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### Manager's Report June 14, 2016

#### General

1. Sun Air's overall completion rate was 98.3% for May, with a controllable completion rate of 100%. Passenger loads ticked up from April and from May of 2015. The reports of completed flights, enplanements, and total passengers are included with this report.
2. Three carriers have bid on the AOO EAS service; Boutique Air, Corporate Flight Management, and Southern Airways Express. Comments on the proposals are due to DOT by June 20, 2016. I am recommending that we recommend that DOT accept the Southern Airways Express bid with the two-hub option of flights to both PIT and BWI. If the BWI hub is not well received, we have the option to switch back to an all PIT schedule.
3. Because we did not dispute the numbers in the DOT's tentative order relating to EAS service at AOO, it is likely that they will be issuing a formal order to discontinue EAS service at AOO. We must allow the order to be issued BEFORE we can file an appeal for a waiver. We fully expect that we will receive a waiver, but we have to allow the process to work out with a formal order to discontinue, before we file our appeal.

#### Marketing/Promotion

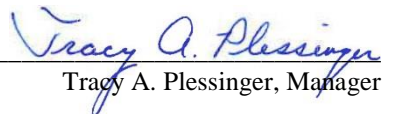
1. Planning is continuing for the Wings of Freedom visit August 19-21. We have learned that this year's visit by the Colling's Foundation will include four aircraft; a B-17 Flying Fortress, a B-24 Liberator, a B-25 Mitchell, and a P-51 Mustang. The Altoona Antique Auto Club and Corvette Club will have displays on Saturday of the event. The Greater Pennsylvania Military Preservation Association will host displays of military vehicles and weaponry on both Saturday and Sunday, as well as sponsor a hangar dance on Friday evening.

#### Property

1. Safe Q, LLC, is scheduled to begin work on the FBO Fuel Farm repairs on July 1.
2. Flightway One, LLC, has provided payment-in-full for the purchase of the DeGol Jet A Fuel System at a price of \$80,000. They are on schedule to have the system removed by June 30, as the sales agreement specifies.
3. Atty. Pertile has prepared a draft lease agreement for T-Hangar tenants. This agreement is intended to replace the current leases, which are somewhat of a hodge-podge, or in some cases non-existent. We are under an FAA directive to have this new lease approved by July 31, 2016, so action can be taken tonight, or at our July 11, meeting.
4. The PSP have requested a lease extension on their hangar. The extension proposes a 9-month extension, through June 30, 2017, with options for two additional 3 month extensions. There is a motion on tonight's agenda for approval of the lease.

#### Finance

1. Financial reports for the month of May are included. Invoices for June total \$20,353.11.

  
Tracy A. Plessinger, Manager

# AOO SUN AIR EXPRESS FLIGHT/PASSENGER COUNTS

	OUTBOUND STATISTICS						INBOUND STATISTICS						TOTAL STATISTICS					
	Sch. OB Flts.	Com. OB Flts.	% OB Flts. Com.	Tot. OB PAX	Avg. PAX/ Flt. OB	Avg. OB PAX/ Day *	Sch. IB Flts.	Com. IB Flts.	% IB Flts. Com.	Tot. IB PAX	Avg. PAX/ Flt. IB	Avg. IB PAX/ Day	Tot. Sch. Flts.	Tot. Com. Flts.	% Flts. Com.	Tot. PAX	Avg. PAX/ Flt.	Avg. PAX/ Day **
2014-12	109	64	59%	145	2	5	110	70	64%	111	2	4	219	134	61%	256	2	8
2015-01	112	66	59%	80	1	3	112	63	56%	106	2	3	224	129	58%	186	1	6
2015-02	105	57	54%	69	1	2	103	58	56%	60	1	2	208	115	55%	129	1	4
2015-03	116	86	74%	190	2	6	116	85	73%	174	2	6	232	171	74%	364	2	12
2015-04	112	105	94%	187	2	6	112	105	94%	174	2	6	224	210	94%	361	2	12
2015-05	114	111	97%	199	2	6	114	111	97%	144	1	5	228	222	97%	343	2	11
2015-06	112	106	95%	206	2	7	112	106	95%	176	2	6	224	212	95%	382	2	12
2015-07	116	104	90%	227	2	7	116	104	90%	191	2	6	232	208	90%	418	2	13
2015-08	114	111	97%	297	3	10	114	111	97%	272	2	9	228	222	97%	569	3	18
2015-09	112	106	95%	263	2	8	112	106	95%	223	2	7	224	212	95%	486	2	16
2015-10	115	106	92%	240	2	8	115	106	92%	198	2	6	230	212	92%	438	2	14
2015-11	111	111	100%	250	2	8	111	111	100%	237	2	8	222	222	100%	487	2	16
2015-12	116	106	91%	232	2	8	116	105	91%	183	2	6	232	211	91%	415	2	14
2016-01	114	96	84%	174	2	6	114	96	84%	119	1	4	228	192	84%	293	2	10
2016-02	108	94	87%	129	1	4	108	94	87%	97	1	3	216	188	87%	226	1	8
2016-03	116	113	97%	207	2	7	116	112	97%	197	2	7	232	225	97%	404	2	14
2016-04	111	102	92%	182	2	6	111	101	91%	163	2	5	222	203	91%	345	2	12
2016-05	115	113	98%	225	2	8	115	113	98%	202	2	7	230	226	98%	427	2	14

**The 2 numbers above that are most important for our EAS designation are:**

\* Avg. OB PAX/Day - This number must be at 10 to maintain EAS status.

