

This is a new attempt to get timely information out to our Wing membership. It will be an E-mail only publication. The hope is to send it out before the end of each month to as many of our WTW members as possible. It would be appreciated if someone from each unit would print a couple of hard copies and take them to the hangar to distribute to those who do not receive this by e-mail. Anyone may submit information that will benefit the WTW. Send inputs to Mark Novak at T6_av8r@yahoo.com NLT the 18th of each month.

West Texas Wing CAF FLYBY

Current WTW membership 122

Colonel Ladies Membership 16

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Your Wing Staff

Wing Leader – Col John Hess jhess10222@aol.com Executive Officer – Col Martha Dillard wdill@wf.net
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MX Officer – Col Ed Vesley Operations Officer – Col Greg Kinnan greg@moncor.net
Col's Ladies President – Col Sharon Short sharonshort@mfpoer.com

Recent Donations

Dorothy Armstrong – SB2C	Roy Armstrong – SB2C	Margaret Bickers – SB2C & JRB
Ergun Bilir – WTW & SB2C	Steve Brown – JRB	Charles Coskrey – SB2C
William Croft – SB2C	Betty Parsons Heitsch – SB2C	Fred Helfrich – SB2C
Gary Hurta – SB2C	Don Johnson – JRB	

WTW Staff Comments

Finance (Col Novak) – I am sorry for the slight delay in cashing some checks at the end of Dec. The bank account has been transferred and I am now caught up. Anyone with questions as to the WTW finances may contact me by E-mail or call me at 402-770-8029.

Col Ladies President (Sharon Short) – There are several ladies that need sponsorship into the Col Ladies. If any Col would like to sponsor them, please contact Sharon.

Aircraft Status and Locations

SB2C is located in Breckenridge for her annual. Thanks to Ed Vesley for getting her there. Next activity – Sun 'n Fun Lakeland, Florida, 8-13 Apr 08

JRB/SNB/C-45/Beech 18 is located in Guyman, OK. On Saturday, 1-26-08, there was a work day in Guyman for the C-45. Those going were, Jarrod Crandell, Sam Dean, Bruce Graham and John Jewell. They worked on several items including instruments, the bulkhead in the tail section, window openings, fresh air duct for the cabin and inspection and cleaning of the props. Greg Downing said he hoped we would have the ole gal flying by summer. The next work day may be Saturday, February 9 but we will have to confirm that with Gregg and plan around his

schedule. If you would like to help or if you know of someone who would like to help, let John Jewell know. We always have a good time. Thank you to the Dew Line faithful who continue to push the project ahead.

Did you know that the West Texas Wing has 2 members on the General Staff? If you have questions about what is going on at CAF HQ talk to Ted Short helldiver@charter.net or Mark Novak t6_av8r@yahoo.com

Unit inputs

Big Country Squadron – Abilene – Meetings usually 2nd Tuesday, contact Nancy Weeks

Cactus Squadron – Graham – Meetings usually 2nd Tues, contact

Desert Squadron – Odessa – Meetings usually 3rd Thursday, contact Charlie Coskrey ccpt13@sbcglobal.net

- The Desert Squadron recently made a \$20,000 donation to CAF HQ from their Bingo Operations.

Dew Line Squadron – Amarillo – Meetings usually 3rd Thursday, contact John Jowell jjowell@amaonline.com

River Bend Squadron – Wharton – Meetings usually 1st Saturday, contact Col Ron Fountain ronfountain@swmuseum.com

West Houston Squadron – Houston – Meetings usually 3rd Sunday, contact Col Steve Sehnert ssehnert@bigfoot.com

Colonel's Ladies – Meetings usually scheduled with WTW meetings, contact Col Sharon Short sharonshort@mfpoer.com

Calendar 2008

March 7 – WTW Meeting, Odessa

March 7-9 – Winter Staff Conference, Odessa

March 15 – Hangar Dance, West Houston

April 8-13 – Sun and Fun, SB2C is tentative

April 19-20 – West Houston Spring Open House

June 5-6 – TRARON Formation Clinic, Midland International

July ?-? - Summer Staff Conference

July 28 – Aug 3 – Air Adventure, Oshkosh, WI, SB2C is tentative

Aug 8 – 10 – Thunder over Michigan, Romulas, MI, SB2C is tentative

Sept 18-19 – TRARON Formation Clinic, Hosted by Desert Squadron, Odessa

Sept 20-21 – Airsho 2008, CAF International HQ, Midland, SB2C scheduled to attend

Oct 24-25 – Wings over Houston, Ellington Field, Houston, SB2C scheduled to attend

Dec 6-7 – Flughaffen 2008, Midland/Odessa

CAF HQ News

The Dispatch will become a monthly communication starting in March. This should help with overall communication within the CAF.

Several aircraft have been available for assignment for years. The General Staff has decided to sell these aircraft. However, units may still step forward to sponsor them, which would remove them from the sale listing. A listing follows

O-2A	Airworthy/high time engines	\$75,000.00
Mig-17	Ferryable	\$75,000.00
YO-55	Ferryable/engine needs OH	\$25,000.00
B-23	Project	\$50,000.00
PBY	Project	\$55,000.00
C-46	Ferryable	\$200,000.00
C-131	Airworthy	\$200,000.00

There is also a TBM, N40402, available for assignment.

CAF Websites

<http://www.commemorativeairforce.org/>

<http://www.airpowermuseum.org/>

<http://members.commemorativeairforce.org/member-login.php>

<http://www.wtwcaf.org>

<http://www.sb2chelldiver.org>

<http://www.caf-dewline.org/>

<http://www.riverbendsquadron.org/>

<http://www.westhoustonsqdn.org/>