



TEXAS AVIATION CONFERENCE

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The Texas Department of Transportation

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

April 7, 8 9, 2010

The Woodlands Waterway Marriott

1601 Lake Robbins Drive

The Woodlands, Texas 77380

Conference Registration

Pre-registration is recommended and will help us in planning and preparing a better conference. If you pre-register, your name tag and program packet will be ready when you arrive at the hotel. The fee is \$175 through March 5, 2010. **A \$50 late fee will be added to registrations received after April 10, 2010. A \$75 fee will be added for all on-site registrations.** You are encouraged to register online. If paying by check or money order, register on line and make payment to "TTI Event Management and Planning" (EM&P) at the address listed below. Only cancellations received in writing by EM&P by 5:00 p.m. CST on March 5, 2010 will be refunded, less \$50 handling fee. No refunds will be issued after this date. You may pay your registration fee by check, money order, or credit card. ***The registration fee covers conference handouts, break refreshments Wednesday's get acquainted reception, Thursday's breakfast, luncheon, award's banquet and social and Friday's breakfast.*** Note: *TxDOT employees are exempt from the registration fee, but must register in advance.*

Hotel Reservations

The Woodland Waterway Marriott is holding a block of rooms for our use at the nightly rate of \$199 for single or double occupancy. We encourage everyone needing a room to call immediately since we anticipate the rooms will be booked quickly. After March 16, 2010 rooms are subject to availability and may be at a higher rate. To receive this rate, please call the The Woodlands Waterway Marriott at 280-367-9797. Remember to mention the ***Texas Aviation Conference*** to receive the conference rate. The hotel has both self parking and valet parking for a fee. Please visit their website for additional information.

Special Activities

On Wednesday, April 7, there will be a shotgun start at 1:00 p.m., for our 13th Annual Golf Tournament at *Panther Trail Golf Course in The Woodlands, Texas*. There will be a \$45 fee; you can pay online with your conference registration. *All golfers must be registered to attend the conference.* Event Management and Planning (EM&P) will contact you two weeks before the event.

Also on Wednesday, April 7 is the 3rd Annual Bowling Event, *Planes and Lanes*, sponsored by Garver. From 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Main Event Entertainment. *Participants are not required to be registered for the conference.* The event will consist of two hours of bowling with lunch included. There will be a \$10 fee; you can pay on-line with your conference registration.

A get acquainted reception is planned for Wednesday evening from 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. The reception will be located in the Exhibit Area with hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar.

On Thursday we will have our evening Awards Banquet located at the hotel. All participants are encouraged to attend. Guest tickets are also available for \$35. Tickets can be purchased online when you register for the conference. A social, sponsored by Rodriguez Engineering will follow the banquet.

Shuttle Service

If you need transportation from George Bush International/ Houston Airport, Super Shuttle is available. Reservations are required. Please call (713)523-8888.

Special Needs

In compliance with ADA requirements, participants with special needs can be reasonably accommodated by contacting EM&P phone: 979-862-1219, toll free 888-550-5577, or fax 979-862-1225, at least 5 working days prior to the conference. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact the Aviation Division at 1-800-68-PILOT.



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2010 Tentative Conference Program

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7, 2010

- 1:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.** **Golf Tournament**
- 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.** **Planes and Lanes Bowling Event** (*Sponsored by Garver*)
- 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.** **Exhibitor Set-up**
- 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.** **Registration/Check-in**
- 5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.** **Exhibits Open**
- 5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.** **Get Acquainted Reception**

