

# BFC Newsletter



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### Upcoming Ground Schools

**PRIVATE PILOT:** Begins on March 23<sup>rd</sup>. Classes held on Tuesday's and Thursday's at 6:30 p.m. for six weeks. The instructor will be Ann Marie Murphy.

**INSTRUMENT PILOT:** TBA. Classes held on Monday's and Wednesday's at 6:00 p.m. for six weeks. The instructor will be Mike Bratt.

### Recent Accomplishments

Beverly Flight Center, Inc. would like to congratulate the following individuals on their accomplishments during the month of February:

#### FIRST SOLO

Dillon Vanloon, 2/4/10

Gilberto Cardenas, 2/17/10

Mike Moulton, 2/23/10

#### INSTRUMENT PILOT

Jared Laniewski, 2/17/10

### Employee Of The Month

Wendy Beard

### Student Of The Month

This month's recipient of Student Of The Month is Gilberto Cardenas. Through hard work and dedication he achieved his First Solo flight last month. Gilberto is a student in the N.S.C.C. Aviation Science Undergraduate Program, and aspires to be a professional pilot. His instructor is Michael Bratt. Congratulations Gilberto!

### Daylight Savings Time

That time of the year is just around the corner: time to "Spring Forward" to Daylight Savings Time. Remember to adjust your clocks on Sunday March 14<sup>th</sup>. Also remember that the conversion to UTC (Zulu) time will now be +4 hours rather than 5. With the change of the clocks and the extended daylight will bring the opportunity to fly later in the day, so take advantage of this and enjoy!

### March Madness...

March madness is here and spring is close. BFC will be holding a lottery during the month. Each time you fly solo or take a lesson you will automatically be entered to win! The prize: one free hour in a Piper Warrior II or in the Piper Arrow III...the choice is yours. Flight instructor fees, if necessary, will be at an additional cost. The drawing will take place on March 31<sup>st</sup> and the prize must be redeemed during the month of April.

### St. Patricks Day

To celebrate St. Patrick's Day on Wednesday March 17<sup>th</sup> we will be offering a special on that day only: wear green attire to any ground lesson, flight lesson, or solo flight appointment and receive \$10 off the final total of your bill.

### New Website

By mid-March the new BFC website will be online. The new site has been designed, created, and will be managed exclusively by BFC staff members. Once the site is up and running we encourage everybody to take the time to explore it thoroughly. We are also welcoming any and all suggestions as to what we can include to suit our customer's needs.

### Turbulence

A bumpy ride can not only be a nuisance and a source of discomfort for you and your passengers, but it can also pose a hazard to the structural integrity of your aircraft. Turbulence can be classified in one of four ways depending on its intensity: light chop, light, moderate, and severe. Should you fly into moderate or severe turbulence the FIRST thing to do is to slow the aircraft below the Design Maneuvering Speed, also known as  $V_A$ . At or below this speed the structural integrity of the aircraft will be ensured, even with abrupt and aggressive control deflections. Keep in mind, however, that the value of  $V_A$  does change with the actual weight of the aircraft. Consult the POH and panel placards for the  $V_A$  of the aircraft you are flying, and always be prepared to use it if necessary. Finally, be courteous and think of your fellow pilots: if you encounter turbulence, take a moment to provide a pilot report with either FSS or ATC.

**Think Spring!!!**