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Weather Forecast:

Today
Sunny
High: 85



Tonight
Mostly clear
Low: 63



Friday
Few Showers
High/Low: 86/62



Saturday
Partly Cloudy
High/Low: 82/63



Sunday
Partly cloudy
High/Low: 84/65



A Big "Thank You!" For Making NIFA Happen

There's so much work that goes on behind the scenes, and putting together a competition is much more than simply borrowing a hangar and drawing lines on a runway. SAFECON simply wouldn't be possible without the time, effort, and donations by our volunteers and sponsors. Every year, our sponsors show their support, donating to NIFA, even when many companies are hoping for economic improvement. Countless volunteers take time off each year to come invest their time, effort, and money. With that in mind, it's important we try to show our appreciation to the people and companies who make SAFECON possible. Tonight the Parks College of Engineering, Aviation and Technology Dean's Office is hosting the President's Reception in McDonnell Douglas Hall at 7:00 pm. It's a time for all of our industry sponsors, judges, volunteers, advisors, and coaches to take a break so we can show our appreciation for all you do. We hope to see you there, tonight!



Welcome to SAFECON 2009!!

It is our honor to welcome you to the St. Louis Downtown Airport to compete in the 2009 NIFA SAFECON. Congratulations for earning a spot to compete in this prestigious aviation competition. The entire airport management staff is very pleased to be the host for this year's national competition and we appreciate your participation to maintain a healthy, strong aviation tradition!

We hope your visit to our airport is as fun as our surrounding area. As you can easily see by looking to the northwest, we are only minutes away from the Gateway Arch Riverfront and all its activities. Whether it's shopping and dining at the array of casual and upscale restaurants in LaClede's Landing or downtown St. Louis or visiting the tourist attractions around the area, you'll find no shortage of exciting things to see and do while you are here.



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We are proud to have just received the IDOT award of 2009 Illinois Airport of the Year and are the third busiest airport in the state, so to be your host for this week's event only reminds us that it is events like this that help us to secure the titles above. You are the bright future of aviation and we consider it a privilege to host this event.

Again, welcome. We are ready to assist you in whatever you may need to make your competition safe, enjoyable and informative. Please don't forget to thank all the judges, volunteers and sponsors for their hard work! Good luck as this week comes to a close and I will be very anxious to hear all of the award recipients at Saturday Night's banquet.

~ Wendi Sellers, Assistant Director, St. Louis Downtown Airport

Today in Aviation History: May 21st



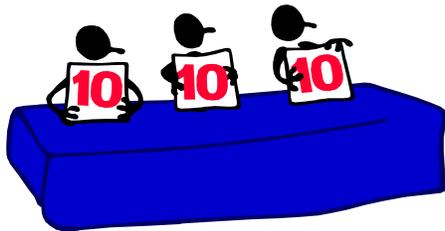
- In 1878... Glenn Hammond Curtiss, pioneer of the first years of powered flight and rival of the Wright brothers, is born in Hammondsport, New York.
- In 1946... Royal Dutch Airlines, KLM, inaugurates a scheduled service to New York. It is the first European airline to open post-war flights to New York.

- In 1977... The Concorde makes a special trip from New York to Paris to mark the 50th anniversary of Charles Lindbergh's historic flight on the same route in the Spirit of St. Louis; the airliner takes just 3 hours, 44 minutes, compared with Lindbergh's time of 33 hours, 29 minutes.



Wheel Up - - Wheel Down

Have you thought about being a judge? The best judges NIFA can get are people who have competed at NIFA. When you graduate and leave your team, we would love to have you come back as a judge. Just go to the NIFA web site, www.nifa.us, click the first link on the left, "Applications and Forms" and send it in to NIFA. This gets you into the NIFA data base and on the mailing and e-mail list. From there you will be notified when the region nearest to your address is having their competition. You will also get



notices about the National SAFECON. Further, if you wish to judge in a region other than your own, just let NIFA know and we will get you the information you need. NIFA always needs new judges to keep the tradition going; we need you. Please consider coming back and joining in the FUN!

NOTAM's

- The comm. desk phone number is Elaine Morrow's cell phone: 952-913-2356
- The comm. desk has sunscreen, Band-Aids, and other various first aid items if you need them.
- Nominations are due Friday at noon for Outstanding Team Member, Red Baron Team Sportsmanship, and Coach of the Year



- Preflight will be night VFR, and is located down the taxiway past the Parks ramp, 2nd right, and middle hangar. You must report at least 5 minutes prior to your assigned time at the preflight waiting area. A map is available on the bulletin board.
- All achievement interviews and applications need to be turned in immediately to the comm. desk
- Parking and food are not included in the Friday Night Event (A St. Louis Cardinals game!)
- The message drop scale is available until the end of Today, at the comm. desk
- If you need extra tickets for the banquet, you can purchase them at the concessions.
- Judges, please complete your record form for the comm. desk
- If you have any problems with accommodations at the Millennium Hotel, let the comm. desk know so we can work to get them fixed.
- There will be a computer and screen for Loening Trophy presentations. You do not have to turn anything in in advance. Report to the comm. desk before your interview time.



