

# The Flight-Line NEWS



**Safe Harbor:** With extremely icy weather, freezing up many airport runways in Northern Michigan our airport became a safe landing spot for many unscheduled cargo aircraft. Much thanks to our great can do ground crew!



**Road Trip to Lansing:** Leaders from different Otsego County Departments made a road trip to Lansing to meet with our Michigan State Representative Ken Borton and other Michigan State House members. Thank You so much to Representative Borton for the great welcome and helpful discussions.



**The Logos of GLR:** We are celebrating the arrival of Great Lakes Air and Guardian Flight as our two newest residents on the field at Gaylord Regional Airport. We want to thank our Otsego County Administrator and County Commissioners and also our Airport Transportation Committee for supporting our efforts to bring in new businesses and for making Otsego County and GLR a friendly and welcoming place for aviation to thrive.

**Camp Commander at GLR Vets Coffee:** We were very pleased and honored to welcome the Commander of Camp Grayling, Colonel Scott Meyers to our monthly veteran's coffee. He and Command Sergeant Major Kent Smith spent the hour talking with over 50 former military members at the event. Much thanks to Camp Graylings Community Relations Specialist Jenni Caverson for coordinating the visit to our airport. Vets Coffee is the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month at 9am at GLR



**With Great Sadness:** We lost a remarkable member of our own Gaylord Airport family. Our lives were richer by our friend Victor Briley and his passing came as a shock to many of us in our Gaylord Airport community. *From his obit: For more than 40 years, Vic owned and operated Vienna Auto Repair, its success was due to his skill, his dedication and his work ethic. Vic loved his family and enjoyed spending time with them. Aviation was a big part of his life too; he was a longtime private pilot and enjoyed restoring airplanes. Several years ago, he sought out, located and purchased an old airplane that had belonged to his father, a 1940 Porterfield. Though partially restored, had been unable to complete the project. A longtime supporter of our airport and sponsor of our airshow Vic was our 2018 Air Marshal, the event award given to the individual that had most influenced our airport. For Vic: Oh! I have slipped the surly bonds of Earth, Put out my hand and touched the face of God.(From poem High Flight)*

