



SPORTS AVIATION
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Dear SAF Members,

The time has come for our Annual Membership Renewal Drive and we want to keep you updated on our Foundation's accomplishments. We're excited about the new Build A Plane Program. Things are moving along with our other youth programs, and we are preparing for the Annual Round Up featuring the Thunderbirds. Here are a few of this year's accomplishments.

SAF is proud to announce sponsorship with the **Build A Plane Program**. A "Murphy Elite" aircraft kit has been donated for high school age students to work, hands on, and learn aircraft construction. The kit is being inventoried in an Airport sponsored hangar. Work by students is expected to begin soon. Please stop by our joint booth (the Murphy Rebel) at the Round Up.

The US Air Force Thunderbirds Demonstration Team will be in Minden for a two day performance during the Airport's Annual Round Up & Air Show, August 22-23, 2015. There will also be six national and international civilian performers along with vendors and food booths.

The Annual **Sports Aviation Foundation** Social event partnered with **Soaring NV's** Wave Camp Banquet, on March 21, 2015, with 7 countries represented. Approximately 98 attendees were fascinated by Jim & Jackie Payne's adventures in Argentina, which featured flying gliders. He gave an account on the status of the Perlan Project, a high altitude soaring project that plans to do testing and training at the Minden-Tahoe Airport.

The **Youth Aviation Education Days** brought 337 students, sponsored by SAF and the Douglas County Schools, in 6th Grade classes on May 19, 20, 21, 2015 to the Airport. They witnessed 9 information stations which included the Civil Air Patrol and the Nevada Army Air Guard Lakota Helicopter.

East side engineering and survey work is done and the bid is being prepared for the utilities. The 1.2 million utility construction is due to be finished by the end of the year.

National Landmark of Soaring dedication moved to Spring, 2016.

The Pinenut District of the Nevada Area Council BSA held a Day Camp in Genoa. The Airport and SAF sponsored 250 Cub Scouts age 8 – 10 in learning about various aspects of aviation at the Airport.

Enclosed is a Membership Renewal Form. We are glad to announce that you may now renew via Pay Pal by visiting our web site www.sportsaviationfoundation.org. Whether you renew online or via USPS, please let us know where you would like to volunteer. Thank you for your continued support.

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