

Update # 49 - "City of Savannah"

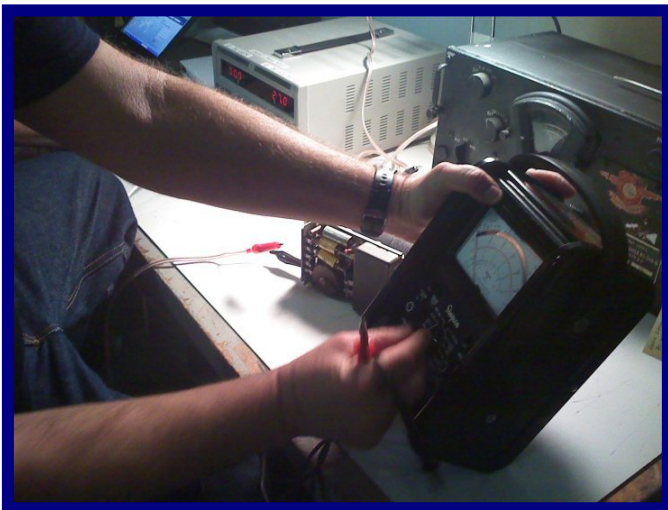
B-17 Restoration

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Several items to report this week – the first is that we have made several adjustments to our management team in order to fit the changing format of the project. Two of our stalwart project members who have risen in the ranks from walk-in volunteers in January of 2009 to become important leaders have been appointed to new positions. J.E.B. Harper will assume the newly created position of Assistant Project Manager. He will be engaged in the expanding administrative chores associated with the project and will be the direct link between the four work crews and both project and Museum senior management. The second appointment was made to Jim Argo who has been named Special Projects Officer. In his new job Jim will use his very exceptional technical skills to supervise upcoming projects that include moving the "City" to its final position in the Combat Gallery, the corrosion abatement program, and the painting of the interior of the aircraft. Our project has been blessed with many skilled people from the community who have the ability to make the project work, and both J.E.B. and Jim are classic examples.



Project Manager Jerry McLaughlin will be meeting at the Museum tomorrow with Brigadier General Jeffrey E. Phillips, the Deputy Commanding General - Rear, of the 3rd Infantry Division. General Phillips initiated contact with the Museum with regard to the "City of Savannah" project due to his family history with WWII aviation – his dad was a C-47 pilot - and his lifelong love for his favorite aircraft, the B-17. We welcome General Phillips to the project and look forward to his participation.



Continued good news came from the Coastal Armature Radio Society team working on our communications equipment. The only problem with Guy McDonald's "good news report" is that those of us with little or no knowledge of this mysterious business can't understand the details concerning the good news. Suffice to say that through the combined efforts of several of the club members our 65 year old radio transmitter/receiver has been found to be functional. To get all the technical details on the great work these guys are doing check out the link below.

<http://k4gtm.blogspot.com/2010/04/april-7-2010-radio-work-on-b-17-project.html>

More to come.....