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Youth Volunteers, continued

Young Volunteers, who has gotten involved.

as a vivid example of how exciting the project has been for everyone

to Tommy’s restoration, Funke noted that their involvement served

the restoration. In reflecting on Significant Elements’ contribution

shop in Dryden. As a result of all of the volunteers’ time and efforts

the results of the work.

and craftsmanship that they brought to the project and thrilled with

restoration of components of the landing gear and elevators of

Johnson to take advantage of the youth employment services.

At Significant Elements, IAHF’s Don Funke worked with

exciting that we can contribute to the restoration of an important

we hope to continue to work on small parts of the plane as they

get a project as substantial as Tommy.

work on basic restoration, so it was very exciting for the store to

as well as retail and customer service skills. Participants typically

trade, helping them learn job readiness, introductory preservation,

Significant Elements trains young workers in the preservation

designed in this facility, and bring it back to its original location. “It seemed like the perfect fit to work on an aircraft that was partly produced in this facility at least designed in this facility, and bring it back to its original location.”

Several young people who have volunteered at the shop, and many

has been to involve youth in the Tommy Come Home project. A

An additional goal of IAHF, and one of even greater importance,

related to the development of the Thomas-Morse Scout have been

Open House Draw Big Crowd

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Triad Foundation, a Major Supporter of IAHF, Visits the Dryden Shop

O n June 21st, IAHF Board members Don Flittie, Randy Mascon and Tom Colbert visited a rest of Triad Foundation Communi-

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The History Center Board Meets at the IAHF Shop

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Triad Foundation is truly fortunate to have Triad Foundation’s continued support, both in connection with the completion of Tommy’s restoration as well as in establishing a permanent home for Tommy. Triad Foundation’s generous interest demonstrated the high level of interest in the restoration work performed on Tommy, impressed with the craftsmanship and attention to detail evidenced by all aspects of the work, and effusive with praise for IAHF’s Board’s and volunteers’ passionate dedication to the project.

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The evening began with a presentation by Don Flittie detailing the history of the Thomas-Morse company and development of the model. 

Randy Marcus and Tom Colbert added stories about Ithaca Aviation Heritage Foundation’s various roles in assisting Ithaca Aviation Heritage Foundation and solidifying the relationship between the two organizations.

To David Waterman, our Volunteer of the Quarter

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The Significant Elements team (David Andrews, Don Flittie, Elia Grasso, Paul Johnson, Ross Colburn, Chris Stokely, James Donaldson) along with IAHF’s Don Flittie, play a large role in the project.

The Importance of the History Center’s leading role in the earliest days of the aviation industry, featuring Tommy

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Three Generations

Visits the Dryden Shop

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