

# Fly YUMA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

December 2018



*Letter from Airport Director Gladys Brown*

Yuma International Airport is extremely excited American Airlines will begin Non-Stop Flights from Yuma to Dallas Fort Worth (DFW) beginning March 4, 2019 with an early morning departing flight and an evening return flight.

The route to DFW will provide connectivity to 95 domestic cities and 42 International destinations not currently serviced by the current route through Phoenix. The new route to Dallas Fort Worth provides a critical link between Yuma, the mid-west, the east coast as well as connectivity to the Caribbean, Asia and Europe for government, business and leisure travelers.

You can book your airline reservations for March 2019 departures now on [www.AA.com](http://www.AA.com) or your favorite travel website. American Airlines will continue to offer multiple, daily nonstop flights from Yuma to Phoenix Sky Harbor.

## *Vice President Pence visits Yuma*

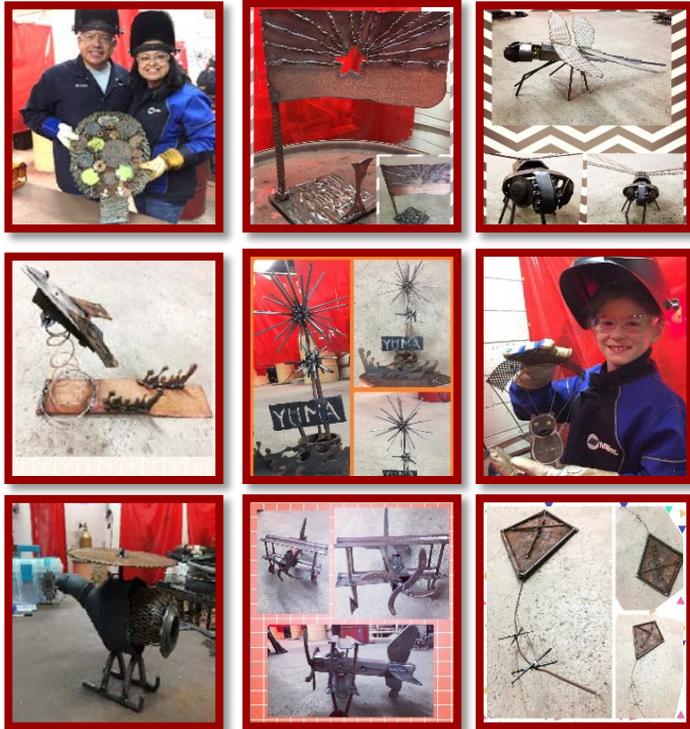
It was an honor to have Vice President Mike Pence visit Yuma. Organizers from around the nation and the White House repeatedly paid compliments about how Yuma was the easiest place to 'get it done' and how nice everyone is. Throughout event preparations, many were so inquisitive about Yuma and our history. Many only know about our community because of the 3:10 to Yuma movie. They loved the stories about how Yuma High School got their Mascot name, are new fans of Chili Pepper and now know Yuma is the best kept secret for our nation's defense. So cudos to all of Yuma. Having the Vice President here was a big deal, but how everyone feels about us after they've gone, our can do/get it done spirit, proved to them we are proud of our country and are United for Yuma!



# YUMA AIRPORT PROJECTS

## Aviation Themed Welding Contest

Yuma International Airport recently partnered with Weld Like A Girl and invited members from the community to participate in a competition to create aviation themed figures for display at Yuma International Airport. The creativity and thoughtfulness of all participants was truly inspirational. The Yuma County Board of Directors voted for their favorite features which are as follows:



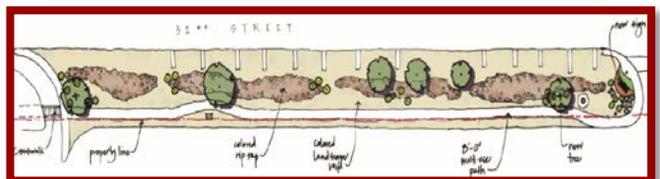
## Multi-Use Path Extension & Entrance Sign

Construction to extend the multi-use path from Pacific Avenue to South Fortuna Road is anticipated to begin in January 2019 and will include a new airport entrance sign created by Kofa High School's SkillsUSA welding students. Yuma International Airport recently received \$5,000 grants from the Arizona Community Foundation and Yuma Association of REALTORS and appreciates the generosity of the following agencies who have contributed towards the project:

