



# Fly Merced

QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER



April 2010

## NON-STOP SERVICE BETWEEN MERCED AND LAS VEGAS



### WIN A LAS VEGAS VACATION FOR TWO

While visiting our website, take a minute and sign up for a chance to win airfare and hotel accommodations for two.

Non-stop flights between Merced Regional Airport and McCarran International Airport in Las Vegas began April 7, 2010. Great Lakes Airlines will be offering two flights per day, seven days a week. For ticket information and reservations visit:

[www.flymercedairport.com](http://www.flymercedairport.com)

All flights to our previous destination, Ontario International Airport have been discontinued.



### Merced Regional Airport

20 Macready Drive  
Merced, CA 95341  
Phone: 209-385-6873  
Fax: 209-385-6880  
[www.cityofmerced.org](http://www.cityofmerced.org)  
[www.flymercedairport.com](http://www.flymercedairport.com)

#### For the pilots: CTAF/UNICOM:

122.7 MHz

#### WX ASOS:

132.175 MHz  
(209-381-0926)

#### NORCAL APPROACH:

120.95 MHz

#### NORCAL DEPARTURE:

120.95 MHz

#### LAT/LONG:

37-17-05.0230N / 120-30-49.9890W  
37-17.083717N / 120-30.833150W  
37.2847286 / -120.5138858 (est.)

### GREAT LAKES AIRLINES FLIGHT SCHEDULE

#### Merced to Las Vegas

Freq	Departs	Arrives	Flight
Daily	9:50 am	11:20 am	5194
Daily	3:30 pm	5:00 pm	5197

#### Las Vegas to Merced

Freq	Departs	Arrives	Flight
Daily	8:10 am	9:40 am	5194
Daily	1:50 pm	3:20 pm	5197

Effective April 7, 2010—Schedule subject to change.



Gateway Air Center, LLC  
(209) 722-7300  
[Gatewayaircenter.com](http://Gatewayaircenter.com)



Colimair Aviation  
(209) 564-6190  
[flycolimair.webs.com](http://flycolimair.webs.com)



AVIS Car Rental  
(209) 724-9114



Gateway EAA Chapter 1401  
(209) 722-8619  
[gatewayeaa.com](http://gatewayeaa.com)



The Hangar Café



Great Lakes Airlines  
1-800-554-5111  
or  
Merced Ticket Counter  
209-383-4000

## AIRPORT PROJECTS AND IMPROVEMENTS

The FAA has reviewed and approved the design and plans for the 2011 ACIP Grant application. Notice for bids is currently being advertised. The ACIP Grant will pay for the new aircraft apron area on the north east side of the field. FAA will award the grant based on bids received.



With Great Lakes Airlines service to Las Vegas starting in April, TJA Advertising has initiated the full advertising campaign plan for the SCASDP grant. Print Ads in all the local newspapers, a new billboard on Hwy 99 southbound in Atwater, a Comcast TV commercial, radio ads, and starting April 9<sup>th</sup> a 30 second commercial will be played at both Merced movie theaters to include lobby displays; all to bring awareness to the Merced Regional Airport and the services provided.

Starting in April or early May a new lift station and sewer line will be installed at the airport. The new line will run from Fly In Way across the airport to Falcon Way. In order to install the line, Taxiways E and G will each need to be closed for a short period of time. This new line will improve sewer line service and provide the ability to expand and add future business development. The project is funded by the City of Merced.

## UNDER SURVEILLANCE

The new airport security system is nearing completion. Camera installation has been completed. Software updates are in progress. Expect system completion within the next month. Training for airport and city staff is currently being scheduled.

## TENANT SPOTLIGHT: BARRY LIPPERT

In the picture below, Barry Lippert performs test flight maneuvers on his "just completed" RV-9. The beautiful aircraft first took to the air on January 14, 2010. Barry is an accomplished aircraft builder, the aircraft below marks the fourth one he's completed. In addition to this RV-9, he's also completed a Marquart MA-5 Charger, an RV-4 and an RV-6. Future flights will include visits to his three Sons and one Daughter in Arizona, Indiana, California, and Montana. Great job and Fly Safe!



## HANGAR CAFÉ REMODELING



The Hangar Café is scheduled to re-open May 2010 under new management.

<u>Hangars Rentals Available</u>	<u>Wingspan/depth</u>	<u>Rent</u>	<u>Availability</u>
***Bldg 4, Hangar 5 & 6	32' x 25' x 8'	\$125	Now
*Executive T hangar	39' x 30.6' x 11'	\$165	Now
*Executive I T hangar	40' 9" x 33' 6"x11"	\$208	Now
**Building 22	42' 5" x 35' 5"x11" 5'	\$450	Now
**Building 23	42' 5" x 35' 5"x11" 5'	\$450	Now

\* No electricity

\*\* New box hangars, electric doors and outlets, lightning and fire suppression

\*\*\* Open bays with electrical outlets

