

WRIGHT LANDINGS



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Wright "B" Flyer Hosts Daedalians

The Frank Lahm Chapter of the Daedalians held their annual dinner at the Wright "B" Flyer hangar on June 19th. Dinner was catered by the Hope Hotel. Two rides on the Wright "B" were raffled. Several others decided to become "Honorary Aviator" members and fly the Wright "B" as well. By far, the most distinguished passenger that evening was 96 year old Hazel Young, mother in law of Larry Bogemann. Ms. Young was born in May, 1911, the same year as our original Wright "B." Following the dinner, Zot briefed the group on plans for the new Wright "B" Flyer.

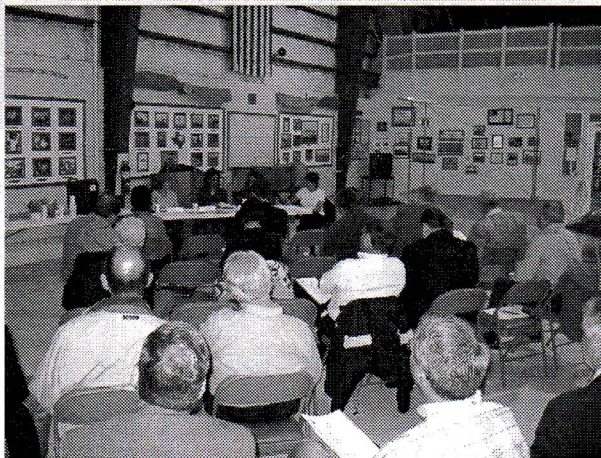


Hazel Young (left) and Mitch Cary (right)

South Metro Regional Chamber of Commerce Meeting

On April 26th, the Wright "B" Flyer hosted the South Metro Regional Chamber of Commerce. We treated our special friends at the Chamber to doughnuts and Starbucks coffee for their early-morning meeting.

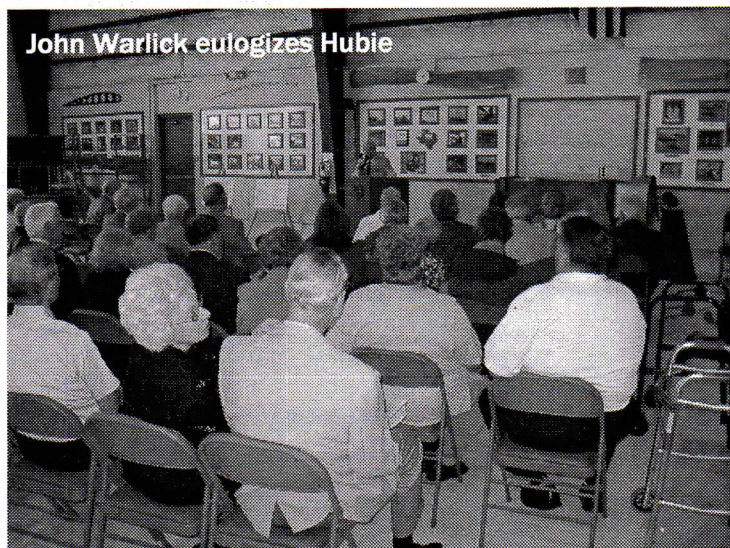
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Chamber of Commerce hard at work!

Farewell to Bill Maxwell

On June 20th, the Wright "B" Flyer paid a final tribute to Rowe W. (Bill) Maxwell, a long time friend, volunteer, and trustee of the Wright "B" Flyer. The Wright "B" performed a fly-by at the interment ceremony on Wednesday afternoon. Bill's daughter, Claudette, and son-in-law, Lance, stopped by the hangar to reminisce while viewing the many photographs that Bill had taken for the Wright "B" Flyer organization. Claudette and Lance helped with the fly over by directing the aircraft overhead.



John Warlick eulogizes Hubie

Hubie Miller "Celebration of Life"

On May 5th, Hubie Miller's 93rd birthday, over 70 of Hubie's friends and fellow volunteers met to honor Hubie with a "Celebration of Life." Hubie had been a loyal volunteer from the beginning of the Wright "B." Betty Edinger and Bob Mayne planned the moving tribute to Hubie. Many of his special friends took the opportunity to eulogize him during the service. Near the conclusion of the service, they toasted Hubie one final time.

