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The Newsletter of the Carolinas Historic Aviation Commission

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## USAir Flt.1549 COMING TO CHARLOTTE

*Edited By Claude Sanford*

Maybe a little late but US Airways Flight 1549 will make it to Charlotte after all.

The plane, which splash-landed in the Hudson River two years ago, is soon to be bound for the Carolinas Aviation Museum in Charlotte, says the museum's president, Shawn Dorsch. Without wings or tail attached, this trip will be without crew or passengers and will be by highway carried on about six special trailers.

For those that do not remember this event, the plane with Capt. Chesley B. Sullenberger at the controls took off from La Guardia Airport for a two-hour flight to Charlotte on Jan. 15, 2009. Minutes later, after striking a flock of geese that knocked out both of its engines and unable to return to La Guardia, Sullenberger landed it in the frigid Hudson River. Miraculously all 155 of its passengers and crew members were rescued by the prompt response of tugboats, ferryboats, and other rescue teams.

The plane was fished out of the water and hauled to a warehouse in Kearny, N.J. where it was examined by FAA crash teams. After they finished their investigation it was placed on the auction block by the insurance company but had no takers. It has been there for over two years.



Mr. Dorsch

Photos by  
Shawn Dorsch  
On recent visit to  
the New Jersey  
warehouse



Now, Mr. Dorsch says he is in the very final stages of negotiations to acquire the plane and its parts from Chartis, the company that insured the plane for US Airways. One of the museum's supporters, Mark C. Brickell, a Wall Street banker who lives in Manhattan, said the museum would have to cover the cost of transporting the fuselage and other pieces to Charlotte and reassembling them. It's an expensive proposition, and it requires a lot of support,

Other museums decided that it was not presentable for a museum. Mr. Dorsch thinks otherwise and stated "This is a tremendous artifact," The Coke cans are still in the serving cart, the manuals are still in the cockpit. It has the dent from the tugboat and the dents from the birds. All of that is part of the story."

Plans are being made to move the plane to Charlotte by early summer 2011. The intent is to invite museum visitors to watch the building of the exhibit. This would take place over a period of months. Capt. Sullenberger has already sent the uniform he wore on the last flight to be included in the exhibit.

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## HANGER NOTES

Dottie Evans reports that during the month of December, 40 Volunteers gave 1634 hours of their time for an average of 41 +/- hours each.

Dottie also reported attendance for December as 821 visitors.

## BOOK REPORT

By Steve West

### North Star Over My Shoulder (#27.576)

By Bob Buck

The author, Bob Buck, is a pilot who started flying DC-2s and DC-3s at the beginning of his airline days, and when he retired he flew 747s from the US to Paris. As a pilot he taught himself to do instrument flying and to understand weather. He writes in the book "flying is weather and weather is flying." Weather was especially important as the early airliners were not pressurized and thus, could not fly high enough to avoid the storms and unpredictable weather patterns. He explains how the effect of headwinds in the DC-3 made the difference in fuel consumption and whether a long distance flight could be made. His descriptions of the early airports and trying to land at night or in bad weather makes one appreciate what skills the early pilots had to develop

During World War II he was part of an experimental team flying a converted B-17 bomber to test the affect of static electricity on radio communications. Unlike his other flying, here they tried to fly in bad weather to increase the chance of static electricity buildup on the B-17. This took him all over North America. His description of flying in snow and rain and the buildup of ice on the wings and propellers and the steps needed to combat these conditions makes one realize why airplanes of that era crashed so often. He also ferried bombers from the US over the Atlantic to Europe for the war effort.

Mr. Buck flew such notables as US Army Air Force General Ira Eaker, comedian Bob Hope, and movie star Tyrone Power. For Tyrone Power the movie studio provided a DC-3 and Mr. Buck flew him around the world. He reported that Mr. Power, who flew in WWII, was a very competent pilot and a good person to travel with. The author was on a first name basis with Howard Hughes. He was quite complementary of the women pilots that he encountered over the years both for their dedication and skills. But he did believe that Amelia Earhart was not that good a pilot and was pushed beyond her capabilities.

One theme that was constant in the book was the author's drive to understand weather and its effect on flying. If fact we have another book of his titled **Weather Flying** in the library also.

