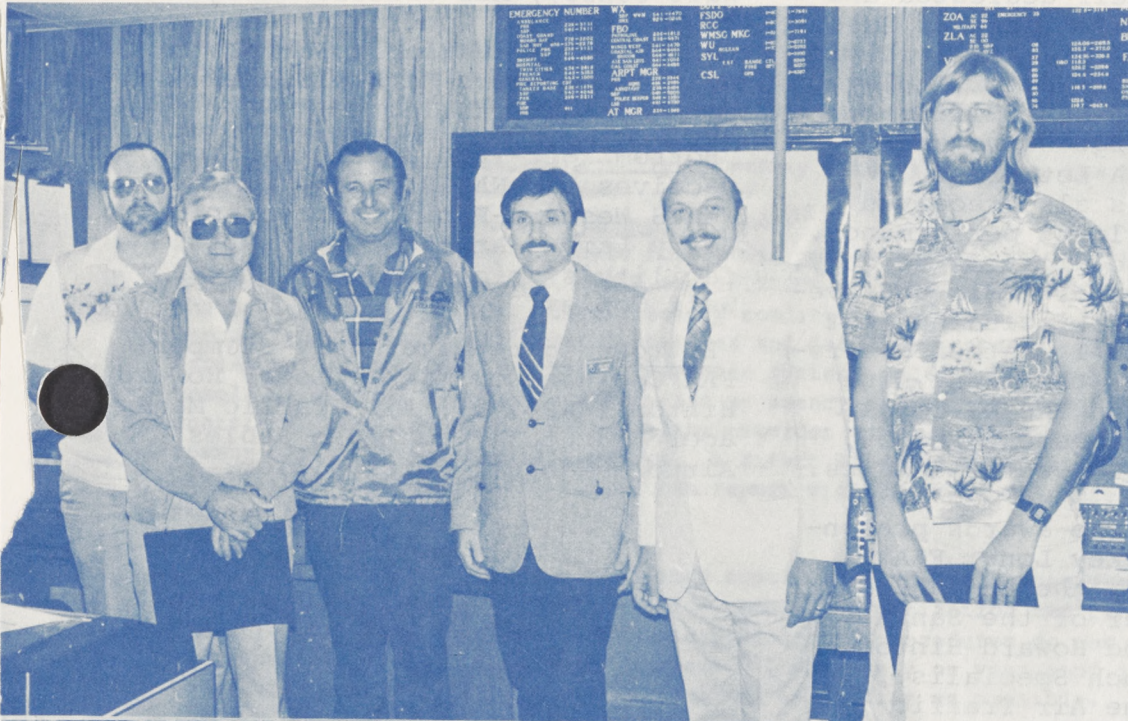




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Cover Story

A special awards ceremony was recently held at Paso Robles Municipal Airport where Rod Stahl, Air Traffic Manager, Paso Robles Flight Service Station, presented awards to deserving FSS personnel.

Each specialist received a Letter of Appreciation signed by Air Traffic Division-Manager Wayne C. Newcomb, for their dedicated and professional performance at Paso Robles. The specialists receiving the awards were: Walter Conley, Jack Hardcastle, Mark Hiding, Jon Larsen, George Olsen and Ernest Wettl. A Letter of Commendation was also received for the controllers' performance, enthusiasm and dedication to duty. Several examples of their achievements were cited, including best performing Group I weather observing facility for the first nine months of 1984 in the National Weather Service Western Region, which covers nine western states.

Assisting in the awards presentation were Mickey Long, FAA Coordinators for the Santa Barbara area and Manager of the Santa Barbara FSS, and Howard Hinton, Operations Branch Specialist, representing the Air Traffic Division.

A Certificate of Achievement was also presented to Manager Rod Stahl by Jerome Lamb, Western-Pacific Director of the National Association of Air Traffic Specialists. The award was made for Rod's performance in the area of Labor and Management Relations at the Paso Robles facility and is only the second time that this award has been given to an Air Traffic manager. The award was sponsored by the facility union representative, Walter Conley.

Special guests at the awards ceremony were the Honorable Gary Stemper, Mayor of the City of El Paso de Robles, and Chuck Miller, Manager of the Paso Robles Municipal Airport.

