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## Lambert International Airport Happy 100th Birthday!!

Lambert Airport turns 100 this year!

Lambert started its humble beginnings as a balloon launching field as part of the 1890s Kinloch Park development. Little then did anyone begin to believe that it would grow to become one of the most historical airports in the United States.



Photo St. Louis Historical Society

The airport received its official name, Albert Bond Lambert who learned to fly with the Wright Brothers receiving his pilot license in 1911. The Wright Brothers while touring the country with their Exhibition Team, visited Lambert in 1910 provided an opportunity for then President Theodore Roosevelt to fly with pilot Arch Hoxsey. President Roosevelt became the first U.S. president to fly. In 1920 Albert Bond Lambert and the Missouri Historical Society opened Lambert as the St. Louis Flying Field.

As time progressed Lambert's role in aviation continued to expand. Lambert became one of the most recognized names in aviation continuing to expand and receive recognition as a first in aviation news. Lambert became the home to legendary airlines such as Ozark and Trans World Airlines along with many additional aviation organizations.

## Lambert Airport Birthday Cont

On April 25th the GSLFIA will conduct its 2020 Aviation Awards Banquet at Lambert Airport in Terminal 1 "B" Concourse Banquet room. The keynote speaker for this event is aviation author Daniel Rust PhD., who is the author of "The Aerial Crossroads of America – St. Louis's Lambert Airport". Rhonda Hamm-Niebruegge Director of Lambert, will join Dr. Rust following his presentation for a questions and answer period. We believe this will be an exciting and emotional experience for all and especially those who have been involved in part of Lambert's rich aviation history.

In addition, the GSLFIA will recognize those individuals and organizations who have met the highest standards of flight instruction, provided lifetime contribution to aviation and aviation excellence. Award presentations will include:

- Flight Instructor of the Year
- New Flight Instructor of the Year
- James G. Byrnes Award of Aviation Excellence
- Spirit of St. Louis Award
- FAA Master Pilot Award Recognition
- GSLFIA CFI Scholarship Award
- Future Aviators First Flight Awards



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**Banquet tickets and event information on the next page. Don't miss this once in a lifetime opportunity.**

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## GSLFIA Aviation Awards Banquet Tickets

The 2020 GSLFIA Aviation Awards Banquet featuring Dr. Daniel Rust along with current airport director Rhonda Hamm-Niebruegge celebrating the 100th anniversary of Lambert will be a once in a lifetime experience. Lambert has carved its name forever in aviation history. This is your opportunity to experience a forever memorable event and likely an ability to renew many friendships with those in attendance who were part of the history of Lambert International Airport. We expect to see many individuals present from Ozark, TWA and McDonnell Douglas.

We will also celebrate the 50th anniversary of the GSLFIA organization. The GSLFIA is an instructor organization that promotes excellence in aviation training and pilot seminars. We also provide a mentoring program for future young aviators

The April 25th event will begin with a Cash Bar opening at 5:30. The dinner and awards will begin at 7:00pm with Emcee John Ladley who will take us through the line up of this exciting and memorable occasion. The Buffet Dinner will be served by HMS Host.

Tickets are limited and are available online for \$40.00 each. Tickets may be purchased online at [gslfia.rsvpify.com](http://gslfia.rsvpify.com). For more information or to purchase printed tickets contact Dick Horowitz at [rjh700@gmail.com](mailto:rjh700@gmail.com) or 314-616-0155 or Keith Mueller at [kvmueller1991@charter.net](mailto:kvmueller1991@charter.net) or 618-514-2647. Tickets are also available through GSLFIA Board Members. Parking will be free in the Terminal 1 garage. A parking voucher will be provided at the banquet.

Due to the significant amount of interest in this event we recommend that you purchase tickets early. Ticket sales will end at midnight on April 18th due to catering requirements.

Plan to share an evening reviewing the rich history of Lambert Airport with many of your friends.

Please review the GSLFIA Awards Banquet flier attached to this newsletter for additional information.

## **“Mentoring Our Youth – Intro to Aviation Ed”**

Winter flying – the low-ceilings & winds have kept us grounded too often, but not my enthusiasm for flying ... I worked on emergency planning & skills proficiency. Also, it’s been good to read the AOPA (Mar/Apr 2020) issue of their Flight Training magazine. Plus, more on the “Know Your Aircraft” theme can be found in FAA’s “Safety Briefing (Jan-Feb 2020) issue.

In January, I attended an FAA Safety Seminar hosted by GSWRA (Greater St Louis Rotor & Wing Association). Topics included FAA’s “Just Culture” and carburetor icing. Both were good learning, for fixed-wing & rotor pilots. On February 22<sup>nd</sup>, GSLFIA hosted an exhibit at the SLSC to celebrate “Engineering Week”.

Via that event, I met a teacher from the “Upward Bound” program at SIU-E. On March 14<sup>th</sup>, I’ll speak to their 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade students. Before that weekend, I taught students at the SLSC and their “YES” program. Then on March 7<sup>th</sup>, was the annual STEM event at Kirkwood HS. Last year, I met a student who used that chance meeting, to join other high school students at the “Soar into STEM” program at “Wings of Hope” (WOH).

Looking ahead to April (yes, every Saturday) is the Spring offering of “Soar into STEM”. On April 30<sup>th</sup>, IMSA (Illinois Math & Science Academy) hosts their bi-annual “Aviation Day for Teachers”. Finally, WOH will offer new summer programs titled “Soaring into Summer”. See their website (via Education & Outreach) for details.

