



# Illinois Aviation



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## 2018 WINTER SAFETY SEMINARS

Since 1954, the Division of Aeronautics (then the Department of Aeronautics) has sponsored a number of safety and training seminars for our aviation community. We also work closely with the FAA and our cosponsors to identify issues and topics of concern. Seminar attendees are consistently pleased with the knowledge gained from the seminars.

For more information on any of our seminars, complete schedules and to register for WINGS credit, please log on to [www.faasafety.gov](http://www.faasafety.gov). The events will be posted beginning in mid-December for registration.

### CHICAGO AVIATION EXPO - IFR/VFR and Companions Seminar, Saturday, Jan. 27, 2018

Seminar topics will include a variety of IFR and VFR subjects and will offer WINGS credit for the Basic Knowledge tasks. Separate sessions will be held for instrument rated and non-instrument rated pilots, so attendees can choose which topics are of interest to them.

Instrument pilots can hone their chart reading skills and get the latest information from Chicago Center controllers in the IFR seminars. VFR pilots can choose from seminars on air traffic control procedures, aviation weather, owner performed maintenance and the latest information on Basic Med. Companions and aspiring pilots have a full program including communications, navigation, how an airplane flies and handling emergencies.

#### Schedule:

Registration and refreshments	8-8:45 a.m.
Opening Remarks	8:45-9:15 a.m.
Morning Seminars	9:15 a.m.-12:05 p.m.
Lunch Break	12:05-1:30 p.m.
Afternoon Seminars	1:30-2:30 p.m.

**Location:** Holiday Inn Itasca, 860 W. Irving Park Road, Itasca, Ill.

**Parking:** The Holiday Inn has a large parking lot. The overflow parking area is the industrial park lot immediately to the west of the Holiday Inn.

**Refreshments:** Morning coffee and donuts and a buffet lunch will be available for purchase in the Holiday Inn dining room.

Vendor displays provide an opportunity for participants to explore new aircraft types such as sport aircraft, gliders and technically advanced aircraft and to view or purchase the latest pilot supplies. Vendor inquiries are welcome; contact Natalie Berman, Chicago Area Chapter 99s, (847) 372-8956 or [natalie\\_berman@yahoo.com](mailto:natalie_berman@yahoo.com).

This seminar is sponsored by the Chicago Area Chapter Ninety-Nines, IDOT Division of Aeronautics and the FAA FAAS Team. For more information, contact Madeleine Monaco, Chicago Area Chapter 99s IFR/VFR Seminar Chairman: (847) 431-1847; [99mjm@sbcglobal.net](mailto:99mjm@sbcglobal.net).

### Northern Illinois IA Renewal & Maintenance Seminar, Thursday, Feb. 8, 2018

One full day of seminars will be offered, which qualify for IA renewal and AMT credit for mechanics. Pilots are welcome. Vendor exhibits will provide an opportunity to explore new products and services.

#### Schedule:

Registration Opens	7 a.m.
Seminar Begins	7:45 a.m.
Program Ends	5 p.m.

**Location:** Holiday Inn Itasca, 860 W. Irving Park Road, Itasca, Ill.

**Parking:** Free parking is available.

**Fees:** There is no charge for this seminar.

**Vendor Information:** Contact Bob Bejna, (630) 543-9213, [kb9fur@aol.com](mailto:kb9fur@aol.com).



**MESSAGE FROM THE  
INTERIM DEPUTY DIRECTOR  
KEN W. MARTIN**

Holiday greetings to all Illinois Aviation readers! My hope is that this newsletter finds you filled with holiday joy and looking forward to time spent with family and friends. The Division of Aeronautics is working on a number of important legislative and program activities. We continue to work with our Office of Legislative Affairs and the Department of Revenue to write legislation that will bring the State of Illinois into compliance with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) mandate regarding the use of aviation fuel tax revenues.

We are also working on an application for an unmanned aircraft system (UAS) Integration Pilot Program initiated by the president and coordinated by the FAA. The program objectives include promoting innovation and economic development; enhancing transportation safety; enhancing workplace safety; improving emergency response and search and rescue functions; and using radio spectrum efficiently and competitively. Our application will be developed with a focus on accomplishing these objectives with UAS technology, in partnership with both public and private entities. If selected, the department will be able to seek exceptions, exemptions and waivers to current FAA regulations for the use of UAS technology for activities including, but not limited to, flying a UAS beyond line of sight, flying over people, flying at night and other current restrictions. Our application will detail the benefits we feel can be realized by the Department and our partners by relaxing these regulations. We will keep you posted on our application process.

**In closing, I wish each of you Happy Holidays and a bright new year for aviation in Illinois!**

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Sponsored by the IDOT Division of Aeronautics, FAA DuPage FSDO and FAASTeam. For more information, contact William Borah, FAA DuPage FSDO, (847) 294-8724, William.Borah@faa.gov; or Carol Para, (217) 785-4989, Carol.Para@Illinois.gov.

**Annual Safety & IA Renewal Seminar,  
Wednesday, March 7, 2018 NEW DAY OF WEEK**

One full day of seminars will be offered which qualify for IA renewal and AMT credit for aviation mechanics. Pilots are also welcome.

**Schedule:**

Registration Opens	7 a.m.
Seminar Begins	7:50 a.m.
Program Ends	5 p.m.

