

Thoughts From the Executive Director

By Kim Kovesci, MAPS Executive Director

At MAPS, our mission is to educate the public on the History of Aviation and its impact on man. We are able to do this through the generous donations made by veterans, the family members of veterans and the military in our communities. We have an obligation to protect their stories and artifacts as we share them with our visitors throughout the museum.

This brings me to our recent theft here at MAPS. On a Wednesday afternoon, two high school senior students arrived after school at the museum with the intent to take items for their own personal "love of aviation" reasons. As they left the museum with approximately \$3,000 worth of items, they did not realize the ramifications that would follow.

Part of our continuous improvement of the museum has been our security cameras. With the new systems, we were able to track their movement throughout the museum within two hours of identifying the missing items. This was quickly followed up by a police report.

Although only one of the suspects has been arrested at this time, the sheriff said, "The student said he was interested in aviation, was in the ROTC, loves the military, wanted to be a pilot and didn't think he would get caught." The sheriff retrieved all that had been stolen and returned it to MAPS.

A few days later, a Cleveland reporter unexpectedly stopped by MAPS for an interview with me, "How does this theft make you feel?" I responded, "It makes me sick to think that someone would come into this place of honor and take something that represents the work of so many dedicated volunteers.

MAPS volunteers are very proud of the organization that we have created, the way that we present history to our visitors and the way that we care about each other. I am appalled to think that anyone would take any of these items for their own personal collection.

When we make decisions about what is right or wrong, there are three basic levels of decision making; legal, ethical and moral.

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
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- Legal decisions are based on Criminal, Civil, Tort, Statutory, Common, and Intellectual Property. We are held accountable for our decisions by law enforcement and the courts.
- * Ethical decisions are based on what society deems as right and wrong. Here is where peer pressure comes into view.

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★ 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.

Thoughts continued....

* Moral decisions are based on an individual's view of right and wrong. They depend on the values and beliefs that were established as a child of 4 or 5 years old. Moral decisions are based on a combination of faith and who you are as a person.

At MAPS, we have students working at the museum as part of their schooling. So, I decided to turn this theft in to a teaching moment. I went back to my childhood and told the students about the job of Jiminy Cricket. Jiminy was "tasked with keeping the wooden boy (Pinocchio) in line, teaching him valuable life morals and the dangers of temptation, all the while adding a wise-cracking, comedic element to the storry."

I told the students, "We all need a little Jiminy sitting on our shoulder. Your Jiminy Cricket could be your mom, dad, grandma, grandpa, clergyman, friend, and so on."

What will be the ramifications for these two students has become a legal decision and will be up to the court of law. A student's senior year in high school should be a celebration of accomplishments and friendships while looking forward to new goals. The theft was a slight setback for us, but life-changing for those students.

At MAPS, we continue to move in a forward direction. As we approach the holiday season, remember our volunteers who are no longer with us this year... Ralph Lynn, Len Palmer, Joe Grametbauer, Bob Withee, Gary Shapiro, Bob Green, Jim Mosley and Ted Vozenilek. Remember our Veterans, those who are serving today as well as their families. Send extra prayers to our volunteers who are ill and those in need.

At MAPS, we are working hard to create a flourishing environment for our passionate, industrious volunteers who continue to make this a better place for our communities. I am looking forward to a successful new year at MAPS!

Renie Connor Honors Late Husband

James P. Conner (US Navy veteran of the Korean War) began construction of an 1/8th scale model of a Douglas SBD-5 Dauntless but he passed away in 2010 before he could complete it. His wife, Renie, who has been a member of MAPS since 2012, donated the model to MAPS to be completed as a tribute to her late husband.





Member and model maker, Dean Kleines, completed the model, adding a detailed engine and a display stand.

We are grateful to Renie for her donation and to Dean for creating a beautiful display for MAPS.

Make sure to see this stunning model the next time you visit MAPS.





