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**MIDCOAST PURCHASED
BY GENERAL DYNAMICS**

Midcoast Aviation has been a key tenant at St. Louis Downtown Airport for more than 30 years. Although ownership changed in 2006 when Midcoast was purchased by Jet Aviation, the management and name brand remained the same and Midcoast continued to grow.

By acquiring Midcoast, Jet Aviation grew from a family business to a global leader in business aviation services. Midcoast also continued to grow here and at other locations as part of the Jet Aviation network that employs approximately 5,600 workers at 25 facilities throughout Europe, the Middle East, Asia and North and South America.

Now, Jet Aviation and its principal subsidiaries, Midcoast Aviation and the Savannah Air Center, have been purchased by the aerospace giant, General Dynamics.

Midcoast and Jet Aviation will continue serving the entire aircraft manufacturing community and its global client base as a new business unit within the General Dynamics Aerospace group operating under the Jet Aviation and Midcoast Aviation brands.

Midcoast is expected to continue to grow here under its current management as one of the crown jewels in the General Dynamics Aerospace Group.

OLIVER'S OPEN FOR BREAKFAST

Oliver's Restaurant is now open every weekday morning at 6 a.m. with a full breakfast menu. Start your day off with a hearty breakfast or stop in for a mid-morning snack.

There are still a few dates open for your holiday party. The banquet room seats 60 and is available seven days a week. Call 618-337-8222 for more information.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Dec. 2: EAA Mtg, Hangar 2 rear, 6pm food & 7pm meeting

Dec. 4: Gateway Area Ultralight Assoc. meeting in Hangar 2 rear at 7:30 pm

Dec. 24: Airport Office closes at noon

Dec. 25: Merry Christmas !

Dec. 31: Airport Office closes at 3pm

HOLIDAY FIREFIGHTING SERVICES

Air traffic at our airport has traditionally been extremely light to non-existent on the holidays. To allow our firefighters to enjoy the holidays with their families, our airport Aircraft Rescue and Firefighting (ARFF) services will be limited to an "on-call" basis after noon on Christmas Eve, all day Christmas Day, after 3 pm on New Year's Eve, and all day New Year's Day.

Although we will not have specially-trained aircraft firefighters standing by on the airport, routine emergency response forces will be quickly available by dialing "911" to summon the Cahokia and Sauget Fire Departments.



John Brendel

AOPA AIRPORT VOLUNTEER

John Brendel was recently appointed as our airport's AOPA Airport Support Network volunteer. As AOPA's local "eyes" and "ears" he will serve as a liaison to local pilots to help educate them on AOPA's airport advocacy efforts and resources and serve as an advocate for our airport and GA pilots in the area.

For more information, contact John at 618-920-0418 or via e-mail at il205safety@yahoo.com, visit the AOPA web site at www.aopa.org/asn/ or visit our airport web site.



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