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# **APA NEWS**

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# Two Inducted Into Hall of Fame

Over 100 people attended an Open House held on Saturday, August 4th honoring this year's Iowa Aviation Hall of Fame inductees, Milford L. Juhl and Olie Pash.

With this year's inductees, 73 lowans have been honored. A Selection Committee, separate from the museum, reads and evaluates each nominee. They award points for lowa aviation firsts, aviation firsts and aviation accomplishments. The two nominees with the largest point total are then chosen for induction.





Above~The crowd listens as Olie Pash accepts his award. Left~The Juhl sisters~ Nancy Jacobson, Susan Slauson and Pat McCollough, were on hand to accept the honor for their late father Milford L. Juhl. Below~Olie relives memories sitting in his beloved 1968 Pitts Special.



#### **MEMBERSHIPS**

Thank you
to the following for your
new or renewed membership.
Your support is very important
to the growth of the museum!

#### New

Lynn Daniel Scott Fisher Brad Maas Chuck and Beck Stanley

Renewal Jim and Peg Scott Mary Powell Willard Olesen~ Olesen Law Firm Linda Miller Al McReynolds Del Vernia Cardinal IG Karen and Alvin Havens First National Bank Joe and Jean Vandewater Bill and Carolyn Steele John and Delores Tibben John Baum Dean Jukam

Dick and Dorothy Wallace

Josh Trail

Annette Owenson

John and Sally Gipple

Raymond Holland

Regina Yount

Top~Nodaway Valley 5th Graders and Bottom left~Genesis Group from Jefferson visit the museum each year. Bottom right~A young visitor "aims high."

#### It's Been A VERY BUSY Summer!

Even with the extreme temperatures this summer, there has been lots of activity at the museum and it looks to continue into the fall.

It's always fun to peruse the guest book! Visitors find the museum in various ways ~ positive comments from friends or family, the internet, highway signs ~ but find it they do! Guests this summer have come from all fifty states, also Nigeria, Costa Rica, Norway, Belgium, Germany, Australia, and Japan.

September looks to be more of the same with five bus tours scheduled

The staff continues to receive numerous positive comments from guests about the museum which in several cases has translated into new members or donations.

#### Hall of Fame Spotlight ~ Howard V. Gregory

Howard Gregory's devotion to aviation was so intense that even his hobbies centered around airplanes and flying. While attending Drake University in Des Moines, Howard started flying lessons at the Des Moines Municipal Airport. He soloed in an Aeronca K and by the late 1930s, he was owner of the flying service where he had learned to fly. Through his ability as an entrepreneur and aviator, the Des Moines Flying Service became a leader as a distributorship for Piper Aircraft, a corporate sales center for Piper and during World War II was operated

as a key Civilian Pilot Training Program. Today the Des Moines Flying Service is the largest Fixed Base Operator in the state of Iowa.

Howard held leadership positions in several national aviation organizations including the National Air Transportation Association, Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association, and the National Business Aircraft Association. His fascination with historical aviation translated into hobbies centered around aircraft of the pioneer, golden age and military eras.

Howard was a commercial pilot with single, multi-instrument, flight instructor

and seaplane ratings.

Howard was inducted into the lowa Aviation Hall of Fame in 1996. He died in July, 2012. (See *Gone West*, page 6.)



≥3 Thank You &≼

...to Marlene Burkgren, Ernie Gruwell, Meredith Corporation Foundation, Steve Lenius, Annette Owenson and her employer Wellmark, Robert Neyer, Olie Pash, Stepping Stones Child Care Center, and John Levin for their monetary donations.

...to Dick Westbrook for taking the time to accompany the director to Orange City, lowa, to interview Evangel designer, Carl Mortenson.

...to Carl and Alice Mortenson for their hospitality.

...to Gail Walker, Dick Cavenaugh, Scott Fisher, Dave Stalder, Jim Stalder, Phillip Field, Dick and Nancy Gross, Del Vernia, Betty Swanson in memory of husband Bob, and Greenfield Lumber for their donations.

...to Mark Nelson and Ron Havens for completing projects.

...to Gene and Lavonne Jensen, Ron Havens, Beck Stanley, Annette Owenson, Bonnie Stalder, Greg Schildberg, Dan Sereda, Dick Westbrook, Delk Grantham, Lee Wright and the city crew for their help with the Open House and a very special thank you...

...to wonderful friends Ida Moshier, Ginny Kuhfus, Mary Kay Shannon, Bettie McCunn and best husband Mark Nelson for being so much help and support.