For this edition of the *Briefing*, I am going to change focus from what I have written about for the past few issues. We have just celebrated a major anniversary of a historical event that many Americans need to be reminded of. To fail to address this and to acknowledge what it represents would be to forget the suffering and sacrifice of a generation from all corners of the world.

On November 11th, 2018 we celebrated the 100th anniversary of the end of World War I. As subsequent events would prove, this war did not prove to be the "war to end all wars" as conflict between countries, and religious, ethnic and cultural groups continue to the present day.

At the 11th hour on the 11th day of the 11th month of 1918, the conflict that came to be known as the "Great War" ended. At 5:00 in the morning, Germany, facing a critical shortage of manpower and supplies and faced with imminent invasion, signed an armistice agreement with the Allies in a railroad car outside Compiégne, France.

That armistice ended a conflict that had raged across Europe and the Middle East for almost 53 months. Contemporary Europeans also referred to it as "the war to end war" or "the war to end all wars" due to their perception of its then-unparalleled scale and devastation. The term "First World War" was first used in September 1914 by German biologist and philosopher Ernst Haeckel, who claimed that "there is no doubt that the course and character of the feared 'European War' ... will become the first **world** war in the full sense of the word". After World War II began in 1939, the terms became more standard, with British Empire historians, including Canadians, favoring "The First World War" and Americans "World War I".

The "war to end all wars" left nine million soldiers dead and 21 million wounded, with Germany, Russia, Austria-Hungary, France, and Great Britain each losing nearly a million or more lives. In addition, at least five million civilians died from disease, starvation, or exposure.

Armistice Day was established and is commemorated every year on November 11th to mark the armistice signed between the Allies of World War I and Germany. The date is a national holiday in France, and was declared a national holiday in many other Allied nations.

The first Armistice Day was held at Buckingham Palace, commencing with King George V hosting a banquet in honor of the President of the French Republic during the evening hours of November 10th, 1919. The first official Armistice Day events were subsequently held in the grounds of Buckingham Palace on the morning of November 11th, 1919. This would set the trend for a day of remembrance across the world for decades to come.

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A Moment in History continued ...

In 1954, the United States changed the official name of the celebration from Armistice Day to Veterans Day to encompass all veterans, not just those who served in World War I.

For many Americans, Veterans Day is often confused with both Memorial Day and Armed Forces Day although the focus of each celebration is different. Veterans Day celebrates the service of all U.S. military veterans (living and dead) that served throughout the history of this nation, while Memorial Day (originally called Decoration Day from the practice of decorating the graves of war dead in the years immediately following the American Civil War) honors those who *died* while in military service. Armed Forces Day is a U.S. remembrance that also occurs in May, which specifically honors those *currently serv*ing in the U.S. military.

When we celebrate Veterans Day each year, pause and remember the origins of the day, what Armistice Day represents and the price paid by the millions, on both sides of the conflict that never came home. One hundred years ago, the guns fell silent, if only for a short few years.

Our New Aircraft By Jim Jackson, Volunteer

Recently, MAPS acquired a new addition to our fleet in the form of a Grumman OV-1A Mohawk. This plane was donated to MAPS by a private owner. An experienced (meaning "old") team of volunteers went to Blaine, Minnesota to retrieve this prize during the week of October 21st. The team included **Tony** Bistransky, Paul Gates, Jim Jackson, Larry Lewis and Chet Starn.

Everyone truly enjoyed the many hours of gazing at the endless fields of corn as we traversed Indiana, Illinois and Iowa!

When we arrived, complications were encountered that had not been foreseen. Luckily, the American Wings Air Museum which is located at the Blaine Air-

port, had a unique piece of tooling required to take the propellers off the engine.

Our greatest help came from two individuals who had hanger space at the airport. Luke Connolly of Area 27 Cabling and Doug Weske of Air Investment were invaluable in helping us. Luke gave us the keys to his hanger and shop to give us access to things we needed. He also assisted with



welding a fixture to support the plane in transit. Doug borrowed and spent over a day operating forklifts while disassembling and loading the plane. Without their support, we would have spent the upcoming holidays trying to get this done!

