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For the 13th consecutive year, more than 60 **volunteer flight instructors** will make their services available at the Coles County Airport in Mattoon on July 11-13. These dedicated CFIs contribute their time and talents so that participating pilots will have the opportunity to complete their Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) WINGS pilot proficiency program and be awarded a WINGS phase.

WINGS is a safety program that stresses recurrent training. The program consists of three hours of dual flight instruction and a minimum of one hour of ground safety seminars for pilots. Non-student pilots completing the requirements of the WINGS program will have met the requirements of a flight review as per FAR 61.56 (f).

Those eligible pilots completing the WINGS recurrent training will be presented with a lapel or tie pin (set of WINGS) and a certificate of completion. Student pilots are not eligible for the WINGS Certificate but may attend any or all of the ground safety seminars. All pilots are welcome to attend the seminars, even though one does not plan to fly. There

is no registration required for the ground seminars.

The WINGS Weekend is sponsored by the FAA; the Illinois Department of Transportation, Division of Aeronautics; the Coles County Airport Authority; and the Central Illinois Air Corporation. The success of this program is also attributed to the support of individual volunteers and organizations, such as the Illinois Flying Farmers who are in charge of registration, and the Coles County Airport volunteers who handle the aircraft parking. However, this event would not be possible without the **dedicated flight instructors**, who come at their own expense and volunteer their time and services.

Past WINGS have attracted prominent attendees such as former astronaut James Lovell of Apollo 13 and three other space voyagers. Lovell has earned five WINGS Phases at previous WINGS Weekends.

In conjunction with the WINGS Weekend, a Flying Companion/Wannabee Seminar will be held Saturday morning to inspire and educate *would be* pilots and provide guidance in their aeronautical aspirations.

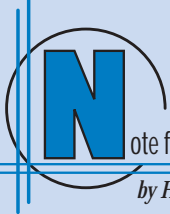
This year's special Friday evening program will again be presented in conjunction with our Friday evening airport hangar banquet which will begin at 6 p.m. Following the banquet, there will be a **SPECIAL PRESENTATION** by the Wright Redux Association and Packer Engineering commemorating the 100th year of flight. This group has built a 1903 Wright Flyer Replica (including the engine) with the help of volunteer companies and students from all over the Midwest.

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Highlights from the 2003 Illinois Aviation Conference



ote from the Director

by Hugh Van Voorst

Due to the deadly illness of my friend, Bernard O'Brien, I was in Denver, during the Illinois Aviation Conference.

The airport and heliport awards were presented at the awards luncheon during the conference. Criteria for selection included: maintenance, public relations and demonstrated project administration.

This is the third year that the general aviation-public owned category had been split based on runway length. This became necessary due to the great number of airports which made up this category. Category A includes airports with runways 5,500 feet or longer, and Category B includes airports with runways shorter than 5,500 feet.

The 2003 award winners are:

- **Primary Airport of the Year**
Decatur Airport
- **Reliever Airport of the Year**
Lansing Municipal Airport
- **General Aviation Category A**
Jacksonville Municipal Airport
- **General Aviation Category B**
Morris Municipal/Washburn Field
- **Privately Owned Airport of the Year**
St. Louis Metro East-Shafer Field
- **Heliport of the Year**
Pana Community Hospital

Congratulations to all the winners. Each airport and their achievements will be featured in future articles of *Illinois Aviation*.

The conference was a huge success with more than 200 participants. I would like to thank all who participated.



Dorothy Negangard, one of the conference coordinators, and Verne Jobst, master of ceremonies for the Hall of Fame Banquet enjoy the riverboat cruise.



Dana Bowman was the motivational speaker for the conference.



Conference participants enjoy informative sessions at the conference.

IDOT's Dale Rust Receives FAA Good Friend Award



Dixie J. Norton presenting IDOT's Flight Safety Coordinator, Dale Rust with FAA Good Friend Award.

Dale L. Rust, flight safety coordinator for IDOT's, Division of Aeronautics recently received the FAA's Good Friend Award. This program honors those individuals who have in some significant way promoted, enhanced or supported the flight standards mission through exemplary accomplishments. Rust was also commended for his cooperative spirit, loyalty and dedication to aviation safety.

