



## Say Hello to "Goodtime Gal"!

The CAF fleet has just grown by one! The newest addition is a 1943 Lockheed C-60A "Lodestar", purchased on June 3, 2002. This purchase was organized and funded by the West Houston Squadron.

The aircraft is operational, and arrived at West

Houston on Sunday, June 9. Upon official assignment to the Squadron, she will be the fifth aircraft assigned to the West Houston Squadron.

Carrying the name and nose art "Goodtime Gal", she is configured as a paratroop trainer, complete with jump lights and a static line hookup. She has seats for three crew (pilot, copilot and radio operator) and ten paratroopers on bench seats in the rear (however, CAF insurance restricts maximum crew and passenger combined load to 10). Equipped with two Wright 1820 engines, she cruises at 190-200 mph with a fuel burn of about 90 gph.



During WWII, C-60s (and their C-57, -58 and -59 cousins) served in a variety of behind the lines roles, from training navigators and paratroopers to towing gliders and transporting VIPs. The Model 18 Lodestar also was the basis for the Lockheed Model 37, which the RAF developed into the Ventura patrol bomber.

Special thanks to:

- Eric VanHoff and Floyd Houdyshell at CAF HQ for their expedite efforts
- Doug Jeanes of the Cavanaugh Flight Museum for performing an inspection of the aircraft on very short notice
- Dale Williamson, the former co-owner (and new Colonel), for his patience and understanding while working with us through the complex purchase process (and for his delivery of the airplane to WHS!).

### Mark Your Calendars!

#### 2002 CAF Summer Advisory and West Texas Wing Meetings

Friday & Saturday, July 19 & 20  
Holiday Inn Centre  
Odessa, TX



## Wing Fly-In And Dance A Huge Success And Lots Of Fun!!

*From Wing Leader Col Ron Fountain*

*Reprinted from the WHS May newsletter*

I would like to personally thank all the helpers that worked so hard to make the West Houston Squadron Hangar look so good for the Wing Fly-In. They did an extremely outstanding job! **Roger Minson, Dick Harper, Bill Baley, George Watts, Bill Roach, Bob Merklein and Frank Stokes.** Also to those who washed the AT-6: **Roger Minson, Dick Harper, George Watts and Mike White.** She looked GREAT!! To Col Lady **Troylene Magee** for cleaning the O'Club Sunday, April 28, and Troylene and **Sue Rumel** for cleaning the O'Club and restrooms Friday, May 3.

The hospitality party was spectacular thanks to the Colonel's Ladies and Squadron volunteers who provided a scrumptious variety of party food: **Jackie Haskins, Joyce Senior, Gerri Watts, Shirley Hyman, Linda Fountain, Joyce Hurta, Troylene Magee, Sherry Johnson, Janis Roach, Rich Welsh, Nell Harper, Debbie Gierman & Laura Sullivan, Karen Hamilton, George Ross, Jim Hornung and Bernadean Jones.** We want to give SPECIAL THANKS to our first time O'Club bartenders **Joyce Hurta, Don Johnson and Sherry Johnson** for stepping in to help **Sue Rumel and Troylene Magee.** Last, but not least, we thank the clean up crew of **Nell Harper, Karen & Richard Hamilton, Sherry Johnson, Bernadean Jones and Gerri Watts.** What a great job they did – THANK YOU ALL! If I missed anyone I do apologize....

Saturday morning Pilot Briefing attendees were treated to coffee, doughnuts, kolaches and goodies provided by **Ken Hyman, Bill Baley and Roger Minson.** Thanks, guys, sure hit the spot!!

Saturday lunch, May 4th was catered by Rajun Cajun who served up fried catfish, hush puppies, slaw and lemonade. The Squadron Col Ladies and volunteers provided a dessert buffet fit for a king! Thanks go to **Nell Harper, Joyce Senior, Gerri Watts, Diane Hess, Theresa Thornton, Joanne Fore, Shirley Hyman,**

**Bernadean Jones, Linda Fountain and Troylene Magee.** I really think we are missing some names here and I apologize if I have missed anyone.

Saturday evening dinner was catered by WHS Col **Hugh Alexander** who served up salad, pepper steak over rice, a vegetable medley, French bread and his famous peach cobbler. Our thanks to Hugh and to the "helpers" who served up the goodies. Everyone danced to "**Johnny Dyson and the Bank Notes**" following dinner. We had 100 members and guests enjoy this festive Wing function.

SPECIAL THANKS to Wing Finance Officer **Martha Dillard** and hubby, **Wallace,** for helping WHS Finance Officer **Bill Baley** handle registration and ticket sales.