This highly readable book, **North Star Over My Shoulder**, book #27.576, is available in the *Member's Loan Section* at the **Dolph Overton Aviation Library of the Carolinas Aviation Museum**.

## PROGRESS ON OUR OLD HANGER

Have you been up to the old hanger site lately? The area has had lots of activity the past few months. There is plenty of the good red Mecklenburg clay around and there are some concrete footings sticking up out of it now.

The hanger itself is sitting on wheels ready to make a trip but I'm not certain of the destination. To the footing? To the recycling center? Anyway the **attached photos on page 4** show you the progress. **Update 1/31/11**; I understand the move has been made to the footings.

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Local officials, Airbus, the maker of the A320, aircraft component suppliers, and business leaders are expressing interest in the project. Worldwide media publications are showing a great deal of interest. It is rumored that even the Russian newspaper PRAVDA has written about the move. The Japanese TV network, NHK, wants to send a camera crew to document the project.

From the English publication, FLIGHTGLOBAL, [Quote]"In January (2009), the facility's president Shawn Dorsch happened to be touring Japan Airlines' Safety Promotion Centre near Haneda airport. This opened in 2006 as a memorial to JAL Flight 123, a Boeing 747 that crashed into Japan's Mount Osutaka in 1985, killing 520 passengers and crew.

One portion of the JAL 123 display features the pressure bulkhead that ruptured and ultimately left the jumbo jet's pilots with no control over the vehicle. The second part is a room that Dorsch says has "a gigantic flow chart" on the wall showing all safety improvements made to commercial airliners since the crash.

#### INSURANCE HELP

Aiding Dorsch in his new quest was that the insurance company that owned the hulk, Chartis, had been unsuccessful in an attempt to auction the airframe in January 2010. "We contacted Doug Parker, chief executive of US Airways," Dorsch says. "Through the efforts of US Airways and discussions with Chartis, the auction never took place."

Afterward there was an "unofficial" competition among the Carolina museum and two others for the aircraft. Dorsch believes the deciding factor in his favour was that Flight 1549 had been destined for US Airways' hub in Charlotte, also the museum's home.

He will not discuss the terms of the donation, which was concluded several months ago. "Chartis was very generous, and had great foresight in making the deal," he says.

The museum has hired international design firm Freeman Ryan to create the exhibit, which will include practically everything recovered from the aircraft, including the Coca-Cola cans in the service carts. "It's a time capsule," says Dorsch. "All of the National Transportation Safety Board markings and drawings on the outside of the aircraft are there. This is the first time anyone has attempted to preserve an airliner involved in an incident like this."

He says the museum is also working to obtain the engines, components not owned by Chartis. Rather than dwell on the event itself, Dorsch says the exhibit will "focus much more on the fact that aviation is a highly evolved system".

Support for the project has been immense, he reports. Airbus engineers are helping plan the move and design the support structures for the exhibit with engineering students from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, and even the airline is on board.

"There's been a tremendous outpouring of support from US Airways," Dorsch says. He expects museum visitors to increase five-fold, to 100,000 a year, once the exhibit is completed in 2012. [End quote]

# TUESDAY NIGHT AT THE MOVIES

**TUESDAY FEBRUARY 15, 2011**  
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**MOVIE @ 6:30 PM**

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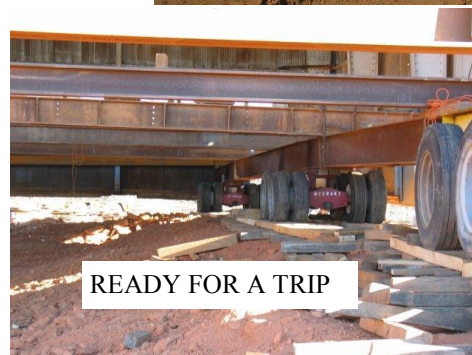
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**OUR OLD HANGER****READY FOR A TRIP***Continued from page 2*

## TUESDAY NIGHT AT THE MOVIES

*By Claude Sanford*

As one of our Library projects this year, we have been talking about a way to involve members in museum activity and fellowship. What better way to do this than to come together for what we all love.....