In August of this year, Rust will have been flying for 49 years. He has been flight instructing for 43 years and has the following ratings: ATP, CFI, CFII, MEI, AGI and IGI.

Illinois Aviation congratulates him on a job well done.

2003 Illinois Airport Construction Program

It's that time of year when airport construction activity peaks throughout Illinois. Extra care and pre-flight planning are necessary to ensure that your destination airport is still available for use. Although checking NOTAMS should always be on your checklist, special emphasis should be made during the summer construction season. Major runway rehabilitation projects sometimes close the entire airport, especially when construction activities occur at the intersection of two runways. Whenever possible, extra efforts are made by the airport management, the consultant, the contractor and the division to ensure minimum impact to the facility. Projects are often staged to ensure the least amount of impact to the traveling public. This summer many new construction projects will be under way at Illinois airports along with several others finishing up from last year.

The following table contains a listing of probable locations where traffic may be disrupted due to construction activity. Keep in mind the listing below is only for projects that could cause major travel disruption and is subject to change.

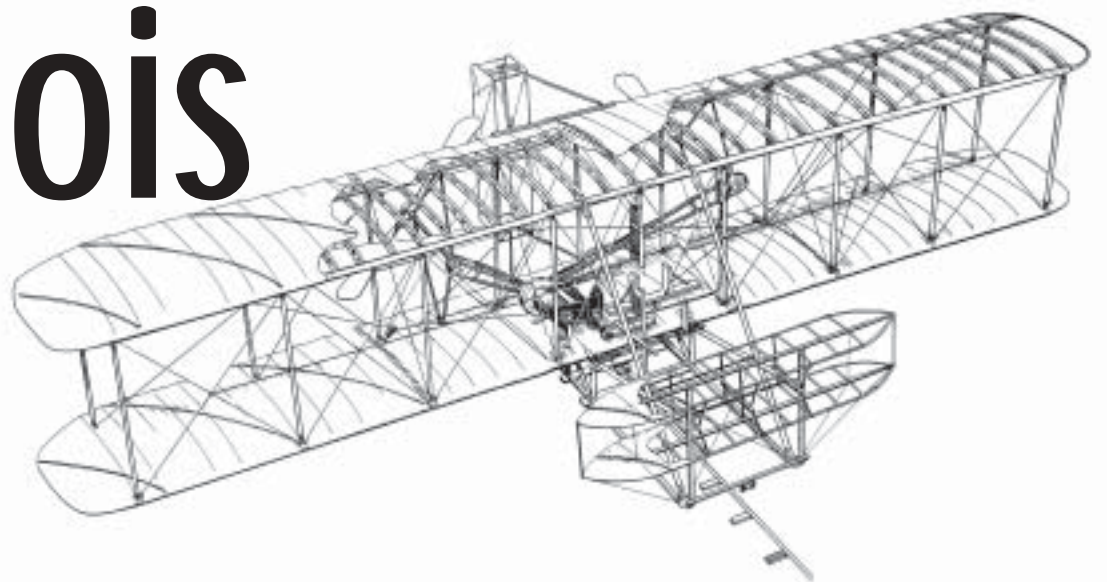
Primary Airport Projects	
Capital	Extend taxiway <i>B</i> & remove portion of taxiway <i>E</i> Construct new T-hangar taxiways Expand auto parking lot
Decatur	Construct taxiway <i>G</i> Rehabilitate south T-hangar pavements
Central Illinois Regional MidAmerica (Scott AFB) Greater Peoria Regional	Extend runway 2/20 to the south Construct GA apron, phase 2 Relocate runway 13 glideslope, MALSR, localizer & threshold Rehabilitate and expand terminal parking lot
Quad City International	Rehabilitate security gates, terminal video and access control Construct south GA parking lot Relocate electrical switchgear facility Pave taxiway <i>K</i> extension
Quincy Regional U of I - Willard	Expand GA apron Install security fence Rehabilitate southeast parallel taxiway <i>A</i> & GA roadways
Williamson County Regional	Grading and drainage for runway 2/20 extension

