

THE AIRSHIP



Navy Lakehurst Historical Society - P.O. Box 328 - Lakehurst, NJ 08733 <http://www.nlhs.com>

February 2021

Dear Members,

1. Due to the recent spike in Covid-19 cases our NLHS Heritage Center still remains closed for general public tours. We were hoping to reopen in early 2021. However, due to the current Covid-19 situation, that remains doubtful. All of our displays and artifacts are being well maintained. Please check our website www.NLHS.com for updates. Thank you for your patience and understanding during this trying time.
2. Dues notices were recently mailed, a sincere thank you to the many members who have renewed their memberships. If you have not renewed, your prompt response and renewal will be appreciated.
3. NLHS is still accepting voluntary donations to help NLHS meet our operational expenses. A sincere thank you to our members, friends, and private organizations for your support and generous donations. If you are able to make a voluntary contribution, please make your check payable to NLHS and mail to NLHS, PO Box 328, Lakehurst, NJ 08733
4. Remember a loved one with a memorial plaque Wall of Honor gift. See the next page for details.
5. The following were elected on January 13, 2021.

President	Carl Jablonski	2 Year Term
2nd Vice President	Rick Zitarosa	2 Year Term
Trustee	Susan Koller	2 Year Term
Trustee	Connie Fahim	2 Year Term
Trustee	Kevin Pace	2 Year Term
Trustee	Peter Larkin	1 Year Term
Trustee	Thomas Kunz	1 Year Term
Trustee	Lauren Rowek	1 Year Term
6. Jennifer Suwak was appointed to the position of Corresponding Secretary.
7. I am honored to continue to serve as your President and to have the dedicated and talented assembly of Officers and Trustees who will guide NLHS during these trying times on board.
8. NLHS Welcomes Col. Jon Brierton, US Army to JBMDL. Col. Brierton is the Army Commanding Officer and also serves as a Deputy Commander of JBMDL. NLHS is looking forward to working with you.



Navy Lakehurst Historical Society, INC

Preserving the Heritage of Naval Air Station Lakehurst
A New Jersey Non-Profit Corp.

The Navy Lakehurst Historical Society would like to offer our members and the general public, the opportunity to memorialize a loved ones service to our county with a permanent brass nameplate. These plates will be mounted on the wall of the museum, midway between the floor and the ceiling. Each nameplate will be seen by visitors who come to the museum each year. It is a wonderful, yet inexpensive way, to insure your family member will be remembered in a setting befitting their service to our state and to the nation.

The donation cost of each brass plate is only \$50.00. Even this minimal cost is offset by the fact the museum is a 501-C(3) non-profit, enabling you to deduct the full cost when you file your income taxes.

Your donation serves two purposes. First and most important, it serves to memorialize a family member who served this country in peacetime or in war. It also allows the museum to continue to grow and expand, insuring tomorrow's youth learn what the price of freedom is and WHO paid it.

Below are some samples of what can be put on the memorial plate:

Sgt. John Smith US Army Co. A 12 th Inf Rgt 5 th Inf Div European Theater – WWII	Maj. John Smith USAF – USAF Res 30 th Tac Ftr Sq 354 th Tac Ftr Wg Cold War	Capt. John Smith USAAF 705 th BMS 384 th BMB GRP Pacific Theatre – WWII
Cpl John Smith USMC 5 th Bn 7 th Marines Korean War	S/Sgt. John Smith USAF Air Nat Guard 132 nd FIS 101 st FIW Vietnam War	CPO Mary Smith US Navy USS IOWA Cold War

Please fill out the exact wording you'd like on the memorial plate. (Please PRINT)

Name, rank & branch of service:
Unit Identification:
Time or area of service

To place an order mail your completed order form and payment to:
 NLHS PO Box 328 Lakehurst, NJ 08733
 ATTN: Memorial

9. We are expecting to hold a meeting for Officers & Trustees and General Membership on Saturday, March 20, 2021, at 10:00 AM at the Cathedral of the Air, Route 547. Chapel is off base, no pass needed. As per Base & Covid-19 policy, masks must be worn, and there will be social distancing.
10. Due to Covid-19, this years 4 Chaplains Remembrance jointly sponsored by JBMDL and American Legion Post 129 was canceled.
11. A special thank you to Elizabeth Rossell for her many years of dedicated service to NLHS serving as a trustee and PAO.
12. Rodger Jordan, Peter Larkin, Joe Ciaburri, Jim Tornetta, Sherman Barton, continue to do volunteer restoration on the F14 and F8 Crusader and an occasional US Army Copter.
13. A special welcome aboard to our 2 newly elected trustees, Connie Fahim and Lauren Rowek, and our newly appointed Corresponding Secretary, Jennifer Suwak. Your president looks forward to working with you and all of our Officers and Trustees as NLHS continues to move forward during these trying times.

Keep Well and Safe.
Your President,
Carl Jablonski

The NLHS depends on the Strength of Our Membership!

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Black F-14 Move

On Friday, January 22nd, 2021 the long awaited move of the black F-14 to Hangar 1, which was located on the grounds outside of Building 372, was accomplished.

The move was accomplished by the NLHS aircraft restoration team- Rodger Jordan, Joe Ciaburri, Jim Tornetta, Sherman Barton and Peter Larkin along with the outstanding base Riggers staff - Jordan Larkin, Travis Pippin, Bruce Persons, John Kenney, Matthew Morris and Charles Smedile.



Responsibility for the Ready Room is Ron Montgomery-Vice President.

The move required the temporary removal of a light pole, adding air to the tires, and the removal of the chain tie-downs.

After hooking up the toe bar to the front wheels, the plane was pulled on the mostly frozen turf, angled thru some trees and then onto the roadway to Hangar 1 for restoration.

While most of the restoration will not start until the spring and the weather is warmer-Hangar 1 does not have any heat.

For now, some prep work can be done, given how cold it is inside Hangar 1.

The NLHS aircraft restoration staff has restored:

- F-4D (completed 4/12);
- F-14A (completed 10/15);
- Blue Angel-F11 Tiger
(completed 6/16);
- A-7B Corsair II
(completed 11/17);
- A4 (completed 11/18);
- UH1H Huey Helicopter
(completed 11/19)

Aircraft currently in restoration inside Hangar 1:

- F8U1
- F-14



NLHS President Carl Jablonski oversee all Heritage Center Operations, and coordinates Aircraft Restoration with Nav Air and JBMDL leadership.



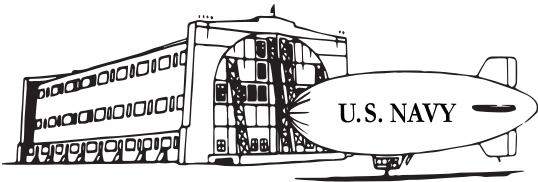
Black F-14



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Hindenburg D-LZ129



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The title "THE AIRSHIP" is rendered in a large, bold, blocky font. The word "THE" is on the left, "AIRSHIP" is on the right, and a detailed illustration of a blimp is positioned between them, appearing to fly through the letters. The background of the title area has a horizontal striped pattern.

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