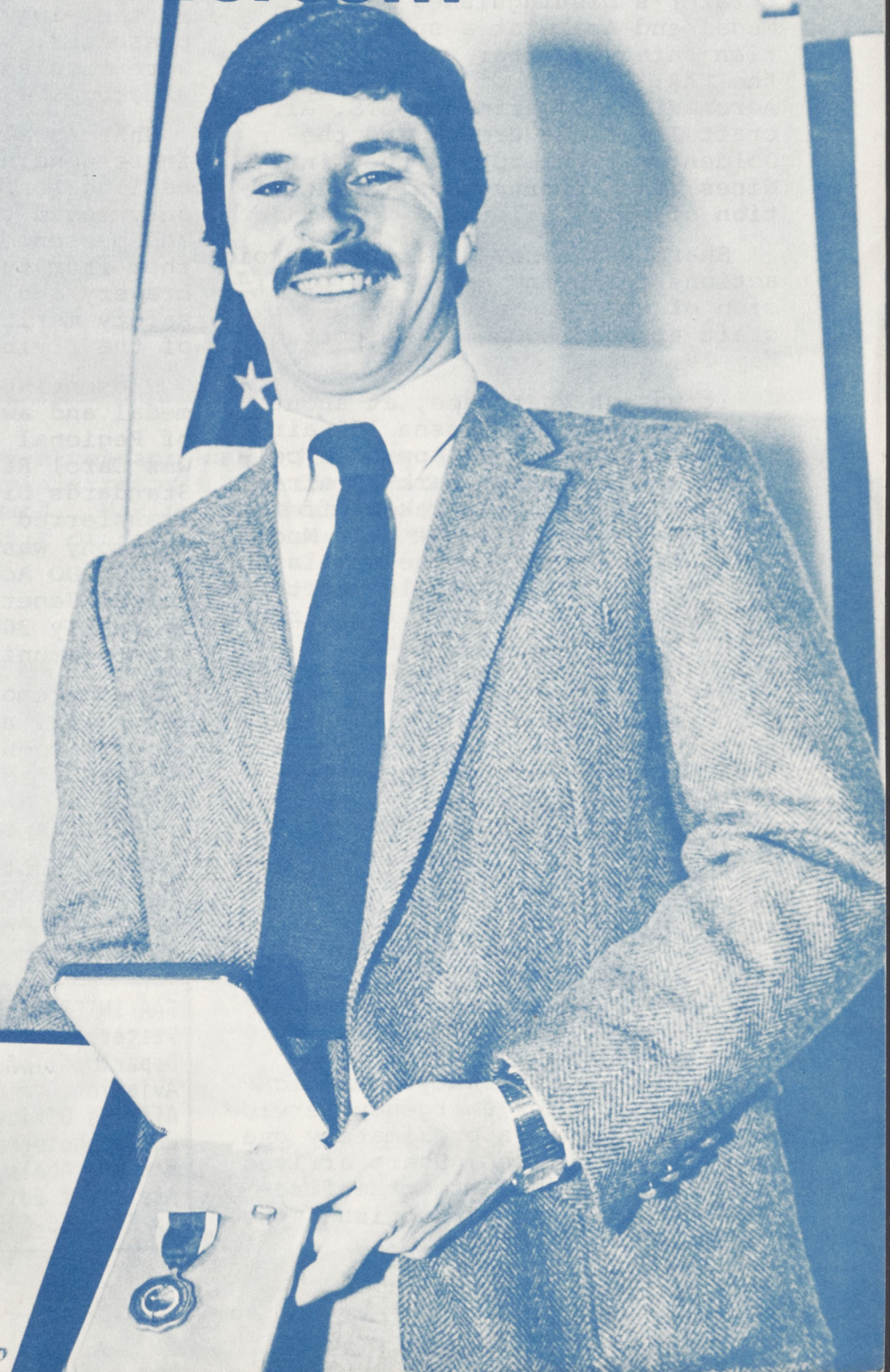




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Airport Attendant Magne A Sharp

Cover Story

We think you will agree that the cover photo of Airport Attendant Wayne Sharp really tells the story.

Sharp received the FAA Administrator's Distinguished Service Medal and Award at a special aviation safety seminar sponsored by the FAA, College of San Mateo Aeronautics Department, U.S. Aircraft Insurance Group, and the Golden West Chapter of the Ninety-Nines (the international organization of women pilots.)