Reliever Airport Projects	
DuPage Lake In The Hills	Construct South Flight Center auto parking lot Install a precision approach path indicator (PAPI) Rehabilitate T-hangar taxiways
Lansing Municipal	Rehabilitate runway 9/27 Construct new T-hangar taxiways
Lewis University Palwaukee Municipal	Pave new runway 2/20 and partial parallel taxiway Construct T-hangar taxiways Construct northwest parallel taxiway to runway 16/34
St. Louis Regional St. Louis Downtown	Reconstruct aircraft parking apron, Phase IV Rehabilitate and extend Omni Dr.

General Aviation Airport Projects	
Benton Municipal Cairo Regional Carmi Municipal	Extend & rehabilitate runway 18/36 Construct new AWOS III P/T Construct new AWOS III P/T Rehabilitate runway 18/36
Centralia Municipal Coles County Municipal DeKalb-Taylor Municipal	Construct new crosswind runway 9/27 Rehabilitate lights on runway 6/24 Construct T-hangar access taxiways Relocate Pleasant Street and localizer Remove and replace airfield electrical vault Construct runway extension and parallel taxiway to runway end 20
Effingham County Memorial Fairfield Municipal Flora Illinois Valley Regional Lawrenceville-Vincennes Litchfield Municipal Logan County Metropolis Municipal Morris Municipal Olney-Noble Pekin Municipal Pinckneyville-DuQuoin Pittsfield Penstone Municipal Pontiac Municipal	Rehabilitate aircraft apron Rehabilitate runway 9/27 Expand GA apron Rehabilitate runway 18/36 and taxiways Construct roadway & apron for SRE building Construct new AWOS III P/T Rehabilitate runway 3/21 Construct new AWOS III P/T Construct new T-hangar taxiways Rehabilitate runway 11/29 Extend T-hangar access roadway Rehabilitate lights on runway 18/36 Rehabilitate runway 13/31 Construct parking lot and T-hangar taxiways Construct runway extension Construct new AWOS III P/T
Robinson Municipal Salem-Leckrone Savanna Tri-Township Schaumburg Regional Shelby County Southern Illinois	Install perimeter fencing Construct new AWOS III P/T Install perimeter fence Rehabilitate taxiway pavements Rehabilitate runway 18L/36R and portion of runway 6/24 Install perimeter fence Construct east airfield access road Rehabilitate medium intensity runway lights on runway 6/24 Expand apron and reconstruct T-hangar taxiways Rehabilitate north terminal apron and runway 18/36
Sparta Community Whiteside County	



2003 Illinois Aviation Calendar



Illinois Aviation Calendar

July

- July 3**
Dixon Petunia Festival Country Concert
Dixon Airport (C73), Dixon, IL
Contact: (815) 284-3361
- July 3-6**
2003 Lisle Eyes to the Skies Festival
Community Park, Lisle, IL
Contact: (630) 575-9798
- July 4**
Fireworks Display
Mt. Vernon Airport (MVN), Mt. Vernon, IL
Contact: (618) 242-7016
- July 4**
Fly-In-Drive In Breakfast/Band Concert
Monmouth Airport (C66), Monmouth, IL
Contact: (309) 734-3411
- July 4**
All Day Fly-In
Percival Springs Arpt. (1IS6), Watson, IL
Contact: (217) 536-9990
- July 5**
Airport Day
Coles Co. Mem. Airport (MTO), Mattoon, IL
Contact: (217) 234-7120
- July 4**
Fly-In Breakfast
Ogle Co. Barnett Field, (C55), Mt. Morris, IL
Contact: (815) 732-7268
- July 5-6**
Prairie Air Show
Greater Peoria Airport (PIA), Peoria, IL
Contact: (309) 697-8272
- July 6**
Fly-In/Drive-In Breakfast
Hartenbower Hectares (2V3), Lostant, IL
Contact: (815) 882-2573
- July 11-13**
WINGS WEEKEND
Coles Co. Arpt. (MTO), Mattoon, IL
Contact: (217) 524-5269
- July 11-12**
Giant Model Airplanes
Compton Hills Park, St. Charles, IL
Contact: (630) 357-7350
- July 12**
Youth Academy Program
Poplar Grove Airport (C77), Poplar Grove, IL
Contact: (815) 398-4274
- July 19**
Flea Market
Percival Springs Arpt. (1IS6), Watson, IL
Contact: (217) 536-9990
- July 26**
Sauk Valley Fly-In and Airshow
Dixon Airport (C73), Dixon, IL
Contact: (815) 284-2211
- July 26**
EAA Pork Chop on a Stick Fly-In
Taylorville Mun. Arpt. (TAZ), Taylorville, IL
Contact: (217) 824-9313
- July 26**
Fly-In Breakfast
Mt. Vernon Airport (MVN), Mt. Vernon, IL
Contact: (618) 242-7016
- July 29-August 4**
EAA AirVenture 2003
Wittman Regional Airport (OSH), Oshkosh, WI
Contact: (920) 426-4800