Cover photos:

Top--From left--Controller Ernest Wettl; Controller George Olsen; Mayor Gary Stemper; Controller Walt Conley; Air Traffic Manager Rod Stahl; and Controller Jon Larsen. Not available for photos were Controllers Mark Hiding and Jack Hardcastle.

Bottom left--Rod Stahl (middle) receives the NAATS award from NAATS Western-Pacific Director Jerry Lamb. At the left is the facility's union representative, Walt Conley.

Bottom right--Mayor Gary Stemper; FAA Coordinator Mickey Long; Howard Hinton (AWP-549); Air Traffic Manager Rod Stahl; and Paso Robles Airport Manager Chuck Miller.



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MEMORANDUM TO ALL FAA EMPLOYEES

SUBJECT: Open Communication

Several recent events remind me that I should reemphasize my commitment to open communication within the FAA.

As you know, I believe everyone should have the opportunity to report a problem, raise a question, or make a suggestion. Almost all of these matters are best taken up first with immediate supervisors. However, I know that does not always work out to be the best course of action and I want employees to feel free to communicate, especially on safety matters, without the fear of retaliation.

We have established many channels for upward communication. We publish questions and answers in FAA WORLD and INTERCOM. We have suggestion systems and systems for reporting unsatisfactory conditions. Employee participation groups such as human relations committees and facility advisory boards provide forums for discussion. Official grievance systems and discrimination complaint systems have been established by agency directives and through union contracts. The Administrator's Hotline provides employees a direct line of communication to my immediate office. A direct Safety Hotline has been established so that any individual can report violations of FAA safety regulations.

I want FAA employees to use established supervisory channels whenever possible. That is the only way a large, complex organization can function effectively. But, if normal supervisory reporting procedures do not work, I want you to use one of the other systems. I will rely on your good judgment to insure that your reports are factual and as precise as possible.

Each employee, at every level, should know that his or her actions in raising issues will not jeopardize his or her career. I will not tolerate retaliation against any employee who raises a legitimate issue. Appropriate action will be taken swiftly and surely against anyone who retaliates against an employee for reporting a problem the employee reasonably believes to be true.

I ask that managers and supervisors throughout the system discuss this memorandum with their subordinates and that we as a family work toward improvement within the FAA.

Donald D. Engen
Administrator

Fresno Facts

The second annual Softball Grudge Match between the Fresno Tower/TRACON All Stars and the Fresno FSS/AFS No Stars was recently held. Great food, drink and time had by all, including families, much thanks to last year's losers for footing the bill. Most Valuable Players for the game had to go to Sheila Sweeney, newly arrived from Palo Alto Tower, and to Terry Swart, clerical assistant who had to carry the rest of the team in the 100 degree melee.

The Tower also has representatives in a local softball league, captained by John Manuszak, and including Don Pilfold, Monte Starr, Dean Phillips, Ed Harvey, Scott Lang, Art Yarnell and Mike Reynolds. Their win/loss record need not be mentioned. Congratulations in order for Sheldon Olson, recently selected Manager of Sacramento Metro Tower, Mike Reynolds now enroute to Phoenix Tower and Ed Harvey, soon to be leaving for Sacramento Approach. Manager Will Cope traveled to Lindsay to present a certificate of achievement to Paul Castro, winner of this year's essay contest sponsored by the National Congress on Aviation and Space Education. A beautiful model of a Cessna Conquest was also presented, courtesy of Executive Wings, a local FBO. Thanks to Joe DeFelice and John Manuszak for helping Bakersfield with the temporary tower at the Porterville Airshow, and to Scott Lang, Mike Ferrell, Mark Lambie, and Ray Todd for assisting Modesto by manning the temporary tower at the Merced Antique Fly-In.

Alcoholics Anonymous

Alcoholics Anonymous meetings are being held at the Regional Headquarters. Both old and new members are welcome. For information, please call Anne Clayton, Aviation Medical Div., Ext. 6300.

FAA Academy

Air Traffic

Instructor Reunion

Last fall approximately 160 former FAA Academy Air Traffic instructors and friends gathered in Oklahoma City for a reunion. The event was a success, and many participants expressed interest in repeating the reunion in 1985. As a result, several current and former AT instructors in the Oklahoma City area are working to accomplish this.

