



Wings and Things

Monthly Update • Travelers Aid Society of San Diego • September 2016



Future Meeting:

Wednesday, September 21, at 11:30am at the *Bay View Restaurant* at the Marine Recruit Depot, San Diego. Reservations no later than September 14th. Your name will be put on a list for the gates so you can gain access to the base. There will be no late additions to the list.

Make sure you **RSVP by September 14th** to gina@travelersaidsandiego.org or via telephone at 619-400-2266.

Major Conventions

Sept. 1-3	San Diego Quilt Show.....	4,000
Sept. 7-11	Assoc of Zoos & Aquariums Conf.....	2,000
Sept. 11-13	Amer. Academy of Periodontology.....	5,500
Sept. 18-21	2016 AAO-HNS/F Annual Meeting.....	8,200
Sept. 30-Oct. 1	TwitchCon 2016.....	10,000

Major Events

Sept. 2- Oct. 1 Fleet Week
Sept. 3-5 Festival of Sail
Sept. 16-18 San Diego Bayfair
Sept. 23-25 MCAS Miramar Air Show
Sept. 25 - Oct. 2 San Diego Restaurant Week

Monthly Meeting

There was no monthly meeting for volunteers in August. Please read Airport Updates and *What's New in the Blue* from last month.

Welcome to New Volunteers

We would like to welcome **Richard Beaulieu, Monica Grage, Eileen Innecken, June Spencer, and Ida Willis-Grosschadl** to the volunteer program. They will be training in the coming weeks. Thanks so much for joining us.

Airport Updates:

Some of the **T2 Parking lot** has closed. There have been many challenges that have gone along with this. In order to use the Ambassador spaces and parking permit spaces you must have a San Diego Airport Sticker on your windshield. You can get one from Gina. If you change cars, or have a windshield replaced, please bring the remaining bits of the sticker to Gina to have it replaced.

Those of you finding parking in the McCain Lot can sign out an exit pass to cover your parking while you volunteer. You will give the exit pass and your parking ticket to the attendant.

If you are unable to find parking, please call your terminal desk and ask someone to give you their parking space. If they are parked in the McCain Lot, you can meet them at the

crosswalk and drive them to their car, then take their space.

We are now operating a **cart downstairs**. We are taking passengers who are unable to walk, or need to get from T2West to American (or even Southwest). We need lots of drivers. If you are interested in helping out with this, please let Gina know. There are some midweek and mid-day opportunities!

If you are driving the cart downstairs, remember to tell passengers to keep their luggage inside the cart. If you are passing through the International Arrivals doors, make sure no elbows and luggage are sticking outside the cart. They can cause the doors to come off the track.

SDIA announced new international air service, non-stop, twice weekly from SAN to Frankfurt, Germany on **Condor Airlines**, starting in May 2017.

There will also be new international non-stop, twice weekly service to Zurich, Switzerland on **Edelweiss Airlines** starting on June 9, 2017.

Alaska Airlines announced seasonal service to Steamboat Springs, CO starting December 17. They will operate a service twice weekly for ski season.

SAS has taken over for Huntleigh in handling services for American and Hawaiian Airlines.

Santa Fe Station

If you are interested in a permanent shift at the train station, contact Cynthia or Gina. If you wish to train at the Santa Fe Station, please call Gina at 619-400-2266 or Cynthia at 619-295-8393 x 310.

Happy Birthday!

We send lots of September birthday wishes to **Ernie Arelano, Darlene Bader, Barb Baily, Jeanette Bingham, Lorraine Boisonneau, Andrea Brown, George Codling, Vince Dassow, Sam Fernandez, Pat Fox, Gil Garcia, Brad Jacobsen, Jill Kaneshiro, Nancy Kaye, Marian Lunati, Luis Martinez, Roger McCollough, Bill Munz, Alice Myers, Tom Norwood, Faye Sherbert, Diane Skrivanek, Dayton Smith, Ned Steinam, Charlie Tamm, Satoe Turner, and Janis Walsh**. We hope you all have a wonderful day.

Get Well Soon

Hurry up and get better **Bob Hornstein, Jean Nemer, and Marty Tabachnick**. You are missed and we look forward to welcoming you back soon.



Advisory Board Highlights

The VAB met to discuss the closure of the main T2 parking lot. Discussion of the USO lot and our ability to park were also discussed, as well as the cart operations downstairs. If you find you can't find a place to park there, remember you can park in permit parking too. If that is full, call the desks and ask someone to trade places with you. So far it appears that there has been available parking in the USO lot.

