the nation's general aviation system is not crippled by the elimination of 100LL without a widely available and affordable replacement that can be distributed nationwide.

"We appreciate the congressional support for maintaining the supply of high-octane aviation gasoline while the important and complex work is done to find an unleaded alternative," said Doug Macnair, Vice President of Government Relations for the Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA), which is a member of the FAA's Unleaded Avgas Transition Aviation Rulemaking Committee (ARC), which is working to identify the process necessary to develop, test and approve an unleaded alternative. "Eliminating 100LL without a suitable replacement would endanger aviation safety and create enormous economic burdens on regions and industries that rely upon aviation."

The EPA, facing possible legal action by environmental group Friends of the Earth, published an advance notice of proposed rulemaking on lead emissions from piston-aircraft engines in April 2010. At the request of GA's alphabet groups, the EPA granted an extension on the process in June 2010.

The EPA is not planning an immediate ban on leaded aviation gasoline and has publicly stated that it will not take precipitous action until a suitable replacement can be identified, EAA officials noted, adding, "At the same time, however, the agency is continuing to pressure the general aviation industry to work diligently and expeditiously toward a long-term solution."

After outlining the safety and economic threats posed by the premature elimination of leaded avgas, the senators concluded: "We urge you to consider these concerns before you move forward with any rulemaking that would stop the use of leaded avgas before the FAA has the opportunity to take appropriate measures needed to approve a new, safe, and affordable unleaded avgas that takes into account the safety of those aboard the affected aircraft."

For more information: FAA.gov, EPA.gov, EAA.org

# **Available for** Lease

### **Whiteman Airport** (818-896-5271)

**T-Hangars** From \$401.66/month



#### **Brackett Field Airport** (909-593-1395)

Tie Downs From \$52.00/month Port-a-Ports From \$298.69/month **T-Hangars** From \$451.20/month **Executive Hangars** From \$821.92/month



### **Compton/Woodley Airport** (310-631-8140)

Tie Downs From \$49.00/month Standard Hangar From \$418.15/month



#### **El Monte Airport** (626-448-6129)

Tie Downs From \$60.00/month **Hangars** From \$460.34/month



### **Fox Airfield** (661-940-1709)

Tie Downs From \$54.00/month Standard Hangars From \$401.66/month Large Hangars From \$694.28/month

## **KWHP Airport Events**

#### **Standing Meetings/Events Pacoima Rotary Club**

Every Monday — 6:00 PM Rocky's

#### **CAP Squadron 35**

Every Wednesday — 7:00 PM **CAP Trailer** 

#### **Whiteman Airport Association**

Every 3rd Thursday — 7:00 PM Rocky's

#### **EAA Chapter 40**

Every 3rd Saturday — 9:30 AM Rocky's

#### **Aviation Explorer Post 747**

2nd & 4th Monday's 6:30-8:00 Pilot's Lounge

#### **Young Eagles**

Every 4th Saturday 10:30 AM Grassy Area adj. to Pilot's Lounge

#### Whiteman Display Day

**Every 2nd Sunday** 10:00 AM — 2:00 PM



#### **Aviation Commission Meeting Calendar**

November 30, 2011 El Monte Airport 10:00 AM

December 2011 NO MEETING





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