



# WASSUP??

(April 2007)

## VOLUNTEER AWARD WINNERS

**Ralph Craig** was nominated by Juanita Hammond and selected as our Volunteer of the Quarter for the period October thru December 2006. Ralph is part of our Host Team, gives us great availability, and in 2006 helped at the Museum on 14 separate days! Scheduling hosts for our "general public" hours is a real challenge...Ralph helps ease the anxiety.

Team Coordinators are reminded that nominations for the Volunteer of the Quarter award for January thru March 2007 are due in Lou's office no later than 27 April 2007.

## 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 Naber**, another "young" man (he'll be 79 years old this coming June...someone for Floyd Brody to bond with). Jack lives in Macomb, is a Korean War veteran, and has an interest in aircraft restoration so we assigned him to Jim Galvin's Exterior Displays Team. Welcome Jack!

**Vince Giacobbe**, who, in a former life, was an aircraft mechanic on C-119s no less. It's a shame we couldn't afford the \$100,000.00+ required to get the "surplus" C-119 from Ft Campbell to Selfridge as we would then have our own Air Park display crew chief!. Vince retired as a store manager at Hudson's, is a Cessna 172 pilot, likes to work with old cars and off road vehicles, and is interested in helping us out with aircraft restoration. For that latter reason, we assigned him to Jim Galvin's Exterior Displays Team. And because of his experiences with Hudson's, maybe he'll be able to help Juanita out in the Gift Shop! Welcome Vince!

**Carin DePeter**, an old and dear friend who worked here at Selfridge from 1984 to 1998 and who has worked at TACOM as a Procurement Specialist since 2004. Carin's daughter Devon was born about the same time as my grandson Tyler so Carin and I decided early on that the two of them should get married! Carin's sister Heidi works in the Bioenvironmental Shop here on Base so, if the two of them are on speaking terms, we should have an "IN" in the Bioenvironmental Shop. Carin has a 40-hour a week job so she's graciously agreed to be part of our Host Team on weekends. Thanks Carin for volunteering to help.

**Col Glenn Lamont**, a long standing friend of Selfridge who flew out of here more years ago than he cares to remember, will be helping out as needed on those Special Projects that need someone with his knowledge and wisdom.

## AN EDITORIAL

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

- Using an email "address book" system to disseminate fast-breaking news, the WASSUP, and assorted other items has proven to be a real time and money saver for us. Unfortunately, more and more emails are being returned as "User Unknown" or "Mailbox Not Found" and without feedback from the volunteer, I can't correct the problem. ***Effective immediately, if an email bounces, I will send the bounce message thru the mail to the member, code our volunteer database to show that the email address on file is bad, and delete the email address from the volunteer address book.***

## 2007 GOALS

It never ends...

- Repaint the F-102 in Selfridge-specific markings. This will require some serious corrosion control before it can be repainted (**old project**).
- 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**). Chuck Halt and Darrell Rohrbeck have been working on this and once the display is done, it will be cosmic!
- Finish ongoing organization efforts in Bldg 1007. The stuff we're storing for STARBASE will hopefully be moved out in by the end of the year (**old project**).
- Motorize the R-2800 engine (**old project**).
- Training more of our "full-time" volunteers on aircraft corrosion control (**old project**).
- Cataloguing, digitizing, and filing historic photos (**old project**).
- Transformation of Bldg 1008 into a Visitor's Center connected to the Museum by a covered walkway and completion of a SPAD hangar that will abut the walkway. Construction of the SPAD hangar has been budgeted for in 2007...the rest of the project awaits \$\$.
- Once Bldg 1008 has been modified and the new covered walkway built, we plan to move the Gift Shop and the Library from Bldg 1011 into Bldg 1008, freeing up the space they occupied in Bldg 1011 for new displays.

## VISITORS PASS RENEWAL

**All of those who use the AF Form 75 Visitors Pass to gain access the Base should have had their pass renewed in December with an expiration date of 30 June 2007!**

I'll be sending an updated list of all volunteers in the middle of May 2007 so your name should be at Pass & ID in the new Visitor's Center (Bldg 901) at the intersection of Hall Road and Jefferson. Their hours are from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm, Tuesday thru Saturday, but they're closed on Federal holidays. To insure that all of our passes expire on the same day and to insure that the information I provide to our Security folks is as accurate as it can be, **I'll be asking Pass & ID to have this next round of volunteer passes expire on 31 December 2007.** The good news is that Security Police has advised me that the Visitors Pass (AF Form 75) is acceptable for entry to the Base thru the Golf Gate on North River Road! If they don't accept the Visitors Pass (AF Form 75) at the Golf Gate and tell you that you have to go thru the Main Gate, please advise me so I can square away what the real rules are.

