

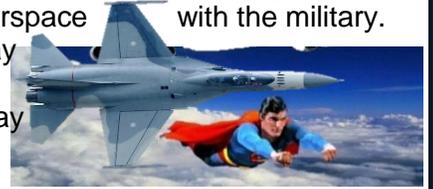
Gaylord Regional Airport NEWS



Otsego County and the Gaylord Regional Airport worked with our neighbors to cut down trees that had gotten too high and were now encroaching on the airports approach.



MOA - The Military Operations Area talks continue with some concessions made by the U.S. military. Otsego County and the Gaylord Airport are reviewing these in our attempt to work together so we can share the airspace with the military. At the end of the day we all have a job to do and will find a way to share the skies!



In August we attended our annual state airport planning meeting at the Michigan Department of Transportation's Office of Aeronautics in Lansing. Along with our engineers and the team at MDOT Aero we reviewed the infrastructure and future development plans for the Otsego County Gaylord Regional Airport well into 2023. We are working on final details for the construction of a much needed overnight itinerant hangar to be constructed at GLR in 2020.



A night picture of the airports Westwind Jet aviation monument now welcoming visitors to the Gaylord Regional Airport. The aircraft fuselage was donated to Otsego County and the airport by resident North Country Aviation to help promote dreams of aviation to future generations by making aviation more accessible to the public.



Wings Over Northern Michigan Airshow **Will Not Fly in 2020.** By any matrix the Airshow which just completed its 10th successful year wanted to end on top. This was solidified with the appearance of the most coveted and sought after airshow attraction in the world, the U.S. Air Force B-2 Stealth Spirit Bomber which performed at this year's airshow Timing is everything and rather than see the event become stale or even routine we wanted to have it end on a high note. In the events ten year history the airshow has always paid for itself and this year was no different. Our airshow team and Otsego County leadership had thoroughly reviewed the airshow and its future direction and grounding the event was a difficult decision for all but we felt the timing was right. Wings Over Northern Michigan Airshow can retire on top! The last two years of the event has seen its largest audience in 2018 of over 20,000 plus spectators, followed by its largest amount of sponsor dollars received in 2019 at almost \$100K. The event which became bigger each year has actually outgrown our airport and since we are not designed to be a large event venue it would cost untold tens of thousands of dollars to modify the airport infrastructure for the event to continue. I cannot thank our airshow team of volunteers, sponsors and leaders enough for all the tireless work they put into making this event possible. When it comes to "Can Do" people, they are the best I greatly appreciated knowing that we could always count on them to make Wings Over Northern Michigan happen!

Picture Left: Two brothers among thousands watching the U.S. Air Force Stealth Spirit Bomber at the 2019 Wings Over Northern Michigan Airshow in Gaylord. Both are wearing Gaylord Airshow T-shirts from past years.