August

- August 3**
Fly-In/Drive-In Breakfast
Hartenbower Hectares (2V3), Lostant, IL
Contact: (815) 882-2573
- August 5**
Monmouth Flying Club Meeting
Monmouth Airport (C66), Monmouth, IL
Contact: (309) 343-3951
- August 9**
Young Eagles Program
DeKalb-Taylor Mun. Arpt. (DKB), DeKalb, IL
Contact: (847) 487-7141
- August 8-9**
Aviation Open House
Waukegan Reg. Airport (UGN), Waukegan, IL
Contact: (847) 244-0055
- August 9-10**
Fourth Annual "Flyers & Tires"
Greenwood-Galt Arpt. (GRE), Greenwood, IL
Contact: (815) 648-2433
- August 9-10**
Air Odyssey 03
Mt. Vernon Airport (MVN), Mt. Vernon, IL
Contact: (618) 242-7016
- August 16**
Flea Market
Percival Springs Arpt. (1IS6), Watson, IL
Contact: (217) 536-9990
- August 16-17**
Chicago Air & Water Airshow
Chicago's Lake Front, Chicago, IL
Contact: (312) 744-3370
- August 17**
4th Annual Fly-In/Drive-In Breakfast
Pontiac Municipal Arpt. (PNT), Pontiac, IL
Contact: (815) 842-3738
- August 17**
31st Annual Fly-In Breakfast
Poplar Grove Airport (C77), Poplar Grove, IL
Contact: (815) 544-3471
- August 22-24**
Midwest FAA Light Aircraft Rendezvous
Tommy's Lake Sangchris Airpark (9LL5)
Contact: (217) 623-5772
- August 23**
Fly-In Breakfast
Mt. Vernon Airport (MVN), Mt. Vernon, IL
Contact: (618) 242-7016
- August 23**
Palwaukee Open House
Palwaukee Mun. Arpt. (PWK), Palwaukee, IL
Contact: (847) 537-2580
- August 24**
Fly-In/Drive-In Sweet Corn Pork Chop Roast
Rochelle Mun. Arpt. (RPJ), Rochelle, IL
Contact: (815) 562-4617

