



GHAFI NEWS

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Greater Houston Association of Flight Instructors

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello everyone, hope this finds you well. Fall is here, or is supposed to be... Maybe it will show up sometime soon. Nevertheless, the weather did not stop an intrepid dozen or so GHAFI members from attending our fall outing to the 1940's Air Terminal Museum at Hobby. Even though it was not a particularly good day to fly in and the weather did cause the cancelation of their "Fly & Drive" event, this presented us with the opportunity to have the facility mostly to ourselves. One of the other windfalls for our group was that one of their docents found himself available to provide us an in-depth tour of the place. Our docent put forth a lot of great history along with some great stories about the goings-on over its time as this city's premiere air terminal. On a personal note, I have found that a docent-led tour of a facility like this always yields a great deal more information than any self-guided tour can provide. Certainly true of this event.

After completing an excellent tour of the main terminal building, one of the other volunteers was kind enough to take us about a block down the street to their hangar. This is where they house their small collection of aircraft and other interesting artifacts, including several ATC radarscopes and even some simulators. Some neat stuff!

Upon our return to the main building, the group chose a local lunch spot that Gary was familiar with and off to lunch we went. There we shared some great conversation over a nice Italian meal. A perfect ending to a wonderful outing. My sincere thanks to those that attended, including two of our members who have not had much of a chance to attend any events in the past. It was great to get to know them.

Our next event will be our quarterly Safety Meeting training event Saturday, October 13, at SGR. Please see the "events" sidebar for details. My thanks go out to Captain Mike Barksdale for setting up the agenda and presenters and to Robbie Boettcher for helping with arrangements for the facility. A couple of notes about this event; first, this event was moved from our usual third Saturday of the month so as not to conflict with "Wings over Houston". Secondly, unfortunately I will not be able to attend, having committed to a DJ gig for a Mustang Club of Houston car show many, many months ago. I am quite sure that Mike, Robbie, Gary and the rest of our staff are more than capable of handling this event in my absence and surely making my absence go mostly unnoticed. That is a good thing. I am confident that this will be a terrific event. Sorry that I am going to miss it.

Just a few more quick items... Sheryl and I had lunch last Saturday at the restaurant out at the Brenham Airport. Yep, they are up and running again complete with Poodle skirts and all. This time around, though, they have reduced hours and are only open Friday through Monday. The food and fountain drinks are as good as they always have been.

I will be working on the agenda for the November BoD meeting soon and one of the big topics for that meeting is certainly going to be the Christmas Party plans. If you have any suggestions, please let the Board know as we are always open to new ideas.

Be sure to join us on Facebook with your goings-on, comments, and pictures.

Happy Halloween. I will sign off for now and as always, FLY SAFE!

Greg White

FLIGHT PLAN

GHAFI Quarterly Safety Meeting

**Sugar Land Regional Airport (KSGR)
Terminal Building**

13 October 2018
8:00 a.m. start time

Speakers:	Rick Rawlings, DPE <i>Hot Topics for CFIs</i>
	Gary Whitfield <i>AC 90-66B: Operations at Non-Towered Airports</i>
	Bo Bohannon, TSA <i>Airport Security</i>

All GHAFI members are encouraged to attend.

WRIGHT BROTHERS MASTER PILOT AWARD

Congratulations to one of our own!!! On 27 October, this prestigious award will be given to Harry K. Johnson, III, as well as to his wonderful and gracious wife, Annette. It will be presented by the head of the Houston FSDO at US Flight Club's annual chili cooking contest at KTME.

The Wright Brothers Master Pilot Award is THE most prestigious award the FAA issues to pilots certified under Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) part 61. Named after the Wright Brothers, it was created to recognize as "Master Pilots" individuals who have exhibited professionalism, skill, and aviation expertise for at least 50 years while piloting aircraft.

After application review and eligibility requirements have been met, a distinctive certificate and lapel pin is issued. Upon request, a stickpin similar in design to the lapel pin is also provided to the award recipient's spouse in recognition of his or her support to the recipient's aviation career. Once the award has been issued, the recipient's name, city and state will be added to a published "Roll of Honor" located at <https://www.faa.gov/content/MasterPilot/RecipientList.aspx>.

