



WASSUP??

JULY 2007

VOLUNTEER AWARD WINNERS

In the last issue of the WASSUP, Team Coordinators were reminded that nominations for the Volunteer of the Quarter award for January thru March 2007 were due in the Executive Director's office no later than 27 April 2007. None were received so no award was made.

Team Coordinators are reminded that nominations for the Volunteer of the Quarter award for April thru June 2007 are due in the Executive Director's office no later than 15 July 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:

Sam Blaga, a "young" man who became interested in volunteering at our Museum when he helped Darrell Rohrbeck with the drone on display inside the Museum. Sam was in the US Navy for 11 years as an Instructor at their Engine Room School before going to work for Detroit Edison maintaining their steam turbines and pumps. Because of Sam's skills in building and flying radio-controlled model airplanes, we decided to let him work on something bigger as part of our new SPAD Restoration Team. *Welcome aboard Sam.*

Dan Vernier, a former high school electronics teacher, a former "information technologist" for Ford specializing in wireless high speed data acquisition/electronics maintenance, a medical first-responder, and a ham radio operator. And if Dan's last name looks familiar, he's the son of Museum Library/Research Team volunteer Warren Vernier! Due to Dan's availability and interest in aircraft restoration, we've added him to Bob Kozloff's Air Park Display Team. *Welcome to our Museum Dan...methinks Bob will have plenty of ways to keep you occupied!*

Nikki Brunamonti, a student who's back for more Community Service as a Museum Host on weekends. Nikki worked in the Gift Shop last year so she'll be up to speed in short order. *Welcome back Nikki!*

Andrew Crosson, another student filling his Community Service requirement. Andrew is Don Hussey's grandson and Anthony Cappella's friend...we know Don doesn't like to get his hands dirty by Anthony sure does so we've asked Andrew to work with Bob Bondy on our Grounds Team. *Welcome aboard Andrew...if you work as hard as Anthony does you'll be a real asset.*

AN EDITORIAL

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

- Do you remember the Prayer of St Francis that goes something like "God give me the strength to change the things I can, the serenity to accept the things I can't, and the wisdom to know the difference"? Some of the things I cannot change is modifying the behavior of guests who, despite instructions to the contrary, do things they shouldn't be doing like running around, climbing on airplanes, leaving trash on the ground, and breaking the fishing line on top of the display signs that prevents birds from roosting on those signs and leaving their bodily fluids on them. We just don't have the staffing to personally supervise each and every guest.
- While everyone enjoys our ability to pay the utilities, buy the supplies and equipment needed to do what needs

to be done, and to reimburse volunteers for things they purchased with their own money for the Museum, know that fully 21% of our income since 1 January 2000 has come from folks joining our parent organization, the Michigan Air Guard Historical Association. Excluding those members of our Board of Directors that just serve on the Board and our student volunteers, we have 74 Museum volunteers and only 51% of them have joined MAGHA. While membership certainly isn't a requirement to volunteer out here, it sure does help pay the bills! If you're interested in joining, please contact me.

ACCESS TO THE P-3 "ORION"

All of our outdoor displays have been adopted by a variety of organizations and people. The two displays that are best cared for by their Adopt-A-Plane sponsors are, without a doubt, the C-130 "Hercules" adopted by Museum volunteer and Air Park Displays Team Chief Bob Kozloff, and the P-3 "Orion", adopted by the VP-93 Alumni Association.

The P-3 display has some special issues associated with it due to the extensive work done by the VP-93 Alumni Association to restore both the inside and outside of "their" aircraft. To insure that we protect this precious asset, the following policy has been adopted:

Unless specifically authorized by Lou Nigro, Roger Krings, or Bob Kozloff, only the scheduled VP-93 Alumni Association host can open the P-3.

Who's the scheduled VP-93 Alumni Association host? They are listed on a schedule posted on the bulletin board behind the Gift Shop counter.

