



WASSUP??

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VOLUNTEER AWARD WINNERS

At our November 17th Volunteer Appreciation Dinner, the following individuals were recognized for their contribution to our continuing success:

Anthony Cappella was recognized as our Volunteer of the Quarter for the period April thru June 2006. Anthony is a very quiet young man who just goes about his business helping Bob Bondy on our Grounds crew and mentoring new students completing their community service requirement.

Bob Kozloff was recognized as our Volunteer of the Quarter for the period July thru September 2006. Bob just joined us this year and hit the ground running from his first day when he helped move the F-14. He's part of Jim Galvin's outdoor display team, has "adopted" our 2.5 ton truck display, and is working his way from display to display sealing up those places where birds and bees like to make their homes.

Dick Rots was recognized as our 2006 Volunteer of the Year for the extraordinary efforts he's made to bring the SPAD idea to life.

Bob Bondy was recognized with our 2006 Special Achievement Award for all of his efforts on behalf our Museum Grounds, for his ability to manage the students that help out during the summer, and for keeping our RV storage area neat and organized.

Team Coordinators are reminded that nominations for the Volunteer of the Quarter award for October thru December 2006 are due in Lou's office no later than 27 December 2006.

NEW VOLUNTEERS

We continue to be blessed with new people volunteering their time to help us here at the Museum. Since the last issue of the WASSUP, we've added the following:

Brian Zielinsky, a young (mid-30s) team leader with Daimler Chrysler. Although Mike has construction, plumbing, HVAC, painting, and masonry skills he has a "real job" so I've asked him to become part of our weekend host team.

Christian Sabon...he's baaack!

AN EDITORIAL

I need a place to vent. Please don't take these ramblings personally...

- I inadvertently left **Mary Lou Pearsall** from the names of volunteers who helped us out at the 2006 Bath City Festival. Mea culpa.
- Concern has been expressed about the new Visitor's Center/Museum concept as it relates to safety. With a limited number of hosts, once the Visitor's Center is up and running, we will require single-person staffing in the Visitor's Center in the Gift Shop and single-person staffing in the Museum at a Docent Desk. **Both locations will have phones and both locations will have walkie-talkies so any safety problems can be addressed on a real-time basis.**
- Golf Shirts: One of the ways we say thank you to our volunteers is to provide them with a free golf shirt with our Museum logo and their name embroidered on the shirt. I've lost track of who has received theirs and who has not. If you haven't, I need to know no later the end of January so we can put one on order for you. If I haven't heard from you by the end of January I will assume that you have it.
- Museum Inventory: The price we pay for professional accreditation is an accurate inventory of what we have and where it's located. If you add or subtract from a display, e.g., if you remove something from a display case to make room for something you're adding or add an artifact to a case, please advise me so I can keep the inventory accurate.

2007 GOALS

It never ends...

- Repaint the F-102 in Selfridge-specific markings. This will require some serious corrosion control before it can be repainted (**old project**).
- Purge our storage areas of assets that are excess to our current and future needs, a long-term and ongoing effort (**old project**).
- Developing and installing an Air Traffic Control display (**old project**). Chuck Halt and Darrell Rohrbeck have been working on this and once the display is done, it will be cosmic!
- Finish ongoing organization efforts in Bldg 1007. The stuff we're storing for STARBASE will hopefully be moved out in by the end of the year (**old project**).
- Motorize the R-2800 engine (**old project**).
- Training more of our "full-time" volunteers on aircraft corrosion control (**old project**).
- Cataloguing, digitizing, and filing historic photos (**old project**).
- Transformation of Bldg 1008 into a Visitor's Center connected to the Museum by a covered walkway and completion of a SPAD hangar that will abut the walkway.
- Moving the Gift Shop and the Library from Bldg 1011 into the new Visitor's Center, freeing up the space they occupied in Bldg 1011 for new displays.

VISITORS PASS RENEWAL

All of those who use the AF Form 75 Visitors Pass to gain access the Base should have had their pass renewed in December! For those of you that haven't, I sent an updated list of all volunteers in the middle of November so your name should be at Pass & ID in the new Visitor's Center (Bldg 901) at the intersection of Hall Road and Jefferson. Their hours are from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm, Tuesday thru Saturday, but they're closed on Federal holidays. To insure that all of our passes expire on the same day and to insure that the information I provide to our Security folks is as accurate as it can be, **I've asked Pass & ID to have this round of volunteer passes expire on 30 June 2007.** The good news is that Security Police has advised me that the Visitors Pass (AF Form 75) is acceptable for entry to the Base thru the Golf Gate on North River Road! If they don't accept the Visitors Pass (AF Form 75) at the Golf Gate and tell you that you have to go thru the Main Gate, please advise me so I can square away what the real rules are.

LONG DISTANCE PIN NUMBER CHANGED

The PIN number for long distance calls made from Museum phones has been changed to **701514**. If you make an off-base call, dial 99 + 1 + the area code + the phone number. If you hear five short beeps, it's a long distance number you're trying to call so after the beeps press 701514 and it should go thru. Be gentle...we have to reimburse the Base for all long-distance calls made from the Museum!