



AIR AMERICA FOUNDATION

THE Provider Weekly



Greetings everyone! Once again I have lapsed into being late and yikes, nonexistent with the provider. My apologies to you all. We really have been slow so far this summer in getting much done on the plane, however we have been accomplishing much on the foundation itself.

A couple of weeks ago we got a few things accomplished. We managed to check all the air pressures on the plane's tires, the Buda tug, and the Caribou's trailer as well. All were filled to specifications. We also put a couple of additional straps on the plane as we are now in hurricane season once again. We don't need her blowing away.

Another huge task that we managed to get handled was the consolidation of our storage locker. Thanks to Denis, Cal, Brad, Josh (the new kid) Ed B. and yours truly, we were able to organize the storage locker to be able to fit more in. You would be surprised just how much room an R2800 takes up when it is completely disassembled.

This was a huge task. Aircraft aluminum is pretty light until you start amassing several hundred pounds of it. It took four of us just to lift the box that the crankshaft is in.

But it is another item off the to do list! We love marking things off the to do list.

We are also accomplishing much on the foundation itself. Since it is hard to see just what is being done on the foundation, I will give you all a brief synopsis.

I am happy to say that the Air America Foundation is completely solvent. I believe we are more organized now than ever and all records are up to date.

Items that are in hand and current include

- ~ 501 (c) 3 status
- ~ Financial statements & 990's
- ~ Aircraft liability insurance

Other items include...

- ~ All documents organized
- ~ Membership in Titusville Chamber of Commerce
- ~ Seven member board of directors
- ~ New provider layout
- ~ New website and facebook page

Items in progress...

- ~ New brochures
- ~ Membership program rework
- ~ Display options for artifacts

And, there is more on the horizon.

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What's

NEW This

Week

- ◆ Message from the editor
- ◆ CAT Calander
- ◆ Work update
- ◆ Storage locker clean out
- ◆ Flickr link
- ◆ Foundation updates
- ◆ General nonsense

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is a 501 (c) 3 organization.*



So, you can see that we are actively working on things even though updates have been slack and progress on the aircraft has been slow due to manpower and heat issues.

We welcome everyone's interest and support. We are still in need of some volunteers, so if you are free, stop on out. Perhaps you can talk about the foundation and the aircraft to some friends who might be interested. There are jobs for all skill levels and abilities.

I would like to take a moment to say thanks to the local Air America veterans who meet each Saturday, for their contributions in memory of Josh Eiting. Josh really enjoyed talking to and hanging out with all of you.

A note of get well to Judy P. We heard she was under the weather and not feeling well. Judy, we hope you are on the mend!

This past Saturday the 9th of July, work continued. We are still working on the rebuild of the prop hoist. Denis is almost done with the wiring and we are getting ready to machine some new connector pins as many of the structural pins have been lost over the years. The unit is just not safe to use until these are replaced.

Once we can get the unit working, the next step will be to rebuild the brakes so we can actually control any load we put on it.

Again we had most of the usual crew with us. Brad, Cal, Denis and we were pleased to have Rod down from Georgia to hang out and get dirty with us for the day. Rod came down to see the last launch of the Space Shuttle. Atlantis launched on Friday on her final mission to the International Space Station.

Since I have been a serious slacker on getting the provider out, I will try to make this one a bit fatter than usual. I have included lots of cool scans and a few photos as well.

We are continuing to meet each Saturday and get some work done and then have lunch. We might take a grill and do some cooking at the plane instead of going to the restaurant. This could be a lot fun.

Stop on out to chat or just hang around. We get there between 9:30 and 10 am. We enjoy visitors and love to talk airplanes.

Hopefully someday we will have our own museum where we can have everything displayed and folks can come hang out and visit. It sure would be nice.

Historically Yours,

A quick note on photos

If you would like to send photos to me for inclusion in the "Provider Weekly", it is easier if you send them as a jpeg file as an attachment.

If they are in an email, I have to save each one separately into a word document with one photo per page. Then I have to print that document as a .PDF file and then import that file into photoshop. The last one I did was 20 pages.

Then, I have to open each photo, crop, size, and just and save to a directory. It takes considerable time and effort to do this. If you send them as .jpg files, all I have to do is download them and insert them into my newsletter.

I understand this is not always feasible to do, but if you can send them this way, it would help me out a great deal.

Thanks!!



Air America stuff online to check out!

http://www.flickr.com/photos/ed_kindle/sets/72157624712147513/



**Got an idea?
Let us know!**

**Got a question?
Ask us!**



Storage clean out day!



Yours truly checking out old signs and helping to decide what can get chucked out.



Cal checks out our small air compressor



Thanks to Cal, Denis, Brad,
Joshua, & Ed B.

The final result!
Looks great!

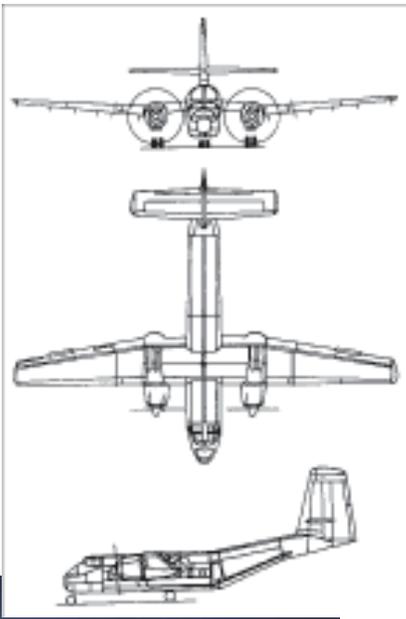


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Remember the Air America Foundation is a 501 (c) 3 organization and all donations are tax deductible to the fullest extent of the law.



Don't forget the new website. Any photos that I publish to the newsletter or flickr can be accessed through the website.
www.airamfoundation.org