

# Friends of Ontario Airport

June 2015

## FRIENDS MISSION

The Friends of Ontario Airport is a non-partisan, non-sectarian organization that unites people of all backgrounds into a special group with a common interest in aviation, and in the development and growth of Ontario International Airport (ONT) for the benefit of all persons.



Friends of  
**Ontario**  
International Airport

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

### Thursday, June 18

Friends of Ontario Airport  
Board of Directors Meeting  
3 p.m. to 4 p.m.

General Membership  
Meeting  
4 p.m. to 5 p.m.

ONT Administration Bldg.  
Conference Room

Light refreshments served.

## WANTED

Items for  
Aviation Nation  
Museum



If you have interesting or historic items related to aviation and airports, we'd love to show it off at the new Aviation Nation Museum coming soon to ONT. Please call ONT's Community & Public Relations Division at (909)544-5360 to donate your items.

## A few words from your "Prez"

Message from the President:

Dennis Watson used to run what is now called Community & Public Relations for the airport. Some called him Mister PR. Some called him a public relations Zen Master. He spent better than ten years in advance P.R. for the new terminals. He invented the hanger parties, the Friends 5K run, and beer tasting. And I remember the night he invented the airport field trip. It was an evening walking tour of the UPS facility.



Since that time, with the help of Maria Tesoro, Friends of the Airport has turned the field trip into an annual event. Each August, instead of a regular meeting, we have hit the road to visit a site of interest to us all. We have been everywhere from the neighboring Hofer Ranch to the cutting edge of space exploration at the JPL facilities in Pasadena. This year we are planning to head down to John Wayne Airport. JWA is not a part of LAWA but it is an important part of Southern California flight. We will be letting you know the details, but plan on getting on the bus on the third Thursday morning in August.

Of course, our June meeting is Thursday, June 18, at 4 p.m. See you then.

Visit our webpage at [www.FriendsOfOntarioAirport.org](http://www.FriendsOfOntarioAirport.org), we have six different pages, all with photos. Can you find your photo? Check it out and share it with a friend.

- Joe Lyons

## JUNE GUEST SPEAKER: DAN LeBOUF, GUARDIAN JET CENTER

GUARDIAN  JET CENTER

*Friends of Ontario Airport presents guest speakers Dan LeBouf, General Manager and Liz Fairfield, Customer Service Manager of Guardian Jet Center.*

*Guardian redefines the business traveler's experience by providing unmatched service and first-class facilities, with a spacious lounge, briefing room, fitness center and two hangars totaling 42,300 sf and 10,000 sf.*

*Dan and Liz will provide information about Guardian's current activity and future plans.*

*Bring a friend and join us!*

**Check out the  
Friends website...**

[www.FriendsofOntarioAirport.org](http://www.FriendsofOntarioAirport.org)

## Why join the Friends?

Free admission to the Friends bi-monthly meetings, summer field trip, and annual holiday party; 6 issues of the Friends newsletter; invitations to exclusive airport special events; and a new set of "friends" who share a common interest in the success of ONT. Be a part of the airport "inner circle"!



# The Friends had a roaring good time!

Friends 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Tournament was held at Sierra Lakes Golf Club on May 8, 2015. On the course, 124 golfers braved the threat of rain and enjoyed El Torito tacos, Bucca DiBeppo tiramisu and game hole opportunities. Long time Friends members Myron Saulpaugh and Sandy Forney were lucky airline ticket winners. ONT Safety Officer Raul Rodriguez, who won AeroMexico tickets, generously donated them to Petty Officer First Class Keith Tickle, who played on the USO Team donated by AeroMexico.

## Board of Directors

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Joe Lyons

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*ONT Airport Operations*

Suzanne St. Pierre



## SAVE THE DATE

7th Annual Plane Pull  
Competition

**"Pull for Our Heroes"**

**Saturday, Oct. 24, 2015**

**9 a.m. to 1 p.m.**

ONT Terminal 1 (tarmac)  
1940 E. Moore Way, Ontario,  
CA 91761

Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA) Executive Director Gina Marie Lindsey announced that after a 39-year career, 33 working in the aviation industry, she will retire. Telling staff "it is time for me to move on to other adventures," Lindsey discussed her retirement with Mayor Eric Garcetti and Board of Airport Commissioners President Sean Burton and says she will stay on into the spring to ensure a smooth transition to new leadership.

The Los Angeles Board of Airport Commissioners (BOAC) unanimously approved the nomination of Oakland International Airport Director Deborah Ale Flint as the next executive director of Los Angeles World Airports.