

# MAPS AIR MUSEUM WHERE HISTORY TAKES FLIGHT!



## BRIEFING

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MAPS Air Museum is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization dedicated to the education, history, science and technology of flight.

### GOODYEAR GONDOLA RESTORATION UPDATE



As regular meeting attendees know, MAPS has been donated the actual GZ-22 gondola from the *Spirit of Akron* Goodyear blimp that was damaged in 1999, following an uncontrolled landing caused by failure of one of the steering mechanism gears. Built in 1987 as a demo unit to show the Department of Defense that blimps still had a military use, the *Spirit of Akron* was the largest and most technically advanced of any Goodyear blimp, even featuring a fly-by-wire control system. A dedicated crew of MAPS volunteers meet at Wingfoot Lake every Wednesday to work on the gondola in preparation for transport back to MAPS. The crew, consisting of Richard With, Bob Williams, Bud Mock, Don Neidert and Don Block are making good progress; repair work continues on the front superstructure, including cockpit windows and floorboards. Wiring and electrical work is up next, so the already finished instrument panel can be moved from the prototype GZ-22 gondola, already on display at MAPS, to the actual GZ-22 Gondola. By all accounts, the Goodyear employees based at Wingfoot are very pleased that this one-of-a-kind piece of Goodyear history is being saved!

### FALL PANCAKE BREAKFAST MOVED TO SEPTEMBER 7, 2008

Following discussions at the May and June Membership Meetings, a vote to move the Fall 2008 Pancake Breakfast to Sunday, September 7th passed. Primary reason for the move was concern that weather in late October, when the breakfast normally occurs, is unpredictable, and can hamper fly-in guests.

### THANKS FROM LINDA LIPPERT AND RICHARD WITH

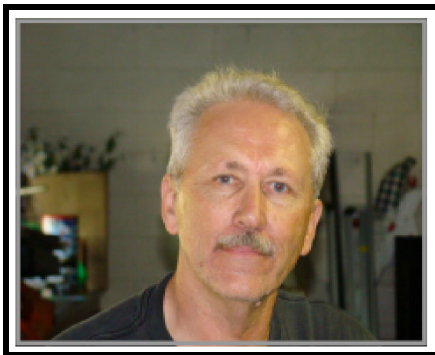
Richard and I would like to thank everyone for the cards, call, visits and support we received during my recent stay in the hospital and recovery period. I'm doing good now, still in therapy to regain the use of my left arm and hand. Linda Lippert and Richard With.

### COLLINGS FOUNDATION MEETING - JULY 12, 2008 @ 10:00

The next planning meeting for the Collings Foundation visit will be held Saturday, July 12, 2008 at 10:00am in the Briefing Room. All members that want to work on the visit are encouraged to attend, along with ALL GROUP LEADERS. If you have any questions, please contact Richard With @ 330-497-4008 or Terry Harriman @ 330-877-1230.

## DIRECTOR NOMINATIONS / BIOGRAPHIES

At the May and June Membership Meetings nominations for the 5 Directors seats that are up for election at the **Annual Meeting on June 25th, 2008** were accepted. Seats up for re-election are currently held by Rick Hamlet, Terry Harriman, Linda Kendall, Allen Swain, and Wayne Noall. The following 7 nominations were received and accepted. If you can't attend the election meeting, proxy votes will be accepted by e-mail or postal mail. Mail votes must be signed and must reach MAPS no later than Wednesday, June 25th. Please mark "Proxy Vote" on the envelope and mail proxies to MAPS Air Museum, 2260 International Parkway, North Canton, OH, 44720. E-mail proxies will also be accepted by e-mail to Linda Lippert at Linda1824@aol.com until 4 PM on June 25th. Please place your name at the end of the e-mail and make the subject as "Proxy Vote." **Note also that, per the Code of Regulations, a family membership qualifies for one vote.**



Allen Swain - I have been a MAPS member since February 2000 and a Director since November 2007. My background as a certified auto technician, auto service manager, parts manager, and assistant supervisor of maintenance of Bender Loudon Motor Freight has enabled me to assist with building maintenance and keep the tow motors and tugs running. I served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War as an MP. I have the CAK airport security clearance and have worked security for five air shows as well as other MAPS functions. Working along with others, the dog tag machine is operational and the tags are being made. The mini-flea market is giving growth to our paint fund. I would like to continue working and contributing to the growth of MAPS Air Museum by serving as Director.



Ray Hamlin - I've been a MAPS member since 1999, but have been active since May 2007. I am retired from General Tire where I was a draftsman for 34 years. My retirement has included 9 years as Maintenance Supervisor at St. Mary Parish in Hudson, Ohio. I served in the U.S. Coast Guard as an Engineman 3rd Class. My wife Janet, who has passed, and I have had 5 children and 8 grandchildren.

My duties here at MAPS have generally centered around the B-26 and it's restoration. I have served as a volunteer for the Pancake Breakfasts, the Spaghetti Dinner, the Hanger Dances and the Collings Fly-in. As Director I would like to help MAPS prosper.



Ken Alexander - I've been a member of MAPS for almost two years now. And in that time I have watched the organization come back from the brink of self-destruction to become one that is vibrant and beginning to pull together. I believe that the next two years are going to be crucial for the survival of the Air Museum. I want to help ensure that MAPS not only survives but prospers as well. I have worked in marketing communications and advertising for thirty years in several different cities, for advertising agencies as well as corporate marketing departments. For the past ten years I have had a freelance business creating branding and collateral materials for clients. My background gives me a unique perspective on our activities and how they can be translated to promote the museum and exhibits. I want to continue to apply my knowledge and expertise towards getting the word out about the museum and all of the things we have to

offer to visitors and the community. Our museum is now a major attraction for the Stark & Summit areas. We can become a destination.



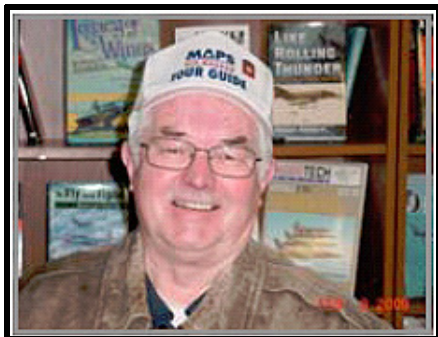
## DIRECTOR NOMINATIONS / BIOGRAPHIES, continued

Joseph Miller - I have been a MAPS member for 1 year and am a lifer. I was born and raised in Hartville, lived in Akron until 1980, then moved to South Carolina where I worked at KOA and worked under 3 retired Lt. Colonels. In 1986 I moved back to Akron to take a position with Schott Metal Products Company and Bears Trailer Court for 17 years, in Maintenance and Management. I am presently employee at S.C. Manufacturing (3 years) and Bears Trailer Court. I have a daughter (32 years old) and a grandson (13 years old). My hobby is helping with hard work. HELLO MAPS!



Thomas Rench - I joined MAPS in 1999. I have had a love of Military History and Aviation since I was a young boy. I grew up around airplanes as my father owned a Piper Arrow, Cessna 210 and Steen Skybolt over the years. I earned my private SEL rating in 1988, and MEL in 2002. I currently own and fly the Cessna 02-A on display at MAPS. I have flown 7 types of aircraft. In the late 1980's I helped found the Firelands Museum of Military History with my father. We currently have about 25 vehicles, helicopters and other equipment on display. As a member of the MAPS board of Directors I would use my experience to heal some of the wounds of the last few years, and move the museum into the future as one of the gems of the Akron-Canton area. I have experience as a pilot, aircraft owner and museum founder that would be a unique asset to the MAPS museum. Thank you for considering me for the position. Respectfully, Thomas E Rench

Wayne Noall - I've been a member of MAPS since October 2007 and a Director since March 2008. I was introduced to MAPS by Paul Gates while helping Paul park planes at the MERFI FLY-IN at Mansfield. I live in Westfield Center, OH (southern Medina County) with my wife Patricia of 43 years. I have a daughter Lori who is a 3rd grade school teacher in Bradenton, Florida and a son Dave who is a corporate pilot flying a Citation out of Cleveland Hopkins. I served as a paratrooper with the 82nd Airborne Division. I was a parachute rigger and a member of the 18 Corp. parachute team. I've logged over 300 jumps and hold a "D" (expert) rating in parachuting. I used my GI bill to secure my commercial pilot's license and instrument rating and has logged over 2500 hours. I love aviation and try to get to Oshkosh every year. I am a trustee with MERFI FLY-IN, member of EAA Chapter 846 Wadsworth. Since joining MAPS I have completed the tour guide training and am helping Steve Satchell work on the T-37. "I very much look forward to helping MAPS grow."



Robert Schwartz - Member of MAPS since March of 2006. Instead of limiting my activities to one area at MAPS I work in several areas. I am a Tour Guide on Thursday and on days when large groups come in. I assist Rick Willaman in the Radio section, helping organizing the radio area, moving items and checking hundreds of old vacuum tubes. I also assist Dale Cox with various electrical projects. I have expertise in this area and I want to learn the electrical system to be of assistance when Dale isn't available for electrical problems. I also realized that MAPS volunteer hours were not being tabulated, I volunteered to do the job and have recorded close to 10,000 hours since January 1st. I am an 8 year Air Force veteran with service for one year in Vietnam, I was an Air Traffic Control Ground Radar Technician. I am 64 years old, retired from First Energy with over 34 years of service; I spent my career operating their transmission system. I am a pilot, inactive, with commercial, instrument and flight instructor ratings. I'm

also a Ham Radio Operator and hold a commercial radio operators license. I also volunteer with the Stark County Park District and have been active in the Boy Scouts, a volunteer fire fighter and EMT. I was also a director with the Northwest Baseball league, with over 400 kids and a budget of around \$50,000 a year. I have 6 kids and 13 grandkids. I have seen a lot of progress in the past year and a half, I want to see this continue, be a part of it and make sure it continues.



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### UPDATED HOURS !!!

Sun - 11:30 - 4:00

MON - CLOSED

Tue, Thu, Fri, Sat  
- 9:00 - 4:00

Wed - 9:00 - 9:00

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

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### SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING EVENTS

BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
MEETINGS ARE HELD  
TWO DAYS PRIOR TO  
MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS  
@ 7:00PM

MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS  
ARE HELD THE FIRST  
WEDNESDAY OF EVERY  
MONTH @ 7:30PM

June 25, 2008

June 27, 2008

July 12, 2008

August 6, 2008

August 15 - 18, 2008

September 7, 2008

September 20, 2008

Annual Meeting / Election Night, 7:30pm

Akron Aeros Night (reservations due 05/14)

Collings Planning Meeting, 10:00am

August Members Meeting, 7:30pm

Collings Foundation Weekend!

Fall Pancake Breakfast — **NEW DATE!!!**

Hangar Dance