September

- September 1**
Breakfast/Airplane Rides
Kewanee Municipal Airport (EZD), Kewanee, IL
Contact: (309) 853-8222
- September 2**
Monmouth Flying Club Meeting
Monmouth Airport (C66), Monmouth, IL
Contact: (309) 343-3951
- September 1-7**
32nd Annual National Stearman Fly-In
Galesburg Mun. Arpt., (GBG), Galesburg, IL
Contact: (309) 343-6409
- September 6**
EAA Pancake Breakfast/Young Eagle Flights
Decatur Airport (DEC), Decatur, IL
Contact: (217) 423-0656
- September 6**
Stearman Dawn Patrol
Canton Ingersoll Airport (CTK), Canton, IL
Contact: (309) 647-1345
- September 6-7**
Labor Day Food and Fun
Percival Springs Arpt. (1IS6), Watson, IL
Contact: (217) 536-9990
- September 6-14**
Wabash Valley Soaring Club Flight Week
Lawrenceville-Vin. Arpt., (LWV), Lawrenceville, IL
Contact: (618) 584-3328
- September 7**
Fly-In/Drive-In Breakfast
Hartenbower Hectares (2V3), Lostant, IL
Contact: (815) 882-2573
- September 8-9**
National Air Tour 2003
Lansing Municipal Arpt. (IGQ), Lansing, IL
Contact: (708) 895-8844
- September 13**
Warbird Fly-In
St. Louis Regional Airport (ALN), East Alton, IL
Contact: 888-562-9950
- September 13**
EAA Chapter 1315 Pancake Breakfast
Taylorville Mun. Airport (TAZ), Taylorville, IL
Contact: (217) 824-9313
- September 13-14**
North Central EAA "Old Fashion" Fly-In
Whiteside Co. Arpt. (SQI), Sterling/Rock Falls, IL
Contact: (630) 543-6743
- September 14**
Fly-In Breakfast
Ogle Co./Barnett Field (C55), Mt. Morris, IL
Contact: (815) 738-2399
- September 19-21**
21st Annual Springfield Air Rendezvous Airshow
Capital Airport (SPI), Springfield, IL
Contact: (217) 789-4400
- September 20**
Youth Academy Program
Poplar Grove Airport (C77), Poplar Grove, IL
Contact: (815) 398-4274
- September 20**
Fall Fly-In/Drive-In Breakfast
Albertus Airport (FEP), Freeport, IL
Contact: (815) 233-4484
- September 20-21**
2003 Southern Illinois Airshow
Williamson Co. Reg. Airport (MWA), Marion, IL
Contact: (618) 993-3353
- September 21**
Fly-In Breakfast
Hinckley Airport (HC2), Hinckley, IL
Contact: (847) 888-2919
- September 21**
Family Aviation Celebration
Schaumburg Reg. Airport (Φ6C), Schaumburg, IL
Contact: (847) 490-7015
- September 21**
Aviation Appreciation Day
Foster Field Airport (7A4), Apple River, IL
Contact: (815) 492-2510
- September 21**
IVFC Breakfast
Illinois Reg. Valley Arpt. (VYS), Peru, IL
Contact: (815) 223-8441
- September 21**
Meadow Creek Airpark 2nd Annual Fly-In
Meadow Creek Airpark (2IL9) Monee, IL
Contact: (708) 534-9828

September 26-28

Celebrating Grass Roots Aviation
Percival Springs Arpt. (1IS6), Watson, IL
Contact: (217) 536-9990

September 27

Fly-In Breakfast
Mt. Vernon Airport (MVN), Mt. Vernon, IL
Contact: (618) 242-7016

September 27

Wiener Roast
Canton Ingersoll Airport (CTK), Canton, IL
Contact: (309) 647-1345

September 28

Fly-In Breakfast
Zelmer Memorial Airpark (5KI), Palmyra, IL
Contact: (217) 439-7497

October

October 5

Fly-In/Drive-In Breakfast
Hartenbower Hectares (2V3), Lostant, IL
Contact: (815) 882-2573

October 7

Monmouth Flying Club Meeting
Monmouth Airport (C66), Monmouth, IL
Contact: (309) 343-3951

October 11

Young Eagles Program
DeKalb-Taylor Mun. Arpt. (DKB), DeKalb, IL
Contact: (847) 487-7141

October 11

12th Annual Chili Day/Young Eagle Flights
Decatur Airport (DEC), Decatur, IL
Contact: (217) 423-0656

October 18

EAA Chapter 1315 Fall Fest
Taylorville Municipal Airport (TAZ), Taylorville, IL
Contact: (217) 824-9313

October 25

Fly-In Breakfast
Mt. Vernon Airport (MVN), Mt. Vernon, IL
Contact: (618) 242-7016

November

November 30

Santa's Flight to Schaumburg
Schaumburg Reg. Arpt. (Φ6C), Schaumburg, IL
Contact: (847) 490-7015

December

December 13

Santa Flight & Toy Drop
Palwaukee Mun. Arpt. (PWK), Palwaukee, IL
Contact: (847) 827-0790

December 17

Wright Bros. 100th Anniversary
Official Commemoration, Chicago, IL
Contact: (773) 686-7496

Young Eagle Program to Keep Flying

Taken from EAA news release

The Experimental Aircraft Association's Young Eagles Program, which has become the largest youth aviation education program ever created, will continue beyond the flight centennial year of 2003 with the support of ConocoPhillips.