"I would like to think that we (MAPS) would do the same thing for strangers who showed up at our door!"

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Curator's Corner

By Brooke Anderson, Curator Department

While World War One raged in Europe, America intervened in Mexico in 1916 after Villa's troops raided Columbus, NM. Just a limited incursion, still many lessons were learned that would be needed soon. Motorized transport was a reality in 1916, but the lack of equipment standardization was a major problem. In 1917 a committee was formed, composed of Quartermaster Corps personnel, member of the Society of Automotive Engineers and volunteers from the truck manufacturing sector. The goal? A standardized truck with interchangeable parts.

The result of those committee sessions was the testing of two prototype trucks in October of 1917. Standard truck "B" was deemed the better of the two, and adopted, to become known as the Liberty Truck, to be built by several manufacturers, including Packard.

U.S. Army Adjutant General McCain ordered a trial of the new truck to test its capability to drive from the manufacturing factories to an East Coast port, with ammunition as a load. The first such effort left the Packard plant in Detroit, MI, on December 14, 1917, arriving in Baltimore, MD on December 28, 1917, having used the new Lincoln Highway

for much of the journey. The equipment performed well, proving the point of actually driving a truck rather than using a railcar, and with a full load of ammuni-



tion. Records indicate that, due to the success of the trial, in the first three months of 1918, 10,000 rail cars were freed up for other critical freight!

In the **MAPS Gallery of Heroes**, to the left as you enter, is a low glass case housing the uniform jacket, photo albums and a trench art itinerary mess kit of Joseph Spreng, Co. D, 308th Motor Supply Train, 83rd "Ohio" Division, working out of Camp Sherman, Chillicothe, OH. He was a member of this first historic convoy, a little-known story which MAPS is pleased to be able to tell. And the photo albums are a treasure, documenting not just the first, but other journeys as well, made the 308th MST in the Liberty Truck, showing such familiar locations (to Buckeyes!) as Lima, Ravenna, Unity and East Palestine.

Our New Plane continued....

For those of you who are unaware, please know that airplanes have feelings that can easily be hurt, so please, don't use the word "ugly" anywhere around this plane....because beauty is in the eye of the beholder. If you are struggling with that thought, remember, if you can't find anything nice to say about it's appearance....don't say anything at all!

A little history about our new plane:

The Mohawk OV-1A has a unique and instantly recognizable shape with a distinctive triple tail, turboprop engines mounted over its wings, and bug-eyed cockpit. The OV-1A's roomy cockpit features large, bulging side win-

dows that give the airplane a bug-eyed appearance and allows an unobstructed view of the ground immediately below.



These "eyes" can instantly

spot any vehicle movements on the ground and record them on film that is processed in seconds and then scanned and relayed to the ground. This powerful vision belongs to a combat-proven airborne radar system, and the system is mounted aboard one of the oddest looking tactical aircraft that has ever served the United States in combat.

The Mohawk is also the only fixed-wing aircraft ever built specifically for the U.S. Army since the Air Force became a separate service in 1947. The Mohawk made its first flight in April 1959 and in September 1996, it flew its last mission over Korea and was retired after nearly 40 years of operations in two wars over some of the most hotly contested geography on the planet.

Despite its distinguished service record, the Mohawk remains largely unknown outside the small communities of men and women who flew, maintained, and loved the small, ungainly-looking aircraft.

MAPS is proud to have acquired this historic aircraft!



MAPS Mourns the Loss of Two Long Time Members

It is with heavy heart and great sadness that we inform you of two recent losses to the MAPS family.

James Mosley 1929-2018

James G. Mosley Jr., 88, of Massillon. passed away Wednesday, September 5th, at Danbury Senior Living. Born in Akron on December 15, 1929, a son of the late James Sr. and Mildred (Emerson) Mosley, also preceded in death by son, Jimmy Mosley III; four brothers: Mark, Fred, Arvel, Gene Mosley; and sister, Toni Callahan.



