



★ **DIRECTORS ELECTION SPECIAL EDITION** ★

Our Mission at MAPS

Kim Kovesci, Executive Director

In support of our mission we have created several programs specifically focused on an educational visit.

Our High School US History Program has been very successful by bringing 2,519 visitors on two grants. The schools from Stark County were GlenOak, Perry, Alliance, McKinley, Timken, North Canton, Canton South and Tuslaw. The Stark County Grant supported 1,624 visitors and was funded by the Timken Fund of the Stark Community Foundation. The Schools from Summit County were Manchester, Barberton, Coventry, Norton and Green. The Summit County Grant supported 895 visitors and was funded by the McAlonan Fund of the Akron Community Foundation. We would like to thank these two wonderful organization for providing this special visit for our area high school students.

We have conducted two Cub Scout Days (Bob Hollis), a Girl Scout Day (Gaye Wohlin) and the Spring Boy Scout Campout in 2013 which has accounted for 1,370 visitors going through our scouting program.

We have started a program with children from a behavioral High School. These children are extremely intelligent and are working on their social skills. The plan is for the school to purchase memberships to MAPS for each of the students and bring the students periodically for special training on aerodynamics, radar, instrumentation, radio or some other

aviation related subjects. The unique part of the program is that the students must earn their next visit to MAPS with good behavior in school.

We have had several requests to host another Air Academy. This program was conducted last year by John Sheridan so the basic program is already established. There are two organizations that will help fund the program and we do not want to lose the progress that John made last year. This will be one of the assignments for the education and scheduling coordinator.

We also have started a program with the Summit County Court System as a site for community service hours for minor offences.

All of these programs in one way or another support our mission of educating the public in the history of aviation. Please contact Kim Kovesci if you would like to be involved in one of these programs or would like to help with the development of another program.

As always, thank you for your support. \$

DIRECTOR'S ELECTION

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HOURS OF OPERATION

SUNDAY	11:30 - 4:00
MONDAY	closed
TUESDAY	9:00 - 4:30
WEDNESDAY	9:00 - 4:30
THURSDAY	9:00 - 4:30
FRIDAY	9:00 - 4:30
SATURDAY	9:00 - 4:30

★ Mission Statement ★

MAPS Air Museum is a non-profit organization dedicated to educating people about the history of aviation and its impact upon society. It accomplishes this mission by acquiring, restoring, preserving, studying and exhibiting the impact of aviation on the culture of man.

Goodyear Drake Dedication

Kim Kovesci, Executive Director

Goodyear Drake was Dedicated on May 18, 2013.



Crew Chief, Wayne Noall spent a lot of time thanking all the people who helped with the restoration of the last remaining amphibious plane that Goodyear build in the 1950's.

The aircraft was given to MAPS from EAA in Oshkosh, WI. Joe Miller, Ray Hamlin and Wayne Noall went on a road trip to pickup the airplane. Don Niedert built the cradle to hold the fuselage and the work began. Wayne Noall, Ken Olinger and Cody Mackey spent hours working on the body to prep it for painting. Ray Hamlet made the strut supports and Carl Bergsneider formed a new window out of Plexiglas. Keel Trucking's Jerry Leek provided a place to paint., PPG Industries, Carl Riggenbach donated the paint. Falls Auto Body's Greg Willis volunteered his painters, Mike Norman and Nick Rich. Ralph Petz detailed the white striping. Ellen Wilson painted the Goodyear Logos by hand. Dan Paumier, Jack Taylor and Gary Dye provided the transportation. Plus, MAPS Member Larry Lewis ran the Hop-tow during assembly operations.

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This project was very successful because of the people previously listed and their dedication and attention to detail was displayed in their outstanding results. Good Job MAPS Members and Thank You to everyone else. Job Well Done! §

Education and Scheduling Coordinator Selected

Kim Kovesci, Executive Director



I am please to announce that we have hired Reed Kimball as the Education and Scheduling Coordinator. Reed has an Aerospace Engineering degree from Syracuse University and a Masters in Education from Indiana University. Reed is a retired US Army Colonel, Air Defense Artillery. Some of his duty assignments were; Operation Officer, Adjutant, Commanding Officer 1st Battalion and Executive Officer 3rd Brigade. After retirement, Reed became an assistant professor at Indiana University, a Principal and coached several sports.