### **OLD AVIATION RELATED MOVIES.**

I have taken the lead on this with the backing of my fellow museum co-workers. We will utilize the new hanger classroom facilities **after regular hours** and will show a movie from the Library's vast VHS and DVD collection.

Adult members and their guests are invited but attendance is limited due to space and available chairs. Please call **Heather Swope** at the museum office at **704-359-8442** to reserve a seat. The list will be used for admission to the movie. Admission is free but donations will be accepted.

Current plans are for the gate and door to the museum to open at **5:45** with the movie starting at **6:30** on the **THIRD TUESDAY** night of the month. We are planning to have soft drinks available so if you want to bring your fast food dinner there will be tables set up.

Current plans are to begin with a showing of **"TWELVE O'CLOCK HIGH"** Tuesday night February 15 at **6:30 P.M.** See you at the movies!

## LIBRARY NEWS

*By Claude Sanford*

Our New Year has begun with the planning of several new projects that we hope to accomplish in the coming year. These involve digging out some of our old boxes, discovering the surprises contained within, sorting them, creating files as needed and putting that information into our database. Hopefully this will allow easy future retrieval.

One project that we have contemplated for sometime has been to create digital files of our aircraft records. This would alleviate the fear of losing these valuable records to fire, theft, or vandals. It would also allow prompt duplicating of a record without removing the original from its safe storage. Our President, Shawn Dorsch, has agreed to have them scanned at his office on a high-speed scanner that will be a tremendous help. We may get this accomplished this year.

Another ongoing project, which we hope to continue is the selling of duplicate quality aviation books and magazines which we received as donations at the museum gift shop. We also receive donations of good popular **non-aviation** books and magazines and sell these as well. So look at this as a reminder that we will take these articles as a donation to the museum when you are clearing out around your home. We have been doing this over the last few months and sales have been going well. This allows us to do these things:

1. Eliminate multiple copies in our library which allows us to recover much needed storage space.
2. Gives the public access to good reading at a reasonable price.
3. Most importantly it produces income for the museum.

The library has a wonderful collection of aircraft models. We are very fortunate to have them as they represent a sizable dollar investment by past donors. We need to share these with our visitors to the museum. Joe Smith could work up more displays, like the ones he has already done, if only funds were available for display cases. Do we have any "contributors" out there who are interested in such a project and willing to donate money for display cases?

Another project we have talked about at the library for some time is to have a movie night at the museum. Showing movies from our VHS/DVD collection on the large flat screen in the classroom at the museum would be a great fellowship night. This project will start on February 15.

With the coming of US Air's 1549 to the museum, the Library has been charged with the cataloging and storage of artifacts associated with this aircraft. This could range from all types of documents from various sources as well as personal items that will surely follow this historic aircraft. This will be a large task and we are gearing up for it.

I hate to leave on a sad note but I must tell you we have lost one of our fellow workers. Thomas Korkos passed away December 21, 2010. Tom was a "likable guy" coming to us from Milwaukee, WI. He had not been with us at the library very long but quickly made friends and would take on any project given him. It didn't take long for us to appreciate his efforts or his attitude for life. At 92 years young he was unusual. Last summer he drove himself back to Wisconsin to visit. Just last fall he invested in an iPad and was enjoying the Internet and e-mailing friends. We will miss Tom at the Library.

## WHAT A YEAR 2010 HAS BEEN FOR CAROLINAS AVIATION MUSEUM!

*By Claude Sanford*

We vacated the old hanger and moved into some nice digs. As a result we are getting visitors on cold rainy days that we didn't use to see. Even on days when the mercury was pushing the tops off the thermometer we had visitors.

We changed the way we do things in the office and are running it like a business. A computer network has been set up with several computer stations including the admissions desk in the Gift Shop. We have computer accounting to track income and purchase orders to control spending. We now have paid help to run the office and manage our staff. They are: Office Manager, Dottie Evans; Bookkeeper, Marcy Doble (part time); Marketing and Events Coordinator, Heather Swope; Operations Manager, John Scott.