Sunday morning clean-up and aircraft departure: Volunteers and pilots arrived at the Hangar early Sunday morning. Our thanks to the O'Club cleaning crew of **Sue Rumel, Linda Fountain, Nell Harper and Joanne Fore.** The Hangar crew consisted of **Steve Sehnert, Ron Fountain, Dick Harper, Bill Baley, Steve Rumel, Mike White, Ole Nygren, Gale Haskins,** new member **Derek Easterling** and Wing guests **Jim Dobbs, Kathy Mizell, Bill Campbell, Sharon Short and Martha Dillard.**

**WE THANK ALL WING AND SQUADRON MEMBERS AND GUESTS WHO DONATED THEIR TIME, EFFORT AND TALENTS IN ORDER TO MAKE THIS A SUCCESSFUL FLY-IN!!**



### Quick Note for Fliers

When setting up a cross-country trip, take a look at **airnav.com** for free flight planning and fuel prices along your route.

*Contributed by Mark Novak*

# West Texas Wing History and Purpose

In addressing the perennial question, **What has the Wing -----,**

- 1: Senior members may remember that squadrons, by joining the Wing, allowed the squadron to be formed due to the number of members required to organize a unit.
- 2: Being a member of the Wing gives UNITY and serves to give greater credence to members concerns in addressing issues to Headquarters, more and louder voices.
- 3: Our Wing is one of the largest Wings in the CAF. If we can increase membership, even adding other squadrons, we, as a Wing, can become an even greater voice.
- 4: The Wing has supported all of our squadrons functions for the last several years with appearance of the BEAST as well as other Wing and private aircraft.

At one time, our Wing was comprised of 11 squadrons, a Maintenance and Marshalling Detachment, the Colonel's Ladies Detachment and a Blastards Detachment. During this period the West Texas Wing was, I believe, the largest group in the organization, totaling over 400 members. The Wing has shrunk in size through out the years through death, age, ANUAC, etc. During these good times you would see the majority of our members at air shows, Flughaffen, fish fry's and just plain old get togetherness. It was a camaraderie that is sorely missed and needs to reclaimed.

The main function of the Wing is to keep our BEAST operational and displayed through out the Country, which all squadrons should support. The West Houston Squadron was instrumental in supplying a total of 11 sponsorships during the restoration years, (11x3500=\$38,500.00), with their last major donation being in 1987. The Cactus Squadron built a hanger and has housed the SB2C free of charge since its return to service, as well as

supplying two \$3500.00 sponsorships. The WTW Colonel's Ladies have donated in excess of \$12000.00 toward the SB2C since their inception.

Through individual donations to the SB2C Helldiver Crew, two at large \$10,000.00 sponsorships and participation of the BEAST at numerous air shows, the Wing has kept our one-of-a-kind aircraft operational, debt free and the required MCRP balance at Headquarters current. Total Wing outlay on the BEAST for the last 18 months was \$91,459.12. I consider this quite an accomplishment for the last 14 years since the BEAST re-took the skies.

So in answer to the question; the Wing has followed its original directive to further the objectives of the CAF, enlist new members, support units within the Wing, grow through acquisitions, support comradeship and, as an added task in 1982, restore to flying condition and keep the SB2C Helldiver in the air.

*Col Ted Short*

*WTW Executive Officer*



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## From The Left Seat

*By Wing Leader Ron Fountain*

The Wing Meetings will be held in conjunction with the Summer Advisory in Midland the weekend of July 19 and 20. The Staff meeting will be at 5:00 PM on Friday, July 19, in Room 1. The General Membership meeting will be at 8:30 PM the same evening in the same room. Hope to see you there!



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## Summer Advisory & Wing Meetings

This year's Summer Advisory Board has been scheduled for July 20, 2002, at the Holiday Inn Centre in Odessa, Texas. Conference activities for the general membership will begin Friday night with a social hour from 6 to 7 p.m., followed by dinner. The Saturday conference will begin at 8 a.m. and end by 5 p.m.

Members flying to Midland on Southwest Airlines for the conference can receive a 10 percent discount on most of their fares by calling Southwest Airlines Group and Meetings Reservations at 1-800-433-5368 and referencing I.D. Code S2707. See the June issue of Contrails for more information.



## Officer's Reports

### Executive Officer

*Ted Short*

See Ted's article on the History and Purpose of the Wing on Page 3.

### Operations Officer

*John Hess*

A couple of events and a potential Midwest tour are tentative or in the planning stages. The construction of the wing walk has been delayed till August due to the builder's schedule.

### Safety Officer

*Mark Novak*

Most of you know the Novaks are a flying family. My wife, Lorrie, flies 757's and 767's for United Air Lines and I fly the KC-135 for the Nebraska Air National Guard and also fly the T-6 that you read about from time to time in the Logbook.

Some of you met my mother and her husband, Bob, two years ago at Flughauffen. Bob had just bought a 1947 Navion. He was returning to flying after a 15 year absence. Bob is a very conscientious flier. He is NOT a risk taker. However, 4 weeks ago on a sunny, but windy day, Mom and Bob were involved in an aircraft accident. Mom spent 10 days in the hospital and Bob was banged up and bruised. They will be okay, but the Navion is a total loss.