- *Pilkington Construction - \$5,000*
- *Core Engineering – \$5,000 Design*
- *Arizona Community Foundation - \$5,000 grant*
- *Yuma Association of REALTORS, Arizona REALTORS and National Association of REALTORS - \$5,000 grant*
- *1st Bank Yuma - \$2,500*
- *YRMC Foundation - \$2,500*
- *Safeline - \$2,500 + stripe/signage*
- *Caballeros De Yuma - \$1,000*
- *AT Pancrazi - \$1,000*
- *Hansberger Refrigeration - \$1,000*
- *Chevron Shay Oil - \$1,000*
- *AEA Credit Union - \$1,000*
- *RL Jones - \$1,000*
- *YC Chamber of Commerce - \$500 + In-Kind Project Promotion*
- *JSA Company - \$500*
- *Sign Pro - \$250 + Sponsor Banner*
- *Yuma Winlectric - \$100*

## 🔔 Important Event Dates: 🔔

- 12/11/18 – YCAA Board of Directors Meeting
- 12/13/18 – GA Holiday Social Event
- 12/24/18 – Airport Office Closed @ 12:00 pm
- 12/25/18 – Airport Admin Office Closed
- 12/31/18 – Airport Office Closed @ 12:00 pm
- 01/01/19 – Airport Admin Office Closed
- 01/08/19 – YCAA Board of Directors Meeting
- 01/17/19 – Arizona Aviation Day at the Capitol
- 02/12/19 – YCAA Board of Directors Meeting
- 02/23/19 – GA Pilot Safety Training
- 03/08/19 – GA Social Chili Cook-Off/Twilight Show
- 03/09/19 – MCAS Annual Airshow
- 03/12/19 – YCAA Board of Directors Meeting



# AVIATION AROUND TOWN



## *Ageless Aviation Dreams Foundation*

The Ageless Aviation Dreams Foundation along with members from the Yuma community recognized and celebrated local Veterans for their service during an amazing ceremony hosted by Million Air Yuma and Yuma International Airport and sponsored by Sportsclips. Ageless Aviation Dreams Foundation's mission is to give back to those who have served and to ensure our Veterans know they are respected and not forgotten.

After the ceremony, 16 local Veterans were treated to a ride aboard a vintage Boeing Stearman flown by Mike Sommers. The flight recipients were Veterans who had served in World War II, Vietnam and Afghanistan.

Many thanks to the Yuma County Chamber of Commerce, Caballeros de Yuma, Yuma's Patriot Riders, Yuma 50, Cibola High School's Jazz Band, MCAS Yuma's Commanding Officer, Colonel Suggs, Doten Photography, Sportsclips, Representative Tim Dunn, River Valley Estates Senior Living and Memory Care and guests from the community for helping make it a day our Veterans will never forget!



# COMMUNITY OUTREACH

## ***Heart of Yuma Recognition***

Yuma International Airport was nominated and recognized as an Outstanding Non-Profit Organization and Janice Senderling was recognized as an Outstanding Volunteer at the Heart of Yuma awards ceremony. Our entire team is extremely humbled and proud of the recognition and is dedicated to providing the best service and comfort to all of our guests!!



## ***AWC Women in Education Expo***

Airport Director Gladys Brown was the guest speaker and provided an inspirational presentation to a packed hall highlighting steps she has taken to achieve her professional goals and offered heart-warming advice infused with a little bit of humor.



## ***Colorado River Crossing Balloon Festival***

Yuma International Airport was a proud sponsor of the annual Colorado River Crossing Balloon Festival hosted by the Caballeros de Yuma.



## ***Yuma Youth Town Hall***

Yuma International Airport was delighted to participate in the Yuma Youth Town Hall at Arizona Western College. Meeting with the students and listening to their goals left the Airport Team inspired and excited about our future leaders.



## ***TSA & Airport Ops Present to Yuma High***

Yuma International Airport proudly partners with local educational agencies to discuss and explain career opportunities available with the aviation industry. The Airport Operations and TSA departments provided exceptional presentations about their roles to ensure safety and security to Yuma High School students studying Criminal Justice. Students were then given tours of each department to see the different types of equipment used to ensure our passengers and airport guests safety.

