



MILE HIGH VIEW

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

Keep 'Em Flying!

August 2004

Marching On

By Col Stan Peterson, Wing Leader

It's August already and less than two months to go before the big Fina-CAF AIRSHO in Texas. However, after the work session on August 7th, everything appears to be moving along on schedule as we prepare the Wing's C-60 to fly to Midland and participate in the show.

The most challenging area to be painted on the aircraft, because of the preparation work involved with the large fiberglass fairing over the aft-fuselage, has been completed and is ready for the application of the big "stars and bars" decals. The remaining two invasion stripe areas—on the wings—won't require the fiberglass preparation or the "stars and bars" insignia, so I would expect to have all the painting completed in September.

Meanwhile other work continues. Col Jim Davis and his wife constructed a new cover to protect the cockpit area. Some new, spiffy walkways have been applied to the wings, making the area less slippery (and much safer) to walk on. Polishing has been completed on the right side of the fuselage and a large portion of the left side as well.

Col Barry Barnow and Col Quentin Huston worked on fabricating and installing a new oil access panel for the left engine. And Col Mike Kalinowski busied himself masking and

polishing all day, with the help of our Wing's "Chef Extraordinaire," Col Stan Hanson.

Pilot checkouts still continue to plague us. Coordinating around various individual schedules—including work, vacations, and personal emergencies—as well as issues of aircraft serviceability have limited our flight operations.

However, by the time you receive this month's newsletter, Barry and I could be requalified and fully rated in the Lockheed. At the very latest we hope to get the qualifications completed by the middle of September.

Don't forget to make the necessary arrangements for travel, lodging, and tickets for the Fina-CAF AIRSHO! And don't forget to RSVP for the Wing picnic! (See pages 2 and 3.) →



New no-slip walkway on the wing will make maintenance access much safer, because that shiny metal is also slick!



WWII Aviation Buffs—AIRSHO is Coming!!

Fina-CAF AIRSHO 2004 is coming soon to Midland-Odessa, Texas—the first weekend in October. Commemorating the 60th anniversary of D-DAY, AIRSHO will feature over 100 flyable WWII airplanes, along with the CAF's famous WWII airpower demonstration and reenactment of the most famous aviation battles of World War II. Other highlights:

- The “Masters of Disaster”
- Julie Clark and the Mopar T-34
- Jan Collmer and the Fina Extra 300L
- The U.S. Army's Golden Knights parachute team
- Jim Leroy and the “Bulldog” Pitts S2S
- Jimmy Franklin and the Jet-Powered Biplane

Will YOU be there? See <http://www.airsho.org> for more info.

Top left: Col Mike Kalinowski and Col Stan Hanson work on masking and painting the aft fuselage area and fiberglass fairing.

Bottom left: Invasion stripes and “stars and bars” will soon cover the primed area on the aft fuselage of the Lockheed C-60.

DIRECTIONS TO THE WING

By Col Stan Hanson



When coming from any direction, find your way to Baseline Road in Boulder, Colorado and go WEST (that would be toward the mountains).

Do not turn left or right, just follow the road. It will eventually start climbing (the rate of climb depends on how adventuresome you are) up Flagstaff Mountain.

Continue your climb until you see a sign (words to the effect of “Summit,” “Amphitheater”) then turn right and bear to the left. You are looking for ARTIST POINT.

Don't be confused by the two lovely covered pavilions; those were \$175 each to reserve (!!). If the weather is inclement, though, we may just take over one of those pavilions...

If for some reason you find yourself on the other side of the Continental Divide, turn around and come back! You will recognize you have gone over the divide when you see the river water flowing the same direction you are going and your rate of descent is increasing. ➔

Hurry! Hurry! Hurry!
Step right up!
Come one, come all!



- WHAT? WING PICNIC**
- WHERE? FLAGSTAFF MOUNTAIN, BOULDER (directions on page 2)**
- WHEN? 21 AUGUST 2004**
- WHO? ALL WING MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILIES**
- WHY? I SHOULDN'T HAVE TO TELL YOU THAT, IT'S A PARTY!!!!**

General meeting to start at 1000. The fun begins at 1100 and will go until.....??

The Wing will provide hamburgers, hot dogs, condiments (lettuce, tomato, catsup, mustard, relish, and yes the ever delicious sautéed onions), and drinks (pop, PEARL pop, and coolers).

Each family should bring a dish to share. Drag out your Mom's or Grandma's old recipe for picnic fare and see if you can duplicate those great tastes.

If you don't have one of those old recipes, just stop by your favorite culinary dispensary (Safeway, King Soopers, Albertsons, 7 Eleven, etc.), see what they may have and bring it along.

Use your imagination: hors d'oeuvre (that's appetizers, or chips and dips), salads (tossed salad, wilted salad, pasta salad etc.), vegetables (green beans, baked beans, kidney beans, you get the idea), desserts (those sweet munchie items that help to balance the meal, you know the good food and the bad food, you choose as to which is which). Remember to bring enough to share and a little more for the ants, after all it is a picnic!!!

RSVP: Give **Stan Hanson** a call at his home and let him know how many will be attending from your family so he can lay in enough food and drink. He can be reached at 303-745-8168.



HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

Calendar of Events

August 21, 2004 – Wing meeting:
10:00 a.m., Flagstaff Mountain, Boulder

August 21, 2004 – **WING PICNIC:**
11:00 a.m., Flagstaff Mountain, Boulder
(see pages 2 and 3 for details)

October 2 & 3, 2004 – **Fina-CAF
AIRSHO 2004:** Midland International
Airport, Midland-Odessa, Texas



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



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