The details are still under investigation, however, it appears there were many factors working against them that day. They had flown into a small, short (2600') field outside of St Paul, MN. The field was surrounded by trees with powerlines nearby. The day was hot and windy. The wind on the field at departure time was 310 at 15, so Bob departed runway 31. However, unknown to Bob, just 10 miles south of the field the wind was 140 14G21. Once airborne the aircraft stopped climbing at

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about 20 to 30'. With little options for maneuvering they clipped a powerline off the end of runway. I am not a safety expert, but it sounds like wind shear to me.

How could this accident have been prevented?  
1) Pick a different airfield. 2) Wait until the temperature cooled. 3) Check the wind in every direction for 50 miles. I don't know. All I know is flying can be dangerous and EVERYONE can help the aviators see the dangers around them and operate safely. No one plans to have an accident...Mom and Bob sure did not.

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### Finance Officer

*Martha Dillard*

Thanks to our latest sponsors on the C-45/JRB. Margaret Bickers has upgraded her Restoration Sponsorship to a Flying Sponsorship. The Desert Squadron has put up a Flying Sponsorship on the aircraft. We do appreciate your support.

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### Personnel Officer

*Martha Dillard*

The computer is up and running. I have a little more catching up to do. I expect to get started on the Wing Directory very soon.

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### PX Officer

*Bobby Ruth Pitcock*

Our sales at Amarillo went rather well. We still have a goodly supply of tee shirts at \$10.00, golf shirts at \$25.00 to members and khaki caps at \$10.00 to members--all with the SB2C emblem on them. Looking forward to hearing from someone wanting to buy some!

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### Colonel's Ladies

*Kathy Mizell*

The Colonel's Ladies are still busy selling raffle tickets for the quilt. It's almost 3/4 completed. The quilt will be on display at AIRSHO 2002 in the Colonel's O'Club. A photo of the quilt and ticket instructions are now on both the West

Houston Squadron website and the West Texas Wing website.

The Colonel's Ladies welcome Kay Dunn, from Willis, TX (West Houston Squadron) who recently joined. Welcome Kay - glad to have you with us. This brings the Colonel's Ladies membership to 76 wonderful ladies.

Volunteers are needed for the Colonel's O'Club at AIRSHO 2002. The High Sky Wing does not plan to have their Friday evening gathering at their hangar and the Marshaller's Saturday evening party will be held in the O'Club this year. This means there will be many extra folks in the O'Club both nights so it is very important that we have many volunteers throughout the entire weekend of AIRSHO 2002. If you have not already done so, please notify Sharon Short that you will be able to participate. The jobs include everything from setting up the tent earlier in the week to helping clean and prepare for each day. We will have two bars in operation that will need volunteers - one bar will be staffed by West Houston Squadron. The Cactus Squadron will be running the food booth again. This year, the food booth will also be opened to the outside of the tent so non-CAF folks can purchase food. They are going to be very busy. The Desert Squadron Ladies have always been a tremendous help in getting the tables and chairs setup and decorated before AIRSHO begins. Help is also needed to sell food & drink tickets at the door. We will also need folks to sell raffle tickets for both the quilt and the Southwest Airline tickets. Many hands make the work a lot easier so make plans to join us. Let's make this year's Colonel's O'Club a HUGE success.

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### Communications Detachment

*Wallace Dillard*

No changes since the last report.

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*No reports received from Maintenance, Training or Blastards Detachment.*



## Squadron News

### West Houston Squadron

PIO - Linda Fountain

#### **Thanks!**

At the West Texas Wing Fly In, **CAF Chief of Staff Col Don 'Tiny' Malm** addressed those attending the Saturday evening dance and suggested "passing the bucket" for donations to help the West Houston Squadron and our aircraft. Wing members and guests filled the bucket and WHS Finance Officer Col Bill Baley was presented with \$518.00!!

West Texas Wing Leader, Col **Ron Fountain**, extends SPECIAL THANKS to the West Texas Wing members and their guests for this donation to the Squadron.

#### **Congratulations To Col Dick Harper – Newest SB2C "Pilot-To-Be"!!**

The West Texas Wing Flight Evaluation Board met during the Wing Fly-In on May 4th. The FEB has approved WHS Col **Dick Harper** to transition into the West Texas Wing's SB2C "Helldiver" as our newest SB2C Pilot. CONGRATULATIONS FROM ALL OF US!!

Note that this will make two of the SB2C pilots that are members of the West Houston Squadron! Our pilots at this time are WHS Col **John Hess** and Wing member-at-large **Randy Wilson**.

