

## Rieke Hangar Expansion -Ground Breaking- July 2005



There are some who say a longer runway will bring in bigger airplanes,  
but the bigger airplanes are already here.  
We NEED more runway to ensure safe operations.

### Noise Abatement Reminder

- 1) No turns below 400' AGL or before crossing the fence line.
- 2) If remaining in the pattern, hold all turns to the upwind leg until within 300' of pattern altitude.
- 3) Pattern altitude for single engine reciprocating aircraft is 800', for twins 1000' and for turbines 1500' AGL.
- 4) Helicopter pattern altitude is 500' AGL and a standard Right-Hand pattern. Air taxiing, hovering and practice approaches should be done over paved surfaces.

We all have a responsibility to "fly friendly" keeping our Airport neighbors in mind as we make our way over their homes.

# PropWash

Gravity is not just a good idea, it is the law and it is not subject to repeal.



**DeKalb County Airport**

July 15, 2005

Dear Aircraft Owner,

The DeKalb County Board of Aviation Commissioners is in the process of determining if there is a continuing unmet demand for aircraft storage and airport development within the local area. If this is the case, you are cordially invited to consider basing your aircraft or business at the DeKalb County Airport. The **DeKalb County Airport is growing and welcomes your business**. There are many advantages to basing at DeKalb County Airport, a few of which are as follows:

1. A 5000 ft by 100 ft runway complete with MALSR and an ILS currently coming on line.
  2. AWOS and ground communications with Fort Wayne Tower.
  3. Avionics and Maintenance on the field.
  4. Easy access from I-69 and less than 1020 minutes to downtown Fort Wayne.
  5. Fuel discounts from the FBO for based aircraft and for large volume purchases.
- Same amenities as a large commercial service airport without the hassle, but at the same time, reliable approaches and operating conditions.
7. The list goes on and on.....

There are many possibilities for future development at the DeKalb County Airport. The Board will be entertaining options to develop the following types of facilities:

1. **T-hangars** (42ft doors) – Using a loan contract method where you sign a lease commitment and pay your first month's rent. When the airport gets six commitments they build a new T-hangar building to house your aircraft. The lease commitment is \$225.00 per month with the first month due upon entering the program. The monthly lease fees begin upon occupying your new hangar.
2. **Executive Hangars** (60ft by 60ft) - Using the same loan contract method mentioned above, except only groups of three commitments are required rather than six. These hangars provide more room for larger aircraft and would be heated facilities. The monthly lease fees of \$450.00 begin upon occupying your new hangar. The tenant will be responsible for monthly heating costs.
3. **Corporate Hangars & Office Facilities** (custom sizes) – Typically done under long-term lease back arrangements based on the construction cost of the facilities and size of the leased building sites. Inquire about the bulk fuel supply arrangement through our FBO that allows you to obtain fuel at near wholesale cost without the burden of funding and maintaining a costly fuel farm.

**Airport Industrial Park** – The airport has over 130 acres that can be developed for an airport industrial park. All or part of this acreage is available on a case by case basis, preferably to an aviation related industry or industry relying heavily on air transportation.

To obtain more information contact **Russ Couchman, Airport Director 260-927-8876**, or by email at [rcouchman@co.dekalb.in.us](mailto:rcouchman@co.dekalb.in.us). We look forward to meeting your aviation needs!

**Special points of interest:** The BOAC meets every third Friday at 12:30 PM. The next meeting will be August 19, 2005.

To obtain a copy of the last BOAC meeting minutes email your request to: [rcouchman@co-dekalb-in.us](mailto:rcouchman@co-dekalb-in.us) or visit

<http://www.dekalbcountyairport.com/>

Please send us your ideas of things you would like to see in the newsletter. Any newsletter suggestions or comments can be sent via email to:

[rcouchman@co-dekalb-in.us](mailto:rcouchman@co-dekalb-in.us) or faxed to 260-927-4048. If you are a DeKalb County Airport Tenant, you may also send your ideas for articles in

with your next payment. We thank you in advance for your articles and ideas.

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