# New Items in the Gift Shop!

3D Bookmarks ~ \$5
"Propwash" Bear ~ \$16
"Flying Tiger" Bear ~ \$18
IAM Denim Shirts ~ \$35
IAM Caps ~ \$15

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#### **APA Mission Statement**

"The Antique Preservation Association was formed to develop a facility to preserve, restore, and display antique aircraft of the 'golden era of aviation' (years prior to WWII) and related memorabilia all for the education and pleasure of the public, and to honor lowa aviators of the past, present and future."

#### **Pay Pal Account**

For those who prefer to use Pay Pal to pay membership fees, send donations or make purchases, an account has been set up for the Antique Preservation Association of Greenfield.

- 1) Log on to your PayPal account
- 2) Choose send money
- 3) Enter email address ~ aviation@iowatelecom.net
  - 4) Enter amount (US\$)
    - 5) Send money

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Atlantic Municipal Airport
59706 Airport Road ~ Atlantic Iowa

Breakfast starts at 9:00
Airshow at 11:00
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#### Buy a Brick, Build a Hangar

Thanks to the following for their purchase of one or more bricks or a donation to the hangar fund:

Clarence Pfundheller EAA Chapter 135 Jinny Cable

(See page 4 to donate)

#### We Can Rebuild It!

Evangel: Part 2~Enter Addison Pemberton~ So the museum's Board of Directors had accepted the donation of the Evangel 4500 from Jed Keck of Port Arthur Washington. Now what?

A phone call to museum member Addison Pemberton answered that question. Addison, as many know, has beautifully restored several aircraft. He knows what he's doing! He had made a trip to Port Arthur for the museum earlier in the year to check out the Evangel and report back. Was it restorable and more importantly, could we afford to have it restored? After his wonderfully comprehensive report, the board chose to accept the aircraft. With very little arm twisting, Addison offered to recruit some volunteers, come to lowa and get the aircraft into display condition! There was a plan!

On May 23rd, Jed Keck arrived at the Greenfield Airport with our latest addition. As Jed said the Evangel had come full circle. It had started in lowa and it had returned to lowa.

In June, Board member Dick Westbrook and Director Lee Ann Nelson made a trip to Orange City to interview Evangel designer and builder, Carl Mortenson. Carl, a lovely man, told story after story about his adventures as a missionary pilot, which was, of course, the reason he built the Evangel and the subsequent Angel aircraft. Because (cont. page 7)

### **Gone West**

We have received word that that 1996 Hall of Fame inductee, longtime museum member, supporter and friend Howard V. Gregory from Des Moines died on July 24 at the age of 94.

Howard was an lowa aviation pioneer. He owned and operated Des Moines Flying Service, Chicago Piper and HondaJet Midwest. He was a lifelong aviation enthusiast.

The Gregory family graciously designated the museum as the recipient for memorials in Howard's name.

Our heartfelt sympathy to Howard's family and friends. He will be missed. (See Howard Gregory in the Hall of Fame Spotlight, page 3).

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We have also learned of the death of longtime museum member Robert Swanson from Walnut Creek California. A pilot himself, Bob was originally from lowa and his heart never truly left the state.

We extend our deepest sympathy to Bob's family.

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"Higher, ever higher." ~George Chavez



# Spend An Afternoon with The Storyteller

Saturday, September 22nd at 1:30 pm

Paul Berge
Author of Bootleg Skies and Inside the Circle
will be reading
"The Hangar"

an original short story at the lowa Aviation Museum 2251 Airport Road~Greenfield lowa Refreshments served (cont. from page 6) of his experience as a missionary pilot, he knew what worked and what didn't, flying in and out of jungle areas.

So Evangel #6, flown for years as a cargo plane for Pacific Missionary Aviation and a wonderful piece of lowa's aviation history, has found its way home. It is currently here awaiting restoration, soon to be a part of the lowa Aviation Museum's collection.

Stay "tuned" for future updates.





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Those of you traveling in southwest lowa recently may have noticed the museum's new highway signs, made possible by grants from **Empowering Adair County Foundation** and **CIPCO.** New interstate signs are next.

Left~The Evangel returns to Iowa. Bottom left~Evangel donor Jed Keck and museum director Lee Ann Nelson. Below~Alice and Carl Mortenson.





## QUARTERLY PUBLICATION OF THE IOWA AVIATION MUSEUM

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#### **Museum Hours**

Monday thru' Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday~1-5 p.m.

## Admission Prices Adults ~ \$5.50

55 & older ~ \$3.50 Children (5 to 12) ~ \$2.50 Members & Children (4 & under)~ FREE



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