



“READY ROOM”

NEWSLETTER

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Our Mission is to increase the awareness of aviation through the flight of historic aircraft, while supporting the Anna Shaw Children’s Institute.

Members and Friends,

As we move into the “Dog Days of Summer” we realize that there haven’t been any airshows, though rumor has it, some may be on the horizon. The one thing we know is that things change so I won’t say more except to stay tuned to Facebook and your email for those announcements.



Rosie’s, Rosebuds, Rep. Katie Dempsey, Author Merrill Davies and Friends.

I recently attended the first meeting of the Rome Rosie the Riveters in almost two years. It was my first visit as an official Rosebud member, joining at my mother’s request. She is a Rosie and did her part. She even remembers listening to President Roosevelt and his ‘Infamy speech’ after the attack on Pearl Harbor.

In this month’s newsletter I will share some things about WWII and the Rosie’s that stepped up to fill the jobs of our fighting men as they headed off to war or took up the tasks that were needed for the war effort, from welding and factory work to victory gardens and newspaper drives. It you weren’t aware we have a display at the museum dedicated to the work of the Rosie the Riveters during WWII.

We have a new development director for the museum, a position that needed to be filled for quite a while. He isn’t new to the museum and has done so much already. Be sure to check out his bio in this newsletter and be sure to give him a warm welcome when you see him around.

Enjoy this month’s newsletter!

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Why fly? Simple. I’m not happy unless there’s some room between me and the ground. Richard Bach



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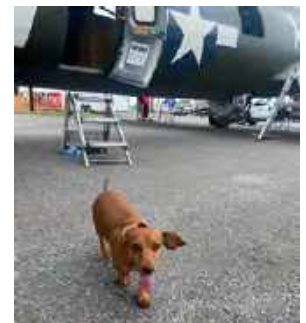
The inside aviation and military memorabilia and outdoor displays are open 10-4 (Tues-Sat) at the Paulding County Airport.

Paulding Co. Airport
730 Airport Parkway
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Tours of our flying aircraft in Rome (Richard B. Russell Airport) by appointment only. [\(423\) 228-2FLY](tel:4232282FLY).

Hangar: 304 Russell Field Rd NE, Rome, GA 30165

Office: 1824 E. Crabtree Road, Hixson, TN 37343



Mascot: Quimby

Volunteer Opportunities

We need volunteers.

Like your parents probably told you, many hands make light work.

If you have a love of history, enjoy working on vehicles or work with people, we have the perfect volunteer opportunity for you.

Do you love history, are you a motorhead, or do you love to talk on the phone and work with people? The Museum of Flight is looking for volunteers!

Volunteer Coordinator - Call, email, and text museum members about volunteer opportunities with the museum.

Motor Pool Coordinator - work with other volunteers keeping the museums military and flight line equipment in museum quality and ready to work.

Curator - keep historical records and museum memorabilia in museum quality display.

For more information, please email Christine Lewis at director@mofts.org



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What’s Happening at the Museum



The museum now has new signs for the electric vehicle parking.



Josh, the owner of JLB Trucking loads up the ambulance for repairs.



Pete’s “Rut Roh” gets repaired by Brenda Gratz



*A big thank you to our docents for all their hard work!
Harold Slep is as a new docent, volunteering once a month.*

A New Development Director for the MOF



Please welcome Jarid Ison as our new development director, a position that so needed to be filled. We so look forward to his creative mind and ideas as well as his experience in the community.

Jarid, comes with an automotive background with over 17-years of experience. A graduate of Kennesaw State University, Jarid holds a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice, a Master’s in Business Administration from American Intercontinental University, and a Doctorate in Business Administration from Capella University. He also has his Six Sigma Green Belt certification from Villanova University. Jarid resides with his better half Rachael in Lithia Springs, GA and is aspiring to finishing his private pilot’s license.



Rosie the Riveter

On July 29, 2021, Phyllis Gould, one of the original “Rosie the Riveters” passed away at the age of 99. Phyllis was one of the first Rosie’s to be hired as a welder in WWII. She along with five million other civilian women stepped into the jobs of the men that had marched off to fight in the war. Another 350,000 women served in the Armed Forces.

Of course, we all know the iconic Rosie poster and Gould make it her life’s mission to make sure those women were not forgotten. In 2014, she visited President Barack Obama at the White House to help lobby for a [National Rosie the Riveter Day](#). It took three years. On March 21, 2017, The U.S. Senate voted to recognize that day officially as Rosie the Riveter Day to recognize the efforts and raise awareness for the women who worked during World War II and to honor their incredible contribution on the home front. Gould also had a hand in petitioning Congress to create a Gold Metal for the Rosies in commemoration of their efforts.

On December 3, 2020, A single Congressional Gold Metal was awarded to “Rosie the Riveter”. This was signed into law by President Donald Trump.

As each day goes by, the memories of the Greatest Generation and WWII fade. The men and women that lived and worked during this time are in their 80s and 90s or older. The fact is that this is a legacy that is worth remembering; remembering those that fought and those that supported those that fought by stepping up when needed.

At the Museum of Flight, you can find pictures, memorabilia and just a glimpse into the lives of these courageous women and their stories. We also are preserving history with the last remaining BTD-1 Destroyer. Many of these women working in the factories helped build this specific airplane. It was ordered by the U.S. Navy from Douglas Aircraft company in June of 1941. The first production BTD-1 was completed in June 1944. If you haven’t hear the story about the BTD-1 Destroyer, check out these YouTube videos!

- [BTD 1 Destroyer Recovery & Resurrection](#)
- [MOF BTD-1 Destroyer History](#)



Barbara Esler is the mother of Rebecca McAllister, Communications for the MOF





2021 MOF Calendar

As we learned in 2020, all events are subject to change.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
1/09	Safety & MX Stand Down - Controlled Flight into Terrain (CFIT): Jim Brown	MOF – Rome
1/16	Safety & MX Stand Down - Aircraft Ground Handling/Tug Training: Pete O’Hare	MOF - Rome
1/23	Safety & MX Stand Down - History of The Museum’s Aircraft: Gil Espy, Johnny Shook, Wain Bates	MOF - Rome
1/30	Safety & MX Stand Down - Airspace & FAR Review: Joel Megginson	MOF - Rome
2/06	Safety & MX Stand Down - Personal Protection Equipment (PPE): Ben Gilam	MOF - Rome
2/13	Safety & MX Stand Down - T-28A Engine/Prop: Kenny Thomas	MOF - Rome
2/20	Safety & MX Stand Down - All Pilot Training Session: Fred Amicangioli	MOF - Rome
2/27	Safety & MX Stand Down - Insurance: Pete O’Hare	MOF - Rome
4/17	Museum Gala – <i>Purchase Your Tickets, TODAY!</i>	MOF Paulding KPUJ
5/14 – 5/16	Wings over Atlanta	Dobbins ARB
5/28 – 5/30	Museum Open House and Fly-In (Note fly-in date change)	MOF – Rome Hangar
7/3	Pops on the River	Chattanooga, TN
7/15 – 9/1	Mid-Season Maintenance and Projects every weekend	TBA
9/25-26	MCAS Cherry Point Airshow	Havelock, NC
10/2	Crossville, TN Fly-In	Crossville, TN
November	Member Mess Night	TBA
11/4 – 11/6	NAS Pensacola	Pensacola, FL
11/12 – 11/13	Hearts for Heroes	Paulding KPUJ
12/4	Santa Flies into Dallas - KPUJ	Paulding KPUJ

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