Sharp was honored for his heroic actions following a mid-air collision of two general aviation aircraft at Half Moon Bay Airport on May 28, 1984.

It was on that date, at about 3:15 p.m., that a Cessna 152 aircraft on short final approach collided with a Mooney Mark 20 aircraft which had just taken off from the same runway (12) at Half Moon Bay Airport, Calif. The collision occurred approximately 100 feet above ground level over the airport. Both aircraft crashed near the mid-field taxiway on the airport. The Mooney aircraft cartwheeled during the crash, coming to rest on its back and on fire. The occupants of this aircraft survived the crash but were trapped inside the aircraft. The Cessna aircraft impacted the ground at a steep angle and the occupants were fatally injured.

Airport Attendant Wayne J. Sharp responded to the accident scene immediately in the airport crash/rescue vehicle. During the few seconds enroute to the site, he also radioed the county communications network for emergency service support. Within approximately one minute of the crash, Sharp arrived at the scene, activated the fire-fighting unit and extinguished the Mooney aircraft fire.

The prompt action by Sharp saved the lives of the pilot and two passengers. His call to the San Mateo County Communications Center brought a Medivac unit within minutes. They assisted Sharp in removing the seriously injured passenger from the front seat of the aircraft, with care to prevent further injury. The pilot and passenger, with minor injuries, were then helped from the aircraft wreckage.

Sharp's alertness and quick action in responding to the crash and calling for emergency support not only saved the lives of the pilot and passengers, but also protected them from further injury. His bravery and disregard for personal safety merits the congratulations of the flying public.

Presenting the Administrator's medal and award to Sharp on behalf of Regional Director Mac McClure was Carol Rayburn, Acting Flight Standards Division Manager (since transferred to AFO-800). The awards ceremony was spearheaded by San Jose FSDO Accident Prevention Specialist Janet Hitt, and was attended by nearly 300 members of the aviation community.

The ceremony also received media attention, newspaper coverage, a nice write-up in the April issue of Airport Management Services Magazine, and news coverage by two television stations in the Bay area.

Cover photo: Wayne J. Sharp proudly displays the Administrator's medal and award. Cover photo by Dave Hitt.

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More Award



Airport Attendant Wayne J. Sharp is presented with the Administrator's Distinguished Service Medal and Award. Making the award is Carol Rayburn, acting on behalf of Regional Director Mac McClure.

Photos by Dave Hitt.

Janet Hitt (left), Accident Prevention Specialist at San Jose FSDO, presents a Certificate of Recognition to Carolyn Zapata-Harshbarger, Chairperson of the Golden West Chapter of the Ninety-Nines for sponsoring the award ceremony/seminar and for the 99s' continuing efforts in accident prevention. Carolyn is also a flight instructor and an FAA Accident Prevention Counselor.





Bob Gallimore (left, at podium), Manager, Flight Standards Flight Inspection Staff, and Chuck Harman, Flight Procedures Specialist, present the program, "Instrument Flight Operations in the Bay Area" at the Accident Prevention Safety Seminar held at College of San Mateo. (Photo by Dave Hitt)

Janet Hitt (right), San Jose FSDO Accident Prevention Specialist, presents an FAA Certificate of Recognition to Robert C. Leuten, U.S. Aviation Underwriters, Inc., for the support of the U.S. Aircraft Insurance Group of Accident Prevention Programs and for sponsoring the Award Ceremony/Safety Seminar at College of San Mateo. Leuten is an a flight instructor and FAA Accident Prevention Counselor. (Photo by Dave Hitt)



Los Angeles Tower Happenings

Glen Kanow has been cleared for departure to Las Vegas, McCarran Tower. Gil Garcia has returned from training and is on his way to Honolulu Tower in June. Mike Roundtree, our senior flight data assistant, is attending the academy terminal course.....Several awards have been given to some outstanding people: Gil Garcia, Bob Clark, Mike Roundtree and Carde Hardy all received outstanding Quality Increase Awards; Mike McCormick received a Special Achievement Award. We are very proud of these fine people.....Three new arrivals are: Joe Rogers, from Falcon Field; Don Sterling, from Deer Valley; and Bert Simpson, from Ontario Tower.....Two new supervisors qualified: Bud Riebel and Jim Brantley. Thanks to Dan Kelly and Bob Peterson for their help as temporary supervisors and Laurel Macurda as temporary Quality Assurance Training Specialist.....Sheridyn Ellis has announced her engagement; the wedding is set for August. Air Traffic Controllers Mary Haynes and Paul Krzyznieski are enjoying themselves out of the country; Mary, enjoying a "Love Boat" cruise to Mexico and Paul, in Placentia, Newfoundland. Laure Weber recently returned from a trip visiting Great Britain..... Facility Manager Jim Holtsclaw was the leader in the Flight Service Assessment Program, for facility managers. The assessment lasted two weeks, with 21 candidates from all over the system.