#### **West Texas Wing Aircraft Attend Fly-In**

Several visiting "warbirds" flew in from around Texas to attend the Second Annual West Texas Wing Fly-In. The West Texas Wing SB2C "Helldiver" was flown in from Graham by pilot **Randy Wilson** and Wing Maintenance Officer **J. B. Thorne**. The DewLine Squadron L-5 Sentinel "Nuces Tibi" was flown in all the way from Amarillo by former Wing Leader **Greg Kinnan**. Wing Executive Officer **Ted Short** flew in his L-6 from Abilene. Two BT-13's were flown in by Former Wing Leader **Tiny Malm** and his wife, **Ruth Ann**, from Abilene and Wing Adjutant **Theresa Halford**, and hubby **Bob**, from Odessa. Wing Safety Officer **Mark Novak** flew his AT-6 in all the way from NEBRASKA!! Also flying in were Former Wing Leader **Ray**

**Pierson** from Odessa and **Charlie Hanna, Jim Dobbs** and **Buddy Clark** from Abilene in their privately owned aircraft.

#### **April's "Pot Luck Pleasers" Buffet A Real Treat!!**

The array of dishes provided by our fantastic Squadron cooks did please the hungry crowd! Our April cooks were **Sue Rumel, Linda Fountain, Ray & Bernadean Jones, Nell & Dick Harper, Dieter & Joan Klein, Jackie & Gale Haskins, Troylene Magee, Shirley Hyman, Bill & Janis Roach** and **George Ross**. Our SPECIAL THANKS go to the clean up crew of **Troylene Magee, Shirley Hyman** and **Bernadean Jones**. THANK YOU ALL!!

#### **From Fred Warden, Squadron Leader**

I have submitted my resignation to the Squadron Staff effective June 10th. The reason is the pending move to Florida for Donna and I. We are in the process of sorting, packing, storing and moving an accumulation of 51 years of marriage. It's a bigger task than we imagined. This effort is taking an amount of time that requires me to move aside and let someone else take over. Your Staff has appointed **Bob Alford** as Squadron Leader to finish out my term to December 31st.

**Bill Roach** was appointed as Executive Officer and **John Hess** was appointed as C-60 Operations Officer. Each of these people brings a wealth of experience to these very important jobs at a time when the Squadron is increasing its fleet. I am sure each of you will give them all of the support possible. I want to thank the membership the support I received over the past 17 months as your leader and I can assure you that Donna and I will continue to remain loyal members of the WHS for a long time to come.

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# Squadron News continued

## Cactus Squadron

PIO - Doris Richeson

### AIRSHO 2002:

#### **Uncle Monty Needs You**

AIRSHO 2002 is two big days Saturday October 5th and Sunday October 6th; however, Cactus' contract with the O-Club is for four days of operation, which will include Thursday 12:00 noon until 9:00 p.m., Friday 9-9, and Saturday and Sunday 9-5. Volunteers are needed for all those shifts, and not just for a shift, for several shifts; usually some sign up for the early shift and others sign up for the late shifts.

Official hotel reservations are at Days Inn, Odessa; use the blank included in your West Texas Wing Logbook for reservations.

#### **Ted Short now honorary Cactus Colonel**

Much a part of the Cactus Squadron because of his work with the SB2C in the Cactus Squadron hangar, **Ted Short** has been a frequent visitor to Graham, as well as a part of activities concerning *The Beast*, for which Short makes the schedule and works with Cactus Colonels to

keep them prepared for make-ready on request.

Cactus welcomes Ted Short.

#### **Fiesta time it was...**

#### **May squadron meeting**

They got together and staged a beautiful fiesta: **Lucile Andrews, Ann Bumpers** (assisted daughter **Becky Bumpers**), **Richard and Robbie Prideaux** and **A.R. and Donna Percy**.

There was live music, flowers, festive tablecloths, sangria, guacamole and salsa for the tostadas, and fajitas muy saborosas. *Peyote bin Laden* (he's the gentle one) was there, mingling with the other guests, until someone finally gave him a cigarette, just to chew on!



## West Houston Squadron *continued*

### **"Cool Cuisine" Cooks Provide Bountiful Buffet**

West Texas Wing Staff guests **Ted Short, Martha Dillard, J. B. Thorne** and **Al Bennett** joined the WHS members and guests at the May 19th meeting to enjoy an array of summer favorites. Our Squadron cooks for the event were **Sue Rumel, Dieter & Joan Klein, Ken & Shirley Hyman, Gerri Watts, Ray & Bernadean Jones, Joanne Fore, Troylene Magee, Bill & Janis Roach, Diane Hess, Theresa Thornton & Jim Hornung, George Ross, Linda Fountain** and **Nell Harper**. Col. Lady **Troylene Magee's** granddaughter **Kayla** helped out as our "Beverage Babe" while **Troylene, Gerri Watts** and **Shirley Hyman** made up the May "Clean Up Crew". THANK YOU ALL!!

### **Wednesday Museum Work Evenings Producing Great Results**

Work on the museum area continues virtually every Wednesday evening. May 22 saw some outstanding progress, with the painting operations nearly completed. The work crew of the day was **Don Johnson** (taskmaster), **Ray & Bernadean Jones, Derek Easterling, Steve Sehnert, Wes Fellows, Joe Vaught, Bill Roach** and **Dieter Klein**.

