



**Cypress water tank
(made by Mike Leister)
installed in the Windmill tower**

Jonathon installed the pump rod, etc. plus the aluminum roof that John had made. This fulfills the dream of Jim Sypherd, who eleven years ago, along with John Williamson, erected the windmill and tower that Jim had restored.

In July we held the 2nd annual Summer Aeronautical Engineering Course to introduce high school students to aviation. Don Hooker organizes the week's courses which are conducted by Massey Air Museum members: Bob Dierker, Larry Folsom, Don Hooker, Tom Mellies, Nick Mirales, Joe Moltz, Tony Saienni & John Williamson. Each student also got two airplane flights and one glider flight.

Long time friend of Massey Aerodrome, Katherine (Kate) Macario passed away on September 6th. Kate regularly flew to our fly-ins in her Cessna 195 and will be missed. She was a pioneer with the 99's.

In October we received new low-profile white marker cones from Maryland Aviation Admin.

Everyone agrees they are highly visible especially compared to the old style orange cones.

In the Fall, the Aviation Systems Engineering Co. (ASEC) twice conducted Drone Testing here with a Navion drop plane - interesting to watch. (Google: Lockblade drones)

Massey partner and good friend, Don Sloan, was inducted into The Delaware Aviation Hall of Fame at their annual banquet this November. Don is a U.S. Air Force Academy graduate, retiring after 33 years service. He has accumulated over 16,500 hours. The long time President of Dover's Air Mobility Command Museum Foundation, Don has generously flown hundreds of enthusiastic aviators, pilots and non-pilots, youngsters and "oldsters", WWII, Korean and Vietnam war veterans. https://www.dahf.org/2019_Sloan.html



Don Sloan at home in the cockpit N747RB

On Dec. 13, 14 & 15, Boy Scout Troop 22 (Elkton, MD) camped out at Massey (14 scouts & 4 leaders/parents) to work on the Aviation Merit Badge. Gavin Giddings (Naval Academy, A-6s off carriers, airline pilot) & Duane Brown (over 40,000 hours in helos & fixed wing) spoke about their careers in aviation.

Our local aviation fuel supplier got out of the business, forcing us to install a larger capacity fuel tank to accommodate splitting partial tractor trailer loads. This will allow

the Massey Air Museum to continue to offer fuel to our members. We hope the price may even decrease when buying greater quantities (the fuel tank

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1940 WACO UPF-7 NC3015 of Austin Shartle (Fredericksburg, PA) at Massey Chili Fiesta Fly-In taxiing out.

may be installed by the time you receive this newsletter).

2019 Events:

May 11 | 17th Chili Fiesta Fly-In

Mostly Cloudy, 70°, very comfortable, heavy rain the night before (and next 2 days) but the field was good. 70 guest planes including 2 WACOs & 2 Stearman - This is why we do it! Joe Flood & Sons (Franklinville, NJ), flew in a 3 plane gaggle, duplicating their Oshkosh flight: *1939 Aeronca Chief 65-C NC23927; Giles Henderson's aerobatic Clip Wing Cub show plane N6620H, featured in the EAA Vintage magazine article May/June 2019 and *N78555 1947 PIPER PA-12 Cruiser (*Both restored by Joe Flood). Austin & Kathleen Shartle (Fredericksburg, PA) also brought a magnificent family trio: NC3015 1940 WACO UPF-7, N17RB 1946 Piper J-3 Clip Wing "Cub with Attitude" and N87910 1946 Piper L-4A "Grasshopper." Daniel Wilkins (Portland, PA) brought his beautiful black & orange WACO UPF-7. A surprising visitor was the RV-8 aerobatic show plane #2 of the Redline Air Shows Team from Cincinnati, OH flown by Shaun Roessner. The 2 plane

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