

LAX Contributes Artifacts to Nonprofit Flight Path Museum

■ **Los Angeles World Airports and LAX have contributed guidance, historic materials and resources to a nonprofit project years in the making in Westchester.**

The Flight Path Learning Center, 6661 Imperial Highway on airport property just west of Sepulveda Boulevard, is a learning center and museum where students and aviation buffs can explore the history of aviation and careers in the aviation industry.

The museum opened to the public Oct. 7 with an exhibition called "A Century of

LAWA cooperated with the nonprofit Flight Path Learning Center to develop the center and its collection.

"The Flight Path Learning Center provides a place for residents and visitors of all ages to see the impact of aviation on the development of Southern California's past, present and future," said Kim Day, Interim Executive Director of LAWA. "Flight Path's main gallery also offers an impressive view of today's LAX and its many important activities during its 75 years, as well as its significant impact on the region's economic growth."

The exhibition showcases the development of LAX since its opening as Mines Field Oct. 1, 1928, as well as the 100th anniversary of the first powered flight by the Wright Brothers Dec. 17, 1903. Colorful exhibits include salutes to early airlines and aircraft manufacturers at the airport. A special area commemorates World War II military and manufacturing activities at the airport.

The center, staffed by volunteers, is open to the public from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesdays and

Thursdays. Groups can visit the museum on Wednesdays by appointment only. Free parking is available on site.



The new Flight Path Learning Center in Westchester. The center and museum was created with guidance and materials donated by Los Angeles World Airports.

Flight," featuring many items of historical airport memorabilia courtesy Los Angeles World Airports.

The Pet Club

Thanksgiving Meal Isn't Meant For Pets; Feast Is Just Too Rich

Thanksgiving is just around the corner, and visions of family, friends and food dance in my head. Of course, there's the anticipation of seeing Aunt Zelda after a hundred years, and of traveling at a time when everyone else is traveling, too, and in the after-thanksgiving tradition, sharing turkey sandwiches, turkey soup, turkey goulash and turkey pie. Okay, no turkey pie. What do I know? I don't cook.

Seriously though. We do need to include Fluffy the dog, Gracie the Cat and Fish the Fish in our Thanksgiving plans. If traveling, make arrangements for them: food, water and appropriate care in a secure environment. If it is your turn to throw the party, then keep your pets in a back bedroom, away from guests, for everyone's safety.

L.A. Animal Services' Chief Veterinarian, Dr. Cassandra Smith, reminds all that "Veterinarians experience an increased number of office calls due to digestive problems during the holidays because humans just love to invite their animals to celebrate with high fat meals (ham, gravy, turkey skin), chocolates, bones, etc."

Therefore, resist the temptation to share the bounty of your Thanksgiving feast with pets. Surely, Fluffy would enjoy some turkey. Gracie might like a taste of chocolate.

Remember: self control. Do not let your pets partake of your Thanksgiving meal.

Turkey bones are hollow and can easily break and splinter into sharp pieces, causing blockage and perforation of the intestinal tract. Pets that are fed leftover turkey can also suffer from salmonella food poisoning. Symptoms for these include gastrointestinal upset, vomiting, diarrhea, depression, a high temperature, loss of appetite and listlessness.

One more thing: Chocolate can be toxic to pets. It is especially bad for dogs because they like to eat large amounts of unusual food. Chocolate can attack your pet's gastrointestinal system, stimulate its nervous system to the point of seizures, and lead to cardiac failure, weakness, coma and death.

The general rule is, if your pet looks or acts sick, call your veterinarian immediately. When it doubt, call anyway.

Having shared this wonderful information and hoping you will heed this humble advice...L.A. Animal Services wishes

you and your pets a safe, joyous and fulfilling Thanksgiving!



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