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**Hours:**

Monday - Friday: CLOSED  
Saturday & Sunday: 10AM-3PM  
Group and Private Tours  
Available by Appointment

**Board of Directors:**

Mike Lumen - President  
Hank Winkler - VP/Curator  
Bill Roth - Treasurer  
Steve Ports - Secretary  
Ken Kwiatkowski - Mktg/FundRaise  
Ray Hicks - Membership, Newsletter  
Chuck Newell - Restoration  
Bob Gluchman - Restoration  
Steve Bartkowski - Director

**Next Board Meeting:**

October 23, 2021, 8:00 AM

**Bell UH-1H "Huey" Helicopter**

The museum's UH-1H helicopters are multipurpose utility aircraft, famous for this service during the Vietnam War. Originally designated "Iroquois" by the U.S. Army, the aircraft acquired the nickname "Huey" because of its original HU-1 (Helicopter, Utility-1) military description. Used primarily

as troop transports, the "Huey" was also used in medical evacuation, cargo resupply, and aerial gunship roles. The museum's two aircraft are both Vietnam veterans; #16265 flew 1,375 hours from October 1969 to June 1971. Aircraft #16215 flew 874 hours from October 1969 to April 1971. Both are available for visitors to climb aboard and experience these articles of American history.



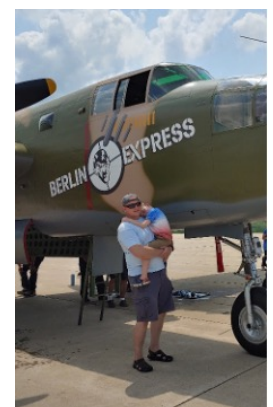
**New Exhibits Coming Soon**

This October, a group of aviation maintenance students and staff from Lewis University will be working to reassemble the A-4M Skyhawk II and the A-7E Corsair that are staged behind the museum. Plans are being made to assemble the Douglass F3D Skyknight in 2022. Once complete, the aircraft are going to need work to make them display worthy, so watch for opportunities to volunteer next year!

**EAA'S Warbird Squadron**

During the weekend of July 16th, EAA's Warbird Squadron 4 shared its B-25 Mitchell with the public at Aurora Municipal Airport. Air Classics Museum was in attendance all 3 days - Steve Ports did a great job raising funds and promoting the museum.

Museum member Martin Kosik and son Luca, visiting the *Berlin Express*



**Museum Activity**

Tour groups and general museum attendance have been strong this year, with several record-setting weekends. Gift Shop sales have also been strong, with toys and models flying off the shelves! The 2021 season will undoubtedly continue to be one of our best.

**New Museum Pins and Patches**

The museum is in the process of acquiring new museum pins and patches to sell in the gift shop. All current and new members will receive a pin with their membership donation. Our new swag will be made in the USA and should be available early November.

**COVID-19 Relief for ACM**

Air Classics Museum is continuing to observe the latest guidance from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and Illinois health professionals. Volunteers and visitors, even those who have been fully vaccinated, are **required to wear masks** while at the museum and observe social distancing protocols. Thank you for your cooperation.

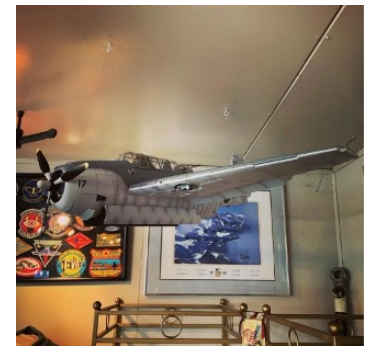
**Volunteer Opportunities**

There are numerous opportunities to help out around the museum. Contact Hank Winkler [hwinkler@airclassicsmuseum.org](mailto:hwinkler@airclassicsmuseum.org)



**Naval Aviation Exhibit Update**

Over the past several months, Ray Hicks has added several new displays to the Naval Aviation section of the museum. 1/18 scale replicas of the TBM-3 Avenger and SBD Dauntless are now displayed in flight mode above the exhibit and 1/48 scale replicas of all four aircraft types comprising the USS Franklin (CV-13) air group have been added to the display. In total, 125 hours were spent on the upgraded exhibit.



**We Want YOU To Be A Member**

We are actively seeking new members and encouraging all our current/past members to renew their memberships. There's never been a better time to become a Life Member!! Membership includes free Air Classics Pin, water bottle, unlimited free admission to the museum, 10% gift shop discount, access to museum library, and volunteer opportunities. Life Members also receive a 25% discount in the museum gift shop and after-hours rental of museum or its camping/picnic area. Current Annual and Life membership rates are as follows:



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| <b>Student:</b> | <b>\$15</b> | <b>Individual:</b> | <b>\$40</b>  |
| <b>Family:</b>  | <b>\$50</b> | <b>Life:</b>       | <b>\$350</b> |



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