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Petersburg AK Runway Closure

The Runway in Petersburg will be closed until the morning of April 22, 2009 due to runway construction. There is a NOTAM in place.

AACA Raffle WINNERS!

Congratulations to the winners of the Forrest Jones Memorial Scholarship Raffle drawing!

Brian Goode from AeroTwin & Cessna was the first prize winner, taking home two round-trip tickets to Las Vegas and \$2000 spending money!

Frontier Flying Service was the recipient of the second prize of \$1000. Frontier graciously donated half of their winnings back to the Forrest Jones Memorial Scholarship fund, and donated the other half to compensate volunteers who served the annual convention.

Our sincere thanks to the generosity of Frontier, and every company and individual who contributed to the scholarship fund by purchasing raffle tickets.

New AACA Board Members & Officers for 2009-2010

The AACA membership elected board members to fill three openings on the AACA Board of Directors. Elected were:

Jerry Rock, President of Janssen Contracting

Danny Seybert, President of PenAir

Michelle Fabry, Director of Safety & Security for Era Aviation

At the AACA Board of Directors meeting held on Friday, March 5, new officers were elected to serve terms from July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010. The following elected officers will begin their terms of service on July 1st:

President: **Jerry Rock**, Janssen Contracting

Vice President: **Susan Hoshaw**, Everts Air

Secretary: **Mike Morgan**, Warbelow's Air Ventures

Treasurer: **Danny Seybert**, PenAir

Volcano Watch Websites

Three websites for your use in monitoring Mt. Redoubt activity:

<http://www.avo.alaska.edu/activity/Redoubt.php>

<http://pafc.arh.noaa.gov/volcano.php>

NEXT YEAR:
AACA 44th Annual Conference
March 2-6, 2010
Hotel Captain Cook
Anchorage

AWOS Installations Scheduled for 2009

This Spring, Automated Weather Observation Systems (AWOS) installations will be commissioned at:

SHUGNAK
BARTER ISLAND

The following sites will be engineered this summer:

BREVIG MISSION
WHITE MOUNTAIN
NOORVIK
SHAKTOOLIK
ELIM

GCI to Install a Tower at Igiugig

GCI has proposed the installation of a 75' tower topped with a 15' antenna (90' total height) at approximately 0.13 nautical miles north of IGG airport. The FAA is conducting an aeronautical study concerning this installation and comments may be submitted on or before April 15, 2009.

You can view the FAA notice and map by clicking [here](#).

Juneau Wide Area Multi-iteration (WAM) Plans

SDP:
Anchorage ARTCC
Automation: MEARTS

Key Milestones:

KTOO Facility Installation:
March 2009
Williams Mountain Installation:
May 2009
Lynns Int. Installation:
May 2009

WAM Initial Operating Capability:
July 2009
ITT Installation: July 09

<http://aawu.arh.noaa.gov/>

Medallion Foundation 3-Screen Flight Simulator Open House in Juneau

The Medallion Foundation is holding an open house to demonstrate a new state of the art 3-screen flight simulator to be used to enhance pilot decision making for part 135 air taxi's and tour operators in Southeast Alaska

Centennial Hall's Hammond Room, Juneau, Alaska

Tuesday, March 31, 2009 from 10:00am-7:00pm

Refreshments will be provided

Medallion Foundation is bringing a higher level of technology to the Southeast regions of Alaska. The new 3-screen flight simulator features three - 27 inch monitors for the outside view displaying an enhanced terrain database. This provides for higher fidelity flight simulation with highly-detailed terrain models, accurate mountain pass flying, and unlimited flexibility in setting flying conditions based upon varying weather, seasons, and time of day.

The simulator will be used to demonstrate the prototype of a new Visual Cue-based Training Program designed for air tour operators in Southeast Alaska. The program goal is to assist operators in training pilots to make better and safer decisions when flying scenic flights in Juneau and Ketchikan. This project is being developed by partnerships between the State of Alaska Department of Transportation, Alaska Region Federal Aviation Administration FAASTeam, E-Terra and the Medallion Foundation. The specific purpose of the partnership is to enhance aviation safety in Alaska. The Visual Cue-based Training Product will work in conjunction with the Medallion Foundation's state wide system of aircraft training devices (ATDs).

After the demonstration, the 3-screen simulator will be permanently located at the Civil Air Patrol (CAP) building at the Juneau Airport and available to the aviation community at no charge. For more information regarding usage of the ATD contact the Medallion Foundation.

