



December
2023

RUNWAY 15



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WEST HOUSTON AIRPORT



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VOTE!

Early Voting Now

Or

December 9th, 2023

It's time to pick a new mayor and I personally endorse John Whitmire. Whitmire has been a moderate Democrat during most of his tenure in the state legislature. John is the overwhelming best candidate for the job.

It is extremely important that YOU cast your vote early or on election day for John Whitmire. The choice is so important to Houston's future.

Please Vote!

-Woody Lesikar



In Memory of James Robert Sloane

James "Jim" Sloane worked as a flight instructor for us in the early 1970's. He sold aircraft and was a charter pilot during his tenure. He was a civil engineer who retired from the City of Daytona Beach as Deputy Director of Public Works, after a stint in the banner tow business and a career as an engineer for a private company in Florida.

Jim and I were close friends and we traveled together often. I had the privilege of taking him to Oshkosh last year and to my Montana hangar home after visiting Mount Rushmore and the Corn Palace which he so enjoyed though I thought it was "comy". He was an avid experienced pilot with many hours of flying and held a basic medical. He was honored here at IWS with the Wright Brothers Master Pilot Award and we are proud to have that Award displayed in our terminal. Jim also was our MC during the 2012 50th anniversary party of the airport. He reminded me of TV personality Bob Barker, and I reminded him of this during our fun times together.

Jim passed away on November 26th, after some months of deteriorating health issues. We are so honored by our friendship with such individuals as Jim Sloane, we have a lot of them here at West Houston Airport.

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RUNWAY 15

"As The Beacon Turns" CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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281-492-2130 Woody@westhoustonairport.com
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or
www.westhoustonairport.com**

**No FAA Safety Meeting For The Month Of December!!
January, Dr. Ed Oppermann will talk about surviving a midair collision!!**

Fourth Tuesday evening of the month.

Contact Susan Haas at flyingpyrs@gmail.com for more information!!

PRIVATE PILOT GROUND SCHOOL

CALL FOR MORE INFORMATION

Register by Sunday @ 7PM by calling us at 281-492-2130

Contact Brandon Carr, aviation@carrfam.us, once registered

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99's MEETING

Contact 99's for meeting information.

website www.ninety-nines.org Carol Brackley—carolav8@att.net

CHECK FOR OPERATIONAL HOURS:

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Fuel Price Comparison for November

JET A	High	Low	Avg	AVGAS (100LL)	High	Low	Avg
Southwest Region	9.64	3.15	5.79	Southwest Region	9.29	4.19	6.01
West Houston Airport	5.76*	5.54*	5.65*	West Houston Airport	6.49*	5.67*	6.08*

*Price Indicates With Weekend Discount But Without The Volume Discount For Jet Fuel Purchase

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For Sale!!

AIRPLANES:



1982 Conquest I N425SX — Low Engine Hours, Great Plane!

2005 Cessna 172S N142BS For Sale in a Leaseback Program, Pays for Itself!

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1976 Cessna 180, All Original! 1775 TTA, 50 SFREM, Float Kit — Never Been On Floats!



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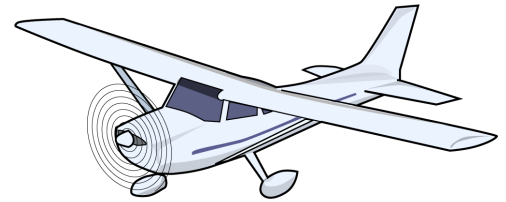


CONGRATULATIONS!! WEST HOUSTON AIRPORT STUDENTS!!!

CONGRATULATIONS!



New Private Pilot
David Hartmann
(11/30/2023)
CFI: Chris Powers



First Solo!
Bashar Mansi
(11/09/2023)
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Line Technician, Customer Service Representative, Certified Flight Instructor

Answer to the November “Question of The Month”: A glass jar or bottle full of liquid is harder to break than an empty one. You are flying cross country in moderate turbulence. An important aspect of flying in turbulence that relates to your plane and your safe flight relates to the full and empty jar as indicated above. What should you consider based on the above hint?

Answer: The maneuvering (V_a) speed is the important factor here. When anticipating or actually flying through turbulence the pilot flying should know the maneuvering speed for the particular weight of the aircraft. Remember that the maneuvering speed goes down as weight goes down due to the airframe being lighter and less agile than with the extra fuel in the wings, which provides extra strength.



Question for December:

What aircraft was manufactured with a pneumatic flap system and has retractable landing gear but no gear switch? This particular aircraft was designed to operate the controls without cables and it has a tubular construction.

Don't Forget!

Instrument Rating Special

Get your Instrument Rating in your plane between November 1st, 2023 and March 1st, 2024 and pay HALF price for any instructor. PLUS \$2.00 per gallon rebate “IF you complete the Instrument Rating including checkride by March 1st, 2024.”

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Pilot Supply End of Year Special!



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CAN YOU NAME THIS AIRCRAFT?

(By Ed Rosenberg)



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Business / residential LOTS for SALE

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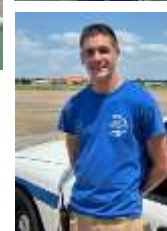
Subdivision Owners Association, Inc.,

* Denotes years of service



PHILLIP
Chief
Mechanic *10

SAM
Security *21



Line Crew Supervisors:

ERIK *10
JOSE *8
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MATT
DYLAN *3

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