Greetings once again from the Army Aviation Museum! With the onset of winter and the Covid-19 pandemic things have slowed in regards to visitation. However, things are happening behind the scenes that our visitors will soon be able to view and enjoy.

We are currently working on two Liaison aircraft, the L-5 Sentinel and an L-19 Bird Dog. Both of these aircraft represent the fixed wing recon era and the evolutionary journey. We are hoping to have these completed around the first of the year and they will go on exhibit in the Training Support Facility (TSF). Both have been stored in a non-climate controlled storage unit for decades and are in pretty bad shape. Fortunately, our restorations man is able to do magic so we have high expectations!

For the past several months we have been busy populating our “Army Values and Heritage Gallery” on the second floor. As Continued on Page 2...
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previously stated, this gallery will be a teaching venue for new Aviation Soldiers of all ranks and used for their basic introduction to Army Aviation History. There will be artifacts, photos, and stories of average soldiers, who when called upon, performed extraordinary actions in combat and other life and death situations. Both the soldiers and the visitors will gain appreciation for the fact that Aviation Soldiers are called upon to do things from which most sane people would shy away. These stories will cover actions from World War One through current day operations.

Once again I would like to remind our readers and followers that our Museum is fully open and accessible. We have had to close off some high-risk exhibits and interactive areas due to the pandemic; however, this should not diminish the museum experience. Until next time, Above the Best!

We are seeing great progress on the building site for the new Training Support Facility. The hundreds of tons of “packing soil” has been removed and we are happy to state that the site has been deemed suitable to begin construction. The construction firm hired are real professionals so we do not expect any delays. Things are moving along right on schedule so we are looking forward to seeing it to completion late 2021.

WELCOME AND THANK YOU TO OUR NEW AND RENEWING MEMBERS

ONE YEAR MEMBERSHIP
CW4 (R) Edward R. Armstrong
Mrs. Cindy George
Linda Gentzyel, Gift Shop Manager

Greetings and Happy Holidays from the Gift Shop! It has been a tough year, but thanks to you and your support we are still going strong. The weather has finally cooled off and we are excited to offer an array of Hooded and Crew Neck Sweatshirts and don’t forget our Fleece Pullovers are on Clearance for $24.95. We carry a variety of Aviation T-shirts and Polo’s along with Toys, Puzzles and Games for the Kids. If you’re looking for something a little more special, we also carry Aviation Jewelry, Glassware and More!

We hope that you will Shop with us this Holiday Season and find Joy in knowing that All Proceeds from your Gift Shop Purchases Support the U.S. Army Aviation Museum.

Share your love for the U.S. Army Aviation Museum!

Leah Dunkle - Executive Coordinator, AAMF

As we move into the Holiday Season, I can’t help but reflect on the year behind us. 2020 brought so many unexpected twists and turns to say the least, but thanks to you and your unwavering support, the Army Aviation Museum Foundation was still able to provide financial support for the U.S. Army Aviation Museum. As an honored Member of the Foundation, we hope that you are proud of the progress here at the Army Aviation Museum and that you share your love for the Museum with others by encouraging them to be part of our great organization. We also hope that you’ll consider us when it comes to your Holiday Shopping. Whether it’s a Gift Shop purchase, the Gift of a Membership or a Legacy Paver, you can rest assured that ALL proceeds support the U.S. Army Aviation Museum and our mission to “Preserve the Past for the Future”!

Get the Gift That Gives Back! A Museum Membership is a Great Way to Share the Joy of Army Aviation! Signing up is easy and there are several membership options.

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Leap Year Pavers are a great way to say HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

Help us reach our goal of 50 Pavers by Christmas! Order Online or Visit the Foundation Office for more information www.armyaviationmuseum.org

‘Tis the Season to be Cozy!
If you’ve visited the U.S. Army Aviation Museum, more than likely you’ve met one or more of our amazing Volunteers. We are very fortunate to have about a dozen volunteers that spend several hours per month working at the Museum. Our volunteers come to us from various backgrounds, but have one thing in common: a passion for “Preserving the Past for the Future”.

In March, the Museum was CLOSED due to COVID-19. We were all sent home not knowing how long it would last. I kept in touch with the Volunteers on a weekly basis to check in and give updates when I had them, but it was always the same response, “I am just ready to get back to work.” We couldn’t ask for a more motivated group of Volunteers and that is so inspiring to me. It makes what I do that much more important.

In June, we received the good news that we could re-open, but with the new COVID-19 guidelines we knew our Volunteers were more crucial than ever. They would be responsible for enforcing these guidelines as Patrons enter the Museum. They really stepped up to get the Museum back in “OPEN” status and honestly, we wouldn’t be open without them.

Each year, we invite our volunteers and their spouses to the Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast held at the Museum. In addition to good food and good company, Volunteers that meet certain criteria are presented the Presidential Volunteer Service Award. We had four Volunteers that were presented the Silver Presidential Service Award, MAJ Georg Baum, MAJ(R) Don Doherty, CW4(R) Tom Rudolph (Also awarded Volunteer of the Quarter) and CW3(R) Fred Zayas. We had one Volunteer of the Quarter, CW5(R) Bob McClellan. Quite an accomplishment considering we were closed for 3 months! With that being said, we cannot discount the value of all of our desk Volunteers which includes CW3 Aaron Comps and WO1 Daniel Pavlak; and our Archives Volunteers: Mrs. Sue Baum, Mrs. Erica Hinson, and Mrs. Anna Fisher. They also put in many hours behind the scenes and it does not go unnoticed. We appreciate each and every one of you.

Thanks for Making a Difference!

Leah Dunkle, Executive Coordinator, AAMF