The reunion will take place in Oklahoma City on October 11 and 12. The main event will be a buffet and social on October 12, with an informal social on October 11 for those who arrive early. Friends and families are welcome. Tentative location is the Hilton Inn on I-40 and Meridian. Information on cost will be disseminated through mailings and future Intercom articles, or you may send a stamped self-addressed envelope to Ms. Laurie Tester, 112 Chickasaw Lane, Yukon, Oklahoma 73099.

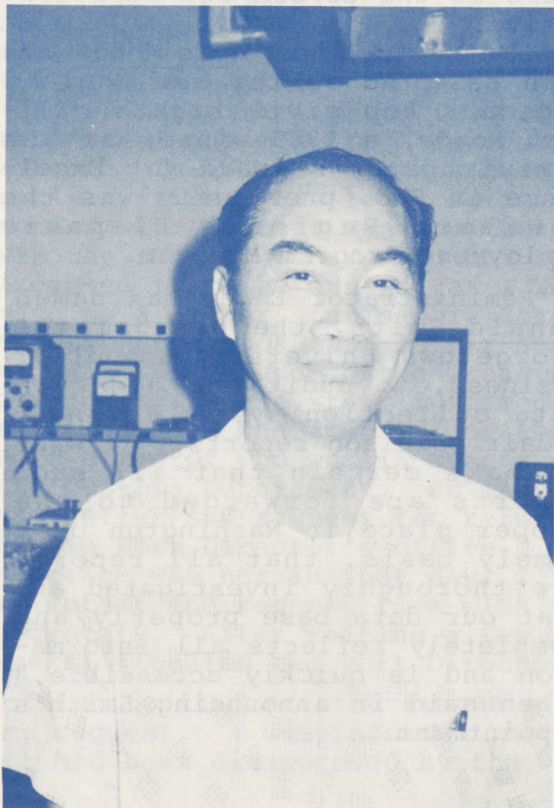
Mark the date on your calendar, start planning your travel arrangements, and spread the word to any former Academy AT instructors you know.

Sacramento FSDO News

The Sacramento Flight Standards District Office (FSDO) welcomes Don Engelsman and Lori Williams. Don joins the Airworthiness Unit at Sacramento FSDO from Miami FSDO where he most recently served as Assistant Principal Maintenance Inspector of Eastern Airlines. Lori comes to Sacramento from the San Diego FSDO and is joining the Administrative Staff as an Aviation Safety Assistant. Welcome aboard!

Regional Air Traffic Flight Assist Awards

Regional Director Mac McClure recently presented Outstanding Flight Assist Awards for the Western-Pacific Region. Charles Sanders of San Diego TRACON and Kelly Sandfer of Palomar Tower attended the presentation at the regional office. Steve Beckman of Palomar Tower was on leave in Europe. His award was presented at the facility by the Manager, Jack Nelson. Kelly, who has been with the FAA since 1982, recently transferred to Edwards RAPCON. Charles is a temporary Area Supervisor at the San Diego TRACON.



Nicky Calio Earns 30-Year Pin

Nicky Calio, Electronic Technician at the Honolulu NAV/COM Sector Field Office recently received his 30-year Career Service pin from Honolulu AF Sector Manager John Gordon.

Nicky, a 1952 graduate of Waipahu High School, attended the University of Hawaii for two years. After four and a half years of service in the U.S. Air Force, he joined the FAA in 1959, working in Facilities and Equipment for three years. Then, after a few months at Diamond Head Data Section, he served at the Ewa International FSS Transmitter to 1980, transferring to his present assignment.

The News In Brief

The Federal Labor Relations Authority (FLRA) has agreed to FAA's request to review a lower level FLRA decision that would permit air traffic controllers to organize within a regionwide unit. The FAA believes a nationwide unit is the appropriate one. The Authority has given the parties involved until July 2 to file additional briefs and has granted FAA's request not to allow any elections until the matter is resolved.

Mary Jo Knouff of the Public Affairs Office, has been awarded the Frank G. Brewer Trophy by the National Aeronautics Association for significant contributions to aerospace education in the U.S. Knouff is an experienced pilot and was active in private industry before she joined FAA in 1971.

Administrator Engen helped to dedicate the new tower at the Greater Pittsburgh International Airport July 2. The major activity level tower was completed several months ago and 120 air traffic employees have since moved in. The new structure replaces an old tower which was located atop the terminal building.

Tom Thomas, an Oklahoma pilot who recently flew 65 airplanes in one day, probably set a record according to Oklahoma City FSDO Inspector Gray Taylor. Taylor said he spent most of the day at the Frederick, Oklahoma airport to insure that the marathon flying exhibition was conducted safely.

