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**Bill Wines Honored By
U.S. Air Force Auxiliary**

Cover Story



Bill Wines, Manager of the Airway Facilities Division Telecommunications Staff, recently was awarded the U.S. Air Force Auxiliary (Civil Air Patrol) Certificate of Appreciation. Presentation was made by Lt. Col. Ernie Pearson, California Wing Chief of Staff, on behalf of the National Commander of the Auxiliary.

Bill was honored for his steadfast dedication to aviation safety and in recognition that, throughout his more than 25 years with the FAA, he consistently has discharged his responsibilities with the highest degree of professionalism.

In making the presentation, Colonel Pearson added that Bill's understanding of the roles and missions of the U.S. Air Force Auxiliary, has enabled this organization to perform its assigned humanitarian and emergency services missions with greater safety and efficiency. Pearson also cited Bill's willingness to seek and find ways to enhance operational flexibility and responsiveness consistent with the requirements of the National Airspace System.

The special awards ceremony was held in the Executive Conference Room which was filled to capacity by Bill's many friends and co-workers.

The FAA family extends its sincere congratulations to Bill Wines for this national recognition for a job well done!

Cover photo: The photo tells it all. Regional Director Mac McClure (left) and Lt. Col. Ernie Pearson (right) are almost as happy as the proud recipient, Bill Wines and his wife Jackie.

Cover photo by Barbara Abels.

Deer Valley Tower Happenings

Congratulations to Dennis Myers on his selection to Manager of Litchfield Tower and to Denne' Hoover and Chuck Munoz on their selection to Tucson Tower. Recent new people on board are Dave Ruiz (Brackett Tower), Cynthia Denman (King Salmon Tower, Alaska), Charlie Goodson (Phoenix Tower), and Steve Wyloge (Denver Center). John Hurlbert's retirement party was a big success, with 55 friends in attendance. On October 14, 1985, Deer Valley Tower will celebrate its tenth year of service in the Air Traffic System. Lew Robertson, who severely broke his left leg in a motorcycle accident and Manager Stan Watt who had his left kidney removed are both back at work and feeling great.

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Los Angeles Tower News



ON THE MOVE.....It is time to say good-bye to people on the move from Los Angeles Tower. Gil Garcia is now basking in the sun at Honolulu Tower and Sheridyn Ellis left for Minneapolis Tower and a married life. Our heartiest congratulations to both. Paul Krzyznieski is trying his hand with the slot machines at Las Vegas Tower and Dayle Buschkotter promised to save money at Reno Tower. Jon Ross has left the cab, again, to be the Quality Assurance and Training Specialist for awhile.

ON THE WAY.....All is not lost, however, with the arrival of Gus Guzman from San Carlos Tower, Sheri McClanahan from Santa Barbara and Paul Callinan from Santa Monica Tower. A big welcome aboard to all.

ON WITH ATC.....Congratulations to Laure Weber, Jim Tittle and Mike Darling for completing the training program. Our new Full Performance Levels are a welcome asset to the controller staff.

ON WITH THE AWARDS.....Letters of Commendation have been presented to Vinton Lampton, Dave Tyson and Paul Krzyznieski for their performance in the tower cab. Dave Tyson and Larry Suppan received an Outstanding rating and MPP Award as tower Area Supervisors. Tom Dray has earned a Special Achievement Award with an Outstanding rating for his work as the Planning and Programming Specialist. Assistant Air Traffic Manager Jerry Johnson received a thank you letter from the Braille Institute of Los Angeles for his presentation on air traffic control at LAX. Jerry helped the blind understand the picture of people and planes coming together in Los Angeles.



Above: Dave Tyson (right), receives an Outstanding Rating/MPP Award and Letter of Commendation from Jim Holtsclaw, Los Angeles Tower Air Traffic Manager.

Middle: Paul Krzyznieski (right), receives a Letter of Commendation from Jim Brantley, Los Angeles Tower Area Supervisor.

Below: Vinnie Lampton (left), receives a Letter of Commendation from Larry Suppan, Los Angeles Tower Area Supervisor.

Los Padres Pilots Assn.

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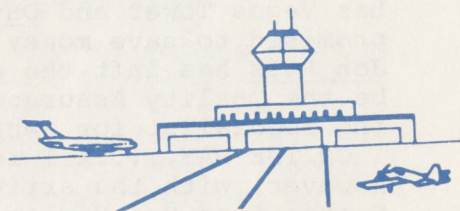


FAA Toastmasters Club 3449

FAA Toastmasters Club 3449 meets at the Regional Headquarters on the first and third Tuesdays of each month. The members meet from 11:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. on the fourth floor, Rooms 4W3/4W7.