We still depend heavily on volunteers to do the real grunt work; meeting the public, setting up for events, and anything else requiring plain labor. They moved all the stuff from the old hanger and set up the displays, washed and cleaned the planes, and everything else that needed to be done to reopen the museum. Unfortunately space will not allow naming each individual at this time. We just can't say enough good things about our volunteers. A big Thanks to all of you.

We have added several new planes to our collection creating more interest in general aviation. They are: a **1964 Areonca 7ECA "Citabria"**, a **1973 Cessna 150**, a **1/10 scale "flying" model of a Concorde**, and for a short period we had on display a **Helio Courier** from JAARS. These along with more visual displays and information boards at the individual planes have really added to the museum experience for our visitors. Nothing but good reports do I hear.

With the new facility our activity level has increased. Being indoors and being able to cater food has brought us new opportunities. The Charlotte City Council had a dinner meeting in the museum to receive Jerry Orr's airport's annual report to council. The dinner meeting with the **F-22 RAPTER** on display was well attended by 240 persons and would not have been possible in the old hanger due to the security required for the aircraft or for dining facilities. Other activities just this January were: three birthday parties, a retirement party for a non-member, activity by the US Air "Do Team" cleaning and washing our aircraft, not to mention the organized groups of young and old visiting for "learning" sessions. I am certain there are still other activities unknown to me.

**DC-3** activity this year has been on the slow side due to many factors. However "ole" N44V did have several showings with the most important one being the gathering of the **DC-3's** from around the country at Oshkosh for the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the **DC-3**. N44V participated in the 40+ plane flyover and then was on display for the show. Other trips were the Winston-Salem Air Show, Dobbins Air Force Base Air Show, the Airport Appreciation Day at Sanford, NC, and a flyover of the North Wilkesboro Speedway opening the race season there. Maybe the economic climate will be more favorable in the coming year so we can share this fine historic aircraft.

I think most people will have to say **WHAT A YEAR 2010!!!**



1549 on the way from the Hudson to the warehouse in Kearny, N.J.

## MOMENTS IN AVIATION HISTORY

*By Dave Wentzel*

- February 1, 1991 A USAir jet crashed atop a commuter plane on a runway at LAX.
- February 2, 1995 The Space Shuttle Discovery blasts off with the first female Shuttle Pilot, Eileen Marie Collins.
- February 3, 1959 an American Airlines Lockheed Electra from Chicago crashes into New York's East River, killing 65 of the 73 on board.
- February 3, 1995 Eileen Collins becomes first women to pilot a space shuttle "Discovery" in NASA history. (STS-63)
- February 3, 1998 a Marine EA-6B Prowler clips a ski gondola cable in Italy, 20 people die.
- February 6, 1959 the US successfully test-fires for the first time a Titan IC ballistic missile from Cape Canaveral.
- February 6, 1998 National Airport in Washington, DC (DCA) is renamed Ronald Reagan National Airport.
- February 7, 1984 Space shuttle Challenger astronauts Bruce McCandless II and Robert L. Stewart go on the first untethered space walk, that lasted nearly six hours.
- February 9, 1963 The Boeing 727 takes its 1st flight in Seattle WA.  
1,832 were built before production was stopped in 1984.
- February 9, 1969 The Boeing 747 takes its 1st flight in Seattle WA. and is still in production
- February 11, 1939 a Lockheed XP-38 fighter flies from California to New York in 7 hour 2 minutes.
- February 12, 2009 Continental Connection flight# 3407 crashes into a house five miles short of the Buffalo, NY airport. 49 onboard and 1 on the ground die.
- February 13, 1945 On this evening Allied bombs began to fall on Dresden, Germany.  
Over 70,000 die. Among the survivors; Kurt Vonnegut, an American POW who chronicles the experience in "Slaughterhouse Five".
- February 14, 1942 the first flight of the C-54 Skymaster at Douglas Aircraft.
- February 14, 1945 450 USAAF B-17's stage follow-up raid on Dresden.
- February 14, 1970 Piedmont, having received all 20 YS-11's, retired the last Martin 404 in its fleet.
- February 15, 1961 73 die, including an 18-member U.S. figure skating team en route to Czechoslovakia, in a crash of Sabena Airlines 707 in Belgium.
- February 18, 1977 the space shuttle Enterprise takes it's maiden flight, on top of a Boeing 747 over the Mojave Desert.
- February 18, 1942 First U.S. Fighter Ace of WWII, Lt. Edward O'Hare from the USS Lexington off Rabaul.
- February 20 1962 John H. Glenn is 1st American to orbit the Earth, 3 orbits on the Mercury-Atlas 6 "Friendship 7"
- February 20, 1963 Piedmont retires it's last DC-3 "Great Smokies Pacemaker"
- February 20, 1986 the first part of the MIR space station is launched into orbit from Baikonur, Kazakstan. The crew arrives 3 weeks later.
- February 21, 1973 Israeli fighter planes shot down a Libyan passenger jet over the Sinai, over 100 die.
- February 21, 1995 Steve Fossett is first to fly solo across the Pacific in a balloon.
- February 23, 1934 First flight of the prototype Lockheed Electra 10.
- February 23, 1939 Pan Am's new "California Clipper" (Boeing 314) makes it's inaugural flight from San Francisco to Hong Kong.
- February 23, 1997 Fire erupts on the Russian space station MIR for 14 min; no serious injuries.
- February 26, 1940 The U.S. Air Defense Command is created.
- February 26, 1949 the Boeing B-50 Lucky Lady II makes the first nonstop around-the-world flight on March 2 with four air refuelings.
- February 28, 1995 the new Denver, CO Int'l Airport "DIA" opened today.  
1st all new airport in the U.S. in 21 years...





