

## *Trip Back in Time*

**New Fredericksburg Airport Hotel Has WWII South Pacific Theme**



It took three years for the Hangar Hotel at Gillespie County Airport (T82) [N30°14.62' W98°54.57'] in Fredericksburg, TX to come to life for pilot and developer Richard Estenson but it was worth the wait – the hotel officially opened the last week in April.

The 50-room hotel resembles a Quonset hut framed in palm trees. Inside, the motif consists of mahogany and rattan furniture, sconce lights and crown molding, and wall coverings done in greens, browns and gold. There is no plastic or faux drop ceiling. Period music plays and the staff wear military-inspired uniforms.



In addition to the guest rooms, the hotel has two large rooms that can be used for conferences, weddings, and other gatherings. The hotel also has a lounge done up like an officers' club with leather chairs and pool tables.



The ultimate for the \$100 hamburger crowd is a 1930s-40s era diner. In addition to "regular" food, the diner also serves a blue plate special (which is really served on a blue plate).

The hotel is not the only draw in Fredericksburg. The town was founded in 1848 by German immigrants and is still known for its fine German Restaurants such as Alfredo's, Altdorf, Auslander, Rathskeller, and the German-American Restaurant to name a few. Also, the Fredericksburg Brewing Co. has a very nice selection of local wines! Downtown Fredericksburg also has the Admiral Nimitz Museum for those wishing to enhance their WWII knowledge. Easy daytrips from Fredericksburg include Kerrville -- home of Mooney Aircraft, the LBJ Ranch in Stonewall, and Luckenbach where "Everybody's Somebody!"

For more information, see <http://www.HangarHotel.com> or call 830-997-9990; the diner can be reached at 830-997-4999.

**Gillespie County Airport (T82)  
Fredericksburg, TX**

**N30°14.62' W98°54.57' 1695 B S4**

**RWY 14-32: H4602x75 (ASPH) S-24 MIRL 0.5%up NW**

**RWY 14: Trees RWY 32: Trees**

**Weather Data Sources: AWOS-3 120.00 (830)990-2716**

**Communications: CTAF/UNICOM 122.7  
Houston Center APP/DEP CON 134.2**

**Radio Aids to Navigation:**

**Stonewall (N) VORTAC 113.8 STV 274° 10.8NM to fld  
1530 / 8E**