The General Aviation and Commercial Branch of the Office of Airworthiness recently completed a series of two-day workshops in 10 cities across the country for FAA inspectors and aviation technician school representatives on various facets of Part 147 of the

Federal Air Regulations. Part 147 covers the certification and administration of aviation maintenance technician schools. The workshops sought to promote more liberal curricula and operating flexibility for the schools and to adopt changes that will help them keep pace with advancing technology.

* Air traffic delays for June were down 44 percent when compared with the same month last year. The average number of daily delays of 15 minutes or more last month was 760 as compared with 1,361 in June 1984. Also, average daily delays were down 25 percent in the first six months of 1985. They fell from 1,045 in the Jan.-June period in 1984 to 789 in 1985.

* At the recent Air Traffic Supervisors Committee (SUPCOM) meeting at FAA headquarters., Pat Cates of the Great Falls, Mont., FSS, became the first female national officer named to the committee. She was elected by her peers as the SUPCOM FSS representative.

* Veteran FAAer Clem Monge has been selected as the New England Region's top civil rights officer. Monge, a 1985 winner of the Administrator's Award for Excellence in EEO, previously was the Southern Region's Hispanic Employment Program Manager.

*Administrator Engen has named Ronald Smith, the Dean of the Georgetown University School of Business, to audit the agency's data collection system for near midair collision reports. "I want to make certain that all such reports are forwarded to the proper place in Washington on a timely basis, that all reports are thoroughly investigated and that our data base properly and completely reflects all information and is quickly accessible," Engen said in announcing Smith's appointment.

Improvement In Paradise

By Sherrel D. Dowell
Resident Director/ SFO
Manager, Samoa

(Editor's Note: The following article demonstrates how one FAAer's determination improved worklife in far-away Samoa.)

In 1980, the American Samoa Government incorporated into law an excise tax on the importation of automobiles. They set this excise tax at 10 percent. This represented a significant additional expense to FAA contract employees bringing a new or expensive car to Samoa. One POV per contract employee is shipped to Samoa at the expense of the Government and is documented on the employee travel order.

This excise tax has been a real bone of contention ever since some of the FAA employees found out that some other agencies employees did not have to pay it.

After experiencing the inconsistent treatment myself, I decided to take the issue up with the Governor's office. His legal advisor agreed with me that my situation was the same as others who had been exempted from the excise tax. He gave me a letter stating his determination. I took that letter and a request for refund to the Treasurer's office where, they informed me that I needed the approval of the Port Director who was in charge of the Customs Department. So I took the letter and request for refund to the Port Director's office. Since he was not in that day, I left my letter and request form with the secretary. After waiting a few weeks, I called the Port Director's office to find out the status of my request. I was informed that it had been disapproved by the

Deputy Port Director, thus dead-ending my request.

I decided that I should try a different approach since that effort was so easily brushed aside. I got down to serious letter writing and wrote the Attorney General of American Samoa. I based my case on the need to treat people equally, where the circumstances are the same. I was very happy when I received word from the Attorney General's office that a decision had been given in my favor and a letter had been written to the Treasury Department requesting that a refund be granted.

Now the good news is, with that letter, our newest FAA contract employee was able to pick up his car from Customs without the additional expense of the 10 percent excise tax.

I am hoping that this effort will have eliminated one more morale killer and make the FAA employees' life here in Samoa just a little better. Don't forget "The Pen is still Mighty!"

Guam CERAP Awards

Congratulations to the following Guam CERAP personnel who recently received awards for the fine job they did during the Air Force Operational Readiness Inspection last May:

Letter of Appreciation--Evans Bell.

Letters of Commendation--Harold Deatley, Dennis Cleveland, Jon Siverly, Stephen Madick, J. L. DeVoll and John Dobyns.

Keep up the good work!

Hats off ..



FAA Considering Limit For Carry-On Luggage

FAA wants to limit the amount and size of baggage that can be carried on board a commercial airliner. Such baggage would have to fit in the space available under the average passenger seat. Also permitted would be one garment bag or other soft-sided bag that must fit into the overhead storage areas if available.

The agency's position was announced by Administrator Engen at a carry-on baggage forum at FAA headquarters July 11. Asking for comments on the agency's proposal, Engen said, "On both safety and security grounds, my instincts are to control excessive amounts of carry-on baggage."