# United Services Organization or USO

*By Dave Wentzel*

President Franklin D. Roosevelt wanted an organization for reaching out directly from the American people to those in military uniforms who serve them. He wanted the organization to be non-governmental, of civilian and voluntary in make-up.

It would deliver morale enhancing programs and services around the world.

On February 4, 1941 six civilian agencies, the Salvation Army, YMCA, YWCA, the National Catholic Community Services, National Travelers Aid Association, and the National Jewish Welfare Board, stepped up and pooled their resources to create a new organization, The "United Services Organization", known today as the USO.

The USO is a private, nonprofit organization, supported entirely by private citizens and corporations.

Throughout World War II, the USO was the channel for community participation in the war. In over 3,000 communities, USO centers were established to become the G.I.'s "Home Away From Home". Between 1940 and 1944, U.S. troops grew from 50,000 to 12 million and their need for variety of services grew accordingly.

The USO truly made history when it came to entertaining the troops. From 1941 to 1947, USO camp shows presented an amazing 428,521 performances. There were sometimes 700 or more performances each day, all over the world. Over 7,000 entertainers, from the biggest movie stars, like Bob Hope, to unknown vaudevillians. Some never returned, having fallen beside the fighting men or perished en route, like Glenn Miller, in plane crashes. By the end of the Second World War, the USO could claim that more than 1.5 million volunteers had worked on its behalf.

Today the USO operates more than 130 centers worldwide; 44 overseas and some 86 stateside like the one here at Charlotte/Douglas Int'l Airport. USOs in 11 countries and 26 states utilize the services of some 12,000 volunteers, from those who serve on the World Board of Governors, the USO's governing body in Washington DC, to those who dish up Thanksgiving dinners to USO guests.

This year is the seventieth anniversary of the USO, still delivering "America" to those far from home.

Please visit the USO on the internet for more information and to make a donation at [www.USO.org](http://www.USO.org)



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## Carolinas Historic Aviation Commission Membership Application

I \_\_\_\_\_ We \_\_\_\_\_ wish to join the Carolinas Historic Aviation Commission and help in the effort to preserve the Carolinas' aviation history and its Carolinas Aviation Museum and Hall of Fame.

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## NOSE ART

*By Claude Sanford*

The artwork shown goes to show you that the American airman had more on his mind than just the usual female namesake on his plane. This particular nose art was on a B-24 heading to the South Pacific.



