



# The Fort Worth Aviator

## 'First Ever' Fly-In Musicfest at Spinks Airport

The Flying Musicians Association's will conduct its first major event on Saturday, November 7, 2009. The event will be a Fly-In Musicfest at Fort Worth Spinks Airport and is shaping up to be filled with fun and spirited activity for the Fort Worth/Burleson area.

Flying Musicians from around the country will showcase live music on two stages. National names as well as local talent from pros to talented school kids will provide nonstop entertainment.

The Fort Worth Songwriters Association will be running two jamming tents where impromptu jams will take place throughout the day, so bring your instrument or your voice! And plan on watching – or even participating in – a Native American Flute and Drum Circle.

There will be vendors, food, aviation seminars, and music for the whole family. And don't leave early! Fireworks will erupt as the final act performs.

The Flying Musicians Association, Inc. today announced its partnership with Alexei Sultanov Foundation.

**Alexei Sultanov (1969-2005) was the gold medalist of the Van Cliburn International Piano Competition in 1989.**



Further information is available at  
[www.FlyingMusicians.org](http://www.FlyingMusicians.org)

*The Flying Musicians Association, Inc. was formed in 2009 by blending two passions, flying and music. Founded by two pilot/musicians, John Zapp and Aileen Hummel to encourage, promote, educate and support these two passions, and especially to encourage young people to pursue their interests in both flying and music.*

## U.S. NAVY BLUE ANGELS HIGHLIGHT 2009 FORT WORTH ALLIANCE AIR SHOW

The 2009 Fort Worth Alliance Air Show "Spirit of Freedom" features this year's only North Texas performance by a major U.S. military jet team, the U.S. Navy Blue Angels. The two-day show will be held on October 24 and 25. This year's performers include featured acts the U.S. Army Golden Knights Parachute Team, David Martin Airshows sponsored by Breitling, Julie Clark CHEVRON MENTOR T-34, the ShockWave Triple Engine Jet Truck and the aviation comedy act of Kent Pietsch.

In addition to the dynamic aviation performances each day, there are several activities on the ground, making the two-day event an aviation festival.



A new feature to the Fort Worth Alliance Air Show is Freedom Plaza located at the western base of the Fort Worth Alliance Airport Air Traffic Control Tower.

The event will be held at Fort Worth Alliance Airport. Gates open at 9 a.m. Performances begin at approximately 11:00 a.m. and run until late afternoon. The same show is held each day. Admission is free. Parking is \$20 per vehicle.

For a list of performers, parking information, exhibit and sponsorship rates, visit

[www.AllianceAirShow.com](http://www.AllianceAirShow.com)

## DIRECTOR'S NOTE



Kent Penney  
Airport Systems  
Director

### SUPER BOWL PREPARATIONS UNDERWAY

The Aviation Community is making preparations for an event that you have all been hearing about. This is Super Bowl 45 scheduled for February 6, 2011, to be proudly hosted by all of us in North Texas. We have recognized that the aviation community will be the front door that many attendees come through and the last part of their experience in the DFW Metroplex.

The aviation planning for the event includes working with airports, heliports, FBO's, air traffic control, security interests, and ground transportation to get these attendees where they want to be in hospitable style. The Aviation Action Team, formed by the North Texas Super Bowl Committee, started its work in June led by Jeff Fegan, CEO of DFW Airport and is meeting on a monthly basis. The team has developed specific task groups to work with Operations, Website, FBO's, Forecasting and other issues as the needs are identified. The cooperation and interactions have been wonderful so far and you will see components of this rolling out to different groups over the next 12 months.

We recognize it is imperative to make a first class impression to the decision makers that attend this event. There are expected to be over 1200 additional general aviation aircraft coming to the area just for the Super Bowl. From the time they arrive into this airspace, experience their chosen FBO's hospitality, travel around the area by ground or by helicopter and until they smoothly depart back to their home, a first class experience is what we wish to leave each and everyone with. We want the Super Bowl to be a regular event in North Texas and for those attending to understand that this is a wonderful area for their business interests as well. For more information on the event and the activities surrounding it stay apprised through [www.northtexassuperbowl.com](http://www.northtexassuperbowl.com)

## AIRPORT WATCH

Report suspicious activity by contacting airport staff at 817.392.5400. If danger is imminent, call 911 first. Don't take risks with your own safety.



## AIR PARK TO ACQUIRE TA-4J & F-4C FROM JOINT RESERVE BASE

The Veterans Memorial Air Park (VMAP) is set to recover two static display aircraft from the Joint Reserve Base. Both of these aircraft have been on static display at the air base since the late 1980's. Recently, both of these aircraft became available to the VMAP through an aircraft loan program with the National Museum of Naval Aviation in Pensacola, Florida.

