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**HAS ACQUIRES B-8M  
AUTOGYRO AND LONG EZ  
FROM OHIO HISTORICAL  
SOCIETY** see page 2

## RE-UP NOW !

Attention!!  
**ARE YOU ONE WHO  
FORGOT TO PAY YOUR  
DUES? RE-UP NOW!!**  
see page two for details

## EAA-443 MOVES TO HAS HANGAR

At the February membership meeting the members voted to accept EAA-443 move to our hangar. They will donate HAS \$100 per month to have their meetings here and to maintain a desk and file cabinet in the office. This should be a win-win cooperation between the two groups. Welcome aboard 443!!

**DOOLITTLE TOKYO RAID-  
ERS REUNION COMING!!!**  
DON'T MISS IT.....see page 3

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## NEWS FROM THE PRESIDENT

Volunteers traveled to Port Columbus and transported an experimental Long-EZ and Bensen Gyrocopter to the HAS hangar as we took possession of the two craft. See details on page 3. Jim Baldwin will head up the Long EZ project as project manager. During the March membership meeting it was determined that Jim would develop a standard operating procedure (SOP) for the Bensen autogyro. This will define who and what requirements are needed to assure correct operations of the Bensen.

Tom Palmer has collected money from some members to purchase more fold up chairs for the squadron. Steve Slater donated several tapes about flying to our library. It was agreed to accept EAA-443 to have an office in our hangar. This is rented space. Pat volunteered to help as the FBO to help out the airport while one of these employees attends college. Jack Ference reminded us of the May 15th annual Open House. We'll be flying the B-26 (A-26) during the Open House. Jim Burgess is heading up new operations of the PX.

Another issue discussed at the March meeting was establishment of a fair and equal policy for members to meet to have their aircraft located in the hangar. A discount for such aircraft should include consideration of whether it is a military aircraft and owned by an HAS member.

The Columbus Dispatch did a story on the Long EZ during March.

Volunteers are signing up so that we can have the museum open five days a week and meet requirements for a public museum. Please help us out.

SOP for a team designated for the movement of aircraft has been established. Only this team can move aircraft.

To date we have 89 paid members. This is up by 18 members over last year. This always requires all members to help remind our unpaid members.  
*-thanks to all from the president*

**WE'RE GROWING AND  
NEED YOUR HELP!!**

# HAS NEWS

## NEW ACQUISITIONS TO HISTORICAL AIRCRAFT SQUADRON

There is excitement at the hangar. Thanks to the efforts of Pat Ferguson, we have acquired ownership of a Long EZ (designed by Burt Rutan) built by students of the Hamilton local high school industrial arts class under supervision of teacher Bill Newnham. Donated to the school by Capt. Baxter Burton and later donated by the school to the Ohio History of Flight museum at Port Columbus. Eventually the Ohio Historical Society took possession and then donated it to the HAS museum. It will be repainted to match one which the USAF used for research. It will need engine repair or replacement.

Additionally the Historical Society also donated to HAS a Bensen B-8M single-seat autogyro developed by the USAF in the 1950s. It will be repainted to match the Air Force markings. It is fully operational. Between 1967 and June 1968 it set twelve world and US speed, distance and altitude records for autogyros, the largest number of such records held by any non-military



Long EZ in HAS hangar.

rotocraft. Stop by and see these new aircraft at the hangar.

### Long EZ engine

Bringing the Long EZ up to it's Air Force paint scheme is easily do-able. But we need a Lycoming 0235 engine to make it fully operational and that's where some creative effort comes into play. Do you have ideas as to where

we can get an engine and if so is there one out there that may be donated to us. We are following leads to such possibilities. HAS has always been an organization that finds a way to get things done. Let's work on this one. Money need not be an obstacle only a bump in the road. See page 3 for more on the EZ and Bensen.

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**MEETINGS**-Open board meet follows the membership meeting on 3rd Saturday (11:00am) of each month at hangar. DON'T MISS THEM!!!

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### DUES NOTICE.....

As of January '09 your dues are now due. NOW DUE... \$40.00

Family membership is.....\$50.00

If you'd like to continue to receive the newsletter and be a member of the Squadron, please send your check or money order made payable to "Historical Aircraft Squadron, Inc.:" to our post office box address. That address is:

PO Box 156, Carroll, OH 43112  
**Diane McDaniel**, Membership chair.

Thanks for your continued support.  
*NOTE: without paid dues the newsletter will not continue to you.*

## 20 B-25 MITCHELLS FLYING IN FOR REUNION AT THE AIR FORCE MUSEUM



DeLay photo

The reunion (**April 16th thru 18th, 2010**) will include a free public autograph session and memorial service at the museum. In addition, a free public concert honoring the Raiders will take place at Wright State University (located only 3 miles from the museum). Of the eight living Doolittle Tokyo Raiders, five are currently able to travel and they plan to be on hand for the reunion events.

Additionally, plans are underway to fly in and land over 20 B-25 Mitchell bombers on the runway behind the museum. This aviation event will be the largest gathering of B-25s since WW II. This is the 68th reunion of the Doolittle Tokyo Raiders and could possibly be the last time we have an opportunity to meet these men. Their story is a fascinating part of American history. For more info contact: National Museum of the U.S. Air Force phone 937-904-9881 or e-mail: [nationalmuseum.usaf@wpafb.af.mil](mailto:nationalmuseum.usaf@wpafb.af.mil)

### DONATIONS FOR STINSON 10A

We are nearing completion of the restoration of our Stinson 10A. Wings, tail and control surfaces have all been covered. Airframe is ready to be covered and cockpit is almost complete. When finished, this will be HAS's only flyable aircraft.

Several members have contributed time, material and money, but there is still more work and expenses needed to get it flying. One of the biggest expenses remaining is the engine. We estimate that to complete the overhaul will cost approximately \$5,000.

We need everyone's help! Please send in a tax deductible, DONATION and be sure to state that the money is for the 10A restoration. This money will be used only for that project. Whoever donates will be eligible to fly in the plane when completed. Qualified pilots who want to fly the plane will be required to be a sponsor for a minimum fee of \$1,000.

Mail donations to: The Historical Aircraft Squadron, Inc.  
P.O. Box 156  
Carroll, OH 43112



above-Our B-26 coming in for landing with the sunset in the west.

photo by Greg Morehead



### MEETING PHOTOS

The February and March meetings involved many activities and are reported through out this newsletter. If you haven't been to a meeting lately, come on by and see what's going on. HAS is on the move and we need all member's support to raise the bar and keep growing. Above are photos from the meetings.



# ATTENTION

**May 15** Open House 8am 2pm (hopefully the B-26 will fly then)

**May 3rd to 13th** Lancaster 2nd grades visit H.A.S..

**August 2** Carroll Historical Society tour and speaker

**May 1** Lancaster High School prom

**June 13** Special Wish Kids- sponsored by EAA 443 food and flights for Young Eagles

**PLEASE COME AND HELP OUT**

**MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS** are third Saturdays at 11 am **WELCOME ALL NEW MEMBERS**

**TO DATE 53 MEMBERS ARE NOT PAID UP. THIS NEWSLETTER WILL NOT BE MAILED TO THEM.**

**It's time to RE-UP and pay your dues. Single membership is still only \$40 and your spouse can be included to a total of \$50 for both of you.**

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