Hubie, you will be sorely missed!



Friends remember Hubie fondly

New Headset Donation

The David Clark Company, manufacturer of aviation head sets, has recently donated two new headsets and helmets to the Wright B Flyer organization. The new headsets and helmets replace the cloth helmets and headsets used for the past 10 years by the pilots of the WBF for cross country and air show flights. The old headsets, also David Clark equipment, served well for many years but age, hard use and the increasing safety and security requirements to communicate with ground controllers resulted in the need to replace them with new and more capable units. Nick Kasdaglis, director of marketing for David Clark, learned of our request for information about suitable replacements and responded by donating the needed equipment to the WBF organization on behalf of the David Clark Company.

Mitch Cary, president and chief pilot of the WBF organization, said "we will still use our old goggles and headsets for our local flights down the runway at Wright Brothers airport, but for all cross country and air show flights our pilots will use the new helmets and headsets because of their comfort and superior performance". To recognize the donation we anticipate placing a small plaque on the donor's wall in the museum and have offered to add a link to the David Clark web site from the WBF web page. We also have a small banner provided by the Dave Clark Company that we will display on or near the WBF at this years Dayton and Indianapolis air shows.

Rich Stepler

Become an Honorary Aviator Today!

Your \$150 donation entitles you to an orientation ride, Certificate of Flight, a Wright "B" Flyer item from our gift shop, plus four issues of the Wright Landings newsletter.

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STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE

The Wright B Flyer is a growing organization. We've been working on the strategic plan and it is close to being done. Now it is time to implement the details of that plan. The Strategic Planning came to a natural division that generated 4 Teams.

Team 1, Lead by Dave Lightle, is working on an action plan to strategically position the Wright "B" Flyer as the global symbol of Dayton's Aviation Heritage through branding and marketing, telling the story of the Wright Brothers and creating a highly effective outreach program for the entire community to learn and enjoy.

Team 2, Lead by Zot Barazzotto, is designing a new plane that will give WBF a safer, more efficient operation. The new aircraft will fit into a standard Sealand container that can be easily transported anywhere in the world, yet take minimum time and people to set up and operate. The plans included eventually transforming the Sealand container into a chalet equipped with simulators and a multimedia displays for telling our story.

Team 3, Lead by Jim Marsh, will be reinvigorated the membership and drawing in the community. There are many opportunities, starting with our 25th Anniversary event and the Dayton Air Show. We will initially need volunteers to build membership and volunteer packages. By fall we should have an upgraded web site designed to reach out to web-surfers and actively promote the Wright B. It will electronically track our membership and volunteers. Team 3 will build a system to insure that volunteers are trained and that a job or jobs will be defined when they initially show up. This will allow all volunteers to know what to do when they walk in the door.

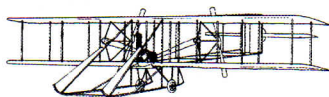
Team 4, Lead by Dennis Cable, will work to generate sufficient revenue to aggressively grow and sustain global operations and programs. Fundraising will touch all aspects of sales, sponsorships, grants and endowments.

It is up to us all to pull together and make WBF flourish for the next 25 years. Volunteers are needed for all the teams above and we hope to make it possible to give volunteers a rewarding job that contributes to our mission statement—telling the world about Dayton, The Wright Brothers and their role in creating the Aviation industry we know. We need to keep in mind that a big influx of new volunteers will be great, but all of us will have to help train them into useful members of the team. Let's give our youth and community the chance to help the Wright B Flyer grow.

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Celebration*

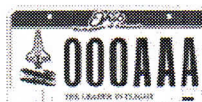
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We need volunteers!

On this 25th anniversary of the Wright "B," we give tribute to the resourceful, talented and dedicated volunteers who continue to give life to the dream of flying like the Wrights Brothers in 1911. To keep this spirit and history alive, we need a younger generation to step in and carry the torch to the future. To be a volunteer at the Wright "B" is living and perpetuating the proud legacy of our Dayton Wright Brothers. Talk to Bob Mayne about the many rewarding possibilities of volunteering at the Wright "B".

Freddie Klefeker

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