

February  
2018 Edition

# RUNWAY 15

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Quicker Flying  
is good business!



# WEST HOUSTON AIRPORT

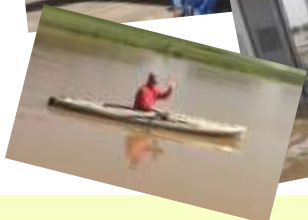
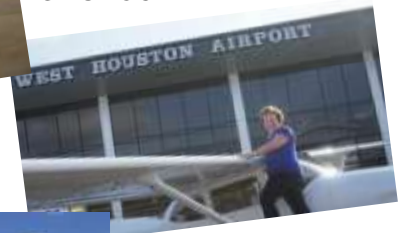
NEED TO FLY AT NIGHT? COME ON HOME!

Runway 33 Night approach up and working.  
FAA unbridles busy IWS - After Years of  
Bureaucratic Stupidity! More information see back page

It is a remarkable thing to help others, to do something out of the ordinary and volunteer your time. We would like to recognize a few that are here at West Houston Airport regularly. As we cannot name each and every one of you, West Houston Airport would like to give

a special attention to everyone that help others when help is not asked for but received. Their generosity of time is something that is remembered and shared.

- Ed Aminaria            Hurricane Relief Harvey
- Carol Brackley        99's 30 years, Safety Meetings
- Bland Chamberlain   Grace Flights, A Doctor Giving back to the community.
- Bill Heiam             Hurricane Relief Harvey
- Chris Marz             Road Cleanup
- Cathy Prudhomme    99's 30 years, Safety Meetings
- Scott Vaughn         Volunteer, Speaker, FAAS
- Jeff Weiss             Volunteer, 500 hours per year  
                                Various Organizations
- Stephen Wright        Grace Flights, Longevity and  
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## "As The Beacon Turns" CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### FEBRUARY

14 - Valentines; 19 - President Day

QUOTE: An airplane will probably fly a little bit over gross but it sure won't fly without fuel. Unknown Author

Trivia: At a non-towered airport, when is a Right Traffic permissible?

Answer: Only when Right Pattern indicated on a sectional or terminal area chart

#### PREFLIGHT Breakfast

Saturdays 7:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Pilots/Prospective Pilots Invited. Bring Your Plane! Weekend prices in effect!

#### PRIVATE PILOT GROUND SCHOOL

Every Monday Evening, 7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m., Next class 29 January. No prior reservations needed. Licensed Jeppesen Video Presentation! Bring a family member for *half-price*. Start learning to fly today, don't procrastinate.

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#### FAA SAFETY MEETING

Fourth (4th) Tuesday 7:00pm-9:00pm [dsvaughncsp@gmail.com](mailto:dsvaughncsp@gmail.com); Meeting Jay Burris will address the community on Plan, Briefing and Execution.

#### 99's MEETING

Second Tuesdays 7:00pm more information Meetings International Organization of Women Pilots! Email [KathyClark99@prodigy.net](mailto:KathyClark99@prodigy.net), website [www.ninety-nines.org](http://www.ninety-nines.org).

#### COMMEMORATIVE AIR FORCE (CAF)

Museum open first and third Saturday of the month 10am-3pm. Meetings 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Month at 2:00 p.m., Hangar B-5. Call for tours and flights at 936-697-3237 or the hangar at 281-579-2131 email [info@houstonwing.org](mailto:info@houstonwing.org), Swing Dance February 10

#### EAA CHAPTER 774 MEETING

Third (3rd) Thursday of the month 7:00 p.m. Contact Rick Human 281-463-6769. Great Meetings! Join Today. Ernie Butcher, Eagles Nest Projects, Vans RV12's.

**BPPP, Bonanza Society: February 23-24, 2018**

**RUSTY PILOT Seminar: March 3, 2018, 9AM - 12:00**

**SUN and FUN: APRIL 10 - 15, 2018**

**EAA FORD TRIMOTOR: April 5-8, 2018**

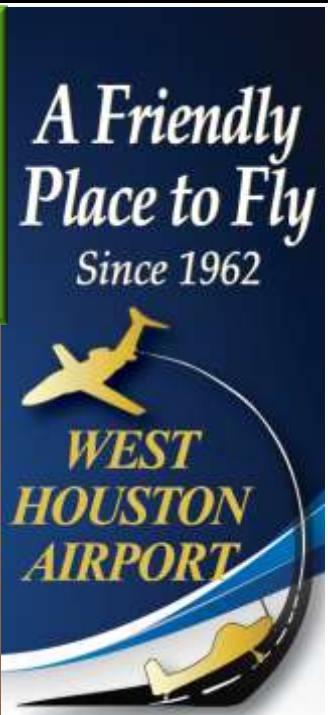
**OSHKOSH: July 23-29, 2018**

#### Fuel Price Comparison for January 2018

JET A	High	Low	Avg	AVGAS (100LL)	High	Low	Avg
Southwest Region	7.24	2.60	4.22	Southwest Region	7.83	3.30	4.61
West Houston Airport	4.31	3.17*	3.74	West Houston Airport	4.98	4.44	4.71

\*With Volume discount

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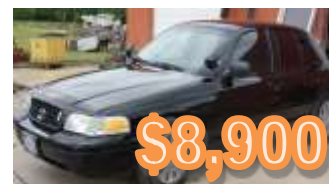
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February 24, 2018, West Houston Airport  
[www.bonanza.org/events/2018](http://www.bonanza.org/events/2018)

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**Rusty Pilot Seminar Comes to West Houston  
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This is to inform you that the runway 33 night approach has been re-stored. The airport was finally able to remove the trees and install obstruction lights on the 33 approach to satisfy the FAA. It took some time due to the fact that the Army Corp of Engineers and City of Houston Parks took forever to approve the lease of the land and then the construction and removal of the trees, all at the Airport's expense. The NOTAM that referred to the 33 night approach being out of service or "N/A" has been amended affective January 9, 2018, and re-establishes the procedure.

Note that when you are making an IFR 33 approach, do not tell the

controller that you want a runway 33 approach with a circle to land 15. That procedure is not authorized. You can cancel when in visual conditions and make a circle to 15 if you so desire, but the approach controllers are not authorized to give that to you under IFR. This goes along with the philosophy of the FAA to eliminate all circle to land night approaches everywhere as they recently proposed. :(

I am sorry for the delay and the inconvenience, which was beyond our control. The FAA decided to change the criteria used under TERPS as it pertains to the night instrument approach procedures and thus canceled approaches at some 300 airports throughout the country. The FAA insists that it does not want any "non-precision" approaches, which has been a standard at many airport for decades, which includes the "fly down and take a look" scenario.

I am not pleased that they are afraid of their shadows and have caused a tremendous disservice to our industry at great expense. The non-pilots that are at FAA, that make up the rules are causing havoc for the industry. It has been costly and regrettable very ill informed and intentioned.

Thank you for your loyalty through this difficult situation.

**Our family of fliers all appreciate patrons like you! Woody Lesikar, Airport Manager**

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