New Travel Rules Adopted

FAAers required to travel since October 12, 1984, may be in for a small sum of back pay because of a recent change in Title 5 of the U.S. Code. The change allows employees to count as employment hours the time they spend returning from trips, usually of emergency nature, resulting from events that could not be scheduled or administratively controlled.

This change does not cover Federal Wage System employees since their travel rules are outlined in a different section of Title 5.

Employees who believe they may qualify for back pay must have their supervisor's approval. Amended time and attendance reports with option number six circled should be submitted through normal channels. Additionally, the remarks section must state, "Initial travel officially ordered as a result of an event which could not be scheduled or administratively controlled."

FAAers Convicted Three Others Await Trial

Eugene Metz, former manager of the Eastern Region's Airways Facility Interfacility/Frequency Management Section, was convicted July 3 on one count of conspiracy and 16 counts of fraud for his part in a false billing scheme that included three other Eastern Region officials. Metz was acquitted of four fraud counts and one bribery charge. He will be sentenced July 30.

The four FAAers allegedly defrauded the government of \$1.3 million by issuing false invoices for services never rendered. Allen Moserowitz, former manager of the radar data unit of the region's electronics section, has pleaded guilty and will be sentenced sometime in the near future.

The other two Eastern Region employees charged with fraud are now awaiting trial.

Special Programs Work

Graduates of FAA's special emphasis programs, which were designed to attract more minorities and women to the air traffic control profession, are coming up with high marks at the Academy. This year 100 percent of the graduates of the Air Traffic Cooperative Education program passed the en route and terminal screening exams. During the same period, all Air Traffic Predevelopment program grads passed the en route screening test and 63 percent passed the terminal test.

Jim Nielsen Retirement Luncheon

Plans are underway for a retirement luncheon for James V. Nielsen, retired Assistant to the Regional Director. Mark your calendar for **August 30** and contact Joe Alvarez, AWP-9, ext. 6444, for further details.

Las Vegas Tower News

Congratulations to Las Vegas FAAers Carl "Andy" Anderson (education specialist) and controllers Jon Holman and Marcia Holman, who recently received letters of appreciation for their successful completion of several directed study courses each during the past 12 months.

Congratulations are also in order for Wolfgang Ruegner who has attained full performance level status at the Las Vegas Tower, a Level IV Tower, and he did it from scratch. Wolf had no previous aviation experience upon entering the developmental program.

Las Vegas Tower Manager Bill Maloney is pleased with the progress of Roxane Bresette, Sandra Johnson and Joe Cotterman, who have completed training through the departure radar positions.

Jim Cergl and Paul Khatcherian have been signed off at the arrival radar position and are the first products of our recently enhanced radar training lab. Their on-the-job training time on the arrival position was reduced an estimated 50 percent by undergoing this rigorous and concentrated simulation training headed up by Eugene Stahl, Area Supervisor, in charge of radar simulation training.

Bob Abbott and Glen Kanow have completed tower training and will be entering radar training soon; and Elizabeth Miller has completed Clearance Delivery and Ground Control positions and is presently working on Local Control. Congratulations to all!

Air Traffic Orders Cancelled

The following Orders have been cancelled: WP 1100.31 dated 2/2/85, Air Traffic Hub Facility Management Test; and WP 3120.4C dated 7/30/82, Facility Staffs (EPDS-PPS) Air Traffic Control Field Facilities.

Faaer's Son Receives

Top Honors

John Groner, a student at Tierra del Sol school in Lakeside, Calif., has received recognition for his academic achievements and is pictured in the Academic All American Scholarship publication. He is a straight "A" student and has earned the Academic Bowl Champion Award and the Presidential Academic Fitness Award for the past two years. John is the son of Alvin Groner, Manager at the San Pedro Long Range Radar Site. Congratulations, John.

Mz. Management Sez . . .

Watch Opportunities For Fraud

The opportunity to dip one's hand into "Uncle's" bottomless Cookie Jar of Goodies surround each member of this agency. A recent Comptroller General's report indicates that 548 employees of the Department of Transportation were caught "In Flagrante Delicto" (Cold Turkey) in various types of fraud during a 2½ year study.

