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# Whiteman Airport



## From the Manager..

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### Standing Meetings and Events

- **CAP Squadron 35**  
Every Wednesday  
7:00 PM
- **Whiteman Airport Association**  
Every 3rd Thursday  
7:00 PM—Admin Building
- **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 adjacent to Pilot's Lounge
- **Whiteman Display Day**  
Every 2nd Sunday  
10:00 AM — 2:00 PM

### 2018 Aviation Commission Meetings

March 21 10:00 am	KWJF
April 25 7:00 PM	KWHP
May 30 7:00 PM	KEMT

### Aviation Quote of the Month

Flying was a very tangible freedom. In those days, it was beauty, adventure, discovery — the epitome of breaking into new worlds.  
— Anne Morrow Lindbergh

**Guardian Angel Elementary School Third Graders visit WHP.** On February 5th, we held an Airport tour for the third grade class, teachers and parents from Guardian Angel Elementary School. The school is located right next to the Airport and as one teacher remarked; the students can see the airplanes landing at the airport whenever they're outside for recess. The students learned the basics of how an airplane flies, got to try on our ARFF firefighting suits, watched airplanes and helicopters land and take off and took a tour of the Vista Aviation maintenance hangar and got an up close look at several aircraft. A special thanks to Mark at Vista for allowing the kids to touch an airplane (something they were very excited to do!) and for answering their questions. The students' interest in aviation was really wonderful to see. For over an hour they asked me questions about everything from how much a plane weighs and how much fuel they take to how does an airplane or helicopter fly upside down and which airplane at the airport is the fastest



**2018 Hangar Inspection Schedule.** Please see the attached flyer for information regarding the annual hangar inspections.

**Vehicle Access Gate Cards.** As a reminder; the new vehicle access gate cards that were issued in 2014 when our new gates were installed require annual renewal, which is scheduled to coincide with the holder's birthday. Please stop by the office or call us during office hours (Monday through Friday, 8am-5pm) at (818) 896-5271 before your birthday to have your card renewed.

**Storm Water Season.** Our annual storm water monitoring season has started and requires that we inspect all ramps for possible pollutants. Please remember that painting, sanding or the use of any chemicals or solvents is not permitted in or around storage hangars or tie downs. If you see potential storm water issues around the airport please do not hesitate to contact my office at (818) 896-5271 or Airport Operations at (818) 312-2911 so that we may clean up any potential problems before they become one. Thanks in advance for your help!

**Looking For a New or Different Hangar?** If you currently lease a tie down or if you're in a hangar and would like to move to a different hangar please stop by the Administration Office, Monday through Friday between the hours of 8 am and 5 pm, to discuss hangar spaces that are currently available. If the particular hangar of your choice is not available now, we will provide you with a hangar waitlist application to fill out so that we can move you in to the hangar of your choice as soon as possible.

**Support your Airport Association.** Please come out on the 3rd Thursday of each month to the old Airport Admin Building meeting room (New CAP HQ) and join the Airport Association for \$10 a year in dues. The next regular Airport Association meeting will be held on March 15th.

## Spotlight on...

### First Drone-Caused Crash?

By Russ Niles | February 17, 2018 | [www.avweb.com](http://www.avweb.com)

The FAA and NTSB are now mulling the circumstances of a relatively minor helicopter crash in South Carolina that may go down in history as the first U.S. aircraft crash caused by a drone. According to the narrative available so far, the drone didn't directly cause the crash but the pilot's evasive maneuvers to avoid it seem to have. Whether that becomes part of the official cause is part of what those deliberations will entail. The Charleston Post and Courier is reporting the Robinson R22, with a student and instructor on board, encountered the drone, possibly a DJI Phantom, while the student was practicing maneuvers over an undeveloped area of Daniel Island.

The instructor told authorities the drone entered the airspace and he took control, trying to avoid a collision. He managed to miss the drone but smacked the tail rotor on a small tree and the helicopter ended up on its side. The aircraft was destroyed but the occupants were not hurt. The instructor reported the accident immediately and the investigators took over. So far, the only confirmed collision with a drone involved an Army Blackhawk helicopter last September in New York with predictable results for the drone.

## ANNUAL CUSTOMER SERVICE SURVEY

The County of Los Angeles, Department of Public Works invites you to participate in their annual Airport Customer Service Survey. Surveys are available in the Pilot's lounge, manager's office, and at <http://dpw.lacounty.gov/go/avisurvey>.

Please submit hardcopy surveys with the attached self-addressed, stamped envelope or fax to (626) 300-4620.

## Available for Lease

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

Hangars (790sf) starting at  
\$355.71/month



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

Half Hangars starting at  
\$133.42/month



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

Half Hangars starting at  
\$194.93/month

**San Gabriel Valley Airport**  
(626-448-6129)

Half Hangars starting at  
\$152.19/month



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

Half Hangars starting at  
\$137.59/month

## Airport Display Days

**KPOC**

Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday  
10AM-2PM

**KCPM**

Every 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday & Sunday  
10AM-2PM

**KEMT**

Every 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday  
9AM-1PM

**KWJF**

Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday  
All Day

**KWHP**

Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday  
10AM-2PM

### Contact Us:

For questions about your statement or to pay your rent via credit card call:

**Accounting Customer Service**

(310) 752-0559

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Customer Service at:

(310) 752-0578 or email us at

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Dear County Hangar Tenant;

We have scheduled our 2018 annual hangar inspections here at Whiteman for March. The emphasis of these inspections is both safety and lease compliance. If you are unable to be at the hangar briefly on the date listed below please contact the Airport Administration Office at (818) 896-5271 so that we may arrange another more convenient appointment time for the inspection. The inspection will only take a few minutes and will focus on fire hazards or hazardous materials in the hangar, making sure there is a working fire extinguisher in the hangar, checking to see if the aircraft in the hangar matches the aircraft on record and any signs of unauthorized commercial operations.

Each hangar row is listed below with a date. We will be stationed at these hangar rows on that date from 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m. and you may show up anytime during these hours for the inspection.

B, C, D Rows: **Thursday, March 8<sup>th</sup>**

E, F, G, H, J Rows: **Friday, March 9<sup>th</sup>**

BB, CC, DD, U & T Rows: **Monday, March 12<sup>th</sup>**

We will also be available on Saturday and Sunday March 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. and if you're interested in opening the hangar during these times please contact us ahead of time at (818) 896-5271 to let us know. In addition, you can also call the Airport Ops line on that weekend between 10 am and 2 pm at (818) 312-2911 and we will meet you at the hangar.

We thank you in advance for your cooperation and assistance in completing this annual inspection requirement.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Andrew Marino".

Andrew R. Marino  
Whiteman Airport