Reed has demonstrated his passion for our mission by volunteering as a tour guide where he has created information

books on all of our aircraft, weapons, and displays. He also volunteers in the gift shop where he has created an inventory control system to track sales and improve our purchasing practices.

Mr. Kimball has already made a significant contribution in supporting our tour guide program and improving our gift shop. I am extremely pleased that we will be able to use his talents to position MAPS to grow and make it an even better museum. Welcome Aboard Reed. §

Members and Volunteers

Kim Kovesci, Executive Director

Over the past four years, our memberships have increased at 6% annual rate. This year we have increased memberships by 10%. This is a significant increase in our membership numbers and we are very pleased with the results. However, there is a difference between Members and Volunteers.

I believe that to be a true member of MAPS Air Museum, you must go from a line in our data base to a volunteer. Our volunteers are not only what makes us different and unique but are the life blood of our organization. Last year we documented over 47,600 volunteer hours and we are on pace to break that number this year. But that is just a number. For a member to become a volunteer, there requires an action and effort. Please don't just fill out the questionnaire, then sit back and wait for someone to contact you. Please get involved.

We have a list of activities that need done; more tour guides, help on the website, more people in restoration, building projects management, gift shop workers, event management, and event workers. These are just some of the things we need done.

I truly believe that if you want to receive the full benefit of being a Member of MAPS, you must contribute to the success of the organization. To contribute, you must be engaged on a routine basis. If you would like to learn more about getting involved at MAPS, please see Kim or Bob Schwartz. Our future is bright and we are growing, but we keep seeing the same faces doing the work. Please get involved and help us make our organization event better than what it is. §

MAPS Visitors reach another record level

Kim Kovesci, Executive Director

MAPS has experienced a very rapid growth in visitation over the past few years. This increase can be attributed to our educational programs and our effort to market our hangar for special events. Two recent examples are; The Red Cross Bash and the Honor Flight Celebration.

In 2009 our total visitation was 6,400, 2010 was 7,360, 2011 was 11,200 and 2012 was 18,617. In April alone, we had 5,442 visitors and year to date through April, we have hosted 8,872 visitors.

All of these programs and events are supported in some way by our tour guides. Some of these guides doubled or tripled their workdays in order for us to get through the large number of student tours. I want to personally thank the effort of all of our tour guides during this very busy time of the year. §

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MAPS supports the Taste of Green

Kim Kovesci, Executive Director



We pulled two aircraft to the Green Administration Building in support of The City of Green's event on Memorial Day Weekend. It was quite an experience, taking the A7E Corsair II and the F9F Cougar down the road. We had a sheriff escort and the move was done at 2:00 am to minimize the impact to traffic.

One little girl who lived on the route, ran into her parents bedroom and yelled, "The aliens are coming, there are blue, red and yellow lights in my room and they have big machines." Her father looked at his wife and said, "I've got this." He got up and took his daughter back to her bedroom where he could see out the windows at the unexpected site. "Honey, get up! You have to see this!" We had a 93 year old lady who wanted to get in the cockpit of the Corsair. She did, we took pictures and sent her copies so she could show her children, who were how old?

All in all, it was a lot of work but the smiles on the children, regardless of the age were priceless. Think about it. It's not everyday that you get to see two jets being pulled down the road.

"Not in my 37 years in the department." said one sheriff. I want to thank our Gift Shop volunteers, all the people who helped especially, John Koval, Joe Miller and Rick Hamlet who stayed with the planes all night. Thank You for making those smiles. §

Founders View, Help Wanted!!

Dennis Gugliotta, Founder

MAPS is moving. No, not to a new airport, or a new hangar, but it is moving forward to the next level of service.

As you all know, several years ago the MAPS Board of Directors hired Kim Kovesci to lead our museum into the future. And I think we can agree that he's done a great job, maybe too good of a job. For now he is overwhelmed with all the duties he's taken on and the board has decided he needs help! Kim and the Board of Directors had started in early May looking for someone to handle all coordination of the activities that Kim has been introducing, organize events, handle logistics and liaison with others in events.

This would give our Executive Director more time to do what he has been doing best, and hopefully come up for air. This is a paid full time position and requires full concentration. From time to time this person takeover operations when our Director is not available, especially when Kim takes a well earned vacation. Now this does have all the earmarks of being an assistant director, but the MAPS Board chooses not to call it that, the position is called the Scheduling and Education Program Coordinator, this position will help to advance the Museum in the right direction.

