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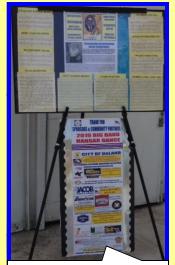


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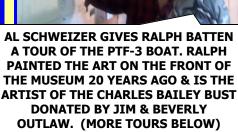








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2015 BIG BAND HANGAR DANCE













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MANY THANKS TO OUR GREAT VOLUNTEERS AND COMMUNITY PARTNERS FOR ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL HANGAR DANCE.

L.C. SWING BAND PROVIDED GREAT MUSIC AND OUR GUESTS DANCED THE NIGHT AWAY!

SAVE THE DATE OUR 25TH HANGAR DANCE















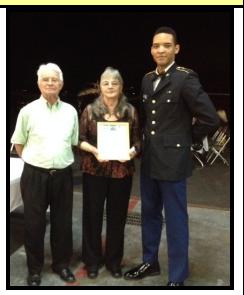
IN MEMORY OF WWII U.S.M.C. CAPTAIN HOMER GREGORY JUDD, JR.



MARY THERESA JUDD MOON speaks to our guests during the 2015 Hangar Dance. Her father, CAPTAIN HOMER GREGORY JUDD, JR. was killed at the DeLand Naval Air Station on Sunday, November 27, 1943 during a flight training accident. He and his wife had been married only a few months and he was not aware that he was going to be a father. He did tell his wife that if they ever had a daughter, he wanted to name her Mary Theresa. Mary Theresa Judd was born a few months after his death. In 2015, DNASM President, Harold Bradeen, presented a resolution to Mary Judd Moon, which was read by C/MSG Isaiah Carlton, a cadet from Eagle Battalion ROTCF at Embry Riddle Aeronautical University.













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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS: Homer Gregory Judd, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Judd, was born on February 15, 1918 in Estherville, Emmit County, Iowa. He graduated from Estherville High School where he was outstanding in dramatics, usually taking comedy parts in school plays. He was a member of the football team. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Trinity College at Sioux City, Iowa in 1939. In 1940, Homer Judd, Jr. enrolled in the Civil Aeronautics Association War Training Service program. He entered the Marine Air Corps on his 22rd birthday, February 13, 1941 and received his commission as Lieutenant. In October, 1942, he received his commission as Captain. Captain Judd was assigned to foreign service for 18 months during which time he was in Pearl Harbor, Guadalcanal and other Pacific Islands. After his overseas service, Captain Judd was assigned as a flight instructor at the Jacksonville Naval Air Station and then the DeLand Naval Air Station in 1943. On August 24, 1943, Captain Judd married Ida Anne Baker who accompanied him to his Navy flight trainer assignment in Florida.

WHEREAS: On Sunday, November 27, 1943, just three months after his marriage, Captain Homer Gregory Judd, Jr. was killed in DeLand, Florida while on a night training flight from the DeLand Naval Air Station. Lieutenant Howell, from the DeLand Naval Air Station accompanied Capt. Judd and Mrs. Judd, Jr. back to Estherville, Iowa where he was buried with military honors in the St. Patrick's Cemetery. Lieutenant Howell commented that "Mrs. Judd, Jr., and Mr. & Mrs. Judd, Sr., showed the true spirit which war mothers, fathers and war widows and their families are capable of showing. After the death of Captain Homer Judd, Jr., Mrs. Homer Judd, Jr. gave birth to a baby daughter who would never know her father. Many years later, that daughter, Mary Judd Moon, contacted the DeLand Naval Air Station Museum in DeLand, Florida and provided information about Captain Judd and his service in DeLand, Florida during World War II that was not previously known, due to WWII paper records being dispersed across the nation after the war.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Harold Bradeen, President of the DeLand Naval Air Station Museum resolve that Captain Homer Gregory Judd, Jr. and his family will always be honored and remembered in DeLand, Florida, Volusia County for his bravery and ultimate sacrifice while serving the United States of America to ensure our freedom.

"IN MEMORY OF ALL WHO SERVED"

DONE AND PROCLAIMED this 11 Day of November, 2015, Veterans Day.



Harold Bradeen, President DeLand Naval Air Station Museum, Inc.



RESTORATION UPDATES

DNASM restoration crew members prepared "Big Bertha", our Civil Defense Siren for fresh paint. This siren was acquired by the City of DeLand in 1978 and used for many years to signal

Volunteer Firemen during fire emergencies. The 7½ horse power, three cycle horn could be heard from miles around. This type of siren was used around the county during WWII for civil defense warning. Many cities and towns still use similar sirens for both fire and weather emergencies. The City of DeLand, Florida donated "Big Bertha" to the DeLand Naval Air Station Museum for public display. Dave Davis (left), a retired DeLand, Florida Firefighter stopped by the DNASM and was thrilled to see his old friend "Big Bertha" restored for display. Dave told us that he was one of the people at the fire department that would sound off "Big Bertha" when it was time.



LEFT:

WWII
VETERAN
GENE
STORZ
PREPS
BIG
BERTHA
FOR
PAINT.

RIGHT:

DAVE DAVIS & HAROLD BRADEEN





LEFT:

CREW
MOVES 2ND
TBF
AVENGER
WING INTO
HANGAR.

RIGHT:

PREP WORK BEGINS







Original TBF Engine that was on our aircraft when it went into Lake Michigan all those years ago. Now cleaned up and on display. Front view.

