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International Aviation**

**SNOW
SYMPOSIUM**

APRIL 22nd - APRIL 26th 2006

Buffalo, New York

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**ALL EQUIPMENT DISPLAYS AND VENDORS
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REGISTRATION:

- \$250.00 Registration Fee on or before April 1st
- \$275.00 Registration Fee after April 1st
- \$275.00 All Invoices/Purchase Orders
- \$125.00 Spouses' Program

Please make the check payable to the International Aviation Snow Symposium.
Single day registrations available @ \$100.00 per day.

PASSPORTS:

To our foreign visitors: If you plan on attending the Niagara Falls Tour or Spouses' Program, **PASSPORTS WILL BE REQUIRED**. U.S. citizens must bring a valid Birth Certificate and picture I.D.

ATTIRE

Most attendees wear casual clothes to sessions and workshops. For the more formal events (the Ice Breaker, Balchen/Post Awards Luncheon and the Farewell Banquet), participants may want to wear sportcoats and ties. If you're attending the tour of the Falls, please dress comfortably and bring along something warm in case of cool/damp weather.

LOCATION:

- HYATT REGENCY Buffalo
- 2 Fountain Plaza
- Buffalo, NY 14202
- (716) 855-4943
- (Located in the heart of downtown Buffalo)

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New York State regulations prohibit smoking in public meeting areas. Please refrain from smoking during all sessions.

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Cancellation of pre-registrations with two weeks' notification are subject to a \$35.00 administrative fee. Any cancellations during or after the conference are non-refundable. Anyone who is registered but cannot attend may send a substitute.

ALL ATTENDEES MUST REGISTER:

Those not pre-registered must fill out registration forms at the Conference Registration Desk during the Symposium. The hours of registration are in your program.

ALL COMPANIES:

Companies (Dealers, Consulting Firms, Service Organizations, etc.) who do not require a booth must also pay an additional \$350.00 business fee.

SPOUSES'/GUEST PROGRAM:

We encourage participation in the symposium by your spouse or guest. Additional cost is only \$125.00 and includes a tour of the mighty Niagara Falls, special events, and much more! Price also includes continental breakfasts, lunches, all receptions and the Farewell Banquet. This is an excellent and affordable opportunity for your spouse or guest to share in the symposium experience!

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Shuttle service (fee required) is available to the Hyatt Regency Buffalo. Courtesy phones are located at the Airport's lower (Arrivals) level.

GENERAL INFORMATION:

For further information:
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IDEA CORNER:

The International Aviation Snow Symposium will again conduct an IDEA CORNER fashioned after the American Association of Airport Executives' Idea Corner held at the Annual Conference each year.

Open to anyone in airport management, operations or maintenance, your IDEA should relate to a winter weather condition at an Airport such as snow or ice removal, equipment modification or new equipment made exclusively by entrant and not by a manufacturer, devices to better measure runway or airport weather conditions, etc.

Judging will be by ballot during the Snow Symposium. First place will receive \$200, second place will receive \$100 and third place will receive \$50.

ENTRY REGULATIONS:

Only 22" by 28" poster board (readily available in most stationery stores) may be used. The board will require no easel or special rigidity as it will be hung on its vertical axis by means of hooks (provided at the conference) along with the other entries against the wall. Only three things may appear on the poster board:

1. Typed or printed descriptions of the IDEA - description will be limited to one page and cannot exceed more than one-half of the poster board surface.
2. An actual example of the IDEA - said example will be limited to size of not more than two-thirds of the poster board surface. If the example is too heavy or large to be mounted on the poster board, then a photo (or series of photos) again not to exceed two-thirds of the poster board surface, may be submitted.
3. The identity of the airport centered at top or in right hand top corner, and name of individual (if desired) underneath.

All entries should be delivered to the registration desk by 4:00 PM on Sunday, April 23, 2006. All posters will be available for return after 11:00 AM on Wednesday, April 26, 2006.

Although attendance at the conference is urged, those who cannot attend may submit entries by contacting: Tom Long, Greater Pittsburgh International Airport - (412) 472-3676.

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BUFFALO, NEW YORK
April 22nd - April 26th, 2006
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PROGRAM

FRIDAY, APRIL 21, 2006

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM **Exhibitors Registration (Exhibitors Only)**
(Room 102 Convention Center)

SATURDAY, APRIL 22, 2006

8:00 AM - 4:30 PM **ASOS Training - Basic and Advanced**
(Convention Center - Room 103 & 104)
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM **Registration** (Room 102 Convention Center)

EXHIBITORS AREA OPEN THROUGHOUT SYMPOSIUM

SUNDAY, APRIL 23, 2006

8:00 AM - 12:00 PM **ASOS Training - Basic and Advanced**
(Convention Center - Room 103 & 104)
8:30 AM - 9:30 AM **Mandatory Exhibitors Meeting**
Buffalo Room
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM **Registration** (Room 102 Convention Center)
11:00 AM - 12:00 PM **IASS Committee Meeting**
(Committee Members Only -Please)
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM **Moderators Luncheon**
1:00 PM - 4:00 PM **Street Fair**
Exhibit & Equipment Area
6:00 PM - 7:00 PM **Ice Breaker**
Exhibit & Equipment Area

DINNER ON YOUR OWN

MONDAY, APRIL 24, 2006

6:30 AM - 8:00 AM **Breakfast Buffet - Ballroom**

EXHIBIT AREA OPEN - 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

8:00 AM - 4:00 PM **Registration** (Room 102 Convention Center)

8:30 AM - 9:00 AM **Opening Remarks** - w/Dignitaries
Lawrence Meckler - Exec. Director, NFTA
William Vanecek - Aviation Director, NFTA
Robert J. Nowak - IASS Chairman
Bill Hopper - AAAE Treasurer, NEC

9:00 AM - 10:00 AM **Concurrent General Session I**
A. Effective Use of Various Plow Styles
Ron Silvernail, Meyer Products and Jan Verseef,
Schmidt Engineering & Equipment
B. Friction Testing Devices During Winter Operations
Ken Voss, Sherwin Industries and
Frank Holtz, President, Dynatest Consulting, Inc.

