



MILE HIGH VIEW

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

Keep 'Em Flying!

December 2006

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

By Col Stan Peterson

Well, it's that time again when we stop counting our blessings, start counting our presents and look forward to the New Year.

This last year has been a good one; we picked up eight new members (five pilots) attended every event in the local area, made a trip to Newton, KS for the J-Hawks fly-in, plus an enjoyable trip to Midland, TX for the annual Fina AirSho. Furthermore, we made some money, had a good time, and we still have a fully funded MCRP account! Stan Hanson paid for repairs to the Co-pilot's directional gyro, paid for and helped replace the Co-pilot's window, and worked on putting new seals in the tail-wheel strut. Bob Elsloo helped with the installation of the Co-pilot's window. Lief Neilsen helped pay for a brake job on the right main gear, and Jim D. and his wife contributed engine covers, which will help keep the engines free of bird nests. These efforts and donations all help to keep our MCRP account fully funded. Several Colonels donated gas money: Bob E., Chuck K., Clark H., Stan H., Paul L., Leif N., and yours truly. The PX made some major contributions, mainly through the efforts and talents of Autumn and Alex Kalinowski, assisted by other family members.

Progress on the WWI and WWII Museum and hangars is moving right along and we expect to be moving in (sharing the WWII hangar with the Museum's latest and greatest acquisition, a beautiful BT-13) during the first part of next year.

This past year was a great year for picture taking, as you may have noticed after viewing the many "marvelous" newsletters edited by our own Col Bob Elsloo. This month was no exception!

In addition to Chris Perez's "show stopping" photo shoot (below)...



the surprise of the year came from Peak Impact Productions, LLC (1437 N. Denver Ave, BX #278, Loveland, CO 80538) in the form of a DVD of the National Radial Engine Exhibition. We'll be showing this DVD at our next meeting.

As for counting our presents: we're planning on having our Christmas party along with our general meeting on December 16th. Refreshments will be served and you should plan on bringing a "very nice" present for my gift exchange!

As you can see, this year culminates in what has been an extremely gratifying group effort. Oops, how could I fail to mention one of the most enjoyable, challenging and rewarding task the Mile High Wing has become so famous for – the polishing of aircraft aluminum. Thanks for all your help, Colonels. I'd like to make a resolution to continue to grow, work together, and promote our most worthy endeavor.

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Calendar of Events

Dec 2, 2006 – Aircraft work day:
10:00 a.m. at Platte Valley Airport

Dec 16, 2006 –
General Meeting and Christmas Party:
10:00 a.m. at Platte Valley Airport

Have a Happy Holiday Season!!!

**2nd NOTICE: 2007 Annual CAF-MHW dues
due 12/31/2006**

Make \$45 Check Payable to:

**Mile High Wing, CAF
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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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