



Wings and Things

Monthly Update • Travelers Aid Society of San Diego • July 2017



Future Meeting:

There will be no meeting in July. Stay tuned for August.

Major Conventions

July 10-14	Environmental Systems Research Institute (ESRI).....	14,500
July 20-23	Comic Con.....	130,000

Major Events

July 4	Independence Day/Big Bay Boom
July 8-16	Over the Line Tournament
July 15.....	Pride Parade
July 19.....	Opening Day at the Del Mar Racetrack

Monthly Meeting

In June, we enjoyed a Volunteer Appreciation luncheon at the Bayside Grill at the Coronado Municipal Golf Course. We had another wonderful Mexican buffet, and beautiful weather. Thanks to the volunteers for all their hard work at the Airport and Train Station. Thank you to the airport for hosting the luncheon.

Airport Updates:

July and August Sterile Badge holders will need to renew their badges before the end of their birth month. You can renew the month before your birthday, but it must be completed by the end of your birth month. You need to make an appointment through Gina (recommended) or take your chances going standby. You will need a completed Fingerprint Application and Security Threat Assessment (STA) form and two forms of ID (a current passport or social security card, or birth certificate and driver's license). **All forms have to be filled out online, and then printed. No hand written forms are accepted.** Gina can send you the links to the forms you will need. There is also a computer and printer outside Gina's office, which you can use to fill out forms and print them. The forms are on the desktop. Code for the door is 4266#.

Also, all new volunteers receiving **background check and fingerprint clearance** can now attend without reservations the online badging class. They are held at 7:30am and 1:30pm Monday through Thursday, and 7:30am on Friday. The new classroom is on the first floor of the Airport Administration building. Enter the double entrance doors and turn right.

Lufthansa Airlines will start daily non-stop flights to Frankfurt in May, 2018.

The airport will be starting a service called "**At Your Gate**" in cooperation with the APP "**Grab**," which will enable passengers to order food and other items; said items will be brought to them while they wait for their flights. This will be operated by a concessionaire at the airport.

The **Blue Book** truly does have everything you need to know. Telephone numbers for the desks and the upstairs cart are in the book. In your *quiet time*, please review the contents of the Blue Book. Many of the questions Gina gets or on "Notes to Nancy" are answered in the Blue Book. You just have to know where to look.

Do not leave requests for supplies on Notes to Nancy. Call Gina. Most-used supplies are available in Adrianna's office on top of the refrigerator. The code to her door is 4952#. So if we aren't there you can still get supplies. The outside door is 4266#. With those codes you have access to drinks and supplies when the Ambassador office is closed.

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 July birthday wishes to **Doug Bolden, Barbara Callahan, Nancie Carroll, Joyce Coyle, Harry Gallagher, Kitz Garcia, Johanne Geoffrion, Gary Hess, Merrilee Kazarian, Sue Kelly, Karen Krusen, Bob Lettas, Ellen Levy, Roma London, Sue Lyons, Lois Maxam, Kris Raynes, Sheila Revivo, Cheryl Rodenbeck, John Rowden, Carole Sanford, Rickie Sevadjan, Karen Stang, Laurie Steinberg, Jan Storck, Nona Swaltek, Dolores Wall, Marlene Wood, Barbara Zasueta, and Gary Zeugschmidt.** We hope you all have a wonderful day.

Get Well Soon

Hurry up and get better **Nancy Davidson, Joan Gibbons, Myron Hunt, Marion Lunati, Verla McFayden, and Charlie Tamm.** You are missed and we look forward to welcoming you back soon.

Advisory Board Highlights

Discussions were held about the departure of Travelers Aid, and the transition to the volunteer management by the Airport. Also discussed were the T2 carousel closures in Terminal 2. Carousel 3 is currently closed and will reopen in August just prior to the closure of Carousel 7.



Continue to let your VAB members know if you have concerns or send them to the Suggestion Coordinator. Please contact our Suggestion Coordinator, **Dennis Murray**, who can be reached for comments and suggestions via email at g.dennis.murray@hotmail.com

Ready, Pet, Go! Therapy Dog Program

We have had several new additions to the Ready, Pet, Go! Teams at the airport. Our new teams are: **Karen Neola** with two Labs: Knight and Boomer; **Lisa Thompson**, with a King Charles: Mabel Grace; **Margery Squier** and her Collie, Austin; **Kyle Beck** with his Goldendoodle, Woody. Awaiting team registrations are: **Elvira Gibbons** and her Goldendoodle, Maddie; **Barbara Dunning** and her King Charles, Polly; **Marvin Gartenbaum** and his Collie, Leah. In the various stages of paperwork are an additional nine teams.

We are also saying goodbye to two teams as they are moving or have moved away from San Diego. They are **Cheryl Rodenbeck** and her precious Goldendoodle, **Emma** (one of our first teams) and **Lisa Shellstrom** and her darling Goldendoodle, **Buddy**. We wish them all the best in their new homes and endeavors. We will miss you.

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.

Kudos for Our Volunteers

Thank you to those who have done extra shifts over the last month. They were **Mickey Brule, Robin Carter, Orv Coonce, Bob & Ann Donais, Richard Ewens, Kate Felke, Jeff Freeman, Johanne Geoffrion, Monica Grage, Terry Griffin, Tony Harvell, Cheryl Hemmings, Gary Hess, Eileen & Joe Innecken, Ellen Levy, Michelle Looby, Mary McMillan, Dennis Murray, Joe & Kathy Naylor, Carol Sanford, Carol Sargent, Mike Schooling, Bill Steffan, Miho Tattersall, Richard Townsend, Alan Vanden Avond, Alicia Vicars, and Dolores Wall**. Your willingness to help enables us to provide excellent service to our passengers.

Wounded Warrior Assist Program

Thanks so much to **GINNA JAMES** and **RICHARD EWENS** for assisting the Severely Injured Military personnel 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, July 12..... 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Tuesday, August 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 has a limited amount of space and we would like to prevent any no shows. If you can no longer attend, please send a cancellation 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.

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.

Farewell

This is a tough month for saying good bye. Leaving the program are **Miriam Gitchoff, Rick Hensley, Vicki Jones-Pittman, John Rowden, Lisa Shellstrom and her Goldendoodle, Buddy, and Barbara Sturgeon**. We thank you for your many hours of service to Travelers Aid and the Airport. We wish you all the best in your new homes and endeavors. You will all be sorely missed.