Photos:

Top: Supervisor Dave Tyson (middle) congratulates Bob Clark (left) and Mike Roundtree.

Middle: Supervisor Dave Tyson (left) and Mike McCormick.

Bottom: Supervisor Larry Suppan (left) and Gil Garcia.



Sacramento FSS News

Sacramento FSS is undergoing a face lift. Right now the specialists are having to step high. Some long overdue renovations are being completed...In a concerted effort to get the workforce involved with the management of the facility, Sacramento FSS has two Employee Participation Groups in full swing at the present time. One is establishing Facility Goals and the other is a Facility Self-Evaluation. There is a third group planned for the Instrument of Change questionnaire results we received... Also in the planning stages; we are looking into the possibility of temporarily detailing a specialist into the Admin office to work on a project. This is aimed at giving the specialists a chance to see how the facility works from an administrative perspective...Marv Johnson, QATS, has just been extended for another year, and Chuck Raper, on detail as Area Supervisor in Marysville FSS has been extended another 120 days. They are both doing a terrific job...Training. Tara Grant, Marcia Session, and Jose Mandawe just returned from MTA; Jose also recently attended LET in Oakland; Larry Cook completed Pilot Weather Briefing at OKC; Ron Wenstrom completed Interpersonal Behavior in Lawton (returning complete with "warm fuzzy" in hand); and Larry Cook and Mike Walker just completed GOES training at OKC. We now have three people qualified to teach GOES training. They are Ralph Guerriero, Mike Walker, and Larry Cook. Scheduling permitting, we will soon begin training GOES Weather Satellite Data Interpretation Course #55203...Congrats are extended to Krank Koles, Mac Hester, and Vince Carr for becoming facility rated. Mark Payne, of Marysville FSS, also has reached FPL status and is now on detail to a journeyman position until his promotion. Keep up the good work guys! Thanks are extended to Rick Mauck for training Frank, Emmett Johnson for training Mac, Marcia Sessions for training Vince and Ray Winfree for training Mark. A terrific job was done by all...Good bye and good luck--to Ray Winfree who departed Marysville FSS in March for San Carlos Tower and to Steve McKinty who goes to the Academy in May for Tower training. Upon completion of training, Steve will be assigned to Sacramento Metro Tower...Our word processor is up and running, with much thanks to our Assistant Manager, and resident

computer expert, Ron Wenstrom, who spent many hours and sleepless nights trying to bring it on line. We now are waiting for a letter-quality printer to get full use of the equipment...Management of Sacramento Flight Service Station and its satellite facilities (Marysville and Stockton FSSs) would like to take this opportunity to say that we have received many letters from our User and from other FAA facilities, praising the quality of services provided and we would also like to extend our praise and thanks for a job well done. This is the type of feedback we enjoy receiving.

Bill Fisher Retirement Party

A retirement party for Bill Fisher, Area Supervisor, will be held Sat., June 8 at 6 p.m., hosted by the Edwards RAPCON Human Relations Committee. Bill has completed 31 years of Federal service. For further information/reservations, call Edwards RAPCON, FTS 799-1340/Commercial 802-258-6300.

Asian-Pacific Month Festivities



Asian-Pacific month will be celebrated May 20-24. The FAA and the Internal Revenue Service are joining hands in celebrating this event. There will be entertainment, exhibits of different cultures from Asian countries, and a luncheon made up of exotic Asian dishes. Films will also be shown.

If you are interested in attending the luncheon, a suggested price of \$5 per person is needed in advance. During the day of the luncheon, everyone is requested to wear his/her native apparel.

