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Today's Events:

0700-1700Registration Open

1100-1600 Exhibit Hall Open

1200-1300 Attendee Lunch: CHI Health Center Omaha (Hall C)

1600 Aircraft Fly-Out

1800-1900

APSF Awards Reception, hosted by APSF: Hilton Omaha (Blackstone Ballroom)

1900-2100

Friday Night Happy Hour, hosted by Airbus Helicopters: Blatt Beer & Table

Saturday's Highlights:

0730-1200 Registration Open

0830-1200Conference Classes:

Conference Classes: CHI Health Center Omaha (Level 2 Classrooms)

Full details of all activities in Program Guide at registration.



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APSCON 2019 Reaches New Heights On An Eventful Thursday







This year's Opening Breakfast, co-sponsored by Leonardo Helicopters, was followed by APSA's General Membership Meeting, during which current APSA President Steve Roussell welcomed APSA President-Elect Richard Bray. The Exhibit Floor was then officially opened with the ribbon-cutting ceremony and the APSA Board of Directors welcoming attendees.



After a full day of education and networking, attendees of the Night Vision Awards Reception honored the service of multiple agencies for their excellence in NVG use. This event was hosted by Night Flight Concepts, Vertical Magazine, Rotorcraft Pro Media Network, and Aviation Specialties Unlimited.



Attendees enjoyed some fantastic BBQ at last night's Pig Pickin' Banquet, hosted by FLIR Systems, AeroComputers, Air Bear Tactical Aircraft, Dallas Avionics, Meeker Aviation, Paravion and Troll Systems.













Last night at the FLIR Vison Awards, first place for the top FLIR finds was presented to Houston (TX) Police Department Air and Marine Division (top row, left); second place to Prince George's County (MD) Police Department Aviation Unit (top row, center); and third place to Pima County (AZ) Sheriff's Department Aviation Unit (top row, right). The winner of the Hot Pursuit category was presented to Fresno County (CA) Sheriff's Department Aviation Unit (bottom row, left). The Tulsa (OK) Police Department Air Support Unit received the K9/Fang Award (bottom row, center). Michigan State Police Aviation Unit were the recipients of the Lifesaver Award. Congratulations to all of this year's winners!





HeliLadder, 833 • Adjustable Helicopter **Maintenance Work Stands**

HeliLadder's MXPS Maintenance Platform System will be on display at booth 833 today. This is an industry-first: a compact, lightweight, and easily portable work stand. Service decks interface with HeliLadder's industry leading MX5+ Modular Ladder-Stands. The decks can be used independently with the MX5s or interconnected with a safety-railed work platform. Tool and laptop travs aid in worksite organization and maintenance efficiency. The modular, heightadjustable MX5+ Ladder Stands will also be showcased.



REBTECH, 817 • Lighting Specialists Can Help With Your STCs

NVG lighting specialist REBTECH is now offering STC certification services to the aviation industry. REBTECH has a 20+ year history of completing STCs not only for their own NVG lighting modifications but also for customer's medical mounts, external lighting and bleed air conditioning units -- on time and on budget. Please stop by the REBTECH booth 817



and ask how REBTECH can help you with your next STC.



FLIR Systems, Inc., 401 • Virtual **System Training Platform**

FLIR Systems, Inc. is a world leader in the design, enhance perception and awareness. The company's manufacture, and marketing of sensor systems that advanced thermal imaging and threat detection



systems are used for a wide variety of applications. FLIRSIM is a portable, easy-to-set-up training platform for operators using FLIR Star SAFIRE 360 airborne cameras. Replicates real-world scenarios and environments to

> improve safety on live missions, while saving time and money. Visit FLIR at booth 401 today for more information.



Would Your Agency Like to Be Profiled in APSA's Air Beat?

If so, we'd love to hear from you! Please contact Lisa Wright at airbeat@publicsafetyaviation.org or call 727-343-5600 for more information.



TRACE Worldwide Corp., 814 • Supplier of Mission Equipment & Knowledge

TRACE Worldwide Corp. is a supplier of aircraft mission equipment, systems and components for SAR, firefighting and aero

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medical missions. TRACE has sponsored APSA's three-day Unmanned Aircraft Systems Operations Course. Featured speaker, Andy Nahle (who joins TRACE this year after 26 years with the FAA and law enforcement) as well IA Renewal Course instructor Mike Broderick will be available for discussions. TRACE Worldwide has proudly supported airborne public safety since 1987; visit them at booth 814 today.

