

March  
2019 Edition

# RUNWAY 15

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# WEST HOUSTON AIRPORT

### LOT LIQUIDATION SALE

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## Behind the Scenes West Houston Air- port is working for all of General Aviation

In the late 80's, the then Texas Aeronautics

### THE NEW GUARD HOUSE AND WEST GATE ENTRANCE WILL GO IN SERVICE MARCH 1, 2019.

There are three (3) ways to obtain access:

Lot owners and their employees can access the airport with an EZ Tag. (see attached form) Vehicles may be deleted from this convenience due to speeding and other violations.

You can use the kiosk with owners code to call the owner or authorized agent for access. The owner can open the gate via his phone.



You can use the call button which calls the main terminal. You will need to identify your self and state

Commission proposed implementing a sales tax on avgas and jet fuel and filed in the Texas Legislature to get this enacted. Knowing how devastating this would be to our industry at that time Woody Lesikar placed a call to Herb Kelleher the CEO of Southwest Airlines. With one call, Mr. Kelleher had the bill withdrawn. That ended the additional costs to all of our patrons for decades.

Recently, when we caught wind of potential legislation about adding additional sales tax costs to general aviation fuel taxes here in Texas, we were able to mitigate the proposal. Even AOPA's Mark Baker said



February Safety Meeting: Former West Houston Airport Assistant Manager, Randy "Chip" Dale Airside Operations Manager for IAH, Gave a Great Presentation with David "Hoss" Robertson and John Lewandowski.

Pictured: Scott Vaugh, David "Hoss" Robertson, Woody Lesikar, Chip Dale, John Lewandowski, Hank Henry, and Carol Brackley.

Photo taken by Stacy Lesikar-Martin

where you are and where you are going. If they are unable to identify the person that person will be asked to come to the terminal, if no guard is on duty. Contact Rich Whitney, Chief Security Officer for more information or to gain access to the gate. rich@westhoustonairport.com

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## MARCH

10 - Daylight Savings 17 - St Patrick's Day

QUOTE: When you have an inflight emergency, fly the plane, not the gadgets. (C.G. "Hank" Henry)

### Aviation Acronym: PIREP

Pilot Weather Report Pilot reports are encouraged, for the benefit of other pilots. They are especially helpful in areas more than 35 or 40 miles from points where

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### PREFLIGHT Breakfast

Saturdays 7:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Pilots/Prospective Pilots Invited. Fly Your Plane! Weekend fuel prices in effect! Fuel up on donuts and kolaches to start your journey.

### PRIVATE PILOT GROUND SCHOOL

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### FAA SAFETY MEETING

Fourth (4th) Tuesday, 7:00pm-9:00pm for more information email Scott Vaughn at [dsvaughncsp@gmail.com](mailto:dsvaughncsp@gmail.com).

### 99's MEETING

Second Tuesdays 7:00pm International Organization of Women Pilots! March meeting will be March 26 at 6:00 PM immediately prior to the FAA Safety Meeting at 7:00. 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. Warbird Weekend April 13 /14 . 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.

### EAA CHAPTER 774 MEETING

Third (3rd) Thursday of the month 7:00 p.m. Contact Jeff Clarke 832-425-8277 or email: [clarkeandco@aol.com](mailto:clarkeandco@aol.com) for EAA interest. March 21, 7pm ADS-B What good for your plane.

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### Fuel Price Comparison for February 2019

JET A	High	Low	Avg	AVGAS (100LL)	High	Low	Avg
Southwest Region	7.25	2.69	4.37	Southwest Region	7.56	3.30	4.58
West Houston Airport	4.23	3.05	3.64	West Houston Airport	4.66	4.11	4.38

\*With Volume discount

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 Let us know, if you want to be added to the list to help IWS patrons. Contact Woody at woody@westhoustonairport.com

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we are all trying to keep costs down for everyone to continue to fly. Through working with others who wanting to put this legislation in, we were able to help mitigate it by proposing that the current sales tax generated from general aviation purchase - aircraft parts, aircraft sales, etc. - be moved to a dedicated aviation fund to protect airports. Similar to the 1% sales tax generated by sporting goods to protect our statewide parks.

Several organizations such as Texans for General Aviation, AOPA, NBAA and others keep an eye on potentially harmful tax and fee increases on our industry both statewide and locally. Lets keep up the good work by continuing to support them.

We are here for you when you need us...not just on the field but in our state and national capitols!  
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(Cont From Page 2) regular reports are available and during times when weather PIREPS changes are taking place, such as fog forming, thunder showers are developing, turbulence, movement of a weather system or height of cloud tops or bases. Pilots should radio PIREPS to the nearest flight service station, giving your type of aircraft, N-number, location and conditions being reported.  
 C.G. "Hank" Henry

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## WEST HOUSTON AIRPORT TEAM

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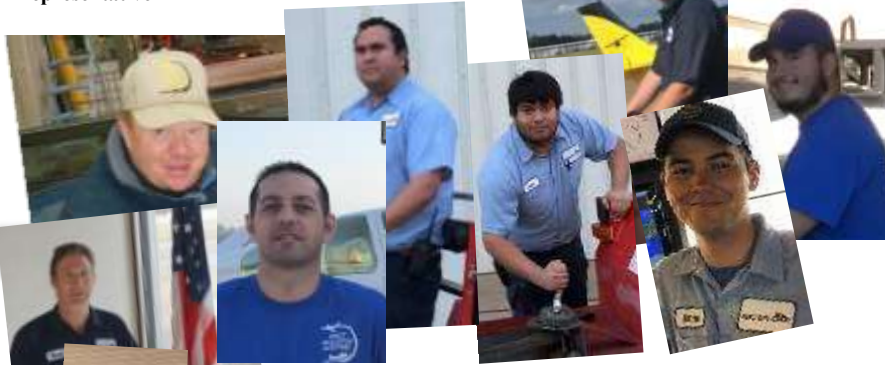
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