

# "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,

The museum has had a busy month with lots of special groups that you will see in this issue of the Ready Room. More work continues on some of the aircraft, and we appreciate those that donate their time and experience to keep 'em flying.

Do you [have your tickets for the upcoming Open Hangar Gala](#)? This is a special evening to benefit the museum as well as the auction that benefits the Anna Shaw Children's Institute. The museum has donated thousands of dollars to benefit children in the past. We have chosen the Anna Shaw Children's Institute because of its significant impact and advocacy of children experiencing developmental delays, with treatment all in one location.

Docents are still in need! You don't need to do it every day, even once a month would be appreciated. Training is included to help us with our mission. Docents help visitors explore our museum artifacts, aircraft and vehicles could lead to future aviators!

It won't be long now... The open house is scheduled for May 20<sup>th</sup>! This is limited access, so be sure to [grab your tickets](#)! Huey and Cobra rides can be purchased at [www.armyav.org](http://www.armyav.org) and click on "Huey" or "Cobra". This is open for adults and kids as there will be children's activities. So, grab your tickets, bring a chair, a hat, sunscreen and be prepared for a great day of vintage aviation, rain or shine.

*Rebecca McAllister*

Becky McAllister  
Communications, MOF

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## Raise the Roof!

Help the Raise the Roof Campaign. We have great plans for the future, but it is just a dream without your volunteer hours or financial support. You can make your [tax-deductible donation online](#) or drop a check in the mail to the Museum of Flight, 7022 Shallowford Road, Suite 1 #146, Chattanooga, TN 37421.

*We truly appreciate your continued funding.*



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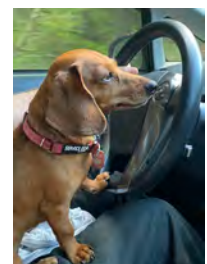
The inside aviation, military memorabilia and outdoor displays are open 10-4 (Tues-Sat) at the Paulding County Airport.