Additional information, including the date of the luncheon, may be obtained from:

James Keating, IRS, Ext. 6006
Mildred Ramos, FAA, Ext. 6149
Shirley Ebbat, FAA, Ext. 6157
Melanie Barnes, FAA, Ext. 6145

April Showers At Thermal FSS

April had just started when Controller Daniel Cruz received a Special Achievement Award. Dan was inspired to buy a long wanted new pickup. Congratulations on both..... Next thing that happened was that personnel at the station received a Silver Employee Award from United Way of the Desert for the 1985 Campaign "For an outstanding contribution to the 1985 United Way Campaign-a donation-that will be used for the continued support of 25 people-helping-people agencies at work in the Coachella Valley." This was the second year in a row that the Thermal FSS Specialists have received an Employee Award from United Way of the Desert for their outstanding contributions. A very special thank-you to all of those who contributed, and to Delyle Brown, Campaign Chairman...It was with mixed feelings that Thermal people said Aloha, Via Con Dios, So Long and Good Luck to Richard Smith who has transferred to Ontario Flight Service Station. He will be missed but his co-workers wish him all the best at his new station and in the future.....Who said marvelous things don't happen at Thermal? It's never a dull moment with such things at the Bob Hope Classic, Diana Shore Tournament and the like. You never know who's going to be here next. Landmark Realty is in full swing with its huge resort development--PGA West, a development that includes Thermal Airport. Move over Palm Springs-here comes Thermal!

Las Vegas AFS Congratulations

Congratulations are in order for Ernie and Brenda Schmuck for their results obtained from competing in the Las Vegas, Nevada Open Powerlift Meet on April 20. Ernie placed second in his weight class of 242 pounds, with a best total lift of 1,493 pounds. Brenda placed first in her



Wally Funk Retires

Former FAAer "Wally" Funk has announced her retirement from the National Transportation Safety Board effective May 10. Wally earned distinction in the FAA Western-Pacific Region by becoming the first woman General Aviation Operations Inspector many years ago. She then transferred to the NTSB as the first woman Accident Investigator. To all of her FAA friends and former co-workers, Wally says, "It was a great pleasure to work with you throughout my many years of Government service. I'll look forward to visiting and seeing FAA'ers along my travels. I'll continue to be of service to the aviation community in any capacity needed. Well do I know the need for continuous safety education. My free spirit goes with you all." You may write Wally at 655 8th Place, Hermosa Beach, CA 90254. HAPPY RETIREMENT, Wally, from your FAA family.

weight class of 132 pounds, with a best total lift of 744 pounds. Ernie is a 49 year old Electronic Technician at the Angel Peak ARSR facility. How about that!

1985 Savings Bond Campaign

The Department of Transportation has designated the month of May for the 1985 Savings Bond Campaign. This year, the Chairperson for the FAA's Western-Pacific Region is Leonard Williams and the Co-Chairperson is Steve Kuwanoe, both of the Budget Division.

For your future, as well as America's, sign up today for a savings bond. You'll be contacted by your fellow co-worker with details. If not, contact your Division Coordinator. The Division Coordinators are:



Airports.....	Kathy Yamada, AWP-600A.....	x6240
Air Traffic.....	Rose Marino, AWP-540.....	x6733
Airway Facilities.....	Shirley Thompson, AWP-405.....	x6153
Logistics.....	James Champagne, AWP-52B.....	x6734
	Judith Sullivan, AWP-55.....	x6581
	Stan Duarte, AWP-56.....	x6926
Management Systems.....	Evelyn Mosquera, AWP-63.3.....	x6407
Flight Standards.....	Nina Nance, AWP-203.....	x6258
Accounting.....	Kim Gross, AWP-22C.....	x6596
Security.....	Dick Boyle, AWP-730.....	x6329
Human Resource Mgmt.....	Chuck Souza, AWP-13.....	x6543
All Others.....	Steve Kuwanoe, AWP-31.....	x6471

Want To Improve Your Communications?

Come And Learn All About Toastmasters International

Efforts are underway to reinstate the FAA Toastmasters Club in the Regional Office. All employees are invited to come to a demonstration meeting on Tuesday, June 4, 11:30 to 1 p.m., (you may bring your lunch) at the Regional Headquarters, Fourth floor, Rooms 4W3 and 4W7. The Regional Director has authorized administrative leave up to one hour for employees to attend the Toastmasters Program of Training in Communications.

This is an opportunity to further the agency's Vision of Excellence, improve your speaking abilities, enhance your career through self-development, and improve our agency's public image. For further information, please contact Bob Kivitt, ext. 6262, or Joan Zubarik, ext. 6178. Call if you plan to attend. FAA retirees are also cordially invited.