Jim was employed at Goodyear

Aerospace for 35 years, a 20 year volunteer for the Green Fire Department, and attended the Uniontown United Methodist Church. Jim was also a member of the City of Green Lions Club, was a founding member of the MAPS Air Museum, and served in the U.S. Navy during World War II.

Besides his wife, Lois (Etheridge) Mosley of 71 years, married April 5th, 1947, he is survived by 2 daughters: Diane (John) Schiavo, of Flower Mound, Texas and Lois (Dan) McGurk, of North Canton; brother, Glenn (Martha) Mosley, of St. Louis, Mo.; sister-in-law, Mary Etheridge; six grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; several nieces; nephews; loving family; and friends.

Jim was a long time MAPS member. He was very active from the early days until 2015 when his wife Lois's health started to deteriorate. Jim was a board member for many years and was instrumental in helping MAPS through some difficult times. Jim also was a MAPS Legacy Award recipient.



Theodore "Ted" Vozenilek 1934-2018

Theodore "Ted" Vozenilek, age 84 of Massillon, passed away Monday, October 1, 2018 at Mercy Medical Center. He was born April 22, 1934, in Uniontown, PA, the son of the late Emil and Judith (Jasenka) Vozenilek.

Ted was an Army Reservist and was a 1959 graduate of The Ohio State University and Capital University. He was a retired aeronautical engineer of 42 years, working at Westinghouse Research, Babcock and Wilcox, and Wright Tool and Forge Co.

He was a member of Church of the Lakes United Methodist Church, a member of the Hall of Fame Lunch Group, and a volunteer at Military Aviation Preservation Society (MAPS) for over 20 years.

Ted is survived by his wife of 61 years, Phyllis (Lelux) Vozenilek; children, Michael (Theresa) Vozenilek and Terri (Robert) Hall; four grandchildren, Courtney and Kyle Vozenilek, Kamryn and Heather Hall; three great -grandchildren, McKayla, Grace, and Hunter. He was preceded in death by his brother, Emil Vozenilek.



Ted joined MAPS in September of 1998 and was ac-

tive until 2016. He also volunteered in the gift shop and was a tour guide. Ted was a very dedicated volunteer.



MAPS Endowment Fund

A message from Kim Kovesci, Executive Director

Our Endowment Fund has been set up to ensure the long term survival of the organization. If you plan to have a financial review done, MAPS Air Museum would appreciate being considered in your plans. Thank you!

Tour Guide Training This Winter

By Reed Kimball, MAPS Director of Education

The tour guide training sessions are designed for those interested in serving as tour guides and those current tour guides that will be assisting with the American History program high school field trips this Spring. The program covers the three Social Studies Learning Statements that are the central focus of the program.

Statement 3: Historians analyze cause, effect, sequence and correlation in historical events, including multiple causation and long- and short-term causal relations.

In other words, to understand history, we must look at historical events from multiple perspectives. We use the attack on the Pacific Fleet on December 7th, 1941 and the point of emphasis for the high school groups to highlight this Learning Statement.

Statement 20: During the 1930s, the U.S. government attempted to distance the country from earlier interventionist policies in the Western Hemisphere as well as retain an isolationist approach to events in Europe and Asia until the beginning of World War II.

Here we discuss the influence of the isolationist movement in this country which came to prominence as a result of the devastation caused by World War I. We also discuss the impact of popular figures in American history (Charles Lindbergh for example) in promoting the isolationist philosophy and how perceptions by other countries may have led to events drawing us into World War II.

Statement 21: United States policy and mobilization of its economic and military resources during World War II affected American Society. Despite mistreatment, marginalized groups played important roles in the war effort while continuing to protest unfair treatment.

In this area, we have discussed the changing roles for women (the "Rosies and the WASPs) caused by the war and the impact the war had on the status of African-Americans (the "Tuskegee" Airmen for example). As the second sentence was added to the Learning Statement just this school year, we will also have to address the roles of Japanese-Americans and Native-Americans to the war effort. We also address how these changes were, in most cases, temporary fixes and did not address underlying reasons that these groups were "marginalized."