All GHAFI members are invited to attend!



GOOGLE DRIVE

GHAFI is in the process of setting up a GoggleDrive page. It will contain documents, newsletters, event photos etc. The more we have the better this will be. If you have any documents or photos relating to GHAFI, please send to Carol Brackley. Send digital items by email: carolav8@att.net; send hard copies and printed photos by mail: 20539 Patriot Park Ln, Katy TX 77449. Your assistance is appreciated. Thank you.

FROM THE VEEP: EAA SPORT PILOT ACADEMY

From AVweb, October 7, 2018: A high-ranking FAA source has confirmed that the FAA plans to almost triple the maximum weight for most light sport aircraft to 3600 pounds in rulemaking that will be introduced in January.

<https://www.avweb.com/avwebflash/news/LSA-Weight-Limit-Increasing-To-3600-Pounds-231639-1.html?ET=avweb:e4165:2419777a:&st=email>

I had lunch with a gentleman at Oshkosh this past summer that was a graduate of the EAA Sport Pilot Academy. Never heard of it? Me either, until lunch that day.

<https://www.eaa.org/en/eea/aviation-communities-and-interests/light-sport-aircraft/getting-started-in-lsa/become-a-sport-pilot-and-fly-light-sport-aircraft/sport-pilot-academy>

"Sport Pilot Academy

Learning to fly is a memorable experience, but learning to fly at the mecca of recreational flying, home to the World's Greatest Aviation Celebration, is epic! And the Sport Pilot Academy ensures you will succeed!

The Sport Pilot Academy is an all-inclusive program for aspiring pilots like you. You'll have three weeks of fun in Oshkosh, immersed in the aviation lifestyle. Best of all, you'll go home as a certificated sport pilot with top-notch training and education.

Enroll and you'll get every hour of flight time that you need in just three weeks. You'll have group and one-on-one instruction, flight training, lodging, food, and camaraderie. And you'll finish with an FAA practical test.

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* The only requirement that is not included in the cost is the FAA written test (about \$140 with an EAA member discount at a PSI Lasergrade Centers)."

Folks, this is a *bargain*. All inclusive, total immersion, at Oshkosh no less!

Fly safe!

Gary Whitfield
GHAFI Vice President

SAFETY MOMENT: SR20, KHOU, JUNE 2016

When a fatal accident happens close to home, it has a greater impact. There are many different ways of looking at the accident that happened at Hobby Airport in 2016.

I think it shows how a pilot can become confused by busy Class B airports.

Our students are eligible to fly into IAH or Hobby Airport the instant that they become a private pilot. We need to impress on them that they need to impose personal limitations. The FAA's PAVE checklist (Pilot, Aircraft, Environment and External Pressures) is a valuable tool for everyone to use.

This is a learning opportunity for all of us.

This video will take 20 minutes of your time. I feel that you will gain a wealth of knowledge. I intend to make this a part of my syllabus.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mf3xhjXl454&feature=youtu.be>

Maureen Garrow
FAAST Team

NAFI MEMBERSHIP

Interested in joining or renewing your membership in NAFI? All you need to do to receive a discount on your dues is to put in the discount code of GHAFI.

MEMBERS

Thanks to all who have renewed. We currently have 59 members. If your dues are not current, remember this is how we finance safety meetings, etc.

If you would like to check the status of your membership or your due date for dues, please contact Carol Brackley, GHAFI Secretary, carolav8@att.net.

Help us increase our ranks by asking other CFIs and non-CFI pilots to attend our seminars and consider joining us.

CLASSIFIEDS

ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS: Individual member classified ads relating to aviation are free. If you are looking for something or selling something, let us help. Also, business classified ads are very reasonable. Contact Carol for details.

