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Airport Staff and Tenants Mourn the Loss of Gary Briggs



The Hayward Executive Airport aviation community was saddened to hear of the passing of aviation developer and long-time commercial tenant Gary Briggs on October 29, 2017. He was 64 years old.

As the founder and president of Ascend Development, Mr. Briggs was responsible for construction of the Park Avion hangar complex at Hayward. The project was completed in two phases and includes 17 individual hangars with a total of 140,000 square feet.

“Park Avion changed the airport,” says Airport Manager Doug McNeeley. “The presence of high-end hangars attracted a significant number of corporate aircraft, putting the airport on the map for turbine operators in the Bay Area.”

Mr. Briggs’ career spanned 45 years and included senior positions with well-known aviation companies, including FBO-operator Flightcraft, Inc. and aircraft modification firm Raisbeck Engineering, Inc. He was an FAA-certified pilot.

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U.S. Aircraft Expo Held at Hayward

On March 23-24, 2018 the U.S. Aircraft Expo was held for the first time at Hayward Executive Airport. APP Jet Center hosted the event on a large portion of their transient parking ramp.



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Open to the public, this free event allowed prospective buyers to see current aircraft models from Beechcraft, Cessna, Cirrus, Epic, Honda Jet, Mooney, Piper, Pilatus, Quest, TBM, and more. A seminar was also held to address many questions that arise during aircraft acquisition, including presentations on insurance, financing, and tax implications. 



Operations News

By Pamela Svrclin
Airport Operations Supervisor

Hello! I'm Pam Svrclin, the new Airport Operations Supervisor at Hayward Executive Airport (HWD), and I'm pleased to be here! First, a little about me. For the past two and a half years, I've worked as the Airport Operations Supervisor for Santa Clara County where I helped manage the Reid Hillview and San Martin airports. I have additional experience with an aerial survey company and a flight planning organization.

My love of flying started in Truckee when I was 15 years old flying gliders at Soar Truckee, Inc. and continued while attending San Jose State University's Aviation Operations Program. After graduation, I received my FAA Private Pilot Certificate and Aircraft Dispatchers

Certificate. I'm a member of Women in Aviation, the 99's, Alpha Eta Rho Fraternity, Aero Club of Northern California, and American Association of Airport Executives.

I am grateful to call the Bay Area home. This wonderful corner of the world has some of the greatest minds, newest technology, and a vibrant aviation community. Now, as part of the HWD family, I would like to get to know each one of you. Please come by the Airport Administration Office or stop me on the ramp; I am here to help. Feel free to contact me at 510-293-5462 or pamela.svrclin@hayward-ca.gov with any comments or questions. See you soon. ✉



Business News

By Todd Strojny
Airport Business Supervisor

I'm Todd Strojny and I'm pleased to serve in the new position of Business Supervisor at Hayward Executive Airport. I'm responsible for most daily business and administrative functions, including oversight of individual and commercial ground leases, accounts payable and receivable, the airport operating and CIP budgets, and business development. Among many other things, my objectives here include streamlining our administrative processes to be more efficient and providing a very high level of customer service.

While I am new to this position, I am not new to the City of Hayward. Since starting with the Public Works Department in 2004, my primary role has been to oversee the City's Capital Improvement Program, including HWD's capital projects. I have also served as an analyst

in several other municipalities throughout Northern and Southern California.

My passion for aviation started at a young age in the mid-1970's when my uncle, who was a captain for American Airlines, would let me sit in the cockpit when he arrived in either LAX or SFO. That passion continued during my first full-time municipal job in 1996 with the City of Auburn. While there, I assisted in the management of Auburn Municipal Airport by overseeing their Storm Water Pollution Prevention Program (SWPPP), addressing financial issues, and working closely with tenants. I thoroughly enjoyed this time in my career and always hoped to resume working at an airport at some point in the future. That's why I'm so happy to be at HWD. I look forward to meeting you. ✉



Airport Manager's Corner

By Doug McNeeley

I would like to announce four personnel changes at the airport.

