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**ATCA Honors
Santa Barbara
Tower/TRACON
With Award**

Cover Story

Last fall, Chick Foley, Air Traffic Manager, Santa Barbara Tower/TRACON, accepted the prestigious Air Traffic Control Association's 1983 Earl F. Ward Memorial Award on behalf of the controllers, supervisors and staff at Santa Barbara Tower/TRACON. The award was presented at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Washington, D.C.

The Earl F. Ward Memorial Award recognized the outstanding contributions in professionalism, safety and efficiency in the facility in surpassing all of its goals and meeting its commitments to the airspace users. Also highlighted were the facility's training programs, productivity, human resources programs, daily operations and public relations activities.

In accepting this award, the air traffic manager praised the cooperation of Santa Barbara Flight Service Station, Santa Barbara Airway Facilities Sector Field Offices, Vandenberg AFB RAPCON, Pt. Mugu RATCF and Los Angeles Air Route Traffic Control Center in assisting Santa Barbara Tower/TRACON in exceeding its operational and administrative goals.

It is only fitting that the following personnel be recognized. Without their assistance and dedication, receipt of this award would not have been possible: Michael Barton, John Berggren, James Bermant, Daniel Cathcart, Richard Cotterman, John Cushman, James Dunklin, Douglas Fast, Charles Foley, Robert Gabrielson, Madeline Hamilton, Robert Harrison, Stephen Handerson, Chris Kleen, Myron Lowdermilk, Sheri McClanahan, Arnold Moser, William Mulder, Cynthia Naurath, JoAnn Pianfetti, Faro Prestigiacomio, Barbara Stewart,

Jim Swain, Debra Weaverling and Jerry Webb. Kenneth Allen and James Dovali have since retired. Warren Butler is at Portland; John Clark, Jr., is at Santa Maria; Dave DeLorme and Steven Dennis are at Sacramento TRACON; Ernest Dillon is at Santa Monica Tower; Gary Hess at Ontario TRACON and William Reidy at Honolulu.

Forty Years Of Service



Herbert Williams (right foreground), Manager of the Molokai Airway Facilities Sector Field Office, receives a 40-year career service pin from Ed Kaneko, Sector Manager, Honolulu AFS, on behalf of the Regional Director. The presentation was made at a Sector Field Office Managers' workshop in Honolulu. Congratulations to Herbie on this career milestone.

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Safety Improves Since Deregulation

Although most people now concede that the Airline Deregulation Act of 1978 has worked to the benefit of consumers, there are those who argue that the jury is still out as far as its impact on aviation safety is concerned. Maybe so, but the evidence to date is that deregulation has been accomplished without adversely affecting safety. In fact, safety levels have actually improved.

FAA's Office of Aviation Safety has compared the five years since deregulation (1979-1983) with the five years preceding it (1974-1978) and found that airline accident rates have gone down at the same time flight operations have increased. For example, total accidents dropped 12 percent (from 1,162 to 1,024), fatal accidents by six percent from (243 to 228) and fatalities by 24 percent (from 546 to 1,170).

During the same time span, total flight hours increased by 15 percent which means that accident rates based on total flight hours dropped significantly. One example is the fatality rate per 100,000 flight hours, which declined by 34 percent.

We Salute Bob Snoddy Volunteer Extraordinaire

Bob Snoddy, Proficiency Development Specialist at the Airway Facilities Sector, Los Angeles Air Route Traffic Control Center, Palmdale, utilizes his public speaking and instructor ability to provide Christian teaching and counseling to young men who are in the Mira Loma Juvenile Ward Center. Bob is an active member of the Christian Jail Workers, Inc., a volunteer prison ministry organization. The central theme of Christian Jail Workers is rehabilitation and regeneration. Bob spends many hours on Sunday evenings counseling and providing Bible studies to incarcerated young men. He recognizes that to really change behavior, the change must take place within the individual, and he directs his efforts to the whole man—Spirit, Soul and Body. Bob was recently recognized by the Mira Loma prison facility for his efforts with a certificate and Letter of Recognition and Appreciation by the Los Angeles County Probation Department. Bob firmly believes that "One life changed and redirected makes it all worthwhile." The FAA family is very proud of Bob and his unselfish devotion.