Thank you for your continuing support of our museum! §

MAPS 4th Annual Cruise-In

Kim Kovesci, Executive Director

MAPS will host our 4th Annual Cruise-In on June 29 from 10:00am to 3:00pm. Rain Date 6/30/13. We are very fortunate to have Don Sitts Auto Group Present the event for Antique and Classic Cars. There will be prizes, dash plaques (first 200), DJ is Cadillac Mike, food vendors, and you will be able to get a photo of your car in front of the F-100 SuperSabre. Handy Randy TV

Show will be there along with Cruisin' Times Magazine taking pictures for an upcoming story.



Registration is \$10 (includes passengers), Walk-ins \$5 and Children under 6 Free. This price includes Free Admission to the Museum.

MAPS would like to thank Don Sitts for supporting this event. We also would like to thank MAPS Members Betty and Clay Tober for being the point persons.

We would like to make this event very special for our visitors and there is a need for more gift baskets. If you would like to donate a gift basket or can help solicit donations from organizations, your efforts would be appreciated. Please contact Betty Tober, Barb Johnston or Kim to deliver the donated baskets.

Thank you for your support and we are looking forward to another wonderful event. §

Annual Membership Meeting and Pot Luck Picnic

Bob Schwartz, Director Chair

The Annual Membership Meeting including director elections will be held on Saturday June 22nd at 5:00PM.

A pot luck picnic will follow the meeting at about 6:00 PM. Hamburgers, hot dogs and soft drinks or water will be provided. Please bring your favorite side dish or desert. Sign up sheets have been placed on the member bulletin board in

the lobby. Please indicate if what your dish or desert you are bringing.

If you have any questions, contact Rick Hamlet, Mary Ann Cameron or Bob Schwartz for more information. §

UPCOMING EVENTS

JUNE

- SAT, Jun 8: MEMBERSHIP MEETING
- SAT, Jun 22: SKYMASTER SPEED EVENT
- SAT, Jun 22: ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
- SAT, Jun 22: MAPS MEMBER PICNIC, to follow
- FRI, Jun 28: GREEN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
- SAT, Jun 29: MAPS CAR SHOW
- SAT, Jun 29: FREEDOM FEST
- SUN, Jun 30: RAIN DATE - CAR SHOW

JULY

- SAT, Jul 6: MANSFIELD AIRPORT DAY
- WED, Jul 10: BOARD MEETING
- THU, Jul 11: EXPLORER MEETING
- SAT Jul 13: FULLER DEDICATION CEREMONY
- SAT, Jul 20: GASP SUPPORT
- SAT, Jul 20: PANCAKE BREAKFAST - SUMMER

AUGUST

- SAT, Aug 3: FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME
- SAT, Aug 3: RIDE TO THE OHIO MEMORIALS
- WED, Aug 7: BOARD MEETING
- FRI, Aug 9: COLLINGS, tentative date # 3
- SAT, Aug 10: MEMBERSHIP MEETING
- SAT, Aug 10: EXPLORER MEETING
- FRI, Aug 16: COLLINGS, tentative date # 1
- MON, Aug 26: EXPLORER MEETING
- SAT, Aug 31: HALLO FOUNDATION

SEPTEMBER

- SAT, Sep 7: SAVE FOR FLIGHT 93
- SAT, Sep 7: CAMERO CLUB
- WED, Sep 11: BOARD MEETING
- WED, Sep 11: JACKSON-BELDEN CHAMBER

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Chairman's Notes

Bob Schwartz, Director Chair

A big MAPS congratulations to Reed Kimball on his new position as the Scheduling and Education Program Coordinator. In addition to Reed's new duties, the Board of Directors appointed Reed to the position of "Secretary, MAPS Air Museum". A Director, in recent years, Ken Ramsay has been filling this position. This position is an officer of the corporation as called for in our Code of Regulations. Along with the executive director and treasure this is a non voting position. The Directors, Executive Director, Treasure and Secretary are all part of the MAPS management team. This chairman is very proud and excited to be part of this team.

A big MAPS THANKS to all our dedicated volunteers. In May you volunteered 4,815 hours! The second highest number of hours in one month ever!

MAPS Explorer Post 356 was awarded the Great Trails, Lake District rotating trophy for outstanding unit for 2013. Kim Kovesci and your humble chairman also received the "Commodore of the Lakes Award" for 2013. A big thanks also goes out to Bob Hollis for his contributions to Post 356 and the scouting program in general.