Oversleep??

Getting tired from the busy week? Miss breakfast so you would make it for the morning briefing? Not to worry, concessions has plenty of breakfast food for you!

- Bagels, muffins, and donuts
- Coffee, water, gatoraide, soda, and tea
- Ted drewes frozen custard (a St Louis tradition!)



Today's Schedule

⇒ 0800-1800: Short Field Approach and Landing	Airport
⇒ 0800-1800: Ground Trainer Event	Hangar
⇒ 0800-1800: IFR Simulated Flight Event	Hangar
⇒ 0800-1800: CRM / LOFT	Hangar
⇒ 0800-1800: CFI Event	Hangar
⇒ 0800-1800: American Airlines Safety Interviews	Hangar
⇒ 0800-1800: Loening Interviews	Hangar
⇒ 0800-1800: Women's Achievement Interviews	Hangar
⇒ 0800-1800: Men's Achievement Interviews	Hangar
⇒ 1800-1800: Preflight Aircraft Event	Hangar
⇒ 1900: Parks College Reception	MDH

Just For Fun...

Why it's fun to be part of the Goodyear Blimp crew:

On trips from Spain where the crew was based, they often crossed through Paris air space. Occasionally they would be asked to hold over certain points such as VORs, etc. They would then locate that point, steer the blimp directly over it, turn into the wind and cancel its speed with their engine thrust. Then they would call Paris ATC and say that they were holding over said point and wait. After a long pause the puzzled voice of the controller would ask, "Ugh... N2A what type of aircraft are you?"

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 Check Airman: "How do you find Pressure Altitude?"

Airman: "Quite comfortable, I don't notice any discomfort."

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 Heard over Tower Radio at Bagotville, Quebec, Canada:

First voice: "Roger, I'm holding at 3,000 feet over Bagot Beacon."

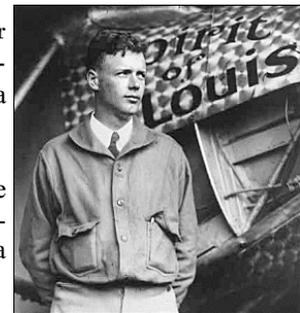
Second voice: "You can't be doing that. I'm holding over Bagot Beacon at 3,000 feet."

...Long pause...

First voice: "You idiot. You're my copilot."

Question of the Day: If you could have lunch with anyone in aviation history, who would it be?

- "The Wright Brothers or Chuck Yeager." - Anthony Ferendo and Connor Shea, Florida Institute of Technology
- "Charles Lindbergh" - Steve Pellegrino, Embry Riddle Aeronautical University—Daytona Beach
- "Jimmy Dolittle, Lindbergh, Howard Hughes, and Bob Hoover" - Brandon Anderson, Jim Higgins, and Joel Thomas, University of North Dakota
- "Captain Haynes (Sioux City UAL 232 pilot), Charles Lindbergh, Bob-frickin-Hoover, or John Travolta... just for dance moves." - Andrew Paulus, University of Central Missouri



- "I've heard Chuck Yeager's pretty cool... or Amelia Earhart." - Lucas McSweeny, and Lauren Smalkoski, University of Dubuque
- "Ameilia Earhart, Howard Hughes, Don Sheldon... there's too many" - Kevin White, Christine Wintczak, and Joe McElwee, University of Illinois



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Nifa Safecon has extended power-offs to include a 5th heat... due to early finish for previous heats... See Eric Barton or Eric Hess for details about an hour ago.

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SAFECON 5-20-09 (2 pm)
27 new photos
2:01pm · Comment · Like · Share

Nifa Safecon
Nifa Safecon has extended power-offs to include a 5th heat... due to early finish for previous heats... See Eric Barton or Eric Hess for details
1:45pm · Comment · Like

Nifa Safecon
Nifa Safecon is serving lunch in the hangar. Come grab some grub.
12:23pm · Comment · Like

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Calling All Facebook Members!!

Everybody is on facebook, so NIFA is too! NIFA has it's own facebook page, so get online and request to be friends. Search for "Nifa Safecon," and make sure you choose the page, not the group. You'll be able to see photos from the week... there are almost 200 so far, and more are being added daily! So make sure you send NIFA a friend request, and then check back often to see the latest updates and go crazy tagging your teammates' and friends' photos!