

# MILE HIGH VIEW



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

Keep 'em Flying!

December, 2011

**December 7, 1941**  
**Col. Stan Peterson**

Seventy years ago the Japanese surprised us as we lay sun bathing in paradise. We were content on the way Britain was handling the war in Europe and really weren't interested in lending any more than some moral, and a bit of limited hardware, support to their conflict. Our personal peace and comfort was the number one priority. Not unlike today, as we engage our enemies with unmanned, radio controlled drones, and engage in sporadic search and destroy missions on the ground, with no real interest in conquering or controlling the real estate.

The Korean War and the Viet Nam are rapidly fading memories. Our only interests are economic and political in our present engagements, and the outrage of the 9/11 attacks are a fading memory as well. We're left with security measures, which arouse our anger at Homeland Security, the symptom, rather than the cause.

CBS recently completely ignored the importance and sacred sacrifice that our few remaining heroes contributed to our freedom, when they ushered the WWII Veterans away from their memorial service at a Pearl Harbor Cemetery, so that a Hawaii Five O filming might not be interrupted.

I know that the same strengths lay within the American people as they did during WWII, somewhat dormant perhaps, but with every December 7's passing we should always be reminded that, "*freedom is never free!*"

**Honoring American Military Aviation Through Flight, Exhibition, And Remembrance**

[www.milehighcaf.org](http://www.milehighcaf.org)

---



# Mile High Wing Time & Miles

Source: Col Stan Hanson, Adjutant

		Quarterly Totals	
		Miles	Hours
	1st	2916	195
	2nd	1900	176.25
	3rd	4168	411
	4th	800	66.08
Annual Total		9784	848.33

	Miles	Hours
January	1500	93.50
February	556	45.75
March	860	55.75
April	565	33.75
May	515	75.25
June	820	67.25
July	530	31.00
August	1347	203.25
September	2291	176.75
October	445	43.83
November	355	22.25
December		
TOTAL	9784	848.33



[www.milehighcaf.org](http://www.milehighcaf.org)

## 2011 EVENTS CALENDAR

### DECEMBER - Merry Christmas

December Wing Meeting and Christmas Party 12/17/11

### FOR INTEREST

[] Beech-18 calendars, mugs, and gifts: <http://shop.cafepress.com/beeccraft-18>

[] A company that specializes in Beech 18's: <http://twinbeech.com/>

[] Visit our online PX store at: <http://stores.ebay.com/AviationCollectablesMHW>

Don't forget that contributions to the MHW are tax deductible. Send them in soon for a deduction in 2011!

**American Airpower— A Proud Heritage**