**Paulding Co. Airport**  
730 Airport Parkway  
Dallas, GA 30157

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

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

**New Office Address**  
7022 Shallowford Rd.  
Suite 1 #146  
Chattanooga, TN 37421



Mascot: *Quimby, driving to Rome to fly the airplanes!*

## MOF Visitors

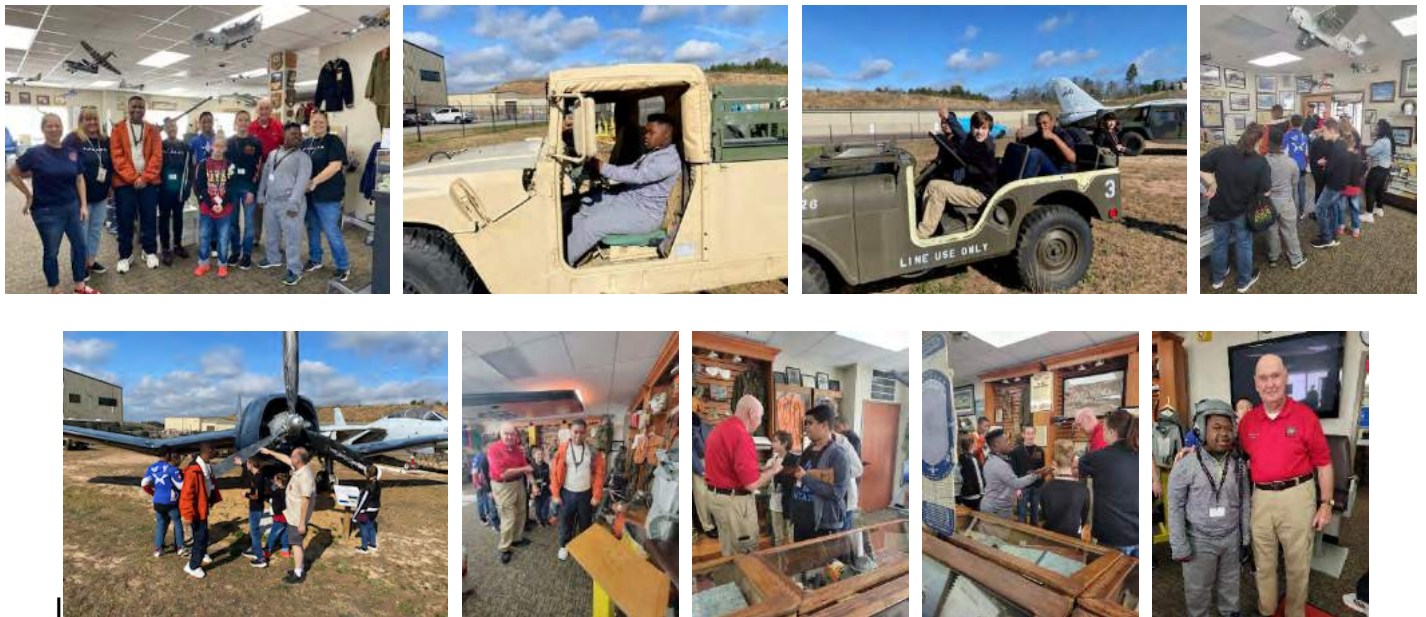


We had several groups visit this month, including New Hope Homeschool Co-Op, and a special needs class from Paulding Middle School. There was also a sorority, Alpha Kappa Alpha Flight 66 that did a photo shoot in the outdoor display area. It is my understanding that Quimby was made an honorary member (*left*).

### New Hope Homeschool Co-Op



### Paulding County Middle School







## GALA 2023: Note the Date Change!

Purchase your tickets today! <https://ticketstripe.com/MuseumGala>



*Museum of Flight*

423.228.2FLY  
[www.MOFTS.org](http://www.MOFTS.org)

**SAVE THE DATE:**  
**April 29 (new date!)**



**OPEN HANGAR GALA**

**WHEN:** Saturday, **April 29**, 2023  
**WHERE:** Museum Hangar (RMG)  
304 Russell Field Rd. Rome GA 30165  
**TICKETS:** [www.ticketstripe.com/museumgala](http://www.ticketstripe.com/museumgala)

## At the Rome Hangar

Christine Lewis, the MOF director, did a bit of cleaning in the storage area. Each cabinet now is designed to hold specific materials: "aviation only", "vehicle only", and "grease only". A place for everything and everything in its place, right, Christine?



When it comes to maintenance, we take all helpers (just kidding, this was a unique situation ☺). This is Brannigan Lewis (grandson of Christine Lewis). He helped Pete clean the Alpha engine, learned to bleed brakes from Frank and ultimately became Pete's new copilot! A big thank you to Sandy Espy for coming to the rescue to assist in watching this bundle of energy at the hangar.





## New Addition to the Museum

Newly donated, we have added a 1968 sub hunting drone! The Gyrodyne QH-50 DASH (Drone Anti-Submarine Helicopter), introduced in 1963, was built for use as a long range anti-submarine weapon on ships that are too small to operate full sized helicopters. It remained in production until 1969. While ours, has a few missing parts, it still has a unique history. It is one of 755 drones that were produced. According to Wiki:

"DASH was a major part of the United States Navy's Fleet Rehabilitation and Modernization (FRAM) program of the late 1950s. FRAM was started because the Soviet Union was building submarines faster than the US could build anti-submarine frigates. Instead of building frigates, the FRAM upgrade series allowed the US to rapidly update by converting older ships that were less useful in modern naval combat. The navy could upgrade the sonar on World War II-era destroyers but needed a stand-off weapon to attack at the perimeter of the sonar's range. The old destroyers had little room for add-ons such as a full flight deck. The original DASH concept was a light drone helicopter that could release a nuclear depth charge or torpedoes. The aircraft was considered expendable."



Bottom Right: A QH-50C hovers over the destroyer USS Allen M. Sumner (DD-692) during a deployment to the Mediterranean Sea in 1969. By Dolphus Burton, USN - U.S. Navy sailor or employee [1], Public Domain, <https://commons.wikimedia.org/w/index.php?curid=3518627>



Tickets for the Open House can be purchased online -  
<https://ticketstripe.com/MuseumOpenHangar>



# Museum of Flight



## SATURDAY

## MAY 20, 2023

### WARBIRDS



- MUSEUM TOURS
- MILITARY VEHICLES
- SPECIAL EXHIBITS
- FOOD
- ACTIVITIES
- SPECIAL GUESTS



### THRUST VS TORQUE DEMO



SEE A  
CAR  
RACE  
A  
PLANE

### HUEY & COBRA RIDES



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304 Russell Field Road NE, Rome GA 30165  
[www.hixsonflightmuseum.org](http://www.hixsonflightmuseum.org)  
423.228.2FLY (2359)



## Quimby's Corner

Speaking of our special leader, on the right, you see Christine Lewis attending the Tourism Committee of Paulding County with Quimby, our famous museum mascot.

