



NATA's "FBOs: Above and Beyond" initiative highlights the extraordinary services provided by our Fixed Base Operator (FBO) members. The association's goal is to provide a well-rounded perspective on the FBO industry, directly from those with first-hand experience.



Corporate Air – an FBO Treasure Trove of Customer Services and Community Support in Vero Beach Florida

Corporate Air operates the Premier FBO on the Treasure Coast of East-Central Florida at the Vero Beach Regional Airport (KVRB).

Corporate Air has been in operation for over 32 years and has excelled in serving the business aviation community as a NATA Safety 1st operation with Certified and Trained PLST personnel. They have recently incorporated a new safety management system anticipating an ISBAH level 1 audit in the near future. It is the preferred FBO by the Corporate Aircraft Association (CAA), most fractional operators and our wonderful military aviators when they visit "Where the Tropics Begin".

The Indian River Chamber of Commerce recently awarded Roger Pridgeon, President and CEO of Corporate Air, Inc., the annual "Best New Commercial Construction" award for Corporate Air's new \$2.5 Million Dollar Passenger Terminal Facility on the west ramp of the Vero Beach Regional Airport. Corporate Air is in the middle of a major expansion adding an additional 100,000 square feet of ramp and parking and several additional hangars to the west of the new Passenger Terminal.

Corporate Air annually provides one of its 17,000 square foot hangars for the American Red Cross Annual Hurricane Hangar Party. The Staff and Volunteers of the "Coast to Heartland Chapter of the American Red Cross" join with local exhibitors to provide preparatory information on ways for the community to protect themselves and their families each year as the hurricane season approaches. This year students from the local Charter High School modeled Red Cross uniforms from the early 1900's as attendees enjoyed live music and refreshments and participated in a silent auction to raise funds for the local chapter.

This year the Boys and Girls Clubs of Indian River County have invited the community to attend the Eighteenth Annual Angels Dinner at "Camp Angel Acres" in the Corporate


National Air Transportation Association
The Voice of Aviation Business

FBOs Above & Beyond

Air Hangar. The Company provides its big hangar for the annual event to meet the kids and have cocktails and dinner in a casual event that highlights the kids and serves as a major fund raising event to help the Boys & Girls Clubs of America create great futures for the next generation of our leaders through encouraging education.

Corporate Air and staff provide the hangar to assist them in set-up and tear-down for the event at no charge as a community service.

Mr. Pridgeon has served on the Children’s Home Society of Florida Board of Directors for 10 years and the Board Chairman for the last two years and he was recently honored with a philanthropic award at their annual meeting. The award presented by the President of the Children’s Home Society said in part –

“With our greatest appreciation, we recognize Rodger Pridgeon & Corporate Air, Inc. for your remarkable dedication to our children, and the programs and services that help them thrive. You have taken our mission and made it your own, and for that, we are truly grateful. We are proud to partner with you as we build bridges to success for children. Thank you for your unwavering support”.

Mr. Pridgeon and his wife, having previously adopted a child, was honored by the presentation and “thanked all who had given their time, efforts and funding to aid in our continuing effort to better the lives of children without families.”





The Voice of Aviation Business

FBOs Above & Beyond



To learn more about Corporate Air, visit <http://www.corporateair.net>.

Read other stories and share your FBO experience(s) at www.nata.aero/aboveandbeyond