

Friends of Ontario Airport

Oct 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.



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Ontario
International Airport

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Thursday, October 15

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.

Friends Membership Dues Update

Annual dues has been increased to \$20.00 for individuals and \$30.00 for corporate & couples.

Invoice will be sent requesting payment in December for calendar year Jan. to Dec. 2016.

A few words from your "Prez"

Message from the President:

Whose Airport Is It Now?

So you heard at the end of July that L.A. was going to turn over our airport to the City of Ontario. What now?



At the recent Economic Forecast Conference, Dr. Manfred Keil of Claremont McKenna College pointed out that local infrastructure would be an important part of the airport's growth. In fact, he said, if the Metrolink Gold Line can get ONT passengers to Union Station quicker than LAX flyers can get there, we will have a distinct advantage.

The Friends will continue to support Ontario Airport, as we have since 1963.

Keeping in touch with your "Friends" is easy with our new Facebook page, search for "Friends of Ontario Airport". Don't forget to view our updated webpage at www.FriendsOfOntarioAirport.org, we have six different pages, including event photos. Can you find your photo? Check it out and share it with a friend.

- Joe Lyons

OCT. GUEST SPEAKER: GAIL LEONARD, GUIDE DOGS OF AMERICA



Guide Dogs of America

An International Guiding Eyes Program

Friends of Ontario Airport presents guest speaker, Gail Leonard of Guide Dogs of America (GDA).

GDA has been offering guide dog mobility services free of charge, to qualified blind and visually impaired individuals, since 1948.

Gail has been training dogs for GDA for over 25 years. Friends will meet her newest guide dog in training and learn how ONT is used by GDA to train their dogs for travel.

If you'd like, bring a doggy toy to donate at the meeting.

Bring a friend and join us!



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
(909) 544-5360



Four Legged Meeter Greeters De-stress Travelers at LA/Ontario International Airport.

Passengers are now welcomed by furry four legged volunteers - dogs! ONT, in partnership with the Pet Prescription Team of Los Angeles, Orange County and San Diego County, launched a new program this summer with the hopes of providing a less stressful travel experience at the airport. ONT's PAWS (Pets Assisting With Smiles) program has approximately 35 certified therapy dogs and their handlers roaming throughout the terminals on rotating schedules and visiting with passengers.

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Friends Annual Field Trip to John Wayne Airport August 20th

After playing trivia games for prizes on the bus, the Friends were treated to an in-depth tour of the airport by tour guides Fred and Sharon.

This included the new USO, TSA screening area, and the upper and lower levels.

The Friends learned the nine-foot bronze statue of "The Duke" was created at the Hoka Hey Foundry in Dublin, Texas.,

In celebration of German flight pioneer, Otto Lilienthal's 123rd birthday, hang gliders made by local Orange County residents are displayed in the baggage claim area.

Thank you to ONT Community & Public Relations for sponsoring the delicious box lunches, prepared by Impressions Catering.



CONGRATULATIONS TO FRIENDS MEMBER SANDRA FORNEY!



Sandra Forney, President/Owner Impressions Gourmet Catering, Inc. and long time Friends Member was honored with the NAWBO-IE (National Association of Women Business Owners - Inland Empire) Businesswoman of the Year!

Awarded to a woman who has demonstrated creative initiative in her business, to grow the business, to create jobs for others, to overcome obstacles, and to help her community. With a proven track record of success, she is a role model, mentor and leader.