For the past decade, Phillips 66 Aviation brand has assisted pilots who have flown Young Eagles with fuel rebates and in recent years has recognized remarkable Young Eagles pilots through the Phillips 66 Aviation Leadership Awards. Since the Young Eagles Program began in July 1992, some 900,000 young people have received a free demonstration flight and discovered more about the world of aviation.

Phillips 66 Aviation will continue its support of Young Eagles beyond the original goal date of Dec. 17, 2003, the 100th anniversary of the Wright Brothers' first successful powered flight. EAA announced earlier this year that the program would continue past 2003 as a key program to bring young people into aviation.

"The enthusiasm for Young Eagles has never been higher than during this centennial year for flight," said Steve Buss, Executive Director of the Young Eagles Program. "Pilots have faced many challenges in recent years, but continue to participate in the Young Eagles Program. One significant reason is the continuous support offered by Phillips 66 Aviation, which through its year-round fuel rebates program, has allowed pilots to fly many more young people through this all-volunteer effort."

The Young Eagles Program remains on target to achieve its stated goal of flying one million young people by Dec. 17, 2003 - the 100th anniversary of the Wright Brothers' first flight at Kitty Hawk, N.C. Young Eagles will participate in EAA's festivities surrounding that anniversary at the Wright Brothers National Memorial.

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The Saturday evening twilight hangar picnic will be held at 5:30 p.m. and followed by the door prizes.

Friday, Saturday and Sunday mornings will also include a fly-in breakfast open to all pilots. Several aviation and craft-related vendors will be on hand in the main hangar during the weekend with items for sale. Food service, provided by the Lions Club, will be available all weekend. Private caterers will provide the Friday and Saturday evening meals at a nominal charge.

Coles County Airport has a large hard surface tie-down area, and every effort will be made to accommodate the number of aircraft. However, pilots are encouraged to bring their own set of tie-downs capable of being used in the grass area, especially if they plan to stay overnight and regardless of whether or not they plan to camp. A set of wheel chocks also is recommended.

Registration will begin at 8 a.m. both Friday and Saturday. It is not required to register both days; however, pilots are encouraged to come early to choose an instructor. Pilots will greatly benefit by attending as many ground safety seminars as possible during the two days. However, it is possible to complete the program in one day, provided an instructor/pilot schedule can be arranged and the ground safety seminar and flight training requirements are met. Training flights will be conducted in the pilot's own personal aircraft. For non-aircraft owners, rental aircraft are available from Central Illinois Air (CIA) at (217) 234-8146. Renter pilots are encouraged to call CIA early to make reservations.

Accommodations for the WINGS Weekend can be made at the following motels; Ramada-Mattoon, (217) 235-0313; Mattoon Super 8, (217) 235-8888; Fairfield Inn, (217) 234-2355; Comfort Inn Suites (217) 235-6444; Hampton Inn (217) 234-4267 and the Worthington Inn near Charles-

ton (217) 348-8161.

A room rate of \$49 plus tax has been negotiated with the Ramada-Mattoon Motel. The cutoff date for this rate is June 27. You must identify yourself as a "WINGS Weekend at the Coles County Airport" participant. Ground transportation will be available for all fly-in participants to the above motels, or other motels in the immediate area.

If you have any questions about this program, contact Dale Rust, Gary Stevens or Don Cramer at (217) 785-8516.

Wright Flight Festival
Fly-In/Drive In
Saturday, June 28
Clow International Airport(1C5)
Bolingbrook, Ill.
Contact: (630) 505-5722

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