Medallion Foundation Board Elections

The Alaska Air Carriers Association is pleased to announce the election of the following six aviation professionals to the Medallion Foundation Board of Directors. Their terms of service begin immediately.

Dan Owen is a current board member and serves as the Medallion Foundation Board Secretary. Dan currently operates Alaska Air Transit, out of Anchorage. Dan and his wife, Josie, started the business five years ago as a single pilot operation. Dan has been involved most of his life in the aviation industry and worked twenty years as a captain for Delta Airlines.

Sean Ellis is a current board member and is currently Alaska Airline's Anchorage Base Chief Pilot, for Alaska. Sean grew up in Ketchikan and has been with Alaska Airlines since the 1980's.

Aaron Merritt, a graduate of UAA-Anchorage with an MBA. Aaron worked 11 years with a 135/121 operation in Alaska. His current job at Shell Oil as the Logistics Resource Planner, uses a broad base of aviation safety knowledge.

Bruce LaLonde currently works for the Alaska Railroad as manager for reservations and ticketing. This position oversees auditing & evaluating of rail operations as well as the process of customer care. With over 25 years in the aviation arena, Bruce experienced rural Alaska and has witnessed its needs. In addition, he has held positions in the management of aviation and safety.

Ron Peck is President and COO of the Alaska Travel Industry Association (ATIA) a broad-based coalition of over 1000 businesses in Alaska. Ron has over 25 years in the Alaska tourism industry and came to ATIA from Alyeska Resort.

Ralph Samuels currently is a Vice President of Holland America Cruise Lines, owned by Princess Cruises. Ralph grew up in King Salmon and started in aviation as a line boy at PenAir. He left PenAir as a Vice President when he became a Representative in the Alaska legislature, where he served until taking the position with Holland America.

Wilfred Ryan is currently the President of Arctic Transportation Services, a cargo carrier serving Western Alaska. Wilfred has worked in aviation since his childhood, and is just completing a three-year term as President of the Alaska Air Carriers Association.

Garmin Discounts for Alaska

Panel Mount / GDL90 Package discounts

Package 1 (TAWS B compliant)

GNS530W/TAWS

System Integration Test (SIT):

July 2009

Service Acceptance Test (SAT):

October 2009

Completion of Formal Integration Testing with Automation:

March 2010

Initial Operating Capability:

April 2010

Sand Point New TAF

EFFECTIVE WEDNESDAY MAY 7 2009 THE NWS WFO ANCHORAGE AK WILL BEGIN TAF SERVICE FOR SAND POINT AIRPORT /PASD/ IN SAND POINT ALASKA. BOTH ROUTINE AND UPDATED TAFS WILL BE ISSUED FOR THIS AIRPORT 24 HOURS A DAY.

ALSO EFFECTIVE WEDNESDAY MAY 7 2009 THE NWS WFO ANCHORAGE AK WILL TRANSFER TAF SERVICE FOR THE MCGRATH AIRPORT /PAMC/ IN MCGRATH ALASKA TO THE NWS WFO FAIRBANKS ALASKA. ROUTINE AND UPDATED TAFS WILL CONTINUE TO BE ISSUED FOR THIS AIRPORT 24 HOURS A DAY.

http://www.nws.noaa.gov/om/notification/tin09-08taf_alaska.txt

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 GMX200
 GDL90 Discount \$750

* Must have compatible GPS to interface to GMX200

Portable GPSMAP/GDL90 Package discount

Purchase a GDL90** and a GPSMAP 495, 496, 695 or 696 and receive a \$250 discount on the package price.

**GDL90 will only display ADS-B traffic on the 495,496,695, & 696 portable products.

For information on the discounts, contact:

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Alaska LPV Approaches

Currently there are 35 LPV approaches in Alaska. By September 2009, plans are to add the following LPV approaches (note some airports will have two LPV approaches completed):

- Shaktoolik 2
- Tatitlek 1
- Chuathbalak 2
- Barrow/Wiley Post 1
- Clarks Point 1
- Noorvik/Robert/Bob Curtis 2
- Elim 1
- Kaltag 2
- Koyuluk 2
- Sand Point 1
- St Paul Island 1
- Kuparuk 2
- Nuiqsut 2

By the end of October 2009, Gustavus and another LPV at Fairbanks should also be completed.

Alaska Airports with WAAS Supported Instrument Approaches with Vertical Guidance - Feb 12, 2009