By understanding the Learning Statements, we are provided with a "road map" of the displays in the Gallery of Heroes and the Ohio Military Museum Display Room that should be viewed and discussed in addition to the aircraft and other displays within the 2-hour visit window.

I have scheduled multiple sessions this year, as all of the current tour guides typically cannot make a specific date. Each of the sessions will start at 1:00 PM in the Louise Timken Library and will run approximately 2-hours. The dates that are currently scheduled are the following Saturdays:

Saturday, December 8th*, December 15th, and December 22nd

* - Membership meeting at 11:00 AM on these Saturdays

Saturday, January 5th, January 12th*, January 19th and January 26th

For those current tour guides that will be helping with the high school tours, this training is highly recommended to fully understand the focus of the American History program. For those interested in becoming tour guides, this training will be an excellent start to the tour guide mentor program.

To sign up for any of the training sessions, send me an e-mail at <u>kimball.reed@mapsairmuseum.org</u> with the date that you wish to attend or contact me at the museum at 330-896-6332.



This summer, the Canton Repository launched a new, weekly feature for the Monday Opinion page. "Cheers and Jeers" recognizes some of the high points, and not-so-high points, from the previous week.

From the Canton Repository's "Cheers and Jeers" printed Monday, October 22nd:

Jeers ... to the teens from Cuyahoga Falls who thought it would be fun to steal artifacts from MAPS Air Museum in Green. It shows an appalling lack of knowledge and respect for those Americans who have served, and in some cases, sacrificed all for their country.

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Chairman's Notes

By Bob Schwartz, Director Chair

Since our last issue, we have lost two more members that were once very active and had a definite impact on the organization. Jim and Ted's obituaries are included in this issue.

Jim Mosley was a Life Member, joining in April of 1995. Jim was a board member for many years and was instrumental in helping MAPS through some difficult times. He was also a MAPS Legacy Award recipient. After I was elected board chairman, Jim was one of the members that I often called upon for advice. Many times, when he was in Florida for the winter, he always took time to discuss a problem and it might be for an hour! We last saw Jim when he rode in this year's Memorial day Parade, wearing his Navy uniform. We were able to visit with him before the parade started.

Ted Vozenilek joined MAPS in September of 1998 and was active until 2016. Ted volunteered in the gift shop, was a tour guide, and he was also a director on the MAPS board. Ted was a very dedicated and dependable volunteer who was always here.

2018 has been sad year, loosing Len Palmer, Ralph Lynn, Bob Withee, Gary Shapiro, Josef Grametbauer and Bob Green in addition to Jim and Ted. All were very active and well liked. Ralph and Bob were also MAPS Legacy Award recipients.



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If you normally receive the Briefing by way of email and this issue was mailed to you, we may be having a problem with your email address and your email copy is "bouncing back." If you prefer the email version, please send us your new or updated address so we can make sure we have it correct.

We have been having problems with mass mailings and are trying to resolve the issue. Double-checking email addresses is one way we can do this.

We will only send out emails containing the Briefing or other important information, such as the passing of an active member or an upcoming event. Please do not mark our emails as spam. If you would prefer that we do not email you, please let us know and we will remove your email from our list. If there are any other problems, please advise on those as well. My email address is: schwartz.robert@mapsairmuseum.org

Upcoming Events

DECEMBER

WED, DEC 5	DIRECTOR MEETING	3 PM
SAT, DEC 8	MEMBERSHIP MEETING	11 AM
SUN, DEC 9	SANTA FLY-IN	1 PM - 4 PM
JANUARY		
WED, JAN 9	DIRECTOR MEETING	3 PM
SAT, JAN 12	MEMBERSHIP MEETING	11 AM
FEBRUARY		
WED, FEB 6	DIRECTOR MEETING	3 PM
SAT, FEB 9	MEMBERSHIP MEETING	11 AM
MARCH		
WED, MAR 6	DIRECTOR MEETING	3 PM
SAT, MAR 9	MEMBERSHIP MEETING	11 AM
	(Please check website for updates)	

MAPS Volunteers "Ugly Sweater" Christmas Dinner



Our annual MAPS Volunteer Christmas Party will be held on Saturday, December 8th, at 6 PM in the hangar. The cost is \$15.00 per person and due at the time of sign-up to either Kim or Reed. The deadline for signing up is Saturday, December 1st. Mr. Mike's of Canton will be catering our dinner!