**Location:** Northfield Inn Conference Center, 3280 Northfield Drive, Springfield, Ill.

**Parking:** Free parking is available.

**Fees:** There is no charge for this seminar.

**Vendor Information:** Vendor space is available but limited. Contact Carol Para, (217) 785-4989, Carol.Para@Illinois.gov to request vendor space.

Sponsored by the IDOT Division of Aeronautics, FAA Springfield FSDO and FAASTeam. For more information, contact Springfield FSDO, (217) 744-1910 or Carol Para: (217) 785-4989, Carol.Para@Illinois.gov.

**Illinois State Ultralight and Light Plane  
Symposium, Feb. 24, 2018**

A mid-winter meeting for all of those interested in light aircraft, ultralights, paramotors, gyroplanes, trikes and powered parachutes. The focus will be a series of aviation presenters. Aviation-oriented vendors welcome. Free admission.

**Schedule:**

Registration	8 a.m.
Event begins	9 a.m.

**Location:** American Farm Heritage Museum, 1395 Museum Ave., Greenville, Ill.

For more information, contact Roy Beisswenger at (618) 664-9706 or roy@easyflight.com. Details will also be available on the event website: [www.safety-seminar.com](http://www.safety-seminar.com).

## WRIGHT BROTHERS AND CHARLES TAYLOR AWARDS



L-R: Jim McLennan, John DeJoris, Armand Bendersky and Jack Sheridan

### Four Chicago Executive Airport Pilots Earn Wright Brothers Master Pilot Award

Four longtime aviators and members of the Chicago Executive Pilots Association were awarded the Wright Brothers Master Pilot Award.

John DeJoris, Armand Bendersky, Jim McLennan and Jack Sheridan all received the coveted award Oct. 25. All four pilots still regularly fly from Chicago Executive Airport.



L-R: Donald Cramer, Jean McLaughlin, Warren Smith (FAA), Samuel Sisk, Donald Berrier and Raymond Gepford

### Five Peoria Area Aviators Honored by the FAA

On Oct. 28, Donald Cramer, Jean McLaughlin, Samuel Sisk and Donald Berrier were honored with the FAA's Wright Brothers Master Pilot Award, and Raymond Gepford was honored with the Charles Taylor Master Mechanic Award at a dinner ceremony at Mt. Hawley Airport. Their combined flying hours exceeds 90,000, or two-and-a-half years of non-stop flying!

## WHAT HAPPENED TO 'HOLD SHORT?'

When announcing you are ready for departure at a towered airport, you may hear the response, "Traffic landing Runway 13," or "Traffic short final." Lately, the phrase "hold short" seems to be going away. This may leave you confused – am I clear for takeoff or am I supposed to hold short?

As pilots we need to remember we must be cleared on to an active runway; if not, we should hold short. Cleared on to an active runway means "Cleared for takeoff," "Clear to cross Runway 13," or "Cleared to line up and wait." If you don't hear one of these, you are not cleared to enter the active runway. If you are given hold short instructions, the required read back must include your aircraft number and the words "hold short."

Anytime you are in doubt, ask the controller what they want you to do.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Jan. 27, 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.**

**Chicago Aviation Expo – IFR/VFR and Companions Seminar\***

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Madeleine Monaco (847) 431-1847  
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Carol Para (217)785-4989  
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## TRIVIA – NAME THAT AIRPORT



There were many partially correct answers for the last “Name that Airport,” but only one with the correct airport and the correct year. Congratulations to **Joseph Green**, who knew (or guessed) the picture was Freeport Albertus Airport taken in 1969. Joseph also mentioned there are “Great FBO and activities coordinated by FBO, “Planes, Trains & Automobiles,” fly-in pancake breakfast, mail run competition, and great comradery.”

We must give honorable mention to a couple others who guessed the approximate year – **John Blum** (1968) and **Darrell Janssen** ('68 or '69).

**Rick Ellis** gave us a bit of history for the Albertus Airport, “Freeport Albertus Airport has seen steady growth over the years, and this picture was taken at the time that everything was just beginning to take off. The hangar at the lower left was built in the spring of 1968, so this shot would have been right after that. Freeport can be proud of investing in this jewel and has shared with the public its excitement by hosting many events over the years. Air shows, Skydive Conventions,

Thousands of Young Eagles flown, and a pancake breakfast just a few weeks ago that served 700 people. FEP Freeport Albertus Airport has a rich past and hopefully a rich future, as well. By the way, that new hangar built in 1968 was later torn down to make way for other improvements. The millionth Young Eagle was flown at FEP in 2003.”

**Robert Wertz** shared his memory of the Airport, “I learned to fly at Dornick airport, which is a few miles north of Albertus. All we had at Dornick was grass runways. Whenever I flew into Albertus, I felt like I was flying into O'Hare Airport!”

Do you know the name of the airport shown in this picture and the approximate timeframe when the picture was taken? If so, send an email to DOT.aero@illinois.gov so we can congratulate you. Those who provide the correct answer will have their names published (with permission), along with the correct answer, in the Spring 2018 edition of Illinois Aviation.

**VIEW COMPLETE CALENDAR OF EVENTS:** [www.idot.illinois.gov/about-idot/stay-connected/multimedia/index](http://www.idot.illinois.gov/about-idot/stay-connected/multimedia/index)



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