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THE COYOTE'S HOWL

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UNIT LEADER – We are now entering Downwind for the AirSho so it's time to be double checking things that have been completed. We have three months until our 25th annual AirSho. At last month's staff meeting we didn't have any visitors with questions so, have to assume things are going smoothly for everyone. Again, Frank DeArmond is our AirSho coordinator and is in charge of all areas of participation so please contact him with any inputs or questions that you might have. Bud Dow is coordinating the military vehicle display at the AirSho. He has an area near the terminal building that will provide good visibility for the display. He will have approximately 10 vehicles on display depending on participation. If you have any contributions for Bud or would like to help him coordinate the military vehicle display, please contact him.

On July 6th we had 4 visitors for a hangar tour. The two youths were given a one-hour tour of the PT 19 and the T34. They had some great questions and were very attentive and appreciative. We even got grandma in the back seat of the T34 for a Kodak moment, and she shared that she now has a greater appreciation of our local almost daily lake acrobatic show.

I can't end without thanking everyone for all the many things that they do around the Squadron and Hangar. We would not be able to provide opportunities for the upcoming generations without all of y'all's efforts. It is important and it does make a tremendous difference for these kids. THANKS! Colonel Warnie Meisetschleager, Unit Leader

EXECUTIVE OFFICER – Hello fellow Coyotes, I just got back from a two-air show weekend. Athens Friday night July 5 and Thunder Over Cedar Creek Saturday July 6. Two great shows. They had an F35 demo and an F18 from JRB Ft Worth. I saw our very own Col Alan Pavik working the ramp and Col Pat Tuckey and I flew with Falcon Flight. Col Tuckey also flew his solo acro routine at the Athens show. I hope all you Coyotes had a safe and fun Independence Day. I hope to see everyone at the next meeting on July 13th! **Colonel Steve Richmond, Executive Officer**

FINANCE OFFICER- We are behind where we were last year in income, but we'll start seeing more donations coming in; we have some awesome sponsors and donors! Expenses are higher by about 14% than this time last year. Inflation is alive and well I'm afraid, parts are much more expensive, like fast food burgers, no matter what the pundits say! I'd like to give a shout out to our donors who have set up recurring donations; this is a great way to give all year long and spreads out the pain. Maybe YOU too can do that as well! To repeat last month's mantra, the key, current financial thought is donations, donations, donations... Colonel Frank DeArmond, Finance Officer

OPERATIONS OFFICER- I don't believe that we have acknowledged this yet but I'd like to thank our Unit Leader for taking on the project to install the best of the models that we were given. He meticulously worked to find the best models, repair as necessary and install around the eave of the kitchen area. Thanks Warnie!

Not much operationally going on during the summer heat. Following our last meeting, I was able to give two free rides to our members. If you've not had a ride in one of our aircraft please check with me and we'll get it scheduled.

We actually did have a flyover scheduled for Juneteenth, but unbeknownst to me, they had the celebration the Saturday before June 19! Oops. Colonel Dan Summerall, Operations Officer

SAFETY OFFICER-July safety topics

- 1: install a home security system
- 2: check homeowners or renters insurance
- 3: Store Hazardous Substances Safely
- 4: Dispose of Expires or Use Medications
- 5: Remove Brush and Flammable Material from Around Your House
- 6: Inspect and Replace Water Feed Lines
- 7: Improve the Lighting Around Your Home
- 8: Add Some Security Cameras
- 9: Test Your Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Detectors

Colonel Michale Porter, Safety Officer

Colonel Cozart working on the PT-19 brakes.



DEVELOPMENT OFFICER - Thanks to all that are out in this heat raising funds for the AirSho. It would be impossible to put the AirSho on without the funds to do so, I'm sure the community is appreciative for all the hard work. It is not too early to bring in the necessary monies needed. Keep up the good work!. **Col Haskell Dighton, Development Officer**

AIRSHO- Only three months until the Airshow! I have been showing the shortened Airsho briefing, it is time to break out Dan's long version and go over all the details, so steel yourself for it. Dan continues to get the acts/performer lined up, it is an endless and too often a thankless job – thank Dan when you see him! The donation crew is still working hard and getting funding. Several of the grants have been submitted, we should hear on those soon. Keep those donations coming in please! Colonel Frank

As stated above, the fundraising team is out and about raising money for our show. I will say that it has been a bit harder this year to bring in the money but I am sure that it will all work out in the end. We have a good lineup of performers ready to show their stuff to our spectators. If you didn't know, even some of our own members are sponsors of the show. We have contributions from them ranging from Silver to Event sponsorships! We really appreciate that they feel strongly about showing their support by contributing. If you'd like to join them in bringing a great show this October please talk to Haskell. **Colonel Dan**

VENDOR COORDINATOR EMERITUS- The interest is starting to ramp up already; vendors are calling, texting and emailing. The invites, instructions, and applications to all the vendors should be going out in early August. Please do not agree to take any vendors without checking with me and Thomas first. But, if you DO come across a vendor you think would be a great fit, make no promises, get their contact info and we will contact them.

Thanks Colonel Frank DeArmond

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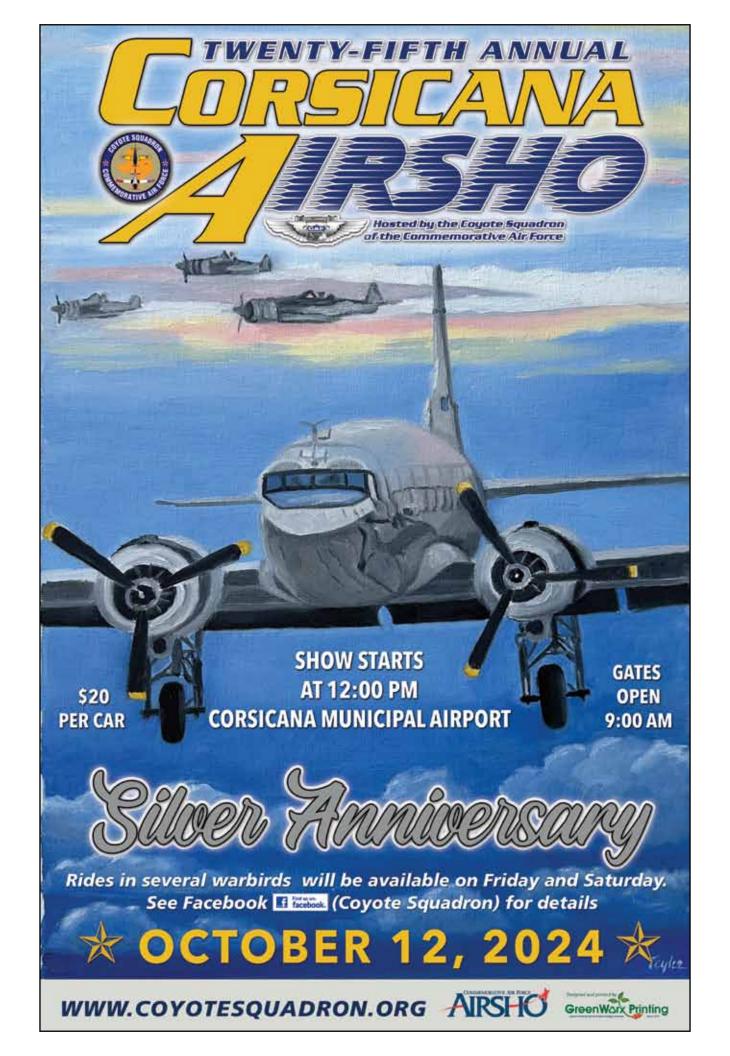
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