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**Dispatch from Capt. Bob**



*Robert A. Oehl, Executive Director*

This is the first newsletter of Wings of Dreams Inc., a nonprofit corporation with a 501(c)(3) application pending. The primary mission of our organization is to first establish and operate a warbird restoration center; then through an aggressive fundraising and sponsorship program, create a flying warbird and vintage aircraft museum and an aerospace education center.

The business plan calls for a phased development, starting with the construction of a warbird restoration facility at the end of Runway 5 at Keystone Airport, slated to begin by the end of 2008. Two additional hangars to house warbirds and exhibits will be constructed adjacent to the warbird restoration center. The Directors have recently signed a lease agreement with the Keystone Airpark Authority.

Outdoor static displays, a children's park with aviation and historical

themes, and public recreation areas are also planned for this site.

Wings of Dreams will sponsor various special events, including air shows, youth aerospace education camps and eventually World War II Reenactments at the airport.

We will once again host the Collings Foundation Wings of Freedom Tour on February 22, 23, 24 and 25, 2008. Mark your calendars! The Foundation will fly into Keystone Airport with the B-17 Flying Fortress, B-24 Liberator and B-25 Mitchell. Tours and rides in these aircraft are available. For information on reserving a ride on one of these WW-II bombers, contact the Collings Foundation, 1-800-568-8924.



Van Nuys Airport (VNY) in California's San Fernando Valley offers a "Public Observation Area" at the airport, featuring historical and informational exhibits, picnic benches and a children's aerospace education activity area. Wings of Dreams will model its "Flight Magic Discovery Park" after this concept at Keystone Airport to encourage community awareness and support of Keystone Airport and participation in Wings of Dreams museum activities and development.

We are honored that the Combat Airmen of WWII (who also call themselves the "Decrepit Birdmen!") have agreed to join us, setting up displays with their war diaries, photos and wartime memorabilia, and sharing war stories with the public. These are stories that need to be heard and remembered by present and future generations. This is one of the main missions of our museum effort ... telling the story of what these brave Americans did in World War II (and later conflicts) and why. Make it a point to meet all the veterans and thank them for their service and for helping protect our freedom and homeland. ➔

*Bob Oehl, Executive Director, is continuing his efforts to network with warbird industry leaders. This summer he added an important type rating to his pilot's license by qualifying in the North American B-25 Mitchell bomber. For the past two years, Bob has volunteered to go on tour to many destinations across the nation with the Wings of Freedom Tour, flying the Collings Foundation's B-25 "Tondelayo."*



**Wings of Dreams is a 2006 Wolf Aviation Fund Grant Recipient**



**AIRCRAFT RAFFLE**  
First Major Fundraiser for  
Wings of Dreams



Diamond DA-40 XLS  
158 knots @ 10 gph  
G 1000 glass cockpit  
GFC 700 Autopilot  
Best safety record in the industry

Our first major fundraising project will be the raffle of a Diamond Aircraft DA-40 XLS aircraft. This is made possible through cooperation with representatives of Premier Aircraft, regional distributor of Diamond Aircraft.

The DA-40 XLS is the newest, safest 4-seat/cross-country "speedster" available today. It will come loaded with high-tech features, such as the Garmin G-1000 glass cockpit, up-linked weather, terrain warning and the integrated GFC-700 autopilot.

This aircraft has a \$330,000+ value. This is your chance to win this exciting airplane by purchasing one or more raffle tickets priced at \$100 per ticket. Only 5000 tickets will be sold.

All proceeds will benefit Wings of Dreams and go directly into the building fund for the warbird restoration facility at Keystone Airport.

Check out a "real-life" Diamond DA-40 XL at Express Air Flight School, Keystone Airport. Demo rides are available. Contact Bob Oehl (352-219-2285) for more information about the DA-40 XLS Raffle. ✈

**WINGS OF FREEDOM  
TOUR RETURNS!**

February 22, 23, 24 & 25, 2008  
Keystone Airport

*"These aircraft stand as tributes to their crews and fly on as living history to enlighten future generations."*



- Reserve your flight today -

Give yourself or a loved one a once-in-a-lifetime flight on one of these historic WWII bombers that will be visiting Keystone Airport.

This flight experience would make the most memorable holiday gift!

To reserve a "flight experience" slot, contact the Collings Foundation, 1-800-568-8924

For more information, go to their website:  
[www.collingsfoundation.org](http://www.collingsfoundation.org)  
or call Bob Oehl, B-25 Captain, at 352-219-2285

**Wanted!**

Information, photos & stories about Keystone Airport during the war years when it was established as a WWII Army Air Corps Air Base.

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**Help preserve the legacy of pioneer aviators and courageous air combat veterans and explore the colorful chapters of aviation history.**

**Join our effort to create the Wings of Dreams Aviation Museum at the historic Keystone Airpark, former WWII US Army Air Corps Air Base.**

**Patrons, volunteers, donors and veterans oral history needed!**

**For more information on how you can participate, contact:**

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