## LONG DISTANCE PIN NUMBER CHANGED

The PIN number for long distance calls made from Museum phones has been changed to **701514**. If you make an off-base call, dial 99 + 1 + the area code + the phone number. If you hear five short beeps, it's a long distance number you're trying to call so after the beeps press 701514 and it should go thru. ***Be gentle...we have to reimburse the Base for all long-distance calls made from the Museum!***

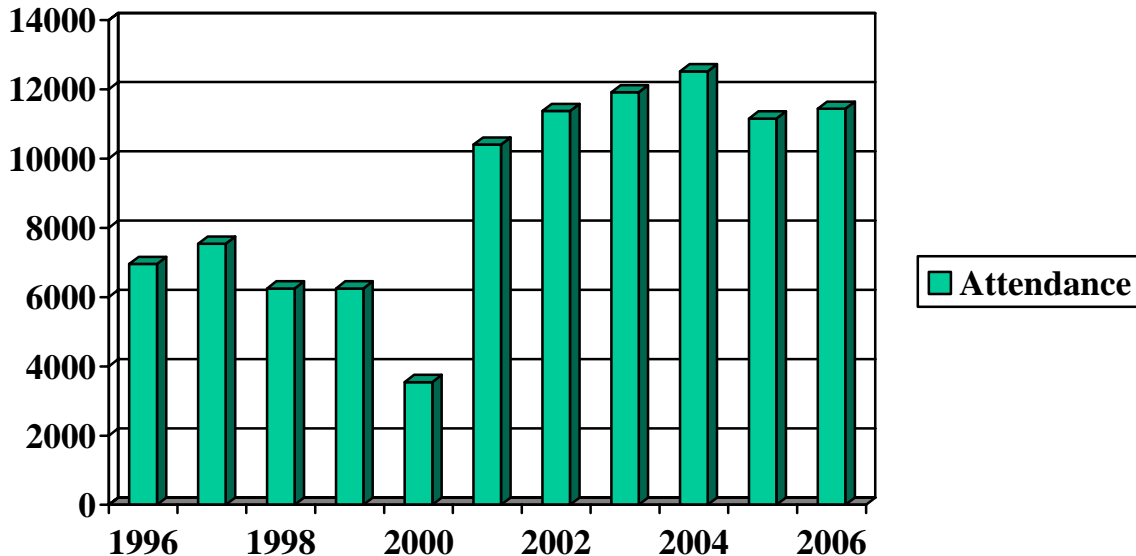
## HELP NEEDED

We have just four events that we're supporting in 2007 and if you can help with any of them, please see Lou Nigro.

1. We've been asked to provide a Museum display at the **2007 Military Vehicle Preservation Association's "Salute to Veterans Weekend" on the weekend of 23/24 June**. The event will be held at the Wolcott Mill Metro Park, north of 29 Mile Rd between North Avenue and Romeo Plank Rd. Set up is from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm on Friday, 22 June, and the event is from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm on Saturday, 23 June, and from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm on Sunday, 24 June. If historic military vehicles, WW II battle re-enactments, USO-style entertainment, and living history encampments excite you, this will be the place to be
2. We're going to put the SPAD inside a hangar at the **2007 Air Show on the weekend of 21/22 July** and 22<sup>nd</sup>) and we need to staff a table by the display where we'll not only have SPAD information (including contribution forms) but also Museum information and the *Images of Aviation, Selfridge Field* book for sale. Methinks that members of the SPAD Team will be able to help but I need to know who specifically will be there on what day and on what shift so we can get participant passes from the Air Show Committee
3. Our **2007 Golf Outing on Saturday, July 21<sup>st</sup>**, and we'll need two or three people to help out from about 7:00 am (yawn!) to mid afternoon at the Selfridge Golf Course.
4. The **2007 Bath City Festival in Mt Clemens is Friday and Saturday, 24 and 25 August**. We'll need two people for two shifts each day.

## MUSEUM ATTENDANCE

We're often asked how many guests visit our Museum. Well, here's the answer to that question...using the only records I have available, we've had 11,433 guests over the last 11 years (1996-2006). We've averaged 9,029 over those 11 years and averaged 11,676 over the last five years (2002-2006). Our attendance history is shown graphically below and includes the general public, by-appointment, and Michigan Transit Museum guests. As you can see, 2004 was our high water mark and 2000 was our low water mark.



2000-2006 MAGHA FINANCIAL REPORT/2007 BUDGET

	2000-2006 AVG	% OF TOTAL	2007 BUDGET	% OF TOTAL	REMARKS
<b>REVENUES</b>					
Admission Donations	\$ 11,304	15.5%	\$ 18,000	15.7%	
Donation Box	\$ 806	1.1%	\$ 600	0.5%	
Memorial Bricks	\$ 1,899	2.6%	\$ 1,500	1.3%	
Group Donations	\$ 11,357	15.6%	\$ 25,000	21.8%	2007 Airshow
Corporate Donations	\$ 1,710	2.3%	\$ -	0.0%	
History Books	\$ 60	0.1%	\$ 3,000	2.6%	
Individual Donations	\$ 6,228	8.5%	\$ 6,000	5.2%	
Gift Shop Sales	\$ 11,104	15.2%	\$ 22,000	19.2%	
MAGHA Membership	\$ 15,296	21.0%	\$ 10,000	8.7%	
RV Storage Area	\$ 4,898	6.7%	\$ 15,000	13.1%	
Interest Income	\$ 474	0.7%	\$ 1,200	1.0%	
Special Events	\$ 6,538	9.0%	\$ 12,000	10.5%	
Miscellaneous	\$ 1,233	1.7%	\$ 500	0.4%	
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$ 72,907</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$ 114,800</b>	<b>100%</b>	

	2000-2006 AVG	% OF TOTAL	2007 BUDGET	% OF TOTAL	REMARKS
<b>EXPENSES</b>					
Building Maintenance	\$ 13,987	21.2%	\$ 28,000	22.3%	
Computer/Website Maintenance	\$ 1,380	2.1%	\$ 1,500	1.2%	
Display Maintenance	\$ 4,519	6.9%	\$ 4,000	3.2%	
Equipment Maintenance	\$ 1,530	2.3%	\$ 2,000	1.6%	
Equipment Purchase	\$ 1,506	2.3%	\$ 1,000	0.8%	
Fuel + Fuel Taxes	\$ 668	1.0%	\$ 1,300	1.0%	
Gift Shop Supplies	\$ 5,860	8.9%	\$ 6,000	4.8%	
Grounds Maintenance	\$ 1,017	1.5%	\$ 1,100	0.9%	
Insurance	\$ 4,387	6.7%	\$ 4,700	3.7%	
Office Supplies	\$ 2,757	4.2%	\$ 3,000	2.4%	
Postage & Delivery	\$ 1,984	3.0%	\$ 2,700	2.1%	
Printing & Reproduction	\$ 4,443	6.7%	\$ 3,000	2.4%	
SANGB Reimbursables	\$ 7,513	11.4%	\$ 10,000	8.0%	
MI Sales Tax Remitted	\$ 481	0.7%	\$ 979	0.8%	
Recognition Programs	\$ 7,967	12.1%	\$ 3,500	2.8%	
Special Projects	\$ 2,910	4.4%	\$ 49,000	39.0%	SPAD hangar
RV Storage Area	\$ 1,905	2.9%	\$ 2,000	1.6%	
Miscellaneous	\$ 1,095	1.7%	\$ 2,000	1.6%	
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 65,909</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$ 125,779</b>	<b>100%</b>	

	YEAR	AMOUNT
END OF YEAR \$\$ ASSETS  QUESTIONS? CONTACT LOU NIGRO 586-307-6768 AIR.MUSEUM@MISELF.ANG.AF.MIL	1995 (actual)	\$4,438
	1996 (actual)	\$22,995
	1997 (actual)	\$21,641
	1998 (actual)	\$28,604
	1999 (actual)	\$20,408
	2000 (actual)	\$30,331
	2001 (actual)	\$37,775
	2002 (actual)	\$27,612
	2003 (actual)	\$33,592
	2004 (actual)	\$78,511
	2005 (actual)	\$73,493
	2006 (actual)	\$81,172
	2007 (proj)	\$70,193