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No articles this month.

Enjoy this pictorial from the Aero Historian archives, featuring the work of Frank Cuden, Mark Rossmann, and Noel Allard.



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TCAH This Month

The monthly meeting will be held Saturday April 14, at Fleming Field, South St. Paul, beginning at 1:00 pm. Vendor baiting will begin about 12:00, so come early.



President's Report

by Bernie Kugel

Happy Spring Gentlemen. Our annual auction was a success. There should be a report in the Treasurer's article.

At our April meeting we will be having our annual Awards Presentation and Luncheon. We will have DiVanni's pizza, soda, and I will get a cake again.

Discussed at our February meeting, I am setting up a toolbox/repair kit that we will keep at Fleming Field. It will have glue, an X-acto knife, and tools so when someone has an accident at our meeting. Repairs can be made.

Erik Zable has chosen "Aircraft of the Vietnam War 1965-75" as his challenge for our January contest.

Scott Murray is setting up display tables for both MMFS and TCAH at the Fagen Fighters Museum in Granite Falls at their summer open house in June. I will have more info in the near future. Please contact me if you would like to contact Scott.

On the NordicCon front, we still need a head judge for aircraft. Please see me if you are interested.

Model on



Treasurer's Report

by Dennis Strand

This month the financial report will be short and sweet. We paid \$5.00 for a gift certificate and brought in \$961.00 from the auction. The current TCAH balance is \$6003.84



Museum Tour

by Mark L. Rossmann

TCAH is scheduled for a tour of Wings of The North Museum on Saturday June 9th at 2:30PM. This will be a tour for our club only. Donations are \$10 per person, more than worth it for what we will see. (a child can accompany the adult for free). The museum is located at Flying Cloud Airport on Flying Cloud Drive, entrance is just past the tower.

I met with Bob Jaspersen, the director of the museum, at this time he is scheduled to be our guide. Capt. Bob Jaspersen was the WSO (or GIB) for Major G L Retterbush flying an F-4E of the 34th TFS / 388th TFW out of Korat RTAB, when they shot down a MiG-21 on October 8th, 1972, (He has on display his helmet, gear and medals) the very Phantom they were flying was shot down 4 days later with another crew flying it. Also if Jack Larsen, pilot of Sierra Sue II, is available he will join us.

Also housed here is the Minnesota Aviation Hall of Fame and the storage room for the Northwest Airlines History Center.

Museum website: <https://www.wotn.org/museum/>



Airline Chatter

by Terry Love

Fly Dubai Airlines ordered 175 Boeing 737-800s. Cost is \$27 Billion. Pegasus Airlines, the low-cost airline of Turkey, ordered 25 more airbus A-321s. This brings their total order to 180 Airbus A321s on order.

Eastern Airlines (the new one) shut down in September with all of their airliners going to Swift Air.

Viva Air of Panama, ordered 50 Airbus A-320s. Cost is \$5 Billion.

Royal Air Muroc ordered 4 more Boeing 787 Dreamliners valued at \$1.1 Billion.

Turkish Airlines ordered 3 Boeing 777 freighters. Cost is almost \$1 Billion.

Boeing won 912 orders worth \$134.8 Billion in 2017. Boeing is building the 737-800 at the rate of 47 per month.

China ordered 184 Airbus A-320s valued at \$28 Billion. The A-320 would be for domestic China airlines.

Airbus received orders for 1109 airliners in 2017. They now have a total of 7,265 on order. Back orders are valued at \$1.06 Trillion

Emirates Airlines ordered 36 more Airbus A-380s. Cost is \$16 Billion. Emirates presently has 100 Airbus A-380s in their fleet.

Airbus says that to date, 222 Airbus A-380s have been delivered to 13 airlines of the world.

American Airlines will add 52 new nonstop flights in 2018, including new hourly shuttle flights between Chicago O'Hare

airport and New York LaGuardia.

American Airlines will begin service from Raleigh- Durham to Tucson, Philadelphia to San Antonio, and Washington, DC to Tallahassee this Spring.

Air Canada now operates Toronto to Phoenix and Montreal to Phoenix.

Southwest Airlines is expanding in San Jose, California. Southwest Airlines will add 80 flights per week.

Holman Field in St. Paul, Minnesota was host to 204 biz jets during the Super Bowl. Hundreds more were parked at the MSP airport and Anoka. It was the largest gathering of biz jets in history.

American Airlines will start Dallas to Palm Springs in June.

Hawaiian Airlines ordered 10 Boeing 787 Dreamliners worth \$2.8 Billion.

Boeing delivered 10,000th Boeing 737 airliner. It went to Southwest Airlines. Boeing delivered the 5,000th Boeing 737 in 2006.

Turkish Airlines ordered 225 Airbus A-350s valued at \$7.95 Billion plus options for 5 more. Turkish also ordered 25 Boeing 787 Dreamliners valued at \$7 Billion.

American Airlines will begin Philadelphia to Mexico City this Spring.

Southwest Airlines will begin Indianapolis to Cancun service this Spring.

Boeing stats for 2017

| Model | Orders | received Deliveries | On Order |
|-------|--------|---------------------|----------|
| 737 | 865 | 529 | 4,664 |
| 747 | 6 | 14 | 12 |
| 767 | 15 | 16 | 98 |
| 777 | 60 | 74 | 428 |
| 787 | 107 | 136 | 658 |
| | 1053 | 763 | 5,864 |

Airbus stats for 2017

| Model | Average price | Deliveries |
|-------|-----------------|------------|
| 320 | \$110 Million | 558 |
| 330 | \$264.2 Million | 67 |
| 350 | \$317.4 Million | 78 |
| 380 | \$445.6 Million | 15 |











Directions to the Club Meeting Location

Where: South St. Paul Municipal Airport, a.k.a. Fleming Field, located on the southern extremity of South St. Paul, south of 1-494, west of Concord Street and East of Highway 52.

If coming from the western Twin Cities going east on 494:

- Exit at the 7th and 5th Avenue exit (Exit No.65)
- Turn right (South) on 7th Ave and go approximately .6 miles to a 4-way Stop sign. This is South Street W. To your left there will be a McDonald's; to your right front there will be a Walgreen's.
- Turn left (East) at the 4-way Stop onto
- South Street W and go approximately .6 miles. Along the way you will encounter three more Stop signs—the third Stop sign (Henry Avenue) will be a "T" intersection. At the "T" intersection on your left will be homes and on your right softball fields.
- Turn right (south) onto Henry Ave. and go approximately .2

- miles toward the Fleming Field airport terminal building.

If coming from east Twin Cities on westbound 494:

- Exit at the 7th and 5th Avenue exit (Exit No.65)
- Turn left (South) on 7th Ave and go approximately .6 miles to a 4-way Stop sign. This is South Street W. To your left front there will be a small strip mall; to your right there will be an Amoco station.
- Turn left (East) at the 4-way Stop onto
- South Street W and go approximately .4 miles. Along the way you will encounter two more Stop signs—the third Stop sign (Henry Avenue) will be a "T" intersection. At the "T" intersection on your left will be homes and on your right softball fields.
- Turn right (south) onto Henry Ave. and go approximately .2 miles toward the Fleming Field airport terminal building

The terminal is on the right with

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The group is open to aviation enthusiasts from teenagers on up who are interested in aviation modeling, photography, collecting, art and writing. For more information contact Larry Donovan at 651-501-4755.

The Twin Cities Aero Historians (TCAH) meet the second Saturday of every month at 1:00pm.

See above for the new meeting locations and directions.

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