After 25 years of public service with the City of Hayward, as well as positions at other municipalities, Public Works Director Morad Fakhrai announced his retirement in late 2017. Morad is a registered professional engineer and his experience with road construction and other types of capital projects made him a natural to oversee the airport and other divisions of Public Works. Morad has said he's interested in taking a discovery flight in the near future, and if all goes well, he may become a regular fixture at the airport.

As the result of Morad's departure, City Manager Kelly McAdoo announced the appointment of Alex Ameri as Interim Public Works Director. Alex has master's degrees in civil engineering and mechanical engineering and he is a registered professional engineer in California. After working in the private sector, he accepted a position with the City of Santa Barbara in the land development division of the Public Works Department. He moved to the Bay Area in 1989 and joined the City of Hayward's Planning Department as the Development Services Engineer. Alex was selected as the Deputy Director of Public Works for Utilities in 1993 and was appointed as the Director of the newly established Utilities & Environmental Services Department in 2010. Airport staff looks forward to working with Alex.

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Mr. Briggs' son Scott now oversees the Park Avion development and other aviation projects for Ascend Development.

Pam Svrclin is our newly-appointed airport operations supervisor and takes over from David Decoteau. She comes to us as the former airport operations supervisor in Santa Clara County. Pam is a graduate of San Jose State University, a private pilot, and she's currently the co-president of the Women in Aviation Bay Area Chapter. Pam supervises the airport maintenance staff and the airport operations specialist, and she is already busy with projects, including completion of the recent annual inspection of City-owned hangars. We're very pleased to have Pam onboard.

Todd Strojny is the new airport business supervisor, a position that was recently approved by City Council. Informally dubbed the "king of paperwork," Todd handles everything from grant applications to report preparation, and from supervision of the office staff to preparation of our annual operating and CIP budgets. Todd has a long history of public service at municipalities throughout California, and he most recently worked with the Hayward Fire Department. He has already begun to make beneficial changes to our business practices and provide an even better customer experience, and we're pleased to have Todd on the airport team.

We are currently recruiting for the airport operations specialist position and hope to have a new person onboard soon. We'll have an announcement in the next edition of the newsletter. ☞

"Gary was very knowledgeable and a strong advocate for the general aviation industry," noted McNeeley. "Our staff enjoyed working with him, and he will be missed at the airport." ☞



In late October 2017, a project was completed to replace all the glass panes in the Hayward FAA Air Traffic Control Tower cab to enhance visibility. The work became a priority after one of the glass panes began to deteriorate, and due to age and condition, a decision was made to replace them all. The FAA entirely funded the project.



A solo, 24,816-mile flight around the world briefly touched down in Hayward in late September 2017 soon after a 2,119-mile leg non-stop from Honolulu. The 2001 Beechcraft A36 Bonanza was piloted by thirty-year-old Shaesta Waiz, founder of the non-profit organization Dreams Soar. Her mission is to inspire more women to consider careers in aviation and the sciences. Waiz was born in a refugee camp in Afghanistan and later became the first in her family to attend college. She now holds both a bachelor's and master's degree. www.dreamssoar.org

UPCOMING EVENTS

CAC Meeting Schedule
April 12, 2018, 5:30 pm
Airport Conference Room

Frequency Information

Noise Information	122.85
ATIS.....	126.70
HWD TWR.....	120.20
HWD GND	121.40
UNICOM	122.95
CLNC DEL.....	128.05
NORCAL APP.....	125.35
OAK TWR	118.3/127.2

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 Council Member Mark Salinas*

CAC Meeting Schedule for 2018
*April 12, July 12 & October 11
 5:30 pm, Airport Conference Room*

**Hayward Executive
 Airport Staff**

*Alex Ameri
 Interim Public Works Director*

*Douglas McNeeley
 Airport Manager*

*Pamela Svrclin
 Operations Supervisor*

*Todd Strojny
 Airport Business Supervisor*

*Noemi Dostal
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*Vacant
 Operations Specialist*

*Amy Toste
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