FAA Tower Crew
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Guests and visitors are ALWAYS WELCOME.



To Our Super Tower Crew!

Los Padres Pilots Association members join in thanking all of you for the help and support given to our pilots who carried passengers for our ride booth at the recent SMX Air Fair.

Your cooperation is greatly appreciated!

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Diane Purnan
L.P.P.A. Secretary

Brackett Tower News

The Brackett Tower Softball Team (Mateo's Yahoos) were challenged recently to a slow pitch sporting contest by the Bannertow Pilots of Chino. The teams met on a Saturday at a local park where Brackett proceeded to emerge victorious! Final scores will not be divulged in deference to the many requests for silence (from the losers). Brackett is now ready to take on any facility, large or small. Please contact Bob Young, Playing Manager, at Brackett Tower.

Recent awards at Brackett Tower are: Letters of Commendation to Controllers Robert Young and Paula Villanueva, and Letters of Appreciation to Controllers Victoria Biggers and David Humphrey. Congratulations to all for a fine

Letters We Like To Receive



Visual Aids Achievement

The above topographic mural represents an outstanding accomplishment by San Diego Flight Service Station, Facility Air Traffic Technical Advisory Committee (FATTAC). Measuring 8 by 12 feet, the framed mural is the creation of Ron Kessock (left), Chairman, and Edward Kenna, Secretary, of the San Diego FATTAC. It has proven to be a tremendous visual aid and is used extensively by pilots, the training department and controllers at the San Diego FSS. Hats off to Ron and Ed for the enormous planning and hours of work spent in this achievement.

Career Milestone For Chester Edge



Chester Edge (right), Air Traffic Control Specialist at Guam CERAP, recently received his 30-year Career Service pin from Area Supervisor, Jon Siverly.

Chester joined the U.S. Air Force in June 1955. He worked as an Airborne Radio Operator on the C-124 Globemaster and was discharged in June 1959. He began his FAA career at the Memphis Air Route Traffic Control Center as an Air Traffic Control Specialist from July 1959 to November 1962. He has worked at other FAA air traffic control facilities, namely in San Juan, Puerto Rico from November 1962 to April 1965, in Atlanta from April 1965 to February 1976, in Panama Canal Zone from February 1982, and in Guam from February 1982 to present. Congratulations Chester!

LETTER OF APPRECIATION

TO: MR. NORMAN E. CYPHERS
AREA SUPERVISOR
FALCON FIELD ATCT (FFZ)
MESA, ARIZONA

AUGUST 1, 1985

FROM: FFZ CONTROLLERS

The controllers at FFZ ATCT wish it to be known far and wide that Mr. Norman E. Cyphers has performed his duties here as Area Supervisor in what we believe to be an exemplary manner. "Norm" is a genuine people-oriented person, continually striving for better human relations among everyone with whom he comes in contact.

We all know that an Area Supervisor's job is a difficult and largely thankless one. It takes someone especially skilled and determined to effectively institute and reinforce FAA policies and procedures, yet still maintain an excellent rapport with everyone concerned. Norm always makes himself available to assist his people in any way, be it helping someone with a personal problem, putting together a bid package, or organizing a facility "attitude adjustment" gathering. It should be mentioned that Norm has also served with great enthusiasm as Chairman of the initial Falcon Tower Facility Advisory Board during the past year, and has insured that the FAB is a continuing successful and effective endeavor.

So, Norm, from all of us at Falcon ATCT, we're glad you're here, and you have our respect and sincere thanks for a job well done!

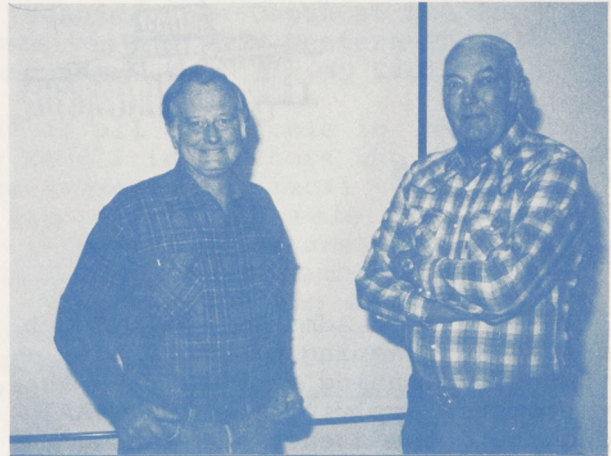
Larry Robinson
Walter J. Michaels
Timothy J. Dronce
James G. King
Ronald J. Wagoner

David S. Hines
Cheryl D. Palcko
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John C. Bryan

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Las Vegas Sector Awards

Congratulations to Las Vegas Airway Facilities Sector employees Fred Holmes (left), Electronics Technician at Reno Nav/Comm AFSFO, who received a Quality Within-Grade with Outstanding Rating; and Robert Calleas (right), Environmental Systems Technician, Reno Environmental Systems Unit, who received a Special Achievement Award with Outstanding Rating.