THURSDAY, APRIL 8, 2010

- 7:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.** **Registration Desk Open**
- 7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.** **Continental Breakfast (in Exhibit Hall)**
- 8:30 a.m. – 8:50 a.m.** **Welcoming Address and Words from the Sponsors**
Dave Fulton, Director, TxDOT, Aviation Division
Darci Neuzil, President of Texas Airports Council
Jay Carpenter, Texas Aviation Association
- 8:50 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.** **Introduction of Aviation Advisory Committee**
- 9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.** **State of the Aviation Division Address**
Dave Fulton, Director, TxDOT- Aviation Division
- 9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.** **FAA Southwest Region Update**
Teri Bruner, Regional Administrator, FAA Southwest Region
- 10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.** **Coffee Break**
- 10:15 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.** **General Aviation Airport Security**
Brian Delauter, Transportation Security Administration
- 11:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.** **Environmental Issues in General Aviation**
Leisha Bell, Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association
- 11:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.** **Luncheon**
- 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.** **Texas Airports Council Meeting**
- **Approval of minutes from previous meeting**
 - **Election of 2010 Officers**
 - **TAC Goals for 2010**
 - **General Discussion**



Afternoon Breakout/ Workshop Sessions

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2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

I: Wildlife Management and Planning

Workshop
Session
I

II: Hangar Development at Your Airport

III: Gaining Community and Political Support for Your Airport

3:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.

Break

3:15 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.

I: Fencing Your Airport

Workshop
Session
II

II: Hangar Development at Your Airport

III: Airport -Tenant Relations and Minimum Standards

4:15 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Break

4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

I: Wildlife Management and Planning

Workshop
Session
III

II: Airport Pavement Session

III: RAMP Coordinator's Session

Kari Campbell, TxDOT RAMP Coordinator

6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Awards Banquet

General Aviation Airport Manager of the Year, Most Improved Airport, Airport of the Year, Reliever Airport of the Year, RAMP Coordinator of the Year and Aviation Art Contest Winners

8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Evening Social (Sponsored By Rodriguez Engineering)

FRIDAY, April 9, 2010

8:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Exhibits and Registration Desk Open

8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

Breakfast Buffet

9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

Washington/Reauthorization Update

Henry Ogradzinski, President, National Association of State Aviation Officials

9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Current Issues in General Aviation

Craig Fuller, President, Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association (Invited)



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- 10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Air Cargo Operations and Planning at George Bush Houston Intercontinental Airport**
Luis Aviles, Houston Airport System (Invited)
- 10:30a.m. – 11:00 a.m. TxDOT/DOT-FAA AIP PROGRAM & LISTENING SESSION**
Dave Fulton, TxDOT; Mike Nicely, FAA Airports Development Office, SW Region
- 11:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. Prize Drawing: Grand Prize, 1st Place, 2nd Place, 3RD Place**

REGISTRATION FORM

Register on-line at <http://tti.tamu.edu/conferences/tac10/>

You are encouraged to register online. If paying by check or money order, register on line and make check payable to TTI-Avtn2010, and send to Event Management and Planning, Texas Transportation Institute, Texas A&M University System, 3135 TAMU, College Station, TX 77843-3135. Phone: 979/862-1219 and Fax 979/862-1225. NO PURCHASE ORDERS ACCEPTED. ONLY VISA, MASTER CARD AND DISCOVER CREDIT CARDS WILL BE ACCEPTED. ONLY CHECKS FROM U.S. BANKS ARE ACCEPTED. **TxDOT employees are exempt from the registration fee, but must register on-line.** If paying by check or money order, you may register on-line and then mail your payment. Only cancellations received in writing to EM&P by 5:00 p.m. March 5, 2010 will be refunded less a \$50 handling fee.

NOTE: If you are taking a guest to the awards banquet that is not registered please include an additional \$35.

Call for Nominations:

At the Texas Aviation Conference held each spring, the Texas Department of Transportation's Aviation Division presents four customer service awards. Award nominations for the 2010 Texas Aviation Conference at the Marriott Resort in The Woodlands, Texas, are requested for the following categories:

- Most Improved General Aviation Airport
- General Aviation Airport of the Year
- General Aviation Airport Manager of the Year
- Reliever Airport of the Year or Reliever Airport Manager of the Year

Nominations will be accepted until February 15, 2010.

Please go to our website at <http://tti.tamu.edu/conferences/tac10/> for additional information.