If someone is not on the schedule but claims to be an authorized host, call Bob Hudson (586-725-8836), Capt Howard Rundell (734-658-7701), or Senior Chief Jerry Lach (248-762-6047) to confirm that they are who they claim to be.

If there is not a VP-93 Alumni Association scheduled or verified host, Museum hosts should not open the P-3 for viewing by Museum guests.

Need access for another reason? Get Lou, Roger, or Bob's authorization. If they are not available, don't open the P-3.

Now naturally all bets are off if the P-3 catches on fire or threatened by a natural disaster...then you do what needs to be done to preserve the asset.

2007 GOALS

It never ends...

- Repaint the F-86 in the Memorial Area...the paint not only needs to be refreshed but it's also going to be the centerpiece of a wedding ceremony in August. We've done birthday parties, memorial ceremonies, and retirement ceremonies in the past...this will be our first wedding ceremony!
- Siting and construction of the SPAD Hangar. We're trying to find out where the State Historical Preservation Office in Lansing will allow us to put it as they will not allow us to put it between Bldgs 1008 and 1011 because it would "detract from an intact collection of Cold War buildings" and we're still looking for the \$\$ to buy it and build it. The "plan" was to have it contractually built but we may have to struggle thru that construction on our own for \$\$ reasons.
- 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**).
- 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.
- 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 so that it shows an expiration date of 31 December 2007!

I sent an updated list of all volunteers on April 29, 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. 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.

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, an updated list of Museum volunteers will be sent to Security in November for the period 1 January thru 30 June 2008.

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 three events left that we're supporting in 2007 and if you can help with any of them, please see Lou Nigro.

1. We're going to put the SPAD inside a hangar at the **2007 Air Show on the weekend of 21/22 July and 22nd** 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. Roger Krings will be responsible for scheduling folks for this effort and I will need to know who specifically will be there on what day and on what shift so I can get participant passes from the Air Show Committee
2. Our **2007 Golf Outing on Friday, July 20th**, 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.
3. 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 FUNCTIONAL TEAM REORGANIZATION

Recognizing that volunteer interests change and get refined as new volunteer opportunities present themselves, I have taken the liberty of reorganizing our Functional Teams as shown on the attached "wiring diagram". If you're not happy with where I put you, see me and we'll move you to where you want to be. It's important to remember that **the assignment of a specific volunteer to a specific team does not limit that volunteer's authority to operate in and with other functional teams. Cross-functional efforts are encouraged as they are absolutely necessary for the viability and sustainability of our Museum and Air Park.**

MUSEUM OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS UPDATED

One of the requirements of professional accreditation is Operating Instructions (OIs) that define how an organization performs a variety of tasks relevant to that organization.

Our Museum has a comprehensive set of OIs, most of which were patterned after those in use by the National Museum of the US Air Force and modified to meet our needs.

In addition to receiving annual reviews, the OIs are modified as the need arises.

A complete and up-to-date set of these OIs is maintained in the Executive Director's Office and in the Multi-Purpose Room in Bldg 1011. Museum volunteers should be familiar with the contents of those OIs that relate to their responsibilities.

An index of all of our OIs is attached and in 2007, the following OIs have been modified:

OI #	Subject	Date Modified
38-1	Organization	14 April 2007
60-2	Museum Host Procedures	23 February 2007
84-8	Historical Property Acquisition	28 April 2007
84-9	Color Schemes/Painting/Marking of Museum Aircraft	28 April 2007
84-10	Selfridge Military Air Museum Collection Policy	28 April 2007
84-12	Exhibit/Exhibit Area Maintenance	28 April 2007
84-14	Internal Movement of Historical Property	28 April 2007
84-15	Accounting for Historical Property	28 April 2007
84-19	Exhibit Item Preparation	28 April 2007

OLD MUSEUM PHOTO

Can anybody guess what year this photo was taken? I know the answer and it wasn't very long ago.