The principal types of fraud cited were:

212 cases	Theft
142 cases	False Statements
62 cases	Work Hour Abuses
47 cases	Private Use of Gov't Property
6 cases	Forgery
79 cases	Miscellaneous

It is interesting to note that of the alleged frauds cited, 354 cases were reported by co-workers; that indicates the honesty and dedication of our fellow employees. DOT was number 10 of 17 reporting agencies, in the number of frauds perpetrated. Let us all strive to put DOT in the 17th place on the next report.

Is it worth a life of shame and dishonor, for an item that you probably could afford to purchase? If that indescribable urge strikes DON'T reach for the Cookie Jar, instead reach for your Billfold or Purse. You'll sleep better.

FAA Proposes ARSAs At 14 Airports

FAA is seeking public comment on the Airport Radar Service Area (ARSA) concept with the issuance of a proposed rule that would establish ARSAs at 14 locations across the country.

The agency expects to propose new ARSAs at a total of 66 locations by fall and address additional candidates in 1986.

ARSA is a two-tiered block of airspace, generally circular in shape, with the upper tier having a radius of 10 miles and a ceiling of 4,000 or more feet. All pilots entering these areas must be in contact with the local radar approach control, eliminating the mix of known and unknown traffic which can lead to airspace conflicts.

FAA already has implemented ARSAs at three locations: Baltimore-Washington International Airport, Robert Mueller Municipal Airport, Austin, Texas, and Port Columbus International, Columbus, Ohio.

The proposed new sites are: Albany County Airport, Islip MacArthur Airport, Syracuse Hancock International Airport, N.Y.; Anchorage International Airport, Alaska; Bradley International Airport, Windsor Locks, Conn.; Harrisburg International and Capital City Airports, Harrisburg, Pa.; Corpus Christi International Airport, San Antonio International Airport, Texas; Pensacola Regional Airport, Whiting and Pensacola Naval Air Stations, Fla.; Theodore Green Airport, Providence, R.I.; and Tulsa International Airport, Okla.

The agency has scheduled local meetings in each of these areas to discuss the proposal with user groups and other interested parties.

Civilair News

Your new Civilair officers are:

Chairperson - Robert Bloom, x6029
Vice Chairperson - Linda Murray, x6697
Secretary - Elly Stanson, x6183
Treasurer - Linda Birk, x6407

If you have any questions or suggestions for Civilair, any one of them will be glad to help you.

Civilair Awareness Day

Watch for more news on an upcoming celebration scheduled for Sept 6 at 9:00 am. This will be a great opportunity for you to find out what Civilair is all about, meet the Board of Directors, plus enjoy food, music and prizes! Mark your calendar for Friday, Sept 6. See you in the Regional Office lobby at 9:00 am!!!

Calendar

Sept 6 - Civilair Awareness Day, R.O. Lobby Entertainment, refreshments, info on Civilair - past, present and future.

Sept 14 - FAA Picnic - Long Beach Naval Shipyard (same place as last year) - more info on this to come.

Oct 11-13 - Las Vegas Trip. Round trip via Amtrac, lodging at Union Plaza Hotel - \$99 per person. A FEW TICKETS ARE LEFT!!!

Dec 7 - Christmas Party - 8 pm - Alondra Club, 16411 S. Prarie, Lawndale. Cocktails, hor d'oeuvres and dancing.

Dec 21 - Childrens' Christmas Party, LAX Hangar.

More info to come on all of these activities as they get closer - watch Intercom.

Magic Mountain - Discount tickets are available for \$10.95/adult and \$6.95/child thru the Civilair Desk. These advance purchase tickets are usable thru 1985.

R.O. Gym - People are asking "What about the R.O. Gym?" Yes, there really is one coming! Plans, permits, etc. take time. Our plan must be approved by the President's Council on Physical Fitness in order to get GSA approval for building space. Meanwhile, aerobics classes will be starting soon, after work in the patio area of the R.O. Look for more info on this in future Intercom issues.

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Letters We Like To Receive

June 25, 1985

Tower Chief, FAA Tower
Falcon Field
Mesa, Arizona 85205

Re: Outstanding Performance of Mr. James Carey

Dear Sir:

This letter is to inform you of the superior awareness and excellent job performance of one of your controllers, Mr. James Carey.