Special thanks to **Bill Roach** for donating and installing a window in the downstairs hallway door, and to **Wes Fellows** for donating a new MAC Tool air hose for the hangar.



## Squadron News continued

### Big Country Squadron

PIO – Charlie Hanna

#### Operations and Hangar

Reported by Col Tiny Malm

Col **Buddy Clark** is still in the process of making and installing picture frames.

The Squadron now has four (4) more display cases for the Museum and these will be moved when the work in the Eagles Roost has been completed and all the tables and chairs have been returned to their rightful place in the Eagles Roost.

Work Day, April 20th, all of the wood has been installed on the West deck and approximately 50% was installed on the North side, with the remainder to be installed on Thursday April 25th.

Most all of the hangar area grass has now been mowed and the trimming done.

Saturday April 20th, **Tiny Malm, Bob Snyder, Charles Screws** with **Willie Walker**, completed a three ship flyover for the fund raiser "Polo On The Prairie" North of Albany. This flyover was done as a replacement for a B-1 from Dyess AFB. Approximately 1600 people were in attendance and were informed that the flyover was flown by the CAF from Abilene.

#### Fly-In and Memorial Day Operations

Reported by Col Charlie Hanna

Friday, 3 May, 2002, six aircraft departed from Abilene heading for West Houston Airport and the West Houston Squadron for the West Texas Wing Fly-in and Meeting. The aircraft and crews were; **Aeronca 7AC, Charlie Hanna; Cherokee 180, Jim Dobbs & Buddy Clark; Vultee BT-13, Tiny & Ruth Ann Malm; Cherokee 180, Ray Pierson; Stinson L-5, Greg Kinnan; Interstate L-6, Ted Short.**

The six planes all landed at Taylor, Texas for fuel in some of the planes and for food in all of the people. After everyone was fed, the planes started departing for West Houston. The BT-1 3 and two Cherokee 180's arrived first and proceeded to make a pass in formation followed

by the two L- birds, following close behind was the 7AC. All six aircraft arrived within a ten minute time period.

The hospitality of the West Houston Squadron could not have been better, everyone was treated as VIP's.

I believe I speak for all those attending from the Big Country Squadron when I say we had an exceptionally enjoyable visit. The only thing that could have been better was if they could have raised the ceiling (clouds) and lowered the humidity.

Saturday, 25 May, 2002, only three Cols from the Big Country Squadron were able to fly to Ranger, Texas for their fly-in and fish-fry. These three were: Col **Bob Fender**; Col **Tiny Malm**; Col **Bob Snyder**.

Monday, 27 May, 2002, the Memorial Day Missing Man Formation over local cemeteries was flown with; Col **David Duncan**; Col **Charlie Hanna**; Col **Gerald Kinman**; Col **Bill Masters**; Col **Carolyn Milton**; Col **Adam Nunn**; Col **Bob Snyder**; Col **Nancy Weeks**; and **Special Guests Jana Howe & Bob Lewis**.

The formation flew over Cedar Hill, Elmwood and Merkel cemeteries followed by a special formation over Clyde High School then Albany cemetery, Moran VFW, Baird & Belle Plaine cemeteries and the last Missing Man for this Memorial Day, over Elmdale Airpark.

A personal note from the Big Country Squadron PIO: This was my first opportunity to fly on Memorial Day in honor of those that gave the ultimate sacrifice. I, for one, was deeply touched and extremely honored.



## Squadron News continued

### DEW Line Squadron

PIO – Glenn Larson

#### WORK PARTY

The work party went well. We went through the "stuff" in the storage building. Not much was thrown away, but we got a pretty good idea of what was in there and even found a few items we can use in the auction. After going through the storage building, Col.(s) **Bill Johnson, Don Tatum, Tom Nichols,** and **Glenn Larson** met **Greg Kinnan** at the hangar at Buffalo Airport to perform some maintenance on the L-5. We sanded (quite regretfully) the Confederate Air Force off the tail and got it ready to replace with our new name. We also did some spot painting to get it ready for Col Kinnan to take to Houston.

#### 2002 FLY-IN

The fly-in is scheduled for Sat. 22 Jun, 02. The EAA is going to work with us and hopefully we will have even a bigger and better show than last year. If you have any ideas, please bring them up at the meeting or contact Glenn Larson. **Charlie Azzopardi** has donated the use of his hangar at Tradewind for the auction/dance. Budweiser has come through with some sponsorship money and will donate beer for the dance. The auction dance will be held in Hangar 4. The auction will start at 7:00 followed with the dance. Because of the Budweiser sponsorship, we cannot charge admission to any of the activities. Donations will be accepted.

#### MAY MEETING

The May meeting was held at Italian Delights Restaurant and everyone was pleased with the facility. It was nice to see **Col Guy Leach and his Lady** at the meeting. Col Leach has been a member for several years. Col Bill Johnson gave a report on finances and we are still in pretty good shape. If you haven't paid your dues, please do so as soon as possible.

#### NEW MEMBERS

We are happy to welcome **Ryan Fairfield** and **Tony Lupo** to the Squadron. Mr. Fairfield and Mr. Lupo were introduced by Col Kinnan. They both work for Phillips in Borger and are very interested in the CAF and our mission. Their help at the work party is greatly appreciated. If you know anyone who is interested in joining the CAF, please invite him or her to a meeting. If our Squadron is going to continue to prosper, it is imperative we attract new members.

#### HANGAR NEWS

It was reported by Col Kinnan that we need to address the issue of acquiring an enclosed hangar for the L-5. While working on the L-5 on the 20th of April, **Greg Kinnan, Tom Nichols** and **Glenn Larson** inspected some facilities at Buffalo that may be an option for enclosed storage of the aircraft. Col(s) **Ted Sanchez** and **Nick Nelson** have been in contact with The Air Museum at English Field about storing the L-5 there.

#### MAY MEETING

The May meeting was held at Italian Delights Restaurant. Attendance was light due to some members not receiving notification. My apologies. I sent some by US Mail, which apparently didn't get delivered, and the rest by email. Once again, I need to know how you want your newsletter sent. Email is now sent in text form and seems to be compatible with most computers.

#### SQUADRON T-SHIRTS

We have sold several shirts since the last meeting. If you are interested in a shirt, please contact Col Glenn Larson for availability of size(s). Also, we are getting some "Polo-style" shirts made for Squadron members and spouses. These are very attractive shirts. For info, please contact Col. Bill Johnson. Amarillo Screen Graphics will make shirts and sell them again this year at the fly-in.



# Squadron News continued

## Desert Squadron

PIO - Theresa Halford

### BINGO

Our bingo is still doing very well. We have to continue to do everything we can to keep people playing with us. Thanks to the efforts of all of us. We have two more to join us to work on Monday night; **Mark Blodgett** and **Kay Nelson**.

**Bill Stepp, Dan and Bessie Westlund, Mona Johns, and Guy and Nita Zellars** have been bundling pull tabs. We save \$10.00 a box by our members bundling them. So the savings can be spent on our ongoing projects.

### FLYING UPDATE

Our PT-13 has been doing a great job representing us over the past few weeks. **Charlie** represented the Desert Squadron, CAF at the following events, Memorial Day Celebration, Cancer Relay for Life 24 hour walk at Odessa College and Flag Day Ceremony on the 14th. We have been participating in these events for many years. They always look forward to the flyovers. It is great that we are able to do this for our community.



## Useful Definitions

From the Great Aviation Quotes website, <http://www.skygod.com/quotes/>

**Airspeed:** Speed of an airplane. Deduct 25% when listening to a Navy pilot.

**Bank:** The folks who hold the lien on most pilots' cars.

**Cone of Confusion:** An area about the size of New Jersey, located near the final approach beacon at an airport.

**Crab:** The squadron Ops Officer.

**Dead Reckoning:** You reckon correctly, or you are.

**Engine Failure:** A condition which occurs when all fuel tanks mysteriously become filled with air.

**Firewall:** Section of the aircraft specially designed to let heat and smoke enter the cockpit.

**Glide Distance:** Half the distance from the airplane to the nearest emergency landing field.

**Hydroplane:** An airplane designed to land on a 20,000 foot long wet runway.

**IFR:** A method of flying by needle and ripcord.

**Lean Mixture:** Nonalcoholic beer

**Nanosecond:** Time delay built into the stall warning system.

**Parasitic Drag:** A pilot who bums a ride and complains about the service.

**Range:** Usually about 30 miles beyond the point where all fuel tanks fill with air.

**Rich Mixture:** What you order at the other guy's promotion party.

**Roger:** Used when you're not sure what else to say.

**Stall:** Technique used to explain to the bank why your car payment is late.

**From the Colonel's Ladies' "Flight Line Favorites" Cookbook**

**POPPY SEED DRESSING**

- 1/2 c. sugar
- 1 tsp. Salt
- 1 tsp. Dry mustard
- 1 tsp. Fresh grated lemon peel
- 1 tsp. Finely minced onion
- 1/3 c fresh squeezed lemon juice
- 3/4 c vegetable oil
- 1 T. poppy seeds
- Red food coloring (optional)

Combine all ingredients except food coloring and poppy seeds in electric blender or covered container. Cover and blend or shake until thoroughly mixed. If desired, tint a delicate pink color with the food coloring. Stir in poppy seeds. Chill before serving with fresh seasonal fruits. Makes 1 1/2 cups.