Retirement Party For Joe Cadero

The retirement party for Joe Cadero, Phoenix Tower, is planned for Saturday, November 23, at the Airway Inn, Runway 1 and 2 banquet rooms, 124 S. 24th St., Phoenix. No host cocktails starts 6:30 p.m. and Dinner at 7 p.m. Hot buffet Dinner includes: Braised sirloin tips, red snapper with spanish sauce, mixed garden greens with assorted dressings, potato salad, three bean salad, fruit compote, cottage cheese, assorted relish tray, rice pilaf and mixed vegetables, rolls, butter, coffee, tea and milk. Cost is \$17.50 per person includes dinner, tax, gratuity, and share in gift to Joe. Reservations can be with Norma or Rita at Phoenix Tower, 261-4226 no later than Nov. 20. Personal checks to Norma Lavinder. No refunds after Nov. 20. You may consider staying at Airway Inn, room rates, single occupancy are \$25; double occupancy are \$28 plus tax. Call Airway Inn direct at 602/244-3221 or Norma can assist.

FAAers Cited for Saving Money and Energy

A Washington branch office and a Great Lakes Region engineer have been cited by the Department of Energy for saving money by saving energy. APM's Structures Program Branch Office and Herbert Johnson of the Dakota AF Sector, AGL, received Federal Energy Efficiency Awards during ceremonies on Oct. 22 in Washington.

The APM unit was recognized for incorporating energy efficient designs into ARTCC building expansions and new ATCT designs, as well as for incorporating energy improvements in facility modernization programs.

Johnson was cited for initiating a comprehensive energy audit of all FAA facilities in the state of North Dakota and for making improvements which resulted in a 15 percent savings over the previous year. In hard cash this is expected to add up to an annual savings of approximately \$35,000 a year.



The News

In Brief

* In June 1984 Administrator Engen ordered a revamping of the FAA's strategic planning process with an eye towards applying the "One FAA" concept to the agency's planning goals into the 21st century. As a result, all Associate Administrators now will prepare planning documents, tied to the annual budget cycle, which will cover their organizations' administrative goals for a minimum of five years. The documents will be updated yearly. The FAA Plan, published every two years, will in turn highlight these Associate-level plans and present a unified picture of the agency's long-range goals.

* A program jointly sponsored by FAA and the United States Information Service recently brought top civil aviation officials from 14 Latin American nations to the U.S. for a nine-day tour of agency facilities. Escorted by Rene Cardona, ASO, and Tom Messier, Jim McMahon, and Joaquin Archilla of AIA, the group made stops at headquarters, the Tech Center, the FAA tower at Philadelphia International Airport, and the Aeronautical Center. The traveling seminar focused on the agency's effort to improve airline safety and apply new technology to air traffic control.

* The agency's third annual National Aviation Awareness Essay Contest will get started Jan. 15. At that time contest information will be sent to public and private schools throughout the U.S. The deadline for submitting entries to the contest, which is open to students in grades 4 through 12, is March 3, 1986.

FAA Proposes

Overhaul Of

Airport Rules

The agency has proposed a comprehensive revision and reorganization of its airport certification rules to make them "more easily understood and, therefore, less burdensome to comply with and enforce."

The proposed revision to FAR Part 139 also would make substantive changes in such areas as firefighting and rescue equipment, fuel handling and storage, emergency plans, ground vehicular traffic, and snow removal requirements.

Under the proposal, for example, specific requirements for firefighting and rescue vehicles would be dropped at some 300 smaller airports ("Index A" facilities), in favor of a system whereby individual requirements would be determined on a case-by-case basis.

In addition, the proposal would clarify the respective responsibilities of airport operators and tenant fueling agents for on-site fueling activities. It offers two options in this area, one developed by FAA and the other by industry.

