



OUR MIRACLE WORKERS

Our April newsletter reported on the arrival of a 1969 Lockheed Jetstar originally owned by Howard Hughes. The Jetstar arrived in pieces and was planned to be quickly reassembled by the contractor. Due to conflicting out-of-state commitments, the contractor was unable to complete the reassembly in a timely manner.

Marsha "the hangar lady" stepped in to the rescue. She assembled a team of volunteers who worked relentlessly to get it put back together in time to be displayed at our May Fly-in.

Many thanks to Marsha Metteer, Mark Lutman, Fritz Knoll, Paul Cornelius, Joe Wapelhorst, Bob Clarkson, Don Estell, Ron Metteer, Brian Metteer, Ellis Bell, John Vann & Keavy Nenninger from Parks, and Max and his wife from the Museum. Sorry if I missed someone—it truly was a community project.



RESTRICTIONS DUE TO BLIMPS

The Goodyear and Outback Blimps will be operating from our airport between May 30 and June 8. Both blimps will be here at the same time June 2-5.

The blimps will be moored and operating from the grass area between taxiway B2 and the approach end of runway 12L. When the mooring mast is raised, runway 12L will be available for taxi and takeoff only and runway 30R will be available only for taxi operations.

When both blimps are parked, runway 12L/30R may be restricted to taxi operations, only to avoid blowing them around with prop blast during takeoffs.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

June 5: EAA Chapter 64 Meeting,
Upstairs Hangar 1 at 7 pm (food at 6)

June 7: Gateway Area Ultralight Assoc.
Meeting, Upstairs Hgr 1, 7:30 pm

June 17: Fathers' Day

June 28: Private Air Show (See below.)

PRIVATE AIRSHOW HERE, JUNE 28th

The 2007 International Fuel Ethanol Workshop and Expo will be held in St. Louis, June 26-29, and is expected to draw 4,000 people from around the world. Attendees will be treated to a private airshow centered on our west ramp, Thursday evening, June 28th.

The airport will be NOTAM'd closed for the 30-minute aerial demonstration beginning at 7pm. Performers will include Greg Poe in his 350 hp aerobatic Edge 540 and the Vanguard Squadron of four fully aerobatic Vans RV-3 aircraft powered by 100 percent Ethanol.

The airshow will not be advertised or open to the public, but members of our airport community are welcome to come out and enjoy the show. We also encourage you to make your interesting or unique aircraft available for static display from 6-9pm for our guests to view on the ramp in front of the museum. Our local EAA Chapter 64 pilots will be providing Young Eagle flights for the youth in attendance.

For more information, call the airport office or museum office or visit the following web sites for information on the FEW Expo or the performers:

- www.fuelethanolworkshop.com
- www.gregpoe.com
- www.drivingethanol.org/motorsports/stunt_planes.aspx



COLUMBIA DONATES THE NEW SPIRIT OF ST. LOUIS

Columbia Aircraft officials donated a special airplane, *The New Spirit of St. Louis*, to the St. Louis Science Center during a ceremony at *Sun-n-Fun* last month. Erik Lindbergh recreated his grandfather's historic New York-to-Paris flight in 2002 in the specially outfitted Columbia 300.

Gregg Maryniak, vice president aerospace sciences at the center, said the *New Spirit* would become part of the facility's flight education program for young people.

Through a cooperative agreement, the plane may be based right here at the Greater St. Louis Air and Space Museum and continue to fly as part of the Science Center's flight education program. This important educational program for young people is housed at the mission control center that worked Erik's flight and later, during SpaceShipOne's Ansari X-PRIZE-flights in 2004.

ST LOUIS FSS IS CLOSING

Closure of the St. Louis Automated Flight Service Station at Spirit of St. Louis Airport has been postponed from late May to July 16th. Check next month's *Airport Newsletter* for information on the changes that will result.