\*\* Avg. PAX/Day - This number must be at 33 to maintain EAS status.



Flight Operations Dept.

Completion Factor recap

Altoona, PA

Period: May 2016

	Operations		Cancellations		Notes
	Sched	Actual	Cont.	Non-Cont	
1-May	6	6			
2-May	8	8			
3-May	8	6		2	WX. AOO vis under mins
4-May	8	8			
5-May	8	8			
6-May	8	8			
7-May	6	6			
8-May	6	6			
9-May	8	8			
10-May	8	8			
11-May	8	8			
12-May	8	8			
13-May	8	8			
14-May	6	6			
15-May	6	6			
16-May	8	8			
17-May	8	8			
18-May	8	8			
19-May	8	6		2	WX Cxld. AOO vis under mins
20-May	8	8			
21-May	6	6			
22-May	6	6			
23-May	8	8			
24-May	8	8			
25-May	8	8			
26-May	8	8			
27-May	8	8			
28-May	6	6			
29-May	6	6			
30-May	8	8			
31-May	8	8			

CF MTD

ALL Completion (Including non cont)

**98.3%**

Controllable Completion

**100.0%**



WINGS OF FREEDOM TOUR  
THE COLLINGS FOUNDATION

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### For Immediate Release

## The Wings of Freedom Tour of the WWII Vintage B-17 Flying Fortress, B-24 Liberator, B-25 Mitchell and P-51 Mustang Announce Unique Display in Altoona at Altoona-Blair County Airport from August 19 to August 21

**In honor of our WWII Veterans ~ The Collings Foundation's Wings of Freedom Tour Brings Extremely Rare Bomber and Fighter Aircraft for Local Living History Display as Part of 110-city Nationwide Tour**

**WHAT:** Participating in the Collings Foundation's WINGS OF FREEDOM TOUR, the WWII B-17 Flying Fortress "Nine O Nine," B-24 Liberator "Witchcraft," B-25 Mitchell "Tondelayo" bombers and P-51 Mustang "Betty Jane" fighter, will fly into **Altoona-Blair County Airport** in **Altoona, PA** for a visit from August 19 to August 21. This is a rare opportunity to visit, explore, and learn more about these unique and rare treasures of aviation history. The B-17 is one of only 8 in flying condition in the United States, *the B-24J and Full Dual Control P-51C Mustang are the sole remaining examples of their type flying in the World.* The B-25 is best known for being used in the daring Doolittle raid. Visitors are invited to **explore the aircraft inside and out** - \$12 for adults and \$6 for children under 12 is requested for access to up-close viewing and tours through the inside of the aircraft. Discounted rates for school groups. Visitors may also experience the **once-in-a-lifetime opportunity** to actually **take a 30-minute flight** aboard these rare aircraft. Flights on either the B-17 or B-24 are \$450 per person. Get some "stick time" in the world's greatest fighter! P-51 flights are \$2,200 for a half hour and \$3,200 for a full hour. B-25 flights are \$400 per person. For reservations and information on flight experiences **call 800-568-8924**.

**WHERE:** The WINGS OF FREEDOM TOUR will be on display at **Altoona-Blair County Airport** in **Altoona** - located at the **main ramp**.

**WHEN:** The WINGS OF FREEDOM TOUR will arrive at Altoona-Blair County Airport at 2:00 PM on August 19 and will be on display at main ramp at Altoona-Blair County Airport until the aircraft departs August 21 after 5:00 PM. Hours of ground tours and display are: 2:00 PM through 5:00 PM on Friday, August 19; 9:00 AM through 5:00 PM on Saturday, August 20; 9:00 AM through 5:00 PM on Sunday, August 21. The 30-minute flight experiences are normally scheduled before and after the ground tour times above.

**WHO:** The Collings Foundation is a 501c3 non-profit educational foundation devoted to organizing "living history" events that allows people to learn more about their heritage and history through direct participation. The Nationwide WINGS OF FREEDOM TOUR is celebrating its 27<sup>th</sup> year and visits an average of 110 cities in over 35 states annually. Since its start, tens of millions of people have seen the B-17, B-24 & P-51 display at locations everywhere. The WINGS OF FREEDOM tour is one of the most extraordinary and unique interactive traveling historical displays of its kind.

**WHY:** The WINGS OF FREEDOM TOUR travels the nation as a flying tribute to the flight crews who flew them, the ground crews who maintained them, the workers who built them, the soldiers, sailors and airmen they helped protect; and the citizens and families that share the freedom that they helped preserve. The B-17, B-25 & B-24 were the backbone of the American effort during the war from 1942 to 1945 and were famous for their ability to sustain damage and still accomplish the mission. Despite the risks of anti-aircraft fire, attacking enemy fighters, and the harrowing environment of sub-zero temperatures, many B-17s and B-24s safely brought their crews home. The P-51 Mustang was affectionately known as the bombers "Little Friend" – saving countless crews from attacking axis fighters. After the war, many aircraft were scrapped for their raw aluminum to rebuild a nation in post-war prosperity and therefore very few were spared. The rarity of the B-17, B-25, B-24 & P-51 - and their importance to telling the story of WWII is why the Collings Foundation continues to fly and display the aircraft nationwide. At each location we encourage local veterans and their families to visit and share their experiences and stories with the public. For aviation enthusiasts, the tour provides opportunity for the museum to come to the visitor and not the other way around! Visitors can find out more by visiting our website at [www.collingsfoundation.org](http://www.collingsfoundation.org).

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