EuroSafety International, 1024Advanced Pilot Training

In an age where operational safety and pilot proficiency play a crucial role in the survival of any operation, EuroSafety provides the tools necessary to give pilots the skills needed to operate at their highest level.



EuroSafety's initial, advanced recurrent and differences training includes indepth ground schools using high-tech computer graphics and animations. EuroSafety's flight training includes full down autorotation, hydraulic and tail rotor failures. Visit booth 1024 to learn more.

Rhotheta International, 429 • Helping Airborne Public Safety Find Its Targets

Rhotheta International specializes in the development and manufacture of professional radio direction finders and location systems and personal locator beacons for airborne, marine,



and ground applications, serving the ATC, SAR, VTS, and public safety markets. RHOTHETA DFs allow detection, tracking, and location of MOB, ELT, PLB, EPIRB, Lojack, ETS, medical and emergency beacons. Rhotheta International products are installed in fixed-wing aircraft, helicopters, UAS, boats, vehicles, towers and manpacks. For more info please stop by booth 429 and visit www.rhothetaint.com.

Med-Pac Inc., 232 • Next Generation of HEMS Stretcher Systems

Med-Pac Inc, announces a new generation of HEMS AeroMed Stretcher Systems today at APSCON. The design is based on feedback from the operator community and will significantly increase the durability



and usability of medical stretchers used onboard civilian, government, fire, police and aeromed helicopters. This HEMS upgrade from this legacy company provides operators a rugged, lightweight and functional product that reduces maintenance and increases performance. The first release of Med-Pac Inc.'s revolutionary EMS Lite is for the Bell 505. It reduces weight, reduces maintenance due to lack of any cables or complex mechanisms, requires only a simple replacement of the seat, with no need for any electrical installation. Med-Pac stretcher systems features a carbon fiber deck, Kydex floor barrier, a trauma and oxygen bags, a heavy duty stretcher with a manual locking bracket and a single-hand release; allowing for simple handling inside the aircraft. Stop by booth 232 today and learn more!





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Axnes, 910 • Mission Capable Wireless Intercom System

The Axnes PNG is a second-generation mission capable wireless intercom system which enables crew members to maintain full-



duplex communication inside and outside of an aircraft, or on other platforms such as boats, ground vehicles, etc. Please stop by Axnes booth 910, enjoy a beer with the team today from 12–4 pm and hear more about PNG and how we can assist you.

APSF Awards & Friday Night Happy Hour

Tonight at 1800, APSF conducts the annual Awards Reception, recognizing those individuals whose personal efforts or actions have perpetuated the professionalism and advancement of public safety aviation. The reception will be held at the Hilton Omaha (Blackstone Ballroom). Please plan to attend and honor the recipients.



Shortly thereafter, Airbus Helicopters

will be hosting Happy Hour at Blatt Beer & Table; we hope you'll join them from 1900-2100 tonight! Airbus Helicopters is the U.S. affiliate of Airbus Helicopters, Inc., the largest helicopter manufacturer in the world, and a subsidiary of the Airbus Group. Airbus Helicopters, Inc. manufactures H125 and UH-72A helicopters and markets, sells and supports the broadest range of civil and parapublic helicopters offered in the U.S.

Saturday's Education: Unit Management, Safety Applications & Social Media Marketing

While the exhibit hall may be closed on Saturday, APSA's gold standard in public safety aviation training continues at the CHI Health Center Omaha. At 0830, Terry Miyauchi will present *Leadership: How Your Leadership Style Effects the Operation of Your Aviation Unit*, Chris Young will be teaching a class on *What is the Best SMS Tool? – You Are!* and Scott May will be presenting *Responding to Incidents Involving Drones: A Review of Incidents, Regulations, Laws/Ordinances and Policy.*

Rounding out the day's education is the *Public Safety Aviation Unit Commanders Roundtable* facilitated by Steve Roussell and Richard Bray, Scott May's *The Precautionary Landing* and Ryan Mason and Jeff Ratkovich lead a presentation on *Use of Social Media to Market Your Unit*. Full details and locations of all of these classes and sessions are available in the APSCON 2019 *Program Guide*. We hope to see you there!



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