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WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE ON OUR BOARD?

Let us know! We are looking to fill several positions.



Message from the President

Hello everyone! Hope you are having a pleasurable winter. I am, but I still can't wait for spring! We have quite a few plans for 2010. We did not accomplish all the goals we had in 2009 so I am planning to get busy as soon as the weather permits. I am optimistic that we will be very successful in 2010. Our past year was very busy for many of us. With a concern for the economy, things were slow for many businesses including our organization. However, we did pull off a very successful Hangar Dance late in the year. Even though the weather was poor, there were over 100 attendees. The food was catered by The Runway Restaurant and the entertainment was provided by Cory and the Knightsmen. It was a great time! There were several other activities in 2009 that were enjoyable including our trip to Old Rhinebeck Aerodrome. We are planning a few cool trips in 2010. Stay tuned to our web

site for information. The annual meeting for this year is scheduled for March 20th at Westwood Restaurant in Westfield. We are limiting the meeting to the board members. The 2010 Westfield International Air Show will be held August 21 & 22, 2010 at Barnes Air National Guard Base. We are planning to bring many pieces of equipment and have a large booth. We hope to see you there! Leo Dube, President

Where in the World is the Antonov AN-2?

In late 2008 we sold our 1982 Antonov AN-2. It was flown by Stan Boyer (2nd from left) from Barnes to it's first destination in South Carolina. From there it was supposed to be flown to Chili to be used to fly supplies to missionaries. Unfortunately for that group, the cost for maintaining such an aircraft was overwhelming. It was sold again in 2009. It made its way to Miami and then Stan flew it over 1200 miles over the ocean to the island of Curacao. He said it flew flawlessly! From there it was flown to Venezuela where it is being used to haul mining equipment. We are glad its found a home and a purpose!



From Left; Leo Dube, Stan Boyer
Harland Avezzie & Al

Calendar of Events!

- March 20th ~ Annual Board Meeting at Westwood Restaurant in Westfield. We are limiting the meeting to the board members.
- August 21 & 22, 2010 - The 2010 Westfield International Air Show will be held at Barnes Air National Guard Base

Check www.pvmtm.org for the latest information on special events!

Please let us know if you can help at the events (distribute flyers, provide sponsorship, attend as a volunteer, etc.)

2010 Summer Plans

As soon as the weather is good we are planning the following:

- Continue organizing and cleaning Quonset hut area
- Take down white building and trailer
- Install re-built engine in M59 (Engine is currently in process)
- Maintain other vehicles and museum items
- Prepare for Air Show. We will be selling many items to raise money.
- There will be other small events this year! Please stay tuned to our web site!



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