The scope of airport emergency plans also would be expanded under the proposal to include additional situations, such as water rescue and care of accident survivors. The proposal also would impose new restrictions on the movement of ground vehicles and require written snow removal plans for airports where snow conditions are likely to exist.

Included with the proposal is a request for comments on suggestions that airport operators be required to conduct a full scale demonstration every three or four years in which the emergency plan participants respond to a mock disaster.

Sacramento AFS Captures Prize

Pat Mercurio (right), NAV/COMM Technician-in-Depth at the Sacramento Airway Facilities Sector receives the **1984 Western-Pacific Sector of the Year Award** (general category) from Airway Facilities Division Manager Alex Hammond.

Pat accepted the award on behalf of all the people in the combined Fresno and Sacramento Airway Facilities Sectors who contributed toward the many Sector accomplishments in fiscal year 1984.

1984 began with the area from Bakersfield to Beale Air Force Base forming two separate Sectors--Fresno and Sacramento. During the year, the Fresno and Bakersfield facilities became part of the new larger Sacramento Sector. The outstanding work of the people in the two sectors continued through the consolidation, resulting in a year-end level of excellence that captured the 1984 General National Airspace System Sector of the Year prize.





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September 30, 1985

Mike Mavrakis
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On behalf of the City of South Lake Tahoe let me express to you our appreciation for the courtesy and helpfulness shown to our staff in completing the recent airport runway repair project. Your people were outstanding in helping this city obtain federal grant assistance and providing advice and consultation in the course of preparing for the contract and supervision of work. Your help to the city is very welcomed.

Sincerely,

NEVA ROBERTS
MAYOR

NR:klr

cc: Dick French
Ed Brauner

(Editor's Note: Herman Bliss, Regional Airports Division Manager, says receipt of this letter of appreciation for the San Francisco Airports District Office is considered one of the many highlights in a most productive year. "This effort, which is so typical of this office, resulted in much needed reconstruction of the runway so that Turbojet Commercial Services could continue through the winter months." Bliss adds that Office Manager Mike Mavrakis, Project Engineer Dan Morse, and Regional Paving Engineer Ray Desai were responsible for completing the project prior to the season's first snowfall.)

More Letters We Like To Receive

Mr. Larry Decosta
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Barry G. King
Metroliner Captain
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September 14, 1985

Dear Mr. Decosta;

I would like to thank you for the enormous help you gave to me during my emergency situation and emergency landing at Fresno Air Terminal On August 27, 1985 while we were enroute to Merced from Los Angeles.

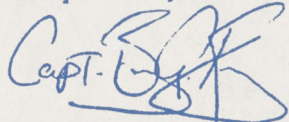
You were instrumental in the control of the emergency. The organization and skill you displayed while handling the situation was the best example of the F.A.A. in action I have ever seen.

I have been in this business for seven years and I am as my passengers, very fortunate for the expertise of the Fresno Air Terminal's abilities to cope with the ever changing aspects of an emergency.

I just wanted to thank you personally. The Federal Aviation Administration is very fortunate to have an individual of your caliber and composure as you have proven yourself to be very competent in a tight situation. This appreciation extends to the entire staff of the Fresno Flight Standards District Office.

Again thank you Larry.

Very Truly Yours,



Captain Barry G. King

(Editor's Note: A Wings West Metroliner recently experienced an engine failure and partial engine separation while en route from Los Angeles to Merced. An emergency landing was accomplished at the Fresno Air Terminal and Operations Inspector Larry DeCosta of the Fresno Flight Standards District Office was dispatched to meet the flight upon its arrival. The accident is still under investigation by the National Transportation Safety Board. Edward Hammonds, manager of the Fresno FSDO, says, "We feel fortunate in having Mr. DeCosta as a member of our 'team' here at the Fresno FSDO.)

National and Regional NATI Awards



Certificates of Achievement have been presented to all Western-Pacific Flight Standards District Offices for outstanding service performed during the National Air Transportation Inspection, more commonly known as the NATI inspections.

Shown above are members of the San Francisco FSDO receiving their Regional and National award from Gary Koch, Acting Assistant Manager, Flight Standards Division (Gary has since been selected as National Accident Prevention Program Coordinator at Washington headquarters.) **From left:** Nadine Adams, Jim Wade, Bill Glandon, Fred Griffin, Walt Gerber, Ralph Utterback, Rob Chatfield, Keeton Zachary, Tom Vandervelde, Hal Caccamise, Bob Palmer, FSDO Manager Wayne "Yogi" Bair, and (kneeling) Gary Koch.

Congratulations to all the San Francisco crew and to all the Flight Standards team for a job well done!