Finally - Reed Kimball's article on "MAPS Teacher" explains why he is now our Scheduling and Education Coordinator. He sent the article in early in May, was "forgotten" and remembered at the last minute. §

★ DIRECTORS ELECTION ★

Bob Schwartz, Director Chair

INTRODUCTION

At the April and May and June Membership Meetings nominations for the 4 Directors seats that are up for election at the Annual Membership Meeting on Saturday June 22nd, 2013 at 5:00 PM were accepted. Seats up for re-election are currently held by Ken Ramsay, Kent Kleinkenecht, Ron Duplain and Keith Swinehart. 6 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 Friday, June 21st. Please mark "Proxy Vote" on the envelope and mail proxies to MAPS Air Museum, 2260 International Parkway, North Canton, OH, 44720. Proxy ballots will also be available at MAPS, see Barb Johnston in the Library. E-mail proxies will also be accepted by e-mail to Barb Johnston at maps election@mapsairmuseum.org. Place your name at the end of the e-mail and make the subject as "Proxy Vote." A mass email will go out to those with current email addresses with detailed information the first week in June.

Note also that, per the Code of Regulations, a family membership qualifies for one vote.

CANDIDATES LISTED ON PAGES 7 - 9

Robert A. Hollis Jr.



EDUCATION: Graduated Lehman High School, Canton, Ohio. Attended Kent State University. Graduated Control Data Institute.

WORK EXPERIENCE: 1969 – 1970 National Institutes of Health, Computer Operator. 1970 – 1974 Planning Research Corp., Computer Programmer. 1974 – 1984 Canton Automated Systems, Programmer, Manager, Asst. Vice-President. 1984 – 2002- T-Soft, Inc., Owner, CEO. 2002 – present Springleaf Financial Services, Lead System Analyst.

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE: Youth Soccer Coach, Orchard Hill School PTO – Treasurer, Hoover Instrumental Music Assoc. - Vice-President (fund raising), Canton VA Clinic - Driver, MAPS – PT-19 Restoration Crew, Cub Scout Days Coordinator, North Canton Schools Aviation Enrichment Programs Coordinator and Instructor, Boy Scout Camp Merit Badge Instructor, MAPS – Represented MAPS at Boy Scout Roundtables and conferences, Special Events

MILITARY SERVICE: 1965 – 1969, U.S. Air Force Staff Sergeant (E-5)

REMARKS: I have been in love with aviation and airplanes since a very young age. As a 5th grader, I often rode my bike to the current MAPS hangar to watch the comings and goings of the P-51's that were based there. In high-school I worked as a 'hanger rat' at McKinley Air Transport and was later able to take flying lessons and receive a private pilots license. I was well on my way to earning a commercial and instructors license when duty called and I enlisted in the Air Force. In it's infinite wisdom, the Air Force trained me in a field that at the time I had very little interest in – computers. It turned out that I enjoyed the work and the job prospects upon discharge were very good. Now with a wife and family to support I followed the path of

least resistance and remained to this day in the information technology field. From time to time, I continued to fly as a pilot and my work allowed me to travel extensively world wide (I always took a window seat). When I joined MAPS two years ago, I truly thought of it as redemption for my soul. I was back where I belonged. I am very proud of MAPS, its volunteers and its mission and will work tirelessly to continue the progress of making it the finest museum of it's type in the country.

Kent Kleinknecht



EDUCATION: B.S. Education University of Akron 1986

WORK EXPERIENCE: Teaching and Coaching since 1985, Last 17 years as P.E. instructor at St. Joan of Arc School in Canton

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE: Member of MAPS since 2000, Last 6 years as member of the Board of Directors, Involved in Restoration B-26, F-86D and F-101, Acquisitions F-16, T-33, Recovery of aircraft F-84, F-86D and RB-1, Developed several fund-raising events two Cold War dances also the last 7 cash raffles, Designed and built model airport and flight sim stations. Headed up Brick project, Restoration Ramp clean-up, Beginning of hangar door painting.

REMARKS: I would like to continue service on the Board as the museum continues to grow. We have come a long way in the past 6 years and many challenges still lay ahead of us. I would like to be there to see us through.



