



MILE HIGH VIEW

NEWSLETTER OF THE MILE HIGH WING,
COMMEMORATIVE AIR FORCE (CAF)

Keep 'Em Flying!

March 2007

The Hangars

By Col Stan Hanson

The Lafayette foundation is moving ahead with the two new hangars for the WWI and WWII displays. The two hangars have the same footprint, however one hangar has a slightly narrower door than the other. Both hangars open to the south, and are located at the south end of the airport.

The hangar with the wider door will house the WWII airplanes and a few of the WWI airplanes. The hangar with the narrower door will house the WWI airplanes and the WWI exhibit.

The interior of the each hangar is almost complete. The interior walls are up and insulated, the lights and the ceiling fans are all functional, and the floors are in. The hangar with the small door will have a snack bar room with a kitchen, and a bath room. There will also be a room for a store for merchandise sales, (PX). These rooms will occupy the left hand side (as you face the front) of the hangar with the smaller door. Above these rooms will be a library for archival information and a reading room.

The next big operation will be to paint the floors of both hangars. This will probably happen in March when the weather warms up and we can have the hangar doors open for ventilation.

In May Andy Parks is planning an open house to showcase the new facilities.

I for one am looking forward to being able to work on the C-45 IN DOORS. Even polishing should be more fun than standing outside in the wind the cold, in the hot, well you gets the idea.

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Progress

By Col Stan Peterson

Nothing but good news to report this March: I just celebrated another birthday, (#64) I still have my license, medical, and just came back from a 2-mile run in under 18 minutes. Life is good, and almost everything I purchase at this age is guaranteed for life!

The airplanes are all up and running. We just completed a minor repair of a bracket on the left engine's exhaust stack and repaired or replaced several Dzus fasteners with the help of Corky Motter, (our newest member) Gordy Rupert, and Kevin Kennelly. Corky will be a most valuable addition to the Mile High Wing's organization. He is a pilot, very knowledgeable, hard-working, and best of all – he lives near the PVA and devotes much of his time to volunteer work. The Dzus fasteners were something that needed fixin' for quite a while.



I just flew the C-45 to Freedom Avionics at Jeffco Airport for its biennial inspection of the altimeters and transponder. The airplane started, checked out, flew well, and the post-flight inspection revealed very little "slobbering" of the engines. Saturday, the 10th, we plan to do some flight training, which will include several takeoffs and landings at Greeley Airport. Everyone is welcome to join us for lunch in Greeley; should be a fun day. Be sure to check for possible changes in plan as we may move the training up one day.

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Pictured above are the fronts of both hangars. The hangar with the smaller door is to the east, and will house the snack bar, store, and achieves and reading room.

Below is an interior view of the larger WWII hangar door.



Right is an interior view ceiling with lights and "A/C" (ceiling fans).



Newest Member Corky Motter working with Kevin Kennelly on the Dzus fasteners after a hearty welcome from JJ, PR Officer.





Pictured is interior of the snack bar area located in the southwest corner of the hangar, having two windows facing the south and west. This room will have an "L" shaped bar, and small kitchen. Picture was taken facing southwest.



Pictured is the store (PX), an "L" shaped room located on the west side of the hangar and north of the snack bar.

The restrooms will be located between this room and the snack bar.

Calendar of Events

Mar 3, 2007 – Aircraft work day:
10:00 a.m. at Platte Valley Airport

Mar 17, 2007 – General Meeting:
10:00 a.m. at Platte Valley Airport

Apr 7, 2007 – Aircraft work day:
10:00 a.m. at Platte Valley Airport

Apr 21, 2007 – General Meeting:
10:00 a.m. at Platte Valley Airport

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Directions to Platte Valley Airport

Platte Valley Airport is 3 miles northwest of Hudson, Colorado:

- Take I-76 north to Hudson and exit west on Highway 52.
- At CR 41, turn right (north).
- At CR 18, turn left (west).

At the Platte Valley Airpark sign, turn left again.

Wing meetings are normally held on the 3rd Saturday of the month at 10:00 a.m.

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