On June 17, 1985 at approximately 4:43 P.M., I was conducting a multi-engine certification flight test with an applicant in a Piper PA44-180. I had rendered the landing gear pump inoperative by pulling the motor circuit breaker, and I was waiting for the applicant to realize that the landing gear was not extended and locked. We were on very short final and in the process of beginning to land the airplane when Mr. Carey advised on tower frequency that the landing gear on our airplane was not extended.

At that point, the applicant told me that he realized that there were no gear lights and that he would execute a go-round. The point is moot, and we will never know whether he would have on his own, without Mr. Carey's warning. I must point out that safety was never compromised on our part, as I had failed the system, and was totally aware of the situation, and was testing the applicant for his emergency procedures knowledge.

Had the applicant not recognized the unsafe indication, and had Mr. Carey not warned us, and had I not been aboard, and had it been the real thing, I am convinced that there would have been a gear up landing which would have been most unfortunate, embarrassing, and expensive.

In summary, I am pleased with the performance of the crew at Falcon Tower, and I feel that Mr. Carey's attention to his duties should be commended, as it truly could have been the real thing, and he should be credited with the prevention of an accident.

Thanks to all of you for making Falcon Field a nice, SAFE, place to fly from.

Sincerely,
SUPERSTITION AIR SERVICE, INC.

Charles P. Harral
Chief Pilot

Air Traffic Awards

Given in June 1985

Sustained Superior Performance

Dominic Panasiti, San Diego FSS
Robert Shore, Litchfield Tower
Mona Bayles, Lindbergh Tower

Special Act Awards

Ronald Attard, Concord Tower

Quality Increase Awards

Kenneth Mahorney, Arcata FSS
Rose Moore, Honolulu Center
Randall Lum, Maui Tower
Elizabeth Matanane, Guam CERAP
June Turner, San Diego FSS
Asuncion Kanagusuku, Honolulu Tower
Rita Molina, Maui Tower
Edale Clark, San Diego FSS
Charles Bryan, Maui Tower
Richard Harden, Lindbergh Tower

Letters of Commendation

Francis Jonke, Litchfield Tower
Jere Beth Doedyns, Brown Tower
Charles Hill, Brown Tower
Lawrence Ogle, Brown Tower
Daniel York, Brown Tower
Jon Siverly, Guam CERAP
Stephen Madick, Guam CERAP
J.L. DeVoll, Guam CERAP
John Dobyns, Guam CERAP
David Habecker, Stockton Tower
James Johnston, Sacramento TRACON
Dave Watts, Montgomery Tower
Jennifer Dotson, Montgomery Tower
Patricia Vasquez, Modesto Tower
Lorryn Oliver, Livermore Tower
Richard Rosa, Modesto Tower
Gordon Brewer, Chico Tower

Retirement Party -- Bill Bransford

The retirement party for William Bransford, Los Angeles Airway Facilities Sector, Palmdale, is planned for Saturday, August 24, at the Antelope Valley Inn, 44055 N. Sierra Hwy, Lancaster. Happy Hour starts 6:30 and Dinner at 7:30P.M. Choice of entrees at \$13 per person for a complete dinner, with tax and tip. RSVP to Anita Moore, c/o Airway Fac-

Recreational Certificate Proposed by Agency

The agency has moved to accommodate people who want to fly "just for fun" by proposing a new Recreational Pilot category. The proposal, which is aimed primarily at individuals who fly homebuilt, experimental, and other simple aircraft types, also would establish a Student Recreational Pilot category.

Under the proposed rule, training for a Recreational Pilot's Certificate would focus on flight basics such as takeoffs and landings, directional control and go-around procedures that would equip applicants to fly safely within a limited operational environment. Since recreational pilots would be restricted to daylight flights in good weather and banned from airports with operating control towers, no training in night flying, instrument operations or radio communications would be required.

The agency said it has not decided yet on the medical requirements for the new pilot categories. It could require a third class medical certificate or simply accept a certificate from applicants declaring that they have no known medical defects that would interfere with their ability to operate an aircraft safely.

Recreational pilots would be limited to flying single-engine, fixed gear aircraft of not more than 180 horsepower that are certificated for not more than four occupants.

ilities, Los Angeles Center, 2555 E. Ave. P, Palmdale, CA 93550 before August 19. Call Anita for more information at (805)947-4101. Frier with anecdotes may call Gary Meyers to coordinate their program input. Any anecdotes to make this a more memorable occasion for Bill will be appreciated.