Quimby had the opportunity to supervise Christine in panel replacement duties (*left*).



## 2023 Calendar of Events

*All dates are subject to change. Check future newsletters for additional events.*

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
April 21-23	MCAS Beaufort Airshow	MCAS Beaufort, SC
April 29	Open Hangar Gala	Rome, GA
May 20	Museum Open House	Rome, GA
June 17	Calhoun Fly-In	Calhoun, GA
August 10 - 15	American Legion World Series Fly-bys	Shelby, NC
October 6	Crossville, TN Fly-In	Crossville, TN
October 14	London Corbin Fly-In	London-Corbin, KY
October 21	Murder Mystery Dinner	TBA
<b><i>There are more dates in the works, so check back next month.</i></b>		





## LIFETIME MEMBERS

Fred Amicangioli  
David Ball  
Shawn Barber  
Paul Barnett  
George Barron  
Jeanne & Tony Bass  
Wain Bates  
James Beaver  
Jason Beaver  
Brayden Becker  
Ray Bell  
Ernie & Nancy Betancourt  
David Biloz & Family  
Jason Bostic  
Mark & Sam Brereton  
James Brown  
Andy Butler  
Ed Callahan  
Thomas Calvanelli  
Danny Camp  
Anthony Carson  
Phil Cataldo  
Dr. Donald H. Chamberlin  
Keith Clingan  
Nancy Coddington  
Brendon Connor  
Easy Cragg  
Richard Dean  
Erich DeHart  
Logan DeHart  
Peyton Dehart  
Ron Dobbs  
Scott Ducker  
Thomas & Barbara Ducker  
Mike Ellis

Vance Engle  
Gil Espy  
Jesse Evans  
Rick Ferrin  
Matt Fox  
Frank Fry  
Benjamin Gillam  
Richard Gonzalez  
James Greene  
Richard Hafner  
William Hall  
Carson Hawkins  
Evan Henley  
Robert & Cindy Henninger  
Tim Herren  
Mark Homen  
James Howard  
Jarid Ison  
Dave Johnston  
Christopher Keefe  
Carrol "Chip" Lamb  
David Lawson  
Greg and Jennifer Leach  
Anne Lewinson  
Christine M. Lewis  
Arthur Matthews  
Kent Matthews  
Pamela McAllister  
Rebecca & Sean McAllister  
Joel Megginson  
Russell & Leigh Ann Miller  
Spencer Morgan  
Scott Murray  
Tony Neal  
Jeffrey Newcomb

Peter, Susan, Hanna & Savannah  
O'Hare  
John Osterhage  
Julie Anne Owens  
Clarence Greer Parramore  
Edward Perman  
Susan Reed  
Ben Rees  
Hollis Reese  
Tim Rhyne  
Gerad Riester  
Rob Riester  
Brant Robinson  
Karl Schwelm  
Peter Serodino  
Dr. Daniel Serrato  
Don Shepard  
Harold Slemph  
Woodrow Smith  
Sol Snyder  
Cooper Stewart  
Tim Stoker  
John Sullivan  
Kenny Thomas  
Kerry Tidmore  
Stratton Tingle  
Jorge Verdias  
Wayne Vick  
Alan Ware  
Kim Watkins  
Gary Watson  
John Webb  
David Wells  
Brent Westfall  
Doug & Terri Woodruff

## Gone West

Voron Baughan  
Darrell Baxter  
Joan Beaver  
Lloyd Blackwell  
Dr. Gary Caldwell  
Ronnie Cox  
Dr. James Creel

Frank Davey  
Jimmy Eskew  
Deming Gray  
Mark McAllister  
Grady McDowell  
Patricia O'Hare  
Lois and Richard Robinson

Conrad Schalk  
Martha Shook  
John Shook  
Jasmine Sommer  
Bill Wallace  
Sylvia Wygoda  
James Youngblood