

Vintage Flying Museum Meeting Minutes September 15, 2007

Welcome & introduction of new members.

Big Band Hangar Dance – October 13, 2007

Publicity: Jim Douglas will be the emcee. The *Fort Worth Star Telegram* has donated weekend ads for the month prior to the dance. We need to contact the Saginaw paper. Please post flyers and mention the dance at every opportunity.

Hangar/clean up/decorations:

- Volunteers have begun sweeping, cleaning stanchions, etc. We need more volunteers to grab brooms to sweep each weekend and scrub the oil out of the floor. If you don't know how to use the oil absorbent or don't know what needs to be done, just ask.
- Jack Prather is working on a 60th Anniversary of the USAF display.
- Devlin & David are working on signs and banners.
- We need an electrician to help set up extension cords, check & troubleshoot problems the night of the dance. We'll check with Tom McPherson to see if he can make it.
- Spotlights are on order – we need someone to pick the lights up. Light towers are on order and will also need to be picked up & returned. We also need to check and replace burnt out light bulbs in the hangar. Ernie will put lights in the B-17 the week before. He'll also set up the microphones (@ 4 PM).
- 25 tables on order. We need to bring metal tables over from the North hangar for tickets, will call, auction & PX.
- Dumpster & crowd pleaser (portable restrooms) are on order. We still need volunteers (male & female) the night of the dance to check the crowd pleaser, make sure there's paper, soap, etc. We also need volunteers for trash detail.
- Helium tank is on order – TC will pick up. Need volunteers on Saturday morning to fill balloons and decorate tables. Chuckie's granddaughter & friends may help. Zach will check with his classmates, too. Good community service activity for youth groups.

Corporate Sponsors:

- Have received \$7000 in corporate donations to date including A.E. Petsche, Link Simulation & Training, and the Once-Upon-A-Time Foundation.
- Does anyone have some large wicker baskets they could donate? Elenor Zepeda offered to make corporate table baskets (wine, cheese & goodies) but needs some baskets.
- If your company would like to be a corporate sponsor, please let Chuckie know.

Ticket Sales:

- Tickets are for sale on line at www.vintageflyingmuseum.org. Purchases can be made through PayPal - \$25 advance dance ticket; \$40 advance ticket for dinner + dance; reserved tables (10 tickets). We'll need help processing the online ticket orders. Anyone interested?
- Tickets are on sale at the museum. Again, we'll need help selling tickets, answering phones and taking over-the phone orders, processing orders, etc., especially during the week before the dance from 9 AM to 5 PM.
- Volunteers can sign out tickets to sell. All money and unsold tickets are due the night of the dance.

Parking: Mark lanes off in advance with tape to help maintain lanes. We need volunteers to direct parking. Golf carts are available to help transport guests.

Meal: Sonny Bryan's menu: 3 barbecued meats (chicken, brisket, sausage), baked beans, green beans, potato salad, rolls, cobbler & tea. Volunteers' meal tickets are \$4. We'll eat @ 5:30 PM.

WWII Vehicles: Contacting Living History Group and other WW II vehicle owners to have ambulance, jeep, motorcycles, etc. parked in hangar. Popular for picture taking.

Moving Airplanes: We need volunteers to move aircraft out of the hangar starting Wednesday night Oct. 10th, depending on the weather. OBA/FAC aircraft will be moved, too, to increase space for parking.

Fort Worth Police/Fire Dept.: Fire Dept. inspection & permit will be requested in coming week. Police notified to provide assistance.

Silent Auction: Get Silent Auction donations in as soon as possible. Please attach a receipt describing the item and its cost. Info is used to type bid sheets & set the minimum bid. Donation letters are available to take to your favorite merchant, restaurant, etc. to request a contribution.

New Business

- **Sept. 22 - Tarrant County Historical Society** will tour the Vintage Flying Museum. We expect 55 visitors that morning (before noon). We need volunteers to assist.
- **Tuesday, Oct. 2 – Swiss CAF Visitors** will tour the VFM. Jim Goad is the host. The group will arrive in the morning, tour the hangar then join the OV-10 Bronco group for lunch.
- **Fort Worth Star Telegram Click Photos** – Elenor attended a workshop on Click photos. After October 1st, we can submit photos to the newspaper. Art took some photos with members so we'll be ready and hopefully get some publicity before the dance.
- **VFM Member Polo Shirts** – If you'd like a blue polo with your name embroidered, please get your order in to Chuckie or Kate ASAP. We'll need sizes and how you want the name spelled. Price will be @ \$25-\$30 depending on fabric & embroidery costs. These polo shirts really help identify VFM members when we're working events like the dance, fly-ins, or on weekends.
- **Lancaster Open Cockpit Day** didn't attract as many visitors as we'd hoped, but we did get fuel. Made \$76 in PX sales.
- **Alliance Air Show** is scheduled for October 20th. Sign up sheets for the flight and volunteers to staff the event will be posted in the Briefing Room.
- **Volunteer Activities List** – Jim Hocker started a list of tasks that need volunteers. We'll post it on the website and the briefing room. If you'd like to get more involved but don't know what you can do, please see if you'd be interested in Jim's suggestions (or come up with a project) and volunteer.