

PREFLIGHT

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Huey 823 Restoration Progress



The Vietnam veteran. This is why we are here. To restore this Huey, honor the veterans who served, and educate the public. [Why not join us?](#)

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Development continues on our new website, especially the [Store](#) page. So if you'd like to buy one of our unique challenge coins or our new style hat, just drop us a line at info@libertywarbirds.com.

2018 is almost here! So what sort of year was it for LWA? Here at the hangar there has been a lot of progress. All of the major components are on site. The Hydraulic system has been tested and is ready for our first run. Our -22 Engine is installed and rigging initiated. The tail rotor has been installed and rigged. Main Drive Shaft (K-flex) was installed correctly (don't trust all

the photos posted online!). Engine inlet area installed and ready to go. A new battery installed, charged and ready to go. Main rotor hub due in from overhaul and painting, ready to hang blades. Fuel cells installed, final rigging and pressure testing proceeds. We've certainly come a long way for a bunch of weekend volunteers! A heart felt thank you to all of our

supporters and volunteers. Seeing the effect Huey 823 has on our veterans is why we do this week after week – we do it for them. So if you can't be here at the hangar but want to see Huey 823 in the air soon, why not make a donation in the name of YOUR veteran and use the tax credit for 2017? You can make donations on our [website](#), [Facebook](#) or via [snail mail](#).

Volunteer Profile

Wes served for 25 years in the Air Force on active duty and in the Air National Guard. He has worked on fighter jets, was Life Support Sup., Parachute Shop Chief and worked in Plans and Scheduling. With Liberty War Birds, he is the time keeper for volunteers, shares parts ordering duties, and is publications librarian. He also is learning the new inventory application.



Wes hard at work on the computer logging in volunteer hours and learning our new inventory system.

With forced retirement due to a diagnosis of MS, he felt that helping bring Huey 823 back to life again was the project for him. A bonus has been that working on Huey 823 has helped him as well. Working with a trainer since starting, Wes no longer depends on his walker or cane as much as he used to. Good job Wes!



If you are looking to stop by we are still in the same location, just a new sign was recently installed and Liberty War Birds is on the sign!

Upcoming Events:

Visit us on any Maintenance Saturday!	Dec 16,23,30
January Maintenance Saