



# SPEED'S NEWS



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**SPEED HOLMAN CHAPTER-54**  
ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA

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## CHAPTER 54 TOURS CONFEDERATE AIR FORCE

A small turnout of Chapter 54 members toured the Confederate Air Force's hanger at Fleming Field last Saturday. Members had a chance to inspect the Confederate Air Force's B-25, which is still in the restoration process. This particular B-25 was involved in a number of combat missions over Germany. Chapter members were shown photographs of the plane's crews. Restoration must be a tedious process because I was a lineboy at Fleming about twenty years ago and they were working on the B-25 back then.

## APRIL MIDNORTH CANCELLED DUE TO WAR

Our tour of the Minneapolis tower has fallen victim to Operation Desert Storm. Security precautions has required the FAA to suspend public tours of its facilities.

## CHAPTER BANQUET

Former Chapter 54 President, and current EAA education Director Chuck Larson will be in attendance at our 21st annual banquet, scheduled for Saturday, March 23rd. Details are in the attached flyer.

## UPCOMING MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Gene Frank will bring his RV-6 plans to the February meeting. Roger Westerberg will discuss how you can set an officially recognized speed record to Oshkosh. Items to discuss include next summer's Air Adventure Day, and the Oshkosh work party in May. February's meeting will be Monday, February 11, at 7:30 pm.

## ALSO NOTED

Gene Frank's RV-6 fuselage is scheduled to be shipped February 15th. Roger Westerberg reports he flew his Cassut for the first time in a couple of months, flying down to Rosemount and up to Taylors Falls. He says traffic was very heavy and 122.8 was solid talk.

January 25, 1991

Mr. Mark Wilson  
3688 Cardinal Way  
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Mr. Wilson:

The Kalamazoo Aviation History Museum is presently collecting parts to reconstruct a historically significant and rare aircraft, the CG-4A Waco glider. This craft is most noted for delivering troops during the Normandy Invasion, but was used in numerous other actions in both Europe and S. E. Asia.

In collecting various components, the Museum has acquired many duplicates and, of course, does not quite have all that it needs to begin the project. The Museum would like to sell or trade the extra parts which it has for those which it needs.


In its search, the Museum has acquired the remains of a glider factory and thus has a multitude of ribs, bench pieces, door jams, eys, and miscellaneous wood.

It also has an extra set of brand new tires and wheels and new steering wheels. A rusted, but usable front section (nose and app. 1/3 of the forward fuselage) is also available as well as other fuselage parts...portions of a middle section and part of a tail section. Access to main spars may also be possible.

To begin work on the aircraft, the Museum would like to obtain a set of wings. If they are not available, it would at least like to get leading and trailing edge ribs.

If you could, through your newsletter, let your EAA Chapter know the items which are needed by the "Air Zoo" and those which are available for trade or sale, it could help us in our quest. If any information is forthcoming, please contact the Museum Executive Director, Robert Ellis, at the address below or at (616) 382-6555.

Sincerely,

  
Gerard Pahl  
Education Department

21ST ANNUAL BANQUET  
EAA CHAPTER 54  
SATURDAY, MARCH 23, 1991

HAFNER'S RESTAURANT  
1560 WHITE BEAR AVENUE  
SAINT PAUL

COCKTAILS..... 6:00 - 7:00  
DINNER..... 7:00 -----

*Chuck Larson  
Diane will be  
there, too!*

PRESENTATIONS - AWARDS - SPEAKER - FILM

MENU SELECTIONS..... PRIME RIB  
BROILED WALLEYE  
CHICKEN KIEV

\$20.00 - PER PERSON

(ENTERTAINMENT IN THE BISTRO FOLLOWING THE BANQUET)

DETACH AND RETURN

YES, I WILL BE THERE FOR THE 21ST ANNUAL CHAPTER 54 BANQUET

RESERVATIONS TO ROSEMARY FRANK - 228-5246 (WORK)  
451-8187 (HOME)

DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS: MARCH 13TH

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ FOOD CHOICE \_\_\_\_\_

GUEST \_\_\_\_\_ FOOD CHOICE \_\_\_\_\_

AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

WILL PAY AT THE DOOR \_\_\_\_\_