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# RUNWAY 15



# WEST HOUSTON AIRPORT

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is good business



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## *Sending Thoughts for a quick Recovery.....*



IWS is praying for the quick and complete recovery for one of our team members. Joel Rios, an integral component to the line crew and airport overall, was badly injured in a recent vehicular accident. Very thankfully, he survived and his long term prognosis is on an upswing though he faces a difficult and lengthy recovery process. Please join us in keeping Joel in your thoughts during this time and until we have him back at IWS resuming the work that he does.

## *And sad farewells to some we've lost.*



In Memory of

Our condolences to George Crow for the loss of his wife, Rosemary. George, who is an ATP, CFI rated pilot and aviation attorney has previously worked for Piper Aircraft, served in numerous capacities and flown more than 100 models. George is an A&P mechanic with extraordinary knowledge of aviation and in particular Piper aircraft.

We feel George's loss and hope he will keep up with his aviation expertise to help him cope with his loss.

### West Houston Airport mourns the loss of Jerry Miller

Jerry Miller passed away recently. He was a personal friend who I (Woody Lesikar) met in 1969 when he was in the process of reposing a Mooney aircraft. Jerry worked for SIC, Southwest Investment Corporation. He financed aircraft and I used him for years to finance my aircraft. He checked out with us and went on to instruct and fly charters. In addition, I typed him in our Cessna Citation 500. Jerry flew for a short time with an airline and later for different companies with private aircraft.

Our condolences to wife Martha and family

A MEMORIAL SERVICE WILL BE HELD SATURDAY, APRIL 1, 2023, AT 2PM AT THE CYPRESS-FAIRBANKS FUNERAL HOME LOCATED AT 9926 JONES ROAD HOUSTON, TX 77065 WITH A RECEPTION IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING.

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## "As The Beacon Turns" CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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## FAA Safety Meeting Tuesday, April 25!! 7:00pm

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website [www.ninety-nines.org](http://www.ninety-nines.org). Carol Brackley—[carolav8@att.net](mailto:carolav8@att.net)

## CHECK FOR OPERATIONAL HOURS:

### 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. Contact email for tours and flight information at [rides@houstonwing.org](mailto:rides@houstonwing.org) or the hangar at 281-579-2131, [info@houstonwing.org](mailto:info@houstonwing.org). Volunteers and donations welcome. **Coming Soon: Come on out to the Warbird Weekend April 15-16th.**

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### Fuel Price Comparison for March

JET A	High	Low	Avg	AVGAS (100LL)	High	Low	Avg
Southwest Region	10.99	4.06	6.08	Southwest Region	9.72	4.35	6.07
West Houston Airport	6.14*	6.14*	6.14*	West Houston Airport	6.09*	5.59*	5.84*

\*With Volume/Weekend discount

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## *For Sale!!*

### AIRPLANES:

*(Inventory changes quickly, contact us to verify availability!!)*

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# CONGRATULATIONS!! WEST HOUSTON AIRPORT STUDENTS!!!



First Solo Flight!  
Timothy Knox  
CFI: Scott Cavalcante



New Private Pilot: Randy Owen  
CFI: Resee Walker  
DPE: Pat Brown

New Private Pilot  
Josh De Quesada  
IWS based owner  
DPE: Pat Brown



## Employment Positions Available

West Houston Airport is currently hiring for the following positions. Full time AVAILABLE. Excellent pay and amazing work environment. Interested candidates should inquire directly with the airport at (281) 492-2130

**Line Technician, Customer Service Representative, Flight Instructor**



The Airport Terminal has a Bulletin Board for Patrons to post their flight gear for sale—including headsets, portable GPS's, tow bars, etc. Feel free to utilize it!



**Business / residential LOTS for SALE**  
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**281-492-2130**  
[woody@westhoustonairport.com](mailto:woody@westhoustonairport.com)



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## Aviation Businesses:

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General Avionics (Since 1995)	Avionics Sales and Service	Hangar #1 White East	281-647-9600	www.generalavionics.com
Sky Aircraft Interiors	Aircraft Upholstery	Hangar #1 White West	281-682-4454	jenni@skyaircraftinteriors.com
Dr. Victor Arellano (Pilot) FAA Medicals (by appt. only)	15410 Ridge Park Dr., Houston, Tx 77095	281-855-2244(o)	281-460-2247(m)	www.tmauc.com
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Pat Brown	IWS Resident DPE	Terminal Bldg	832-654-9831	www.houstondpe.com

## WEST HOUSTON AIRPORT TEAM

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\* Denotes years of service



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### 1st Shift

**SEAN FRITSCH**, First Shift Supervisor\*8  
**MATT KIDD**, Weekend Supervisor + Line Crew Tech.  
**NOAH DEATON**, Line Crew Technician  
**AARON BOTHELO**, Line Crew Technician  
**ANDREW ADDICKS**, Line Crew Technician

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Security \*21

**PHILLIP KMEIC**,  
Chief  
Mechanic\*10



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