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Michigan Association of Airport Executives Honors Detroit Metro Airport's Del Fairbanks with its President's Award

LANSING--Del Fairbanks of the Wayne County Airport Authority (WCAA) was awarded the President's Award from the Michigan Association of Airport Executives (MAAE).

The annual award is awarded to an individual who has demonstrated an extraordinary commitment and dedication to both the association and the entire aviation industry throughout his/her career. Fairbanks received this honor at a banquet in Mt. Pleasant, Mich., held in conjunction with the Association's annual fall conference.

"Del has given a great deal to MAAE with her assistance toward the membership of our Association and contributions toward the success we share as Airport Executives, and her tenure is one that I can only hope to duplicate attending these events for over 30 years," said former President of MAAE Cliff Moshoginis.

Del Fairbanks began her career at Detroit Metropolitan Airport in July 1958 as a typist/timekeeper. The Smith Terminal was under construction and the airport had two airlines, Pan Am and British Airways. In Fall of that year, American, Allegheny and Northwest Orient moved from Willow Run to the Smith Terminal. Today, Mrs. Fairbanks serves as a manager in the Airfield Operations Division.

"You will never find a more friendly or considerate person than Del Fairbanks," said WCAA CEO Lester Robinson.

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