



WASSUP??

October 2009

VOLUNTEER AWARD WINNERS

Curt Rice was nominated by Don Hussey and selected as our Volunteer of the Quarter for July thru September 2009. Curt started helping us out with our computers but found aircraft restoration to be more challenging so for the past few months he's been helping George Joseph get the outdoor displays in our Air Park looking good. Their most current effort involves getting rid of the corrosion on the TF-102 and repainting it in 71st FIS markings, the unit that flew the TF-102. His efforts have certainly paid off...the "Deuce" is looking good! We can't wait until 2010 when Curt and George will be hard at it, restoring and repainting more of our Air Park aircraft. Thanks Curt!

Team Chiefs are reminded that nominations for the Volunteer of the Quarter award for October thru December 2009 are due in Lou Nigro's office no later than 15 December 2009.

NEW VOLUNTEERS

We continue to be blessed with new people volunteering their time to help us here at the Museum. Since the last issue of the WASSUP, we've added the following:

Jack Tyson: Jack is a "young man" (younger than I am but not by much), lives in Shelby Twp, was a jet engine mechanic in the USAF from 1965 to 1969, officially joined us on June 25th, retired from CN Rail, and has become part of Bob Bondy's Grounds Team. *Thanks for offering to help us out Jack. You'll find that Bob Bondy's Team has a lot of grass to maintain and, except for the students that help him out, his Team is, to be kind, getting on in years. SPECIAL NOTE TO JIM KOGLIN...you'll note that Jack retired from CN Rail. I'm sure that you and he will have a lot to talk about!*

Matthew Valentino: Matt really is a young man (14 years old), lives in Chesterfield Township, a freshman at L'Anse Creuse North High School, and getting his community service square filled early. Matt officially joined us on July 6th and because of his interest in gardening has become part of Bob Bondy's Grounds Team. *Thanks for offering to help us out Matt. We've had a number of students filling that community service requirement early in their high school career You'll find that Mr. Bondy's Team has a lot on their plate and it's our students who help the adults on his team, adults who have probably logged more time on our lawn mowers than you've been alive!*

Deont'e Rickman: Deont'e, like Matt Valentino, is a young man (14 years old) who lives in Chesterfield Township and is getting a leg up on his Community Service. Deont'e officially joined us on August 10th and has become part of Bob Bondy's Grounds Team. *Thanks for joining us Deont'e...all the senior citizens on Mr. Bondy's Team love it when young strong men help them out!*

TELEPHONE PIN NUMBER CHANGE

On 17 August 2009, the Museum's telephone PIN number for long distance calls changed 101505.

2009 GOALS

It never ends...

- Repaint the F-102 in Selfridge-specific markings. We received the decals we need courtesy of our friends at the KI Sawyer Museum and the repainting efforts began but had to be cut short because of temperatures. (**old project but underway**).
- Purge our storage areas of assets that are excess to our current and future needs, a long-term and ongoing effort (**old project**).
- Developing and installing an Air Traffic Control display (**old project but underway**).
- Finish ongoing organization efforts in Bldg 1007. The stuff we're storing for STARBASE will hopefully be moved out eventually (**old project**).
- Training more of our "full-time" volunteers on aircraft corrosion control (**old project**).
- Cataloguing, digitizing, and filing historic photos (**old project but underway**).
- Transformation of Bldg 1008 into a Library/Research and storage area. Once Bldg 1008 has been modified, we'll move the Library/Research area from Bldg 1011 into Bldg 1008, freeing up the space they occupied in Bldg 1011 for new displays.

AN EDITORIAL

I need a place to vent. Please don't take these ramblings personally...