I discuss the many needs for pilots. But, there’s a very strong need for other aviation careers (e.g, dispatchers/schedulers, aircraft mechanics). While we’ll need pilots to fly the aircraft, we know they can’t if those planes are not airworthy. That takes people with good study and work ethics to fulfill those jobs. Judy Grgsby from the FAA and AWAM

## **“Mentoring Our Youth” Continued**

(Association for Women in Aviation Maintenance) can help.

Do you recall my September, 2019 article? I referenced AOPA’s AV8RS membership, FREE for students ([www.AOPA.org/AV8RS](http://www.AOPA.org/AV8RS)). Plus, explore scholarships for 2020-2021 ([www.AOPA.org/Scholarships](http://www.AOPA.org/Scholarships)), AWAM ([www.AWAM.org](http://www.AWAM.org)), & Women in Aviation, International ([www.WAI.org](http://www.WAI.org)). Contact me for web-links to others.



Finally, take time to further engage aviation-education into the existing STEM curriculum, of various school districts. For students, they are aviation’s future – encourage & mentor them. If you’re an EAA member, encourage them to participate in the “Young Eagles” programs.

The GSLFIA invites your support to help educate future pilots & Flight Instructors of tomorrow. Contact a board member, if you’d like to help.

Jeff Rapp  
Associate member of GSLFIA

## **Trivia Night March 28th**

### **AIRPLANE !!! AVIATION CINEMA TRIVIA NIGHT**

The Aviation Trivia Night sponsored by Wings of Hope, the GSLFIA and Women in Aviation is moving. Media will be provided in the near future on the new date for the event.

### **“The Latest Scoop”**

It seems like everyone is so busy today that it's really difficult to keep up with the latest changes to the various publications put out by the FAA. Teaching our students the most up to date information is probably one of our more important duties as a CFI, as sometimes our students may spend even less time “in the books” than we instructors do. When I was teaching and checking on the B747-400 at work this was especially true. The 747 was such a nice, easy airplane to fly with some really great trips that most people would stay on it for many years - and since they did, many didn't bother studying because they knew it so well! When I would give a line check most of my time was spent on covering the latest changes that the pilots had missed. I once gave a line check to a very experienced crew, who did a marvelous job, so I had very little to critique at the end of the flight - until we were taxiing into the gate. The First Officer turned off the window heat as we cleared the runway and we when got to the gate in the debrief I pointed out that the taxi in procedure requires us to turn off the heat AFTER we had parked and shut down the engines. When that's all I could find to talk about, you know that it was a great check but when the FO asked when the window heat procedure had changed, I told him - 7 YEARS AGO! He sheepishly said “I guess that it's been a while since I looked at the Flight Manual”. Not saying that any of us spend that long without “hitting the books” but it's not too hard to miss changes - so let's talk a bit about just a few changes to the AIM that were published in Change 1, effective 30 January 2020.

Paragraph 1-1-9: Most of the Middle Markers on ILS's have been decommissioned and are now NOT operationally required. If you do much Instrument instruction - you might want to point that out to your students.

Paragraph 7-1-10 HIWAS is no longer provided by FSS, but they're still responsible to advise pilots of hazardous weather.

### **“The Latest Scoop” Continued**

Paragraph 3-2-3 CFR 61.325 now allows light sport aircraft to operate in class B airspace by Sport Pilot certificate holders.

Paragraph 4-4-12 ATC MAY assign a speed when approving deviations or RADAR vectoring off procedures that included published speed restrictions. If no speed is assigned then the pilot flies whatever they want. When the aircraft reaches the end of a STAR the last published speed on the STAR must be maintained unless ATC deletes it.

Paragraph 5-4-7 On an Instrument approach, pilots may now circle at the Approach category in which the airplane was certified OR a HIGHER Approach category (as before the change) if THEY choose.

There are a number of other important changes so I'd like to suggest that we all look at the “Explanation of changes” at the beginning of the AIM Ch.1 - so it's not 7 years before we learn about them!! Thanks for listening and don't hesitate to send feedback please - just like you do with your students, so that I can improve too!!).

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### **GSLFIA Ed Blue CFI Scholarship Application**

The annual GSLFIA Edward Blue Flight Instructor Scholarship Award application is due by 10 April 2020. The application must be postmarked by April 10th. A copy of the form is included with this newsletter.

In our GSLFIA Board meetings we're always trying to find way to add value to your membership in St. Louis' only organization specifically for the CFI. I'm not really sure why we didn't come up with this before now, but we're going to begin a column designed to advertise employment opportunities for our members and at the same time provide quality employees for St. Louis area Flight Schools and FBO's. We're in the process of contacting all of those aviation businesses (and hope to add more as we learn of their requirements) to see what their needs are and will publish those needs with every newsletter. The following information opportunities and are the latest and most accurate that were available at the time this newsletter was published and are presented in no particular order.

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# GSLFIA

## Awards Banquet



5:30 pm  
Cash bar opens

**Saturday, April 25, 2020**

St. Louis Lambert Airport, Terminal 1, B Concourse

7:00 pm  
Buffet Dinner

*Featuring presentations by author Daniel Rust, PhD. & Rhonda Hamm-Niebruegge, Director of Lambert Airport*

Tickets may be purchased for \$40.00 each online at [gslfia.rsvpify.com](http://gslfia.rsvpify.com).

**DON'T MISS OUT!** Seats are limited and this event will sell out fast!

**Ticket sales will end at midnight on Saturday, April 18. No tickets will be sold at the door.**

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