Malcomb Hester Presented SAA

Malcomb Hester (right), Air Traffic Control Specialist, Reno Flight Service Station, receives a Special Achievement Award from Area Supervisor Valentine Pisarski.



Airway Facilities General Supply



Left: Glenn Haas, Enola Latam, Terry Swart, Celia Abrahams and Ted Campbell.

Right: Delores Turner, Albert Serrao, Ted Campbell, O. C. Baugh, Glenn Haas, Enola Latam, Lambert Fechte and Terry Swart. (Bonnie Embry is in the background.)



Left: Helen Harris, Bailey Brooks, Nita Koyama, Lois Lewis, Phyllis Edmison, Eston Miller and Delores Turner.

A few months back, the Airway Facilities Division held an AF General Supply Specialist/Logistics Workshop in Los Angeles, hosted by Mike Gonzales. Special guest speakers included Bill Bailey, Washington, Material Management Branch, ALG-200; Jerry Hines, FAA Depot, Systems Development and Analysis Staff, AAC-410, and Bob Figenshu, General Services Administration.

Specialist/Logistics Workshop



From left--facing the camera--Jim Hansen, Chuck Gage, Burt Jones, Don Tom, Marx Tyler, Mike Gonzales, Bill Bailey, Jerry Hines, Ann Mahler, Mike Albrecht and Solomon Espinda.

Jim Lougheed, Assistant Los Angeles Sector Manager, kicked off the program with a discussion of great personal interest to the General Supply Specialists--the progress of reclassification action for these positions. Addresses by Don Tom, Assistant Airway Facilities Division Manager, and Marx Tyler, Logistics Division Manager, touched upon "Working Together Better"--the theme of the workshop--further emphasized by Glenn Cross of Human Relations.

The three-day session, emceed by Burt Jones, AWP-460, and ably assisted by Bonnie Embry, AWP-52, included a number of other topics of personal interest to the GSS's and Airway Facilities; i.e., training, staffing, lead sector program and sector consolidation update. Logistics functions discussed included excess personal property, procurement and contracting authority, supply support, in-use personal property, mail and distribution, motor fleet and Real Estate & Utilities. Emphasis was on the managerial responsibilities of the GSS's as being of utmost importance to the overall success of the program. Other items on the agenda included AF Division processing of procurement requests, engineering support in procurement during year-end operations, the Facilities and Establishment Program and the Regional Loan Stock Program.

Field personnel attending were: Terry Swart, GSS, Fresno AFS; Lambert Fechte, Guam Logistics Support Unit; Solomon Espinda, Supply Technician, Honolulu Center; Albert Serrao, GSS, Honolulu Hub; Delores Turner, Lancaster AFS; Glenn Haas, GSS, and John Miller, GSS, Las Vegas AFS; Ernestine Landers, GSS, Los Angeles AFS; Lois Lewis, Los Angeles Center AFS; Jim Hansen, Asst. Sector Manager, and Chuck Gage, Electronics Technician, Oakland AFS; Phyllis Edmison, GSS, Oakland Center AFS; O. C. Baugh, GSS, Phoenix AFS; Celia Abrahams, GSS, Reno AFS; Eston Miller, GSS, Riverside AFS; Mike Albrecht, GSS, Sacramento AFS; Enola Latam, GSS, San Diego AFS; Ann Mahler, GSS, San Francisco AFS; and Helen Harris, GSS, and Bailey Brooks, GSS, from AWP-450.



Jess Speckart

Friends of Jess Speckart were saddened to hear of his passing April 4 in Redondo Beach, Calif. Following his retirement, Jess had maintained a residence in Rolling Hills Estates while traveling extensively throughout the world both for pleasure and as an aviation consultant. He is survived by his wife Virginia and sons Bill and George. The family has requested donations to the South Bay Oncology Unit Hospice; % Claire Harmon, South Bay Hospital, 514 N. Prospect, Redondo Beach, CA 90277.