Wayne Noall



EDUCATION: Akron North High School, Ohio State Real Estate Course

WORK EXPERIENCE: 40 years retail business, 15 years with F W Woolworth Co. Managed two stores. 5 years with Ben Franklin Corp. District sales Manager, Real estate Manager. 20 years self employed. Owned & managed Ben Franklin Variety store, 2 1 hour Photo labs. Partner in Real estate agency. 17 years Westfield Center (Ohio) Board of Public affairs (elected position)

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE: Twice President of Lodi (Ohio) Chamber of Commerce. Long time member of Medina (Ohio) C of C. Served on Medina county Economic Development Board. Served 4 years on MAPS board of Directors. (2years as chairman)

MILITARY SERVICE: 3 years active duty 82nd Airborne Division, Ft. Bragg NC 1961-1964, Parachute Rigger

REMARKS: I live in Westfield Center Ohio with Patricia, my wife of 38 years. We have 2 grown children; Lori a school teacher in Bradenton FL and David a corporate pilot flying out of CLE and 4 grandchildren. After leaving the service in 1964 I used my GI Bill to learn to fly. I got a commercial license and instrument rating & logged 3000 hr flying time. While in the service I logged over 250 total parachute jumps including 225 free fall jumps from altitudes as high as 16000” I have been interested in flying and aviation history for as long as I can remember. I have been an active member of MAPS since I joined in about 2003. During that time I played a part in getting the EAA Ford Tri-Motor to visit MAPS twice and the EAA B-17 once. I played a part in retrieving 5 airplanes. Through my efforts MAPS held 2 Young Eagle Flights and were able to give over 100 youngsters their first airplane ride at no

cost to them or MAPS. As Crew Chief on the Goodyear Drake through contacts we were able to get the Drake painted at no cost to MAPS. Should I be elected to the board of directors, I will continue to be an active member and make every effort to promote our mission and make our vision of the future a reality.

Matt Oltersdorf



EDUCATION: A&P mechanic from Colorado Aero Tech, Bachelor of Science in Business Admin. from Trinity College & University, Master of Science in Astronomy from Swinburne University

WORK EXPERIENCE: 1973 to 1976 Line Man at local Colorado F.B.O.'s (aircraft fueler, towed aircraft). 1976 to 1977 A&P mechanic at local Colorado F.B.O.'s. 1977 to 1978 A&P mechanic for Air Midwest Airlines. 1978 to 1984 Flight Engineer /mechanic then pilot for Zantop Int'l Airlines (DC-6's, L-188's, CV - 600's, DC-8's). 1984 to 2012 Pilot for Continental / United Airlines (DC-9's, MD-80's, B-727's, B-737's)

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE: 15 years as President of Medina County Astronomical Society. 3 years as web master for the Wilderness Center Astronomy Club. 3 years Cub Scout Den Leader. 2 years Cub Scout Pack Leader. M.A.P.S. member since 2009, built the B-26 model in the Hall of Heroes. I was awarded M.V.P. (Most Valued Professional) at Microsoft Corp. for beta testing Windows 98, Microsoft Front Page, and Outlook Express.

REMARKS: I've found the projects at MAPS to be challenging and rewarding and the friends and camaraderie are great! I'm having a blast at MAPS!

Ken Ramsay



EDUCATION: BS, Mechanical Engineering. MBA Industrial Management. Squadron Officers School (USAF)

WORK EXPERIENCE: 1960-1970 USAF, Senior Pilot, Instructor Pilot, Quality Control Test Pilot Louisiana, England, Turkey, Libya, Italy, Norway, Vietnam, Taiwan, Phillipines, (T-34, T-37, T-33, F-100, A-37).-1987 General Electric Aircraft Engines. Quality Engineer, Quality Manager, Manufacturing, Engine Assembly, F-101 Program (B-1 Bomber) 1987-1992 Chem-tronics (turbine engine casings and frames), Director of Quality Assurance, 1992-1994 Cleveland Pneumatic Landing Gear (military and commercial aircraft landing gear), Vice President Quality Assurance. 1994-1996 Lamson & Sessions (plastic conduit and electrical boxes), Director Quality Assurance 1996-1998 Aviation Product Support (turbine engine blade and frame repair), Director Quality Assurance. 1998-Present Retired

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE: (include MAPS duties). Boy Scouts - Troop Committee Chairman, 2 troops (Sharonville OH & El Cajon CA, Explorer Scouts - Committee Member, Post 356, MAPS Air Museum. MAPS Air Museum, Crew Chief, F-100 Super Sabre, Asst Crew Chief, A-26 Invader, Member Board of Directors, Instructor Aviation Merit Badge, Two aircraft recovery trips to Florida

REMARKS: MAPS is experiencing great success. I will continue to support and participate in our museum improvement programs, education programs, restorations and financial stability.

Clayton (Clay) P. Tober:



EDUCATION: High School Graduated (1965) Some college courses

WORK EXPERIENCE: Banking; Loan Officer 1970-1974 Police Officer 1974 to 1996. Retired as a Administrative Sergeant. Responsible for department purchases (vehicles, radios, and Equipment) and also Supervised a shift. 1996 - 2000. Councilman at large for the City of Broadview Heights serving as Council President 1 year

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE: I serve on the board of directors for the National Antique Oldsmobile Club and also on the Judging Committee for the Oldsmobile Club of America.. Work in the restoration area of MAPS and served as Crew Chief on The PT -19 project which is now complete and running

MILITARY SERVICE: United States Air Force April 1966 to February 1970. Avionics Repair F-111 ,with 7 months in grade as a E-5

REMARKS: I joined MAPS in June of 2011 and worked in the restoration area. I worked on the PT 19 project and became crew chief. The plane was completed in May of 2013, I also helped where needed and at many of our events. My past work experience on the police department and City council has given me the experience as how an organization must work to be successful. MAPS has come along way in the past few years and I would like to help our organization grow by serving on the Board Of Directors. I ask for your support in running for this position.



PT-19 Looks New

Kim Kovesci, Executive Director

The crew of the PT-19 has done a wonderful job of restoring the aircraft to what appears as just like new. The crew chief, Clay Tober and all the crew, Bob Hollis, M.L. Weaver, Dean Putnam, and Henry Aegerter worked to meet a self imposed deadline of getting the airplane back together by the Honor Flight Celebration.

You see it was very fitting that our WWII Vets were able to see the PT-19 in its restored condition because most pilots during that era learned to fly in a PT-19.

Thanks again for your hard work and dedication to the project. §



Only at MAPS, About 2004

Don Neidert, MAPS Dedicated Member

The innocent looking engine dolly under the MiG jet engine has a story as many items at MAPS have. RJ Reese had a favorite project and that was the bomb/missile trailer. You see it now with a missile on it in the hangar. He was in the process of cleaning and sanding and eventually planned to have the hydraulics repaired.

Well at the same time Larry Lewis was getting the MiG ready

to move over to the hangar. (The MiG was originally in the restoration bldg) The one wing was removed and the fuselage was split to remove the engine. This was done to get it thru the door. Larry looked around for someplace to plant the engine and spotted RJ's trailer. With wood blocks and straps the MiG engine ended up on the trailer.

Well RJ came in looking to work on the trailer and there it sat with a ton of engine on it. RJ was unhappy, and pleading for ideas to get his baby back. Dave Pawski volunteered to come up with an idea. There was a heavy dolly sitting in the corner serving no purpose so Dave designed an engine dolly for the MiG converting the spare dolly as the base. I volunteered to help RJ rework the dolly to Dave's design. RJ went to Neidert Fabricating of Barberton to cut out some plates for us free of charge. He bought some 2 inch square tubing and with some cutting, welding, drilling and bolting we managed to get it converted. We tried to paint it but it was so cold in the shop the paint would not dry. We came up with a giant caliper to measure the overall width of the engine mounts which drew some grins from members.

It was a cold day when we pulled the engine/ trailer into the hangar. The only lift points were 3, 3/8" threaded holes at the top of the engine so lift loops were threaded into the holes. We crossed our fingers as Larry, using the HOPTO, lifted the one ton engine by those points. The trailer was pulled out and the dolly rolled under and to our relief the engine fit, RJ was happy. Later, Carl Bergsneider and son worked on the trailer and Allan Swain repaired the hydraulics. §

MAPS History

Bob Schwartz, Director Chair

Reed Kimball has been working on a history of MAPS for some time now and is almost ready to put it on the website and in the Tour Guide documentation. Reed would like to have interested individuals review the document for accuracy and completeness prior to finalizing it. If anyone would be interested in reviewing this document, contact Reed at his MAPS e-mail address or at reedkimball@hotmail.com or in the gift shop on any Saturday afternoon. §

The MAPS “Teacher”

Reed Kimball, Education and Scheduling Coordinator

Having been asked to write an article for The Briefing for the first time is quite an honor. But what could I write about that would add, in any way, to the vast storehouse of knowledge already evident in the members that I have met? Being relatively new to the organization, I have tried to research and to learn as much as I could before undertaking any new responsibilities. That is one of the first things I learned in my military career – the best way to learn is to keep your eyes and ears open and your mouth shut! As a new 2nd Lieutenant, I learned more watching and listening to my Sergeants (particularly my first Platoon Sergeant) than I ever did in military schooling.

