

Historic Aviation Memorial Museum



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*Term Expiration Year

Museum Staff

Norm Walker---Interim Curator

Karon Gilmore ---Finance Mgr.



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On July 4th, Mineola-Wisener Airport recognized HAMM for preserving Aviation History and Promoting Aviation with the presentation of a plaque. The airport also hosted a fly-in and a drive-in with static displays of historic, antique, and unique airplanes. There were numerous aircraft fly-bys and aerobatics, after which lunch was served and the presentations to HAMM and other museums in the East Texas area were made.

On behalf of all the volunteers who support HAMM, Lou Thomas accepted the plaque.

Also over the July 4th weekend, HAMM hosted six aircraft that were participating in the "Wings Over Cedar Creek" Airshow. Present were a MIG-17F Fresco, (Russian Fighter), T-37 Tweet, (Air Force Trainer), P-51 Mustang, (WW II Army Air Corp Fighter), F4-U Corsair, (WW II Navy/Marine Corp Fighter), SA-16 Albatross, (1950-60 era Search and Rescue aircraft), and C-7 Caribou, (Vietnam-era Transport). The C-7 is indeed historic as it is one of only three flying in the world.

HANGER REPORT

We are happy to report that the T-2C Buckeye restoration has been completed and the airplane is back on the ramp for display. The restoration team of John Mustard, Bob Strong, and Jim Alexander did an outstanding job of preparing, painting, and installing the decals on the aircraft making it look like a new aircraft straight off the production line.

HANGER REPORT Cont'd

The F9F Cougar restoration team led by John Conaway is coming along nicely: the team is finishing up cosmetic repairs and will soon be preparing it for painting. Installation of the Cougar on a pole at the entrance to Airport Drive is currently in limbo awaiting the return of our installation team in the fall.

The restoration of the PBY is moving slowly but the team has completed covering the top left half of the center wing section.

From Ellington, Chip Williams obtained F-101 Burner Cans and a Nose Cone, which are currently on display. During a visit to his old employer, FEDEX, John Conaway laid the ground work to obtain a CM56 (DC10) engine.

AVIATION CAMP 101

From July 21 through July 25, 2015, HAMM will conduct an Aviation Camp for young adults (ages 12 to 15) from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm each day. Classroom activities will include: how airplanes fly, the history of flight, how to preflight an airplane, pilot experiences, flying the flight simulator, and a scavenger hunt.

We also visit the airport control tower, fire station, airport terminal building and one of the fixed-base operators. With written parental permission, each camper will have the opportunity to take an orientation flight on Saturday. The cost of the camp is \$110.00 dollars: attendance is limited to 15 participants.

We still have an opening for one more camper. For additional information or to make reservations, call HAMM at 903-526-1945 or Norm Walker at 903-881-0770.

FLIGHT SIMULATOR INSTRUCTOR

Once again, we are indeed fortunate to have found and hired an instructor for the Flight Simulator. He is Jordan Palmer, a high-school student and a Civil Air Patrol Cadet, who is also an aviation enthusiast and very knowledgeable about flight simulators. Come see Jordan for an exciting flight

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

Cary Fullen — Individual membership and has volunteered to become a Docent.

Julius (Jake) Pope — Individual membership

Billy Qualls — Family membership and has volunteered to become a Docent.

Margaret Qualls — has volunteered to assist with grant writing and other activities.

Donovan Palmer — Family membership

RECOGNITION OF OUR MEMBERS

Marshall Ewing

Marshall, who was born in Brownwood and raised in Georgetown, has been a dedicated volunteer at HAMM for several years. After one year at Southwestern University, he joined the Navy in September 1948. He entered flight training (NAVCAD) in February 1950 and pinned on his Naval Aviation Wings in July 1951. Flying F4U-4 Corsairs, Marshall deployed on the USS Essex (CV-9) to the waters off Korea, where he flew 56 combat missions. After returning to the U.S., he transitioned from Corsairs to F9F-2 Panther jets. Marshall again deployed in November 1953 aboard the USS Essex to the Korean waters, which turned out to essentially be a training cruise since the Korean Conflict had ended July 1953.

After returning to the U.S., Marshall left the Navy and completed his education at Texas Technical University. After graduation, he joined Sinclair Oil Company which was later bought by Arco. Marshall retired in July 1988.

Marshall married Barbara on June 4, 1957 and they had five children. She passed away in February 2014.

Marshall is now an active volunteer at the First Presbyterian Church, a Docent at HAMM, a front-desk volunteer at ETMC, and works with the Salvation Army Christian Toy Program (over 25 years).

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

July 15	Board of Directors Meeting	4:00 pm
July 25	General Meeting	Cancelled
Aug 3	Docent Meeting	10:00 am
Aug 19	Board of Directors Meeting	4:00 pm
Aug 22	General Meeting	10:00 am

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The museum is looking for volunteers to fill the following positions:

Docent: Learn about the many historical items and planes we have at HAMM and share that history with our visitors.

Gift Shop: Meet and welcome visitors and register sales from the gift shop.

Library: Assist the library staff with data entry.

Business Office: Assist with grant writing, mailings and miscellaneous activities.

Aircraft restoration: Assist our other volunteers in our restoration facility where HAMM's airplanes are repaired, refurbished, and painted to keep them in good shape for static display.

SKILLS REQUIRED

A desire to learn about our aviation history and the memorabilia in the museum and share this historical knowledge with our visitors.

BRICK BY BRICK

Become a part of the Historic Aviation Memorial Museum Memory Courtyard at the old north terminal at Tyler Pounds Regional Airport. With your donation a brick will be engraved with pertinent information: installed in the courtyard and have a lasting legacy for family and friends.

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