*The Flight Line Favorites Cookbook has more than 200 tried and true recipes. The 7x9 inch size makes this 3-ring binder easy to use. Tabs are provided for each category and each tab has a color-photo of a different WWII aircraft.*

*The Flight Line Favorites cookbook is available for \$10. Make check or money order payable to Colonel's Ladies and mail your order to Colonel's Ladies, 7117 Starnes Road, Ft. Worth, TX 76180.*

**Colonel's Ladies Quilt Raffle**

The king-sized (94" x 94") quilt shown below is being made by Colonel's Ladies V.P. Kathy Mizell and is being raffled off as a fund-raiser for the Wing. Tickets are \$1 each or six for \$5. The winning ticket will be drawn at Flughafen 2002. Contact any Colonel's Lady to purchase tickets, or see below. ★



**Quilt Raffle Ticket**

Photocopy the ticket below as many times as you need to, and fill out all the information legibly in ink. Mail the completed tickets and a check (made out to West Texas Wing CAF) for the appropriate amount to the address shown at left.

Mail tickets & check to:

**WTW Quilt Raffle**  
2535 Marsh Lane #1209  
Carrollton, TX 75006

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

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CALENDAR

SUMMER ADVISORY BOARD AND WING MEETING

ODESSA, TX  
JULY 20, 2002

FLUGHAFEN 2002

HOSTED BY DESERT SQUADRON - ODESSA, TX  
DECEMBER 6-7, 2002



ONLINE RESOURCES

CAF MAIN WEBSITE :

[www.commemorativeairforce.org](http://www.commemorativeairforce.org)

CAF MEMBERS WEBSITE :

[www.ghostsquadron.org](http://www.ghostsquadron.org)

WEST TEXAS WING WEBSITE :

<http://mywebpage.netscape.com/westtexaswing/Home+Page.htm> (note that the full address must be typed on one line).

SQUADRON WEBSITES :

Cactus: [www.wf.net/~jwscott](http://www.wf.net/~jwscott)

Big Country: [www.bigcountrysquadron.org](http://www.bigcountrysquadron.org)

West Houston: [www.westhoustonsgdn.org](http://www.westhoustonsgdn.org)

SB2C WEBSITE : [www.sb2chelldiver.org](http://www.sb2chelldiver.org)

The 'electronic edition' of the Logbook (Acrobat PDF format) is available at the West Houston Squadron website.

*Does your squadron have an upcoming event? Or do you know of an event of interest to Wing members? Has your unit website changed? Let the Wing PIO know!*

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Their Lordships are of the opinion that they would not be of any practical use to the Naval Service.  
— British Admiralty, in reply to the Wright's offer of patents for their airplane, 1907

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Squadron Meeting Information

WEST HOUSTON SQUADRON

Third Sunday of each month @ 2:00 PM, Hangar B-5 at West Houston Airport  
Contact : Bob Alford 281-265-2949

CACTUS SQUADRON

Third Thursday of each month @ 6:30 PM at Cactus Hangar, Graham Municipal Airport  
Contact : Bobby Ruth Pitcock 940-549-1964

DESERT SQUADRON

Third Thursday of each month @ 6:30 PM social hour, 7:00 PM dinner. 8:00 PM meeting, at Desert Squadron Hangar at Schlemeyer Field, Odessa  
Contact : Nita Zellars 915-550-9202

DEW LINE SQUADRON

Date and Location varies monthly  
Contact : Tom Nichols Home: (806) 372-9755  
Office: (806) 355-9741

BIG COUNTRY SQUADRON

Second Tuesday of each month @ 7:00 PM, Homeplace Hangar at Elmdale Airport, Abilene  
Contact : Jim Dobbs 915-676-1878