- I'll say it again and keep saying it until everyone gets the word! **ONLY THE CURATOR OR THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CAN ACCEPT A DONATION TO THE MUSEUM!** Do not bring anything from your home or from others that is to be donated to the Museum unless you first come thru me! We keep getting stuff that I have to back door thru the review, acceptance and inventory process and it's getting a little old trying to figure out what happened and when after the fact.
- There are apparently some questions about whether Museum volunteers are entitled to a discount on items in our Gift Shop. The simple answer is **not unless they are a member of our parent organization, the Michigan Air Guard Historical Association**. While membership is not a requirement to volunteer, a 25% discount on most items in the Gift Shop is a **membership benefit exclusively for MAGHA members**. To insure that our docents know who is a current MAGHA member, I provide them a list of those members every week attached to their "Host Notes". We have a total of 112 volunteers and 60 of them (54%) are members. If you're interested in joining MAGHA, a membership application is at the end of this newsletter. Volunteers are allowed into the Museum for free but regular admission prices apply to their guests and in the event that a docent doesn't recognize the person claiming to be a volunteer, a list of current volunteers is also attached to the "Host Notes". This list of Museum volunteers does not include the names of the people in the organizations participating in our Adopt-A-Plane program.
- We just finished another check of Museum equipment on our inventory and we're missing five items. If anyone happens to know what happened to these items, please contact Ed Young.:
 - Sharp model WQ-CH600(GY), serial #40298823 portable stereo with CD changer that used to be in the Admin area of Bldg 1011.
 - Hewlett Packard 8122 DeskJet printer, serial #MY27Q1B3GQ, that used to be in the Library
 - Craftsman chain saw
 - Sony model CPD200ES, serial #78824009 monitor
 - Zenith model ZCM1435UT, serial #TAO-536024740AO, that used to be in the Uniform Storage area in Bldg 1007

VISITORS PASS RENEWAL

All of those who use the AF Form 75 Visitors Pass to gain access the Base need to renew their pass to show an expiration date of 31 January 2010!

I sent an updated list of all volunteers to Security in mid May 2009 so your name should be at Pass & ID in the new Visitor's Center (Bldg 901) at the intersection of Hall Road and Jefferson by the end of November. The Pass & ID section is open from 8:00 am to 12:00 noon and from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm on Tuesdays thru Fridays. They are closed on Saturday, Sundays, Mondays, and Federal holidays. Their phone number is 586-239-5161, ext 1.

To insure that (1) all of our passes expire on the same day, (2) the information I provide to our Security folks is as accurate as it can be, and (3) the WASSUP newsletter contains a timely reminder of an upcoming renewal cycle, I have changed the six-month renewal cycle from January thru June & July thru December to February thru July & August thru January. An updated list of Museum volunteers will be sent to Security again in mid-December 2009 for the period 1 February 2010 thru 31 July 2010.

MAGHA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

I believe that my support for the goals of the Michigan Air Guard Historical Association and the Selfridge Military Air Museum will attest to my commitment to the Michigan Air National Guard, Selfridge Air National Guard Base, and the thousands of dedicated men and women who have served our great nation and the State of Michigan. I wish to demonstrate this commitment by becoming a member of MAGHA as follows:

- NEW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION
- RENEWAL MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

- PATRON MEMBERSHIP (\$1,000.00)
- SUSTAINING MEMBERSHIP (\$500.00)
- LIFE MEMBERSHIP (\$250.00)
- REGULAR MEMBERSHIP (\$25.00)
- DONATION ONLY

RANK & NAME _____

UNIT OF AFFILIATION (ONLY ONE PLEASE) _____

MEMBER OF THE MI ANG (YEARS ONLY) FROM _____ TO _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____

STATE _____ ZIP CODE _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

HOW WOULD YOU PREFER TO RECEIVE YOUR NEWSLETTER (check one)

- BY EMAIL BY US MAIL OFF THE WEB SITE (www.selfridgeairmuseum.org)

Complete your payment information below and mail to 27333 C St, Bldg 1011, Selfridge ANG Base MI 48045.

Your support of MAGHA is gratefully appreciated and **REMEMBER** your membership donation is **100% TAX DEDUCTIBLE.**

MICHIGAN SOLICITATION LICENSE NUMBER: MICS 26603

Check # _____ dated _____ enclosed. Checks should be made payable to "MAGHA".

- Please charge my: VISA CARD
 MASTER CARD
 AMERICAN EXPRESS CARD
 DISCOVER CARD

Account # _____

Expiration Date: _____

Signature: _____