



## SCHAF Newsletter for June 2024

**Reminder: The next SCHAF Open House will take place Saturday, June 8, 2024, from 10am-1pm at Hangar Y-1 Jim Hamilton/LB Owens Airport.**

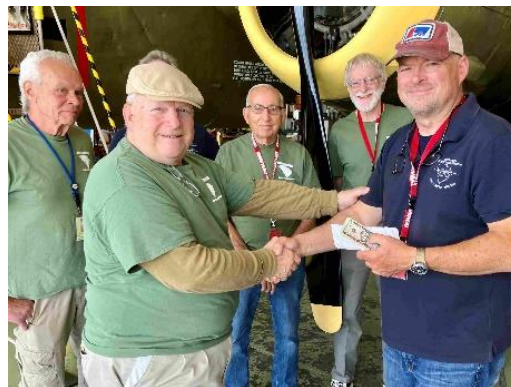
### Foundation Happenings

The May Open House was a fun event with hot dogs and lots of visitors. A huge thank you to the cooks and servers who served up delicious food. There is nothing better in the summertime than a tasty hot dog. Stanley even got into the role of dressing up as a WWII Navy cook.



Stanley and Anna serving hot dogs.

In April, Bruce gave a Doolittle Raider presentation at a meeting of the Caberras County, NC History Club. Bruce also mentioned SCHAF and the restoration work being done on GF2. The history club took up a \$215 donation which Bruce presented to Ken at the May open house. A huge thank you to the history club for thinking about SCHAF.



## Restoration Progress

Last month we showed pictures of the completed bomb bay door for the port side of GF2. Work has begun on building the starboard door. Many lessons were learned on the first door so this second one is progressing faster. Lanny is still rebuilding the floor of the radio operator's area. Much of the bottom of GF2 was destroyed while sitting on the bottom of the lake for 39 years. Since about 95% of the floor is gone, hours of research is needed to determine how to build the ribs, strings and floor area of the aft of GF2. Previously we mentioned how it takes 90% research to 10% making the parts.

Several months ago, the railing over the bomb bay area was installed. Did you know there was also a railing in the bombardier's tunnel? Be sure to come to an open house to see the new bombardier's railing. Little details such as these rails make the restoration work really "pop" with authenticity.

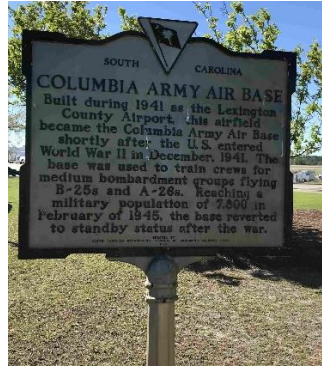


## Travels This Summer

If you travel to any airplane museums or aviation events this summer, be sure to send us a picture and tell us about your travels. John sent along this picture from his travels to the National Museum of World War II Aviation in Colorado Springs.



If you head to Columbia Metro to either fly out of Columbia or pick up someone traveling here, be sure to keep an eye out for the markers commemorating the Columbia Army Air Base. If you find any markers in other areas of the state, be sure to send us a picture of those as well.



## Visitors to CUB

One of the many perks of working in a hangar at an airport is being able to see all sorts of airplanes such as this Cirrius Jet. Seeing different planes always sparks interest to learn/research. The Cirrius Jet is described as a very light weight business jet. The sound of a plane landing makes young and old run to the hangar door to see what is arriving.



Last night, when we looked out the door to see who was arriving, lo and behold, it was SCHAF volunteer, Logan, who arrived in style in his L-4 Grasshopper. Logan has attended several open houses to display his plane. Keep an eye out for him at future events.



## Wrap Up

Speaking of signs, there is a new sign outside the gate to the SCHAF hangar. This sign describes the history and purpose of SCHAF: "...preserving this State's valuable contributions to aviation from its very beginnings." A big thank you to CUB for installing such a nice sign depicting the foundation's efforts.



The SCHAF team is always looking for ways to raise money. One future plan is to allow people to climb in the Yale for a photo opportunity for a nominal fee. Is this something that you might be interested in doing? Do you have any ideas for a way for SCHAF to raise money?



If you have something you would like to share in a future newsletter or if you have any questions, please send an email directly to SCHAF at [info.schaf@gmail.com](mailto:info.schaf@gmail.com).

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