Clyde Lee

We are saddened to learn that Clyde Lee, who retired from the FAA in 1975, passed away several weeks ago. Clyde's last job with the region was running the Field Maintenance Party in Airway Facilities Division. He is well remembered by his many friends and fellow workers for his outgoing nature and his ability to always get the job done.



John Franklin

Friends and relatives mourn the passing of John D. Franklin, retiree and former Chief of the Environmental Section, Airway Facilities Division, on March 26. John joined the CAA/FAA in 1957 as a member of the Establishment Branch. In 1961, a reorganization placed John in the P&S Group Tech Eval Section of the Maintenance Branch and John soon became Chief of the Environmental Section. He retired from FAA in November 1980. John is survived by his wife, Edna; four sons, Bill, Greg, Pat and Mike; and three daughters, Jane, Judith and Joan. John and his wife were living in Sumner, Washington at the time of his death.

Daylight Savings Time Begins on April 29

Just a reminder--don't forget to set your clocks ahead one hour on April 29. Daylight Saving Time begins at 2 a.m. on Sunday. This does not apply to Arizona which will remain on Standard Time.

Airline Coupons, Etc. Must Be Surrendered

Those free trips to Hawaii and other promotional gratuities offered by the airlines to increase their load factors aren't for government employees who fly at Uncle Sam's expense. Most of us already know that, of course, but the Office of the Comptroller General thinks it never hurts to pass along an occasional reminder.

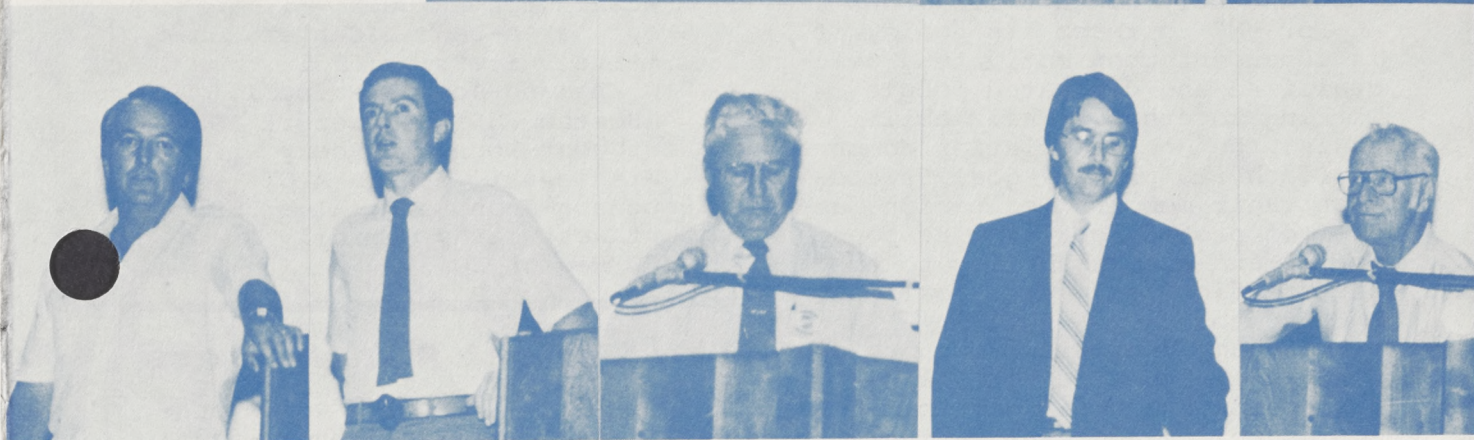
Therefore, be reminded that the Comptroller General has ruled that anything of value received by employees incident to the government's purchase of common carrier tickets may not be retained by the employee. This includes coupons, cash, bonuses, discounts, merchandise and so on. They must be turned in with the employee's travel voucher.

National Secretaries Week April 23 - 27



...the last full week in April... since 1952...Wednesday of this week is highlighted as Secretaries Day in acknowledgment of the contributions of all secretaries.