SB2C Schedule

Oshkosh Oshkosh, WI Tentative July

AIRSHO 2002 CAF HQ, Midland ★ Confirmed ★ October 5-6

WINGS OVER HOUSTON Houston ★ Confirmed ★ October 26-27

# O'Club Volunteer Room Reservation Status

WEDNESDAY OCT. 2	THURSDAY OCT. 3	FRIDAY OCT. 4	SATURDAY OCT. 5	SUNDAY OCT. 6	TYPE OF ROOM
Ted Short	Ted Short	Ted Short	Ted Short	Ted Short	KING/SUITE
		Whit Paxton	Whit Paxton	Whit Paxton	DOUBLE/NONSMOK
	J Duff Pitcock	J Duff Pitcock	J Duff Pitcock	J Duff Pitcock	KING/NON-SMOKING
Kathy Mizell	Kathy Mizell	Kathy Mizell	Kathy Mizell	Kathy Mizell	DOUBLE/SMOKING
		Greg Kinnan	Greg Kinnan		KING/SMOKING
		John Hess	John Hess		KING/NON-SMOKING
		Ron Fountain	Ron Fountain		KING/SMOKING
	Bill Baley	Bill Baley	Bill Baley	Bill Baley	KING/NON-SMOKING
		John Mizell	John Mizell		KING/NON-SMOK
Wallace Dillard	Wallace Dillard	Wallace Dillard	Wallace Dillard	Wallace Dillard	KING/SMOKING
Jack Cannon	Jack Cannon	Jack Cannon	Jack Cannon	Jack Cannon	KING/NON-SMOKING
	JB Thorne	JB Thorne	JB Thorne	JB Thorne	KING/NON-SMOKING
	E. Montgomery	E. Montgomery	E. Montgomery		KING/SMOKING
	Hugh Alexander	Hugh Alexander	Hugh Alexander	Hugh Alexander	DOUBLE/SMOKING
	Patricia Cernosak	Patricia Cernosak	Patricia Cernosak	Patricia Cernosak	SINGLE/NON-SMOK
	Joseph DeCosta	Joseph DeCosta	Joseph DeCosta	Joseph DeCosta	SINGLE/NON-SMOK
	Jerry Bishop	Jerry Bishop	Jerry Bishop		DOUBLE/NON-SMOK
	Doris Richeson	Doris Richeson	Doris Richeson		KING/NON-SMOK
(Needs Refrigerator)		Frank Mogg	Frank Mogg	Frank Mogg	DOUBLE/NON-SMOK
	Tim Ortega	Tim Ortega	Tim Ortega		DOUBLE/NON-SMOK
	John Scott	John Scott	John Scott		SINGLE/SMOKING
		Bruce Bradford	Bruce Bradford		SINGLE/NON-SMOK
	David Stanton	David Stanton	David Stanton	David Stanton	KING NON-SMOKING
	Jeanne Ballard	Jeanne Ballard	Jeanne Ballard	Jeanne Ballard	SINGLE/NON-SMOK
	Al Lintz	Al Lintz	Al Lintz	Al Lintz	KING/SMOKING
	Dick Harper	Dick Harper	Dick Harper	Dick Harper	DOUBLE/NON-SMOK
	Linda Fountain	Linda Fountain	Linda Fountain	Linda Fountain	DOUBLE/SMOKING
	Sue Rumel	Sue Rumel	Sue Rumel	Sue Rumel	DOUBLE/SMOKING
	Troylene Magee	Troylene Magee	Troylene Magee	Troylene Magee	DOUBLE/SMOKING
	Mike White	Mike White	Mike White	Mike White	DOUBLE/NON-SMOK
		Ron Fountain	Ron Fountain		KING/SMOKING
		Linda Copeland	Linda Copeland		DOUBLE/SMOKING
		Steve Sehnert	Steve Sehnert	Steve Sehnert	DOUBLE/NON-SMOK
		Alan Senior	Alan Senior	Alan Senior	DOUBLE/NON-SMOK
		Matt Gallien	Matt Gallien		KING/NON-SMOKING
		Joe Vaught	Joe Vaught		KING/NON-SMOKING
		Rich Welsh	Rich Welsh		KING/NON-SMOKING
	Thomas Reinert	Thomas Reinert	Thomas Reinert		DOUBLE/SMOKING
	Frank Stokes	Frank Stokes	Frank Stokes	Frank Stokes	KING/SMOKING
		Amber Fountain	Amber Fountain		DOUBLE/SMOKING
		Linda Hazard	Linda Hazard		DOUBLE/NON-SMOK
	Hugh Alexander	Hugh Alexander	Hugh Alexander	Hugh Alexander	DOUBLE/SMOKING
		Jim Hornung	Jim Hornung		KING/NON-SMOKING
	Gary Province	Gary Province	Gary Province	Gary Province	DOUBLE/NON-SMOK
	Bob Province	Bob Province	Bob Province	Bob Province	DOUBLE/NON-SMOK
	Gloria Bandy	Gloria Bandy	Gloria Bandy		KING/SMOKING
	Bill Stuessy	Bill Stuessy	Bill Stuessy	Bill Stuessy	SINGLE/NON-SMOK
Joe DeCosta	Joe DeCosta	Joe DeCosta	Joe DeCosta	Joe DeCosta	DOUBLE/SMOKING
		Ben Mizell	Ben Mizell		KING/NON-SMOKING
	Dave Price	Dave Price	Dave Price		DOUBLE/NON-SMOK
		Bill Master	Bill Master		SINGLE-NON-SMOKING
	Richard Prideaux	Richard Prideaux	Richard Prideaux	Richard Prideaux	SINGLE-NON-SMOKING
		Harold Patterson	Harold Patterson	Harold Patterson	SINGLE-NON-SMOKING
		Phil Taylor	Phil Taylor	Phil Taylor	SINGLE-NON-SMOKING
		Lucile Andrews	Lucile Andrews		DOUBLE-NON-SMOKING
		Tena Andrews	Tena Andrews		DOUBLE-NON-SMOKING
		Kent Pettus	Kent Pettus		DOUBLE-NON-SMOKING



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