The first thing to learn about any organization is its mission. It is in this area that I would like to address my thoughts to you. Part of the mission statement found on our website states the following:

“The Military Aviation Preservation Society is an all-volunteer, non-profit organization dedicated to educating people about the history of military aviation.”

M.A.P.S. has started placing (through a number of grants) an increased focus on education, particularly of school-aged children. After some of these sessions, I hear some frustration expressed in the apparent lack of focus of some students. Welcome to the world of the classroom teacher! As a former teacher, I can tell you that this is a rewarding, although often very frustrating endeavor.

Just like learning any job, to be effective in “teaching” the youth of today, we must spend some time trying to understand them – to know your audience. Just like our parents said of us, many think that the youth of today are heading in the wrong direction. Too many think that they are incapable of learning. The fact is however, they are far more intelligent than we perceive, but have grown up in a much different world than we. To effectively teach these students, we need to understand that we cannot change them, we must change how we address them, how we include them and how we motivate them. To fulfill the educational focus of our mission statement, we must all become teachers.

We need to understand that the average high school student has never lived in a world without computers, without access to the World Wide Web, or without cell phones. They have instantaneous access to information that would have taken us days or weeks to even find in a book or in a library. Because the world is basically at their fingertips, they are focused more on the “here and now”. That focus on the present is the norm and many things (as we also were guilty of in school) are placed into short-term memory and flushed when no longer needed (like 2-seconds after the end-of-chapter test is completed). Students appear disinterested when they are talked “at” and not with. They do not appear interested in memorizing events, places and dates because they have instantaneous access to that information on the cell phone that they carry with them. The term paper that we spent weeks on has become an exercise in “cut and paste” of on-line materials. Therefore, the biggest challenge that we will face in adapting our presentations is to get active involvement.

The question that must be answered is how do we involve students when they appear to be uninterested in our presentation, the museum or in history in general? There are a number of approaches that can be used. Remember, history is often taught as a series of unrelated places, dates and events (in other words the “who”, “when” and “where” questions) with little focus on asking the reason the event occurred. Asking the question of “why” is an area that can easily lead to student involvement, even if it takes some effort and explanation to start. Most students can tell you what happened, for example, on December 7, 1941, but they have no concept of why and no idea of the seemingly logical steps taken by both sides that would ultimately lead to that fateful Sunday morning.

“Why” is an easy question to ask when the standard “pitch” seems to get blank stares. We need to get students to THINK,

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QUESTION:

What was the code name for the invasion of Europe on D-Day?

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to REASON, to DISCUSS concepts on their terms (not ours) and to MAKE CONNECTIONS between what they know and the ideas that we wish them to grasp. We might be surprised how much students do know in terms of random facts. Just as an entire lake will completely freeze around the first ice crystal, all students often need is the right “seed” to connect all of the random pieces and to cause true learning to occur. A modern teacher is most effective as a facilitator of learning and a moderator of discussion - not a source of the information that technology already provides. True learning is not the memorization of facts – it is the ability to reason, to clearly see both sides of an issue and to develop a personal understanding of the world. Active involvement on the part of the student is central to learning and the biggest challenge that we will face in fulfilling our educational mission.

Will we be 100% effective in this endeavor? If we approach a group of students with that expectation, we are doomed to disappointment. When the moment comes that one student puts all the pieces together, when you see that what you are

saying makes sense to them, you have been successful as a teacher. Then you have truly made a difference. §

MAPS Air Museum Members have been invited to attend the following two events:

Akron Aeros - Military Family Appreciation Game

JUNE 29, 2013 @ 7:05PM

Complementary Ticket and Meal for all Active, Veteran Military and Immediate Family

Call for Tickets 866-984-2658

Akron Zips Football vs. James Madison

SEPTEMBER 7 @ TIME TO BE DETERMINED

Tickets @ Group Rate \$12

NEO Community Day - MAPS will have a Table

Check with Kim, the posters in the Gift Shop or MAPS Website for more information. §