LEFT:

ORIGINAL TBF AVENGER ENGINE CLEANED FOR DISPLAY

RIGHT:

PREP WORK ON SEARCH LIGHTS



Two search lights in front of DNASM are prepared for new paint.

DeLand Naval Air Station History—1944

CHRISTMAS 1944

There is no peace on earth today, For wars are raging far, The hope we had for happy times, This Christmas will be marred.

The Star that shines on Christmas Eve, Looks down this year in vain, To find the love that Christ proclaimed, The world has gone insane.

Must mankind always wear the sword, And wield it to cut down The finer things we have built up In hopes they would abound.

We paid the price back yonder
For a war to end all wars,
But now again the horseman rides
This scarlet god called Mars.

We can but put our faith in Christ Who taught us love that cheers, And pray that Christmas other years, Won't have this blood and tears.



Good Old Santa paused in his busy rounds to visit NAS DeLand on Christmas Eve.

While carols and other Christmas music filled the auditorium about 80 children of the enlisted and officer personnel waited with their parents for the coming of the cheery old man in red. The presents were piled beneath a beautiful Christmas tree, cut for the occasion through the work and the courtesy of the Public Works Department. When Santa (in the form of W. R. Young, MM3c)

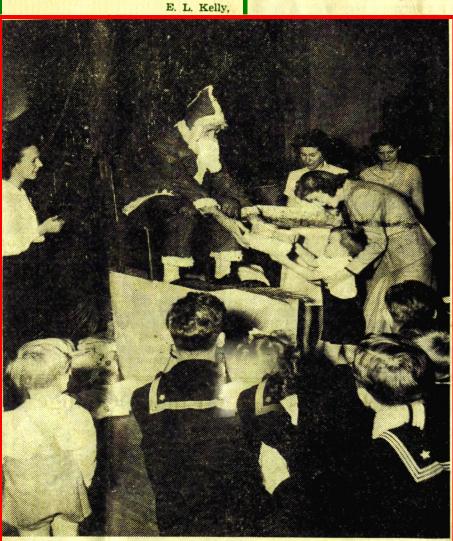
arrived at 1430, he personally delivered to each child the gift which bore his or her name. The gig les, laughs, smiles, and exclamations bore witness of Santa's success. The 'ohs' and 'ahs' seemed to indicate that the dells, toy furniture, wagons, blocks, paint sets, cow boy pistols, books, etc. had tickled the fancy of the kids.

When Santa left amidst the waying of hands and the shouting of 'good-byes', the lights were cut, and "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs" shown on the screen. Ice cream and candy topped off the big party.

The credit for the beautiful decoration of the tree goes to WAVES Verle Jackson, Mary Hall, and Adele Harper. These three also served as Santa's helpers in the distribution of the presents. The fact that each present was attractively wrapped was due to the work of WAVES Jannette Galloway, Connie Keyser, and Virginia Lawson.

Santa also left word that he greatly appreciated the untiring efforts and constant cooperation of Lt. (jg) E. C. Sturm and his entire staff at Ship's Service. Without their invaluable assistance and helpful suggestions, the party would not have been possible.

Many thanks to all the fellows who chipped in and did the dirty work, and the many odd jobs that added to the completion of Santa's visit.



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A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

November, 2015 has been a very active month for the DeLand Naval Air Station Museum. In addition to an on-going restoration schedule, museum tours and many hours of preparation work, our two major events this month, the 24th Annual Big Band Hangar Dance and the 20th Anniversary Museum Open House, were both very successful. We would like to thank our many sponsors, community partners and great volunteers for their support that enabled us to present both events to our community.

A very special thanks to Bob and Quin Booth, Defending Freedom Warrior Weekend for their assistance with the Hangar Dance and their sponsorship of the 20th Anniversary Open House. We were proud to have their signature truck on site for the Open House and appreciate the great food and drink they provided for the public. Please visit their website cpswarriorweekend.org and support their upcoming events scheduled for April 21-23, 2016. Complete Parachute Solutions (CPS) is honoring our nation's greatest citizens by participating in the 10th Annual Defending Freedom Warrior Weekend. All proceeds benefit veterans of the armed forces who have been severely injured in conflicts while defending our nation's freedom. Your participation will aid local and pregional wounded veterans organizations in their mission to raise awareness of the needs of severely injured service members assist each other, and provide direct programs and services to meet the needs of severely injured service members. HAROLD BRADEEN, DNASM President

THANK YOU <u>DEFENDING FREEDO</u>M WARRIOR WEEKEND





2016 SCHEDULE DEFENDING FREEDOM WARRIOR WEEKEND

Thursday April 21st

Meet and Greet Barbeque 5:00 PM For warriors and major supporters

Friday April 22nd

Skydive Boogie at Skydive Deland from 11:00AM to 4:00PM All warriors will make a tandem skydive with active duty special forces at Skydive Deland.

Barbeque begins at 12PM and is open to the public. Watch the skydive and support your veterans.

Downtown DeLand Block Party 5:30 PM to 10:00 PM

Located in the parking lot between Rich and Indiana Avenues.
Tickets \$20 at the door. Includes food, live music, souvenir keepsake, and BEER!

Email: defendingfreedomwarriorweekend@gmail.com to purchase tickets

Saturday April 23rd

Golf Tournament at Pelican Bay Golf and Country Club 10:00 AM Tee Off.

Opening Ceremonies include Skydiving Expo with American Flag presented by Color Guard

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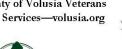
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(Open IF Volunteers Are Available)

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