



**AUGUST 2013
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AIRPORT EVENTS

- Aug. 3:** STL Flight Training Hangar Party (see back side)
- Aug. 6:** EAA Meeting, 6 pm at the old control tower
- Aug. 9:** Fireworks at Grizzlies Stadium, 9 pm, Rwy 12L/30R Closed
- Aug. 15:** Gateway Area Ultralight Assoc. Mtg., Crusoe's at 6 pm

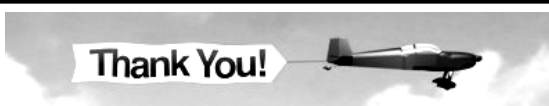
The airport is open and attended 24-hours daily.

JetAviation 618-646-8000
Ideal Aviation 618-337-3400

ATC Tower Hours	0630-2200
ATIS	121.45
CLNC DEL	118.275
Ground Control	121.8
Tower/CTAF	119.925
Tower UHF	379.3
Unicom	122.95

Airport Firefighters On-Duty
Every Day 0800-2100
(Other times by request)
618-337-7478 or 410-0188
Call "Rescue" on 121.8
Dial 911 for emergencies

For Airport Administration
after hours, contact the
firefighter on duty.



Thanks to everyone who helped in the many hugely successful events during Fourth of July week. We appreciate all the volunteers who worked many long hours.

EAA's B-17 arrived on Monday for a highly successful air tour stop. EAA Chapter 64 members, the Greater St. Louis Air and Space Museum and Ideal Aviation worked together to ensure the safety and success of their visit.

EAA members and active duty military and retired pilots belonging to the Order of the Daedalians enjoyed B-17 tours and music during a "happy hour" at the Museum before an evening dinner in the fire station. Our local chef, Billy Haddock, provided a fabulous meal and the lead B-17 pilot entertained the crowd after dinner as he described flying and maintaining the B-17.

Fair St. Louis Air Show performers began arriving on Tuesday for seven spectacular air show performances. Jet Aviation handled all their unique support requirements and kept them happy.

Wednesday brought a small crowd to the airport to sit in the audience as KMOX's Charlie Brennan broadcast his radio show live, directly from our airshow ramp.

The week's crowning event was Saturday's Air Show for Fans with Special Needs with approximately 1,800 people in attendance. 120 volunteers directed traffic; greeted our guests provided security passed out programs, freezer pops, and ice water; picked up trash; moved barricades and chairs; and did anything else that needed to be done. Fans with a variety of special needs that included hearing and sight impairments, mobility difficulties requiring wheelchairs and other mobility aids, and many with developmental or other challenges enjoyed the show in a safe and easily accessible environment. There were huge smiles all around—on the faces of our volunteers and our guests.

The B-17 visit was their most successful tour stop of the year and the Fair St. Louis Air Show was ranked the number one air show of the year over the Fourth of July holiday.

All I can say is "Thank you, thank you, thank you!!!!"

NEXGEN ATC CAPABILITY IS HERE!

Our ADS-B ground station, recently installed on the northwest corner of our airport, is now operational. (See photo on next page.)

ADS-B stands for:

- AUTOMATIC (It's always on)
- DEPENDENT (It depends on GPS data)
- SURVEILLANCE (Just like radar)
- BROADCAST (It continuously broadcasts aircraft position and other data to all equipped aircraft and ground stations.)

For more information on ADS-B capabilities provided by this new ground station, see:

<http://www.exelisinc.com/solutions/ADS-B> or
<http://www.faa.gov/nextgen/implementation/programs/adsb/>.

HELP WANTED: AIRPORT DIRECTOR

An advertisement stating, "St. Louis Downtown Airport has an opening for an Airport Director" recently hit the newspapers.

If you've been looking forward to my departure, I'm sorry to disappoint you. I'm not going anywhere. I am, however, going to take on a slightly different role next year and enjoy a little more time off.

Yes, we are searching for a new airport director. We hope to introduce him or her to you sometime in September or October. The "new guy" (or gal) will officially assume the role of director near the end of the year and I will step back into a secondary, assistant-type role. I intend to remain an active part of the airport's leadership team in a part-time role for several years to come.

So, that's the straight story. I'm not going away. In fact, you'll probably be seeing more of me, as I will have much more time to get out and fly or just simply be an airport bum and do some hangar flying. My wife says I can tinker in my hangar only AFTER I clean the garage and get at least half the jobs done on her "honey-do" list.

VISIT US ON:



The Airport Administration Office is located in the Fire Station at 6100 Archview Drive, Cahokia, Illinois 62206-1445

Office Hours: 8 a.m.- 4:30 p.m., Mon.-Fri. (Closed most holidays) Phone (618) 337-6060

The Airport Operations Center operates from 8 a.m. - 9 p.m. daily Phone (618) 337-7478

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OUR NEW ADS-B GROUND STATION



MID-AIR COLLISION AVOIDANCE

We recently met with members of the Scott Air Force Base flying community to discuss the many air traffic hazards within our area. Please take a few moments to view a tri-fold safety brochure available on our web site in .pdf format at: www.stlouisdowntownairport.com/MACA.pdf

In addition to collision avoidance, the brochure has some interesting information on the base and the military aircraft that frequently fly in the area.

Other areas with a high risk for air traffic conflicts include the extended final approach course for our runways 30L/R. It takes you directly overhead the regions' two busiest private airports. Aero-Estates (7IS2) is located 5 miles out (just outside the Final Approach Fix) and Flying Dutchman/Ben Emgee Airport (2IL7) is located approximately 6.5 miles out. Both airports fly their traffic patterns at 1,300 MSL. The "Pilot Information" page of our website has links to additional information and aerial photos of their traffic patterns.

ST. LOUIS FLIGHT TRAINING HANGAR PARTY

I'd like to personally invite everyone to our Hangar Party and Open House on Saturday August 3rd, at 4-8 p.m. This will be an excellent opportunity to hang out with other students, pilots, professionals, friends, and family.

We'll be having snacks, drinks, airplane rides for \$25 over the Arch, and possibly a few booths from local aviation groups.

Please feel free to bring anyone you please, family, friends, anyone at all! We'll be in the airport fire station next to our flight school. Just park in the Jet Aviation parking lot and walk next door through the fire station entrance by the garage doors.

This will also be Lacey's birthday (my girlfriend and our assistant!) We'll be having cake later in the evening.

Again, all are welcome. Come make our first hangar party an event to remember and make some new friends!

Hope to see you there,
Corey Tomczak
618-670-5782

For more information on *St. Louis Flight Training*, visit their website at www.stflight.com.

CONSTRUCTION BEGINS AUGUST 5th BY RUNWAY 12R

Use caution for men and equipment working between Runway 12R/30L and parallel taxiway "bravo," beginning August 5th. This FAA-mandated construction project will regrade the drainage system that runs between the runway and the taxiway and pave the drainage system between taxiways B-6 and B-7.

Runway 12R/30L will have short-duration closures during the three-month construction period. All closures will be published in advance in the FAA NOTAM database and on the airport's web page. The connecting taxiways will be closed for longer periods. That may necessitate 180-degree turns to enter or exit the runway during daylight hours when the work is in progress.

Construction traffic will enter the airport from the I-255 frontage road at the east end of the airport. Vehicles will cross taxiway B-7 and drive up to B-1 through grassy areas between the pavements.

Use extreme caution during the construction period and watch out for men and equipment in the aircraft movement areas.