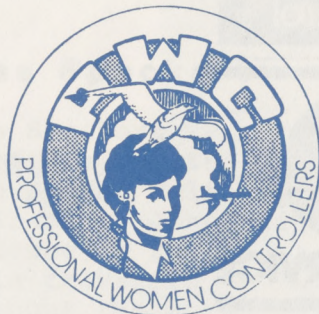
Aviation
Safety-
Education
Seminar



Last year the U.S. Air Force Auxiliary (Civil Air Patrol) celebrated its 40th year of service. An Aviation Safety-Education Seminar was sponsored by Cable Airport Association and the Auxiliary's Squadron 25 at Cable Airport in Upland, Calif. The program was held at Upland High School where numerous aviation officials from FAA inspectors to Civil Air Patrol officers spoke on safety topics ranging from medical factors to our present air traffic control system. Speakers included: Al Crawford of National Transportation Safety Board, who talked about the NTSB role in safety; Howard Irwin, Ontario Flight Service Station Specialist, who spoke on pilot briefings; Ralph Palmer, Riverside General Aviation District Office, who spoke on preventative maintenance and recent regulation changes; and Jim Holtsclaw (then manager, Ontario Tower/TRACON) and Martin Sweeney, Evaluation and Proficiency Development Specialist at the TRACON, who spoke on our present air traffic control system. The finale was presented by Capt. Hugh Fleming, CAP, who spoke on the Auxiliary's search and rescue missions. This was followed by a big applause and congratulations to the Civil Air Patrol on its 40 years of service. A job well done by all participants!

Above: Top right is Capt. Hugh Fleming, CAP. Below, from left, are: Jim Holtsclaw, Martin Sweeney, Ralph Palmer, Howard Irwin and Al Crawford.

Professional Women Controllers To Hold Annual Convention



Exactly what is the Professional Women Controllers, Inc (PWC) anyway? By its name alone it sounds like just another "women's lib group". Wrong! As you look beyond the name to the organization and its goals, you can see it's a lot more than just another "women's lib group".

For PWC to reach its goals, it is dependent upon motivated, well-qualified and dedicated people working together. Their ability to assist the entire aviation community to reach its primary goal depends upon their members' education, degree of professionalism, responsibility and accountability to the air traffic field. The goals of PWC are to:

- Encourage qualified women to enter the air traffic control field.
- Encourage personal development for career advancement.
- Maintain accountability, responsibility and professionalism.
- Promote better understanding, cooperation and coordination between controllers at different facilities toward the continual improvement of aviation safety.

PWC was organized over five years ago, as a non-profit, non-union organization to assist women in air traffic control. At the present time nearly 25 percent of the membership is men. Membership ranges throughout the entire FAA network from journeymen to management, from field facilities to headquarters.

PWC, FAA and the entire aviation community is enhanced and mutual goals accomplished through meaningful discussions and efforts.

The members of PWC are their most important resource. It is through these resources that the goals of the aviation community will be accomplished.

PWC will be holding its annual convention meeting at the Dunfey Hotel in Atlanta, Georgia, May 3-6. For further information concerning PWC and/or the convention, contact the area director for your region:

Western-Pacific-Judith Smith,
Honolulu FSS
Alaska-Delores D'Amore,
Anchorage FAA/IFSS
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Washington ARTCC
Great Lakes-Debbie Canter, Ohio
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Northwest-Mountain-Rocky
Wisniewski, Yakima ATCT
Southern-Joan Beck, Alma FSS
Southwest-Cathy Carroll,
SW Region HQ

The Correct R.O. Address

Due to the past confusion concerning the mailing address and physical location of the Regional headquarters, the Lawndale mail carrier was questioned and gave the following information. The Federal Building is sited on a strip of land that is considered to be in Hawthorne. In the past our telephone directories have shown the street mailing address as:

Federal Aviation Administration
15000 Aviation Boulevard
Hawthorne, CA 90261

However, for mailing purposes, the address should be:

Federal Aviation Administration
15000 Aviation Boulevard
Lawndale, CA 90261

Corrections should be made on all future mailings that call for the street address.