## THANKS TO..

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|------------------------|--|
| Dave Wentzel           | One Aviation book.   |
| Rep Sue Myrick         | One U.S. flag that flew over U.S. Capital.   |
| Constance Reynolds     | A CD recording of Adm. John Towers speech.   |
| Jim and Carol Braswell | Many Aviation magazines and Several years of Eastern Airlines Newsletters.               |
| Lynn Magers Pardo      | Painting of C-130, a flight suit, a blue uniform, and a plaque of misc. awards.          |
| Michael H. Scott       | a 1973 Cessna aircraft (150L) SN#15074276.   |
| Jerry T. Corr          | 4 aviation insignia and one Africa cigarette lighter.                                    |
| Scott Malizia          | a box of Aviation magazines.   |
| Mike Villele           | 2 display cases.   |
| John Hollars           | 2 Aviation books.  |
| Kent Tomlinson         | Three Aviation books.  |
| Claude Sanford         | one VHS tape, two Aviation books.  |
| Charles Wagner         | WWII Aviation playing cards.   |
| Bob Fanelli            | One Book.  |
| Jane Johnson           | 12 Aviation books.   |
| Donald Franklin        | A large number of Aviation books, aircraft manuals, loose leaf binders, pilot handbooks. |
| Alex Mello             | 31 Aviation calendars, 305 Aviation pictures and prints, 4 framed Aviation prints.       |
| John Tolmie            | 36 Aviation Books and 30 Aviation magazines  |

## BIRTHDAYS

### FEBRUARY:

- 1 Charles Sugg
- 3 Dean Demmery
- 7 Charles Wagner
- 14 Dorothy Schlegelmilch
- 20 Kent Walker
- 24 Don Opgenorth

### March:

- 5 Brian Hicks
- 7 Jerry Shore
- 12 Ed Taylor
- 19 Rich Lynch
- 21 Mary Sugg
- 25 Don Brown
- 25 Dee Creason
- 28 George Trail
- 28 Steve West
- 30 June Hurley
- 31 Foy Owen

### April:

- 12 Kenny Stone
- 12 Andrew Thomas

## Filming at the Museum

*By Heather Swope*

In mid-January Carolinas Aviation Museum was one of the filming locations in Charlotte for a TV series pilot called "Homeland". If picked up by the network, this hour long drama will air on Showtime ® this fall.

The "Homeland" series is directed by Michael Cuesta, who also directed "Blue Blood", "Dexter", and "Six feet Under". You may also recognize some of the producers' names from the TV series "24", Howard Gordon and Alex Gansa.

The story centers on Marine Sergeant Scott Brody, played by Damian Lewis. Brody was taken prisoner during an Iraq invasion in 2003. After 8 years of captivity in Iraq, Brody is returning home. Mandy Patinkin starring as, Saul, a CIA Chief, sends his agent Carrie Anderson, played by Claire Danes, to investigate the soldier's return. In so doing, Anderson becomes convinced that Brody is part of a terrorist group plotting an attack on America.

Despite the cold weather, the filming at the Carolinas Aviation Museum was completed on time. The aircrafts are back in the hangar and film crew is on to their next location.

# CHAC Calendar of Events



## Museum & Gift Shop

Ph. 704/359-8442  
 Fax 704/359-0429  
 4672 First Flight Drive  
 Charlotte, NC 28208

## Operating Hours

Monday	10 a.m.-4p.m.
Tuesday	10 a.m.-4p.m.
Wednesday	10 a.m.-4p.m.
Thursday	10 a.m.-4p.m.
Friday	10 a.m.-4p.m.
Saturday	10 a.m.-5p.m.
Sunday	1 p.m.-5p.m.

Date	Event	Contact
February 12	Lincoln's Birthday	
February 14	St. Valentine's Day	
February 21	Presidents' Day	
February 22	Washington's Birthday	
March 2, 1965	Vietnam War Begins	
March 13	Daylight Savings Time Begins (set one hour ahead)	
March 19, 2003	Operation Iraqi Freedom Began	
April 1	April Fools' Day	
April 11, 1991	Persian Gulf War Cease Fire	
April 15	Income Tax Day	
April 22	Good Friday	
April 24	Easter Sunday	

**Admissions:**

- Adults: \$11
- Seniors (60+): \$9
- Students and Active Military w/ID: \$7

**Membership Dues:**

- Family: \$50
- Individual: \$30
- Patron: \$100

## Mark your Calendars for MOVIE NIGHT February 15, 2011 see ad elsewhere.

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