The Airport has ordered additional carts for the McCain Lot that Ace will drive, and an additional cart for downstairs operations. The path of travel is inside from T2West to International arrivals, very carefully through the doors (it is very tight), and to Terminal I with a turnaround outside of Alaska curbside operations.

Continue to let your VAB members know if you have concerns or send them to the Suggestion Coordinator. **Candy Bell** can be reached for comments and suggestions via email at bell.candy@gmail.com.

Ready, Pet, Go! Therapy Dog Program

Back to school, **Carole Stevens & Georgie** will be leaving us for the school year, and back on duty during the vacations.

Thanks to the teams who represented the Ready, Pet, Go program at the Airport Wellness Fair on August 25. They were **Susan Eldred & Buddy, Tony Carchedi and Jill Kaneshiro & Freddie, Jodi Nayoski & Gracie, Bob Pavon & Punky, and Pat Rodriguez & Ben.**

If any of the teams are doing special activities other than what they already do at the schools, hospitals, hospice, etc., please tell us about it so we can include it in our newsletter.

If your dog vest has peeling letters, please bring it to Gina. The vests are being embroidered over the old lettering.

Kudos for Our Volunteers

Thank you to those who have done extra shifts over the last month. They were **Alan Avond, Judy Bentovim, Jeanette Bingham, Mickey Brule, Donna Capps, Bob & Ann Donais, Richard Ewens, Kate Felke, Johanne Geoffrion, Tony Harvell, Ginger Higgins, Sue Hunt, Donna Hyde, Bill Irwin, Sary Jamie, Shirley Kauffman, Merrilee Kazarian, Sue Kelly, Kerstin Liedberg, Ellen Levy, Brandon Lewis, Jerry Lewis, Luis Martinez, Mary McMillan, Barbara McNeese, Dennis Murray, Sue Munz, Joe & Kathy Naylor, Barbara Nichols, Marsha Oliva, Dave St. Onge, Mike Schooling, Sandy Shaut, Bill Steffan, Nancy Stockton, Charlie Tamm, Miho Tattersall, Patricia Thomas, Richard Townsend and Marjorie Zhou.** Your willingness to help enables us to provide excellent service to our passengers.

Wounded Warrior Assist Program

Thanks so much to **Richard Ewens, Ginna James, Charlie Tamm** and **Wendy Woehl** for assisting the Severely Injured Military, who have recently traveled through San Diego. Your assistance is very much appreciated by all.

CPR Training

The Aviation Security and Public Safety team will be offering monthly CPR training courses.

Friends and Family CPR Course:

The Friends and Family Course teaches CPR, AED use, use of barrier devices (i.e.: Pocket Mask) and relief of choking in adults and children. It is intended for those wishing to have basic awareness of cardiac emergencies.

Course Length: Two Hours with No Break

Location: Lindbergh Conference Room

Wednesday, September 14..... 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Tuesday, October 112:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Wednesday, November 9..... 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Thursday, December 82:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Contact Mary De Felice at mary.defelice@san.org to sign up for a class by providing your first, last name, and a contact number. This class is available to all Airport Authority and tenants. Class size for each training session has a limited amount of space. We would like to prevent any no shows. If you can no longer attend, please send a cancelation within 48 hours.

Please note class may be canceled should there be less than four attendees.

These classes are conducted by airport-contracted paramedics, whose primary responsibility and priority is to respond to potential or actual medical emergencies. All employees signing up for these classes must accept the possibility that a scheduled class may be delayed and/or canceled with very short or no advanced notice due to the unavailability of instructors.

Farewell

We are very sorry to bid farewell to **Barbara Henscheid**. She is moving to be close to family. We will miss you and wish you all the best in the future.

Tickets & Tours

To obtain **Old Town Trolley** and **Seal Tour** passage, you must contact Gina at least 72 hours in advance with the date (two dates for Seal Tour) you wish to go. Your request will be submitted and they will try to accommodate your request. If you have already used your guest passes for the Old Town Trolley, you can download a "Hometown Pass" from their website and can accompany any paying passenger for free. Kindly note, this is not available on weekends. There are no tickets; your name is listed on the passenger manifest. **No Seal Tours on weekends and no OTT on Holiday weekends.**

Maritime Museum entrance privileges can be obtained by contacting Gina at least 72 hours in advance by email (preferred) at gina@travelersaidsandiego.org.

Midway Museum will give you a museum pass by showing your Travelers Aid nametag or Airport badge when you go to their ticket window. You will have to purchase tickets for those accompanying you.