## FORT WORTH AVIATION SAFETY COOPERATIVE

The Fort Worth Aviation Safety Cooperative (FWASC) meets quarterly to discuss topics of safety that arise from operations at Fort Worth area airports and the surrounding airspace. The mission of this group is to enhance communication and awareness of safety concerns among area airport and airspace users and to find solutions to improve the overall safety of our airports and airspace. Core attendees are air traffic controllers, airport managers, pilots, ground operations personnel and other interested parties.

The next meeting of FWASC will be held December 10, 2009 at 4pm at the Meacham Airport Terminal Building, Suite 200. The keynote speaker for this event will be Joseph Murphy from the FAA Safety Team. Joe will speak about pilot deviations and FAA enforcement action – what you should know as a pilot. FWASC meetings are eligible for FAA WINGS Program credits.

If you are interested in being added to the FWASC email list, please email

[victoria@epichelicopters.com](mailto:victoria@epichelicopters.com). FWASC is an FAA Safety Team (FAAST) and Epic Helicopters, LLC sponsored event.



## AIR PARK ACQUISITION

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The TA-4J Skyhawk was built by Douglas as a two seat trainer. This model also served as a Fast FAC, forward air control aircraft during the Vietnam War era. Prior to being put on display at the JRB, this "Scooter," served with the US Navy and US Marine Corps in numerous locations, including Kingsville, Texas, Cuba, the Philippines and Puerto Rico. Some of the squadrons this aircraft operated in include; Training Squadrons, 4,7,21,22, Navy Composite Squadrons, 1,5,8 & 10 and several others before its last active squadron, VX-5, in China Lake, CA.

The F-4C Phantom II was built by McDonnell in 1965, it served with the 4520CCTW Nellis AFB, NV and the 4453CCTW Davis-Monthan AFB, AZ.

In 1966 it deployed to the 366TFW Da Nang AB, RVN where it remained in theater until 1970, also serving with the 12 TFW. It then returned to the States with the 479TFW & 35TFW at George AFB, CA. Next it was transferred to the 170TFS/183TFG Springfield ANGB, IL, the 142FIG Klamath-Falls ANGB, OR and finally last serving with the 301st TFW Carswell AFB, TX in 1987.



These two aircraft will become the sixteenth and seventeenth aircraft in the VMAP collection's air park. The VAMP has recently moved from its previous location on Meacham Field and now occupies five acres for aircraft display, its museum and storage facility. The new museum is not yet open to the public while renovations are in progress. When open, in the next few months, the B-36 Peacemaker Museum along with the Forward Air Controller's Museum and the OV-10 Bronco Association will share the display space.

**CAPITAL PROGRAM SPECIALIST  
RUSEENA E. (SAUNDERS) JOHNSON**

Ruseena has worked for the City of Fort Worth for the last 8 years including her 3 semesters as a co-op student in the Department of Engineering. Ruseena began her full time tenure with the City of Fort Worth in the Department of Engineering shortly after graduation from the University of Oklahoma with her Bachelor's Degree in Industrial Engineering. During her time with the Department of Engineering (DOE) Ruseena had the opportunity to shadow and interview members of each division of the department, including the Construction Inspection Services Group, Real Property Group and the Project Managers Groups, giving her an opportunity to write out processes and gain some hands on experience in all aspects of project management. She's also very well oriented with Microsoft Project making her well qualified to not only follow but also plan design and construction aspects of a project. She's known as one that "will research all angles of any question presented and give the asker an answer surpassing his/her expectations."



**CONGRATULATIONS AYA EALY**



Aya Ealy joined the Aviation Department in November 2008 as the Grants Specialist and was recently promoted to Administrative Manager in July 2009. Prior to joining the Aviation Department she was employed with the City of Fort Worth Housing Department as a Contract Compliance Specialist. Aya holds a BS in Political Science with a minor in Accounting from the University of Houston and a Masters in Public Administration from the University of North Texas.

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**Frequently Asked Questions**

**Where do I pay my rent?** City of Fort Worth Aviation Dept, Attn.: Diana Lama  
4201 N. Main St, Suite 200  
Fort Worth, TX 76106

**When is rent due?** Rent is due on or before the tenth of each month.

**Can I pay my rent online?** Currently we do not have an online payment program.

**What other forms of payment are accepted?** Rent and deposits may be paid by check, money order, cashier's check, or a major credit card (MasterCard, Visa, American Express).

**What is the fee for returned checks?** A \$25 fee will be charged for any returned check.

**When will my security deposit be refunded?** Any security deposit held on account will be refunded, less any qualified deductions, to the tenant of record within 30 days after the lease terminates and after the leased premises has been vacated by the tenant. 30-day written notice is necessary.

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