10:00 AM - 10:30 AM **Coffee Break With Exhibitors**

10:30 AM - 11:30 AM **Workshop I**
Operations & Maintenance

12:30 PM - 1:30 PM **Boxed Lunches with Exhibitors**

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM **General Session II**
Best Practices in Communicating with
ATC During Snow Removal
Dan Cilli, Retired FAA Air Traffic Controller,
Crown Consulting, Inc.

4:45 PM **EXHIBITOR DRAWING -
MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN**

5:00 PM **EXHIBIT AREA CLOSES**

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TUESDAY, APRIL 25, 2006

6:30 AM - 8:00 AM **Breakfast Buffet - Ballroom**

EXHIBIT HALL OPEN - 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM **Registration** (Room 102 Convention Center)

9:00 AM -10:00 AM **Concurrent General Session III**

- A. "How To Combat Driver Fatigue During Storms"
Daniel I. Rifkin, M.D.
Amherst Sleep Medicine, Williamsville, NY
Jerry Adamietz, Heavy Repair Supt,
Fairchild A.F.B., Spokane, Washington
- B. "Field Conditions Reporting
During Winter Operations"
Buddy Comeau, Operations Shift Manager,
Worcester Regional Airport
Bob Junge, Manager of Airport Operations,
Port Authority of NY & NJ

10:00 AM - 10:30 AM **Coffee With Exhibitors**

10:30 AM - 11:30 AM **Workshop II**

How to Deal w/ Fatigue During Snow Events

12:00 PM - 1:30 PM **Corporate Appreciation Luncheon - All Invited**
Grand Ballroom Convention Center

1:45 PM - 2:45 PM **Concurrent General Session IV**

- A. "Effective Use of Various Broom Styles"
Mark Larson, Business Unit Director,
M-B Companies
Doug Amerman, Director/Aviation Sales,
Sweepster, LLC
- B. Virtual Snow Desk: Deicing/Slot Allocation
Program – Peter Gerlitt, Consultant, and
Ron Dunsky, VP Marketing, Megadata Corp.

3:00 PM - 3:45 PM **Workshop III**
Snow Removal Operation

4:00 PM **Tour of Niagara Falls**
Buses leave from front of Hotel - (corner of
W. Huron and Pearl Street) Bus seating is limited.
Bring your birth certificate and picture ID.
To all foreign visitors: passports will be required.
(Approximate return from Falls is 8:30 PM)

5:00 PM **EXHIBIT AREA CLOSES**

8:30 PM Approximate return from Niagara Falls

DINNER ON YOUR OWN

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26, 2006

- 6:30 AM - 8:00 AM **Breakfast Buffet**
Ballroom
- 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM **Registration** (Room 102 Convention Center)
- 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM **Concurrent General Session V**
A. Effective Use of Various Snow Blowers Styles
Bruce Burtenshaw, Kodiak Northwest, Inc.
Gary Kogut, Oshkosh Truck Corporation
B. FAR Part-139 Changes Affecting Snow Removal
Laurie Suttmeier, FAA -Lead Certification Inspector
- 10:30 AM **Final Drawings and Grand Prize Drawing
with Exhibitors**
**A Harley Davidson Sportster Motorcycle
MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN!**
- 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM **Workshop IV**
Potpourri - Open Discussion
- 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM **Balchen/Post Awards Luncheon**
(Idea Corner Winner)
Grand Ballroom Convention Center
- 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM **Networking With Your Peers**
Ballroom
- 2:15 PM - 3:15 PM **NEC Meeting** (Chapter Members ONLY, please)
- 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM **G-15 Snow Equipment Committee Meeting**
- 6:30 PM - 9:30 PM **Farewell Reception**
Grand Ballroom Convention Center

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SPOUSES/GUEST PROGRAM
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MONDAY, APRIL 24, 2006 - Full Day Spouses/Guest Program

7:00 - 8:00 am Breakfast - Atrium Restaurant
Bus Departs. at 8:15 am

Travel by motor coach to the "Grand Canyon of the East," Letchworth State Park. Enjoy a relaxing, picturesque drive. Arrive at the Park's Northgate Entrance where you will begin on a tour featuring 3 waterfalls, 550-foot canyons and breathtaking panoramic vistas. Enjoy lunch overlooking the Middle Falls at the famous Glen Iris Inn. On your journey back to Buffalo, stop in East Aurora at Viddler's 5¢ & 10¢ for a unique shopping experience. The old-time dime store is situated in 4 buildings on 3 levels. Continue to window shop at your leisure along historic Main Street before returning to the hotel.

TUESDAY, APRIL 25, 2006 - Half Day Spouses/Guest Program

7:30 - 8:30 am Breakfast - Atrium Restaurant
Bus Departs. at 9:00 am

10:00 am - 1:00 pm Niagara Prime Outlet
1:00 pm - 3:00 pm Lunch at Como Restaurant
3:15 pm Bus Depart.

The Niagara Falls Illumination Tour - 4:30-8:30 PM

Your motor coach will bring you to Niagara Falls for your guided, informative and fun-filled tour. We will take you to the Niagara Reservation State Park - the oldest in the United States, which showcases Niagara Falls in its natural element. Other points of interest will be a stop at Table Rock House where you can walk right up to the brink of the Falls, the Niagara River Rapids, the Whirlpool, Queen Victoria Park and more! Your tour will conclude with a breathtaking view of the illumination of the Falls.