1984 Malibu, N43605, 4419TT, 1376SMOH, Garmin 430W, XM WX, KX53, KT196, GTX 327, KFC150 (Altitude pre-select), KMA 24, Radar altimeter, engine analyzer, Known Ice, air conditioning, RAM Cooling Mod (Nose Gear Doors Removed and an air scoop added in the nose gear well), annual due 7/2019. \$179,000, Fly it home today, ready to go. 210 kt airplane, service ceiling 25,000 feet, 18g/hr, 6 seats, 6 hour range, single engine land airplane. John VanPaasschen 713-690-8523

FOR SALE: 1978 piper Aztec with full dual instrument panel, Garmin 430, MX 20 MFD, RDR150, fuel computers, altimatic III autopilot. Excellent trainer or long cross country aircraft. Also, basic 1966 Cessna 172, great time builder. Contact Ted Miller: hughbring@aol.com; 832-302-9498.

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Calendar of Events:

13 October	Quarterly Safety Meeting, KSGR
27 October	Harry K. Johnson, III Receives Master Pilot Award, KTME (Contact US Flight Club for more details)
20 November	Quarterly Board of Directors Meeting Texas Mesquite Grill
December	GHAFI Christmas Party

For more information on November and December activities, please see upcoming newsletters.

JOB POSTING



Professional Flight Instructor Position

*Aviation Institute,
School of Public Administration
University of Nebraska at Omaha*

The Aviation Institute at the University of Nebraska at Omaha seeks applicants for a non-tenure track faculty position at the Instructor level. The position would primarily focus on teaching courses in the flight training curriculum. A successful candidate would hold a minimum of a Bachelor's degree (Master's degree preferred) in aviation, transportation, public administration, political science or other related field, hold the appropriate FAA credentials (CFII required, MEI and 141 experience preferred), and possess the commensurate flying experience.

UNO has a strong commitment to achieving diversity. We encourage applications from under-represented groups, women and persons of color.

To apply for this position, go to <http://unomaha.peopleadmin.com/postings/7297>. The preferred start date is January 2019.

The University of Nebraska does not discriminate based on race, color, ethnicity, national origin, sex, pregnancy, sexual orientation, gender identity, religion, disability, age, genetic information, veteran status, marital status, and/or political affiliation in its programs, activities, or employment. UNO is a VEVRAA Federal Contractor and an E-Verify employer.

THE BENEFITS OF GHAFI

The Greater Houston Association of Flight Instructors seeks to provide a forum in which the Flight Instructor Community can display their wares, hone their skills and unite with their peers to raise the level of competence, safety and stature of Aviation Education. The ultimate goal of the Association is to develop a system of Teamwork within the Aviation Industry that will allow us to work together toward a common goal, to direct individual accomplishment toward organizational achievement and to provide the fuel that may inspire common people to attain uncommon results.

WHO: All Flight and Ground Instructors, as well as anyone who is interest in exploring and advancing their aviation education and promoting aviation safety.

WHAT: Four quarterly safety meetings/seminars; free breakfasts; mentorship and information from seasoned, experienced flight instructors at your fingertips; fly-outs; Christmas party, as well as other group activities that may be undertaken by the Association; as well as the latest, up-to-the-minute changes in rules, regulations, airspace, etc. for those who really need to know!

WHEN: Quarterly Seminars: January, April, July, October. Quarterly Business Meetings: February, May, August, November. Other quarterly activities: March - flying activity; June - Annual Meeting; September - flying activity; December - Christmas Party.

WHY: *"Every person owes a part of his time and money to the business or industry in which he is engaged. No one has a moral right to withhold his support from an organization that is striving to improve conditions within his sphere."* President Theodore Roosevelt, 1908. GHAFI offers a program through which we may each give back to the industry that has given so much to us.

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Business Phone _____

Pilot Certificate _____ Number _____

Ratings _____

Flight Instructor Certificates _____ Number _____

Ground Instructor Certificates _____ Number _____

Please list FBOS, airports, areas where you do most of your work:

Membership, per year:

*Active (for flight and Ground Instructors Only) \$35.00 _____

*Associate (Other) \$30.00 _____

E-mail address: _____

Date: _____ *Signature: _____

PHOTOS FROM ANNUAL MEETING (JUNE)



PHOTOS FROM 1940'S AIR TERMINAL OUTING