Mrs. Claus and Elf will be back entertaining our guests! We would like our volunteers to share a favorite Christmas picture or two for a little surprise. The picture could be of family, friends, or military...just make sure you are in it! Send the pictures (.jpg) via email to <u>kinney.valerie@mapsairmuseum.org</u> by December 1st.

Remember, we are supporting the CAK Ohio National Guard Food Bank. Bring donations of non-perishable foods, toiletries or monetary donation to MAPS throughout the months of November and December. Please be generous. Help make a merrier holiday for our military families!

REMEMBER TO WEAR YOUR "UGLY SWEATER" TO THIS EVENT!

Christmas Truce of 1914

During World War I, on and around Christmas Day 1914, the sounds of rifles firing and shells exploding faded in a number of places along the Western Front in favor of holiday celebrations in the trenches and gestures of goodwill between enemies.

On December 7, 1914, Pope Benedict XV suggested a temporary hiatus of the war for the celebration of Christmas. The warring countries refused to create any official cease-fire, but on Christmas the soldiers in the trenches declared their own unofficial truce.

Starting on Christmas Eve, many German and British troops sang Christmas carols to each other across the lines, and at certain points the Allied soldiers even heard brass bands joining the Germans in their joyous singing.

At the first light of dawn on Christmas Day, some German soldiers emerged from their trenches and approached the Allied lines across no-man's-land, calling out "Merry Christmas" in their enemies' native tongues. At first, the Allied soldiers feared it was a trick, but seeing the Germans unarmed they climbed out of their trenches and shook hands with the enemy soldiers. The men exchanged presents of cigarettes and plum puddings and sang carols and songs. There was even a documented case of soldiers from opposing sides playing a good-natured game of soccer.

Some soldiers used this short-lived ceasefire for a more somber task: the retrieval of the bodies of fellow combatants who had fallen within the no-man's land between the lines.

The so-called Christmas Truce of 1914 came only five months after the outbreak of war in Europe and was one of the last examples of the outdated notion of chivalry between enemies in warfare. It was never repeated—future attempts at holiday ceasefires were quashed by officers' threats of disciplinary action but it served as heartening proof, however brief, that beneath the brutal clash of weapons, the soldiers' essential humanity endured.

Picture: an artist's impression from *The Illustrated London News* of January 9, 1915: "British and German Soldiers Arm-in-Arm Exchanging Headgear: A Christmas Truce between Opposing Trenches" *Wikipedia*

After

Before



Long-time Project Complete

We have been working on a project for the past fifteen years to add a brick facing to the hangar that covers the lower windows. We would like to

> thank Jack and Joy Timken, Bob Belden and Mathie Supply for donating some of the bricks for this project. Over 16,000 bricks were laid by A.Y. Masonry and we would like to thank **Ray Williams** for overseeing the project. You know that you did the right thing when people don't notice any change. "It looks like it was always like that."

> Look for more exciting improvements to the exterior of MAPS in the months to come!

MAPS Anniversaries

August 1, 2018 to October 31, 2018 ** designates Family Membership

20 YEARS

5 YEARS

Stella, Bob** Haines, Rita Vozenilek, Ted**

15 YEARS

Young, Palmer Bahr, Brian

10 YEARS

Shaw, Pamela** Bistransky, Tony** Johnson, Dave** Murdoch, Arthur** Williams, Bruce** Cramer, Arlene Hawkins, Gerald Johnson, Stephen** Perry, Douglas** Pinkerton, Brian Vogelesang, George** Hagan, Joseph** Shapiro, Barbara** Truex, Don Hoerig, David Selby, Don** Kunkle, Steve

Congratulations! Thank You For Your Continued Support!

