



PHPA / Main Rotor

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Message from the President

PHPA members - Another year is upon us - the Paris Hilton Drama, wildfires and high speed chases are the new highlights among the normal news items of weather and traffic. All of this has brought our industry to forefront of the public's attention. We here at PHPA have been inundated with calls from citizens complaining about low flying helicopters of every description (Media, Police, Fire and Private aircraft).

Those of us who own and fly these aircraft need to become even more proactive. We need to ask ourselves if there is a better way of covering the story, monitoring the chase, or fighting wildland fire. Most of the time the answer is Yes ~ sometime the answer is No. We all know that a little more altitude with fewer circles over a noise sensitive area can and will make a difference to those on the ground. Transitioning along the freeway at a slightly higher altitude and closer to the center line will mask the noise for those who live on the hillsides. It's the little things that make a difference. If we take a few simple measures, we can fade into the background noise that we all hear everyday here in the Los Angeles basin and have learned to dismiss as the norm.

I implore each and everyone of you take a look at your own daily routines, your routes of flights and the altitudes that you are flying and ask yourselves; what I can do as an individual to mitigate the effects of noise that I could possibly be creating by my own actions.

I, myself, have found that a few hundred feet of altitude can make a big difference in my noise signature and I now look for, and fly over the less populated areas at a reduced power setting whenever I am enroute to home base from a call or during routine administrative flights where high speed isn't of the essence. It's the little things that each and every one of us does to mitigate noise problem that will add up to make a big difference in the overall picture.

Be safe and noise sensitive when you fly.

Jim Davidson
PHPA President

Hollywood Bowl

On Saturday, July 7th PHPA members made their annual visit to the Hollywood Bowl. This years event featured several fly over's sponsored by the Los Angeles Police Department and the Los Angeles City Fire Department.

Thanks to Event Coordinator Morris Cohen for making the event a success.

American Heroes 2007 Airshow



On Saturday June 23rd the PHPA attended the annual American Heroes Air Show. Since 1993 Jim Paules has hosted the show at the Hansen Dam Sports Complex in the San Fernando Valley in Los Angeles . This years show included the largest gathering in the shows So Cal history. The PHPA booth was Manned with Ray Prouty at the helm.

Membership / Event Comittee

The PHPA is currently looking for volunteers to serve on our Membership and Event committee.

If you are interested in volunteering please contact :
info@phpa.org

Hold the Date !

Wings, Wheels, and Rotors Show
at Los Alamitos Joint Forces Training Base
October 28, 2007
www.wwexpo.net

Coming soon
PHPA Mixer
94th Aero Squadron



Helicopter Awareness Day
Santa Monica Airport (SMO)
March 22, 2008
Reservations : rsvp@phpa.org

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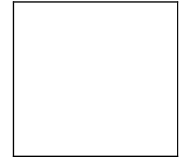
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PHPA Welcomes New Arrivals

The Board welcomes our most recent new members that have signed up

- Michele Burmeister
- Lars Fallman
- Walter Hendrick
- Joshua Kish
- Brian Monroe
- Kolton Steed
- Adam D. Swafford
- Gary Wentz

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