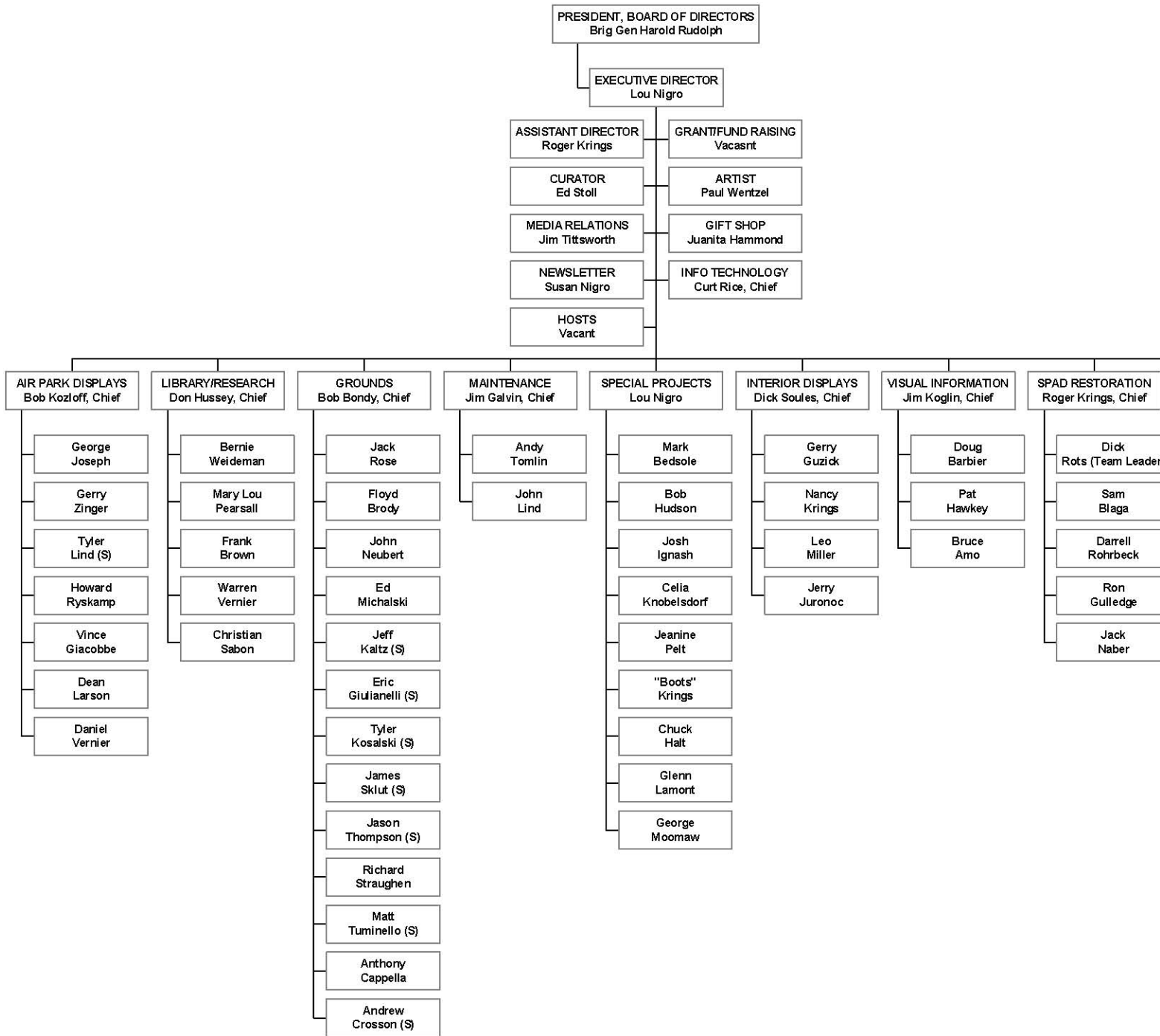


OLD MUSEUM PHOTO

And if you really want to go back a few years, here's what our Museum site looked like before it was a Museum site! This photo was taken in 1962.

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SELFRIDGE MILITARY AIR MUSEUM

OPERATING INSTRUCTION 0-2

2 June 2007

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