Memorial Brick Program Update

Betty Tober has done a wonderful job coordinating the MAPS Memorial Brick Program. Our target was to have the new bricks installed before our Veteran's Day Program. There were about 20 bricks replaced with memorials and Jerry Ramey did a great job replacing them in just one day. As we look at the newly added memorial bricks, we see a lot of really good people and our friends that we have lost over the years. May they all "Rest In Peace."



Welcome New Members

August 1, 2018 to October 31, 2018 ** designates Family Membership

Amaral, Carlos Baker, Thomas** Barczyk, Elaine** Blue, Tery BuCher, William** Chapman, Kenneth** Crater, Gary** Crowe, James Edwards, Larry Gerber, Doug Gillen, Lori** Grobelny, Edward** Guy, Rudy** Krempel, Christine** Latshaw, Andrew** Lavin, Dan** Lindh. Leonard**

McFarland, Maureen** McKav, Brett** Moore, John** Morton, Grant Olexa, Colton Origlio, John Osborne, Kevin Petrak, Wiiliam** Pfeifer, Kelsee Reischman, Anthony** Sammet, Dwight** Smith. Steven Stockert, Walter** Stoll. Edward** Vinci, Joseph Warehime, Joe** Wilk, Richard**

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Santa Fly-In

JOIN MAPS TODAY!

Sunday December 9th is the annual Santa Fly-In, starting at 1:00 PM. Bring your kids and grandkids to see Santa and Mrs. Claus arrive at MAPS by plane.



Chairs reserved for Santa and Mrs. Claus

Children will have an opportunity to visit with Santa and Mrs. Claus during the event.

Cookies and juice will be served and <u>entry is free</u>! A food donation for the Ohio National Guard Food Pantry would be greatly appreciated.

NOTE: Bring your smart phones or cameras to get a picture of your children or grandchildren with Santa.

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Focus on Volunteers

In this issue, the focus is on two gentlemen who are invaluable to MAPS. Between the two, they have logged over 1500 volunteer hours between January and September of this year.

Bill Cody was introduced to MAPS eight years ago when he came to donate books belonging to his father. He started as a tour guide and has been expanding his involvement ever since. He was born in Salem but moved to the area to be closer to his daughter and grandchildren (they are members too!)

Bill was drafted into the Army in 1969 and served as a machinist with Special Forces in Vietnam until 1971. After the Army, he worked as a machinist until 1993 when he started his own business and then retired in 2015.

Bill says he loves having fun and being around other Veterans. The changes he has seen at MAPS are phenomenal and he is excited to be a part of it.





<u>George Reese</u> was born in Canton and came to a car show at MAPS three years ago and has been hooked ever since. He is a history buff - especially the Civil War - and MAPS seemed like the perfect place for him.

George served in the Air Force from 1967 to 1971 and was stationed at Pope AFB in NC where he worked as an electrician. After the Air Force, he worked for Timken as an electrician for a total of 37 years and retired in 2000.

George also loves having fun and wants to contribute to the growth of MAPS any way he can.

Some of the areas where Bill and George have been invaluable are: helping to install the plexiglass around the upper level, electrical installation in the new classroom and bathrooms, installing cameras in the OMM Room, helping out with set-ups for events and weddings, parking detail, lawn care and the Pancake Breakfasts (George makes the pancake batter and Bill cooks the sausage!)

Probably one of their most important functions at MAPS is completing the "Honey-Do List." Their wives, Mary Cody and Dianne Reese, our talented gardeners, put them to work spreading mulch in the spring and "other duties as assigned" during the growing season! Many thanks to Bill and George for all they do and their dedication to MAPS.



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Wishing all our MAPS members, Veterans and their families a MERRY CHRISTMAS HAPPY HOLIDAYS AND A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR