



# JACKSON HOLE AIRPORT STAFF UPDATE

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## Important Employee Parking News



During the month of June we will all be affected by changes in the parking lot. Between now and the end of June, watch for texts or emails from Operations that let everyone know we need to adjust where we park each day. The good news is that when this change takes place, it will be the last parking change – we will be moving to our new permanent employee parking area.

When the word comes to change where we park, there will be no more parking on the airside ramp, in front of the Admin or Firehouse buildings, or in the general parking lot. All employees will begin parking in the orange area illustrated in the image above - it's just south of the access road, across from Hangar One. This lot will be gated and you will swipe your current SIDA badge to gain access, and then swipe your badge again when you leave the lot. Parking will be free for the first 24 hours. If your car stays in the lot more than 24 hours, you will be charged \$8.50 per day when you leave (half the price travelers will pay for overnight parking). But if you are just coming each day to work a regular shift, your parking will be free.

If the image above is hard to decipher, you will soon see a larger graphic posted in your department where you normally see parking notices. If you have any questions about parking, please call the Operations Landside phone number at (307) 413-1516.

## Employee of the Month



Congratulations to Ron Campbell, Construction, Maintenance and Facilities Manager, who was selected as May's Employee of the Month. Ron was chosen for his get-it-done attitude, enthusiasm, and focus on making our organization better. Ron has been an employee of the airport for 35 years. Wow!

## Welcome to Our Newest American Citizen!



On May 24<sup>th</sup>, Esther Borja was sworn in as an American citizen at the Craig Thomas Visitor's Center in Moose, and a group of JHA well-wishers attended the ceremony. Jim Elwood commented, "We are so proud of Esther and her achievement in becoming an American citizen. The entrance test is not easy and we warmly welcome Esther as a fellow citizen of the United States."

## Keeping the Peace



Mike Geiling (center), a member of our Operations team, is also a member of the Wyoming National Guard Charlie Company 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion 297<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment; and for the next year he will be deployed on a peacekeeping mission in Kosovo. Governor Mark Gordon and other dignitaries attended a send-off ceremony in Star Valley last week. Our wishes are with Mike for a safe deployment, along with a sincere gratitude for his service.

## Achievements!

Congratulations to Steve Kerley who just earned his Airport Master Firefighter certification. This is a certification offered by AAAE which gives the individual thorough knowledge of Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting along with a basic understanding of Airport Management and Administration.

A double congratulations to Phillip Adams, who completed his Master's Degree in Aviation Safety from the University of Central Missouri, and his ACE Security certification from AAAE. This certification process is designed to establish a general knowledge base for airport professionals working in the fluid security environment.

Congratulations to Derek Hadfield who just earned his ACE Airfield Operations certification. This is another certification offered by AAAE which is a Part 139 based curriculum designed to educate and challenge airport personnel with airfield operation responsibilities or anyone interested in a related career.

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## Eco News



In the airport's continuing commitment to manage its environmental footprint, Paul Walters is working with a group of students from the University of Wyoming to develop a Sustainability Assessment Tool. This project will create a user-friendly assessment matrix for tracking and reporting, that will integrate with Grand Teton National Park and Teton County sustainability efforts.

We are also going to create a Good Traveler Program for those flying to or from JAC. Passengers who wish to participate will be directed to a web site where they can pay a small fee to help offset the carbon footprint created from the fuel consumed during their flight. The voluntary contribution would be \$2.00 for every 1,000 miles flown and the money earned would be used to finance a local program (e.g. forestry renewal) to help offset the environmental impact of their flight.

## Employee Chicken Fry at Rick Braun's House

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**SAVE THE DATE!** Board president, Rick Braun and his wife Gee have invited staff to attend a chicken fry at their house on Saturday, August 24<sup>th</sup> at 5pm. Bring your family, your kids and your dog! Please send an RSVP to \_\_\_\_\_ by August 1<sup>st</sup>.

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## JHA Travelers Get a Unique Welcome



During midday each Saturday throughout the summer, you will see owls, eagles and other raptors in the baggage claim area. The Teton Raptor Center will be here to educate inbound travelers about these magnificent creatures. The expression on the faces of passengers when they unexpectedly see these birds is priceless. Starting in July the Raptor Center will also be in the holding area early each Friday morning, so those folks can have an up-close look at raptors they may have never seen. It will be an interesting site as these birds go through the security checkpoint!

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## Many New Faces!

We are excited to have Jacob Hiller join us in June as our next Operations Intern. Jacob graduated from Eastern Kentucky University in May with a Bachelor of Science in Aviation and a minor in Business. When you see him making the rounds with our Operations team, please give him a warm welcome.

Another somewhat new face to the Operations team will be Ray Lilley. Some of you may have seen Ray around, as he worked at Jackson Hole Aviation and was on the airport's 2018/2019 Winter Operations Team. Please join us in welcoming him to the JAC team full time.

We have great new seasonal Hosts Valerie Crawford and Samantha Emmett coming on board over the next two weeks. When you see them at the Information Desk or moving through the airport, please give them a big hello. In addition, we are really happy that Kris Foreman, Steve Foster, Jean Hansen, and Laura Armstrong are returning as Hosts for the summer season. Zach Johnson and Sarah Mayo are two high school students, who will be helping out as Ambassador Hosts. You'll see them rounding up baggage carts and helping the Hosts keep everything flowing to provide a great passenger experience.

Also, a warm welcome to Marilyn French, Amelia Johnson and Melissa Bates who over the past couple of months have joined the Security Screening team. Congratulations to each of them for completing their first phase of training.

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## Road Construction

Just a reminder that road construction on Highway 89/191 will continue throughout the coming month. Wait times will be in the 15-30 minute range. As they become available, specific advisories will be sent via email and posted in your departmental areas. If you would like to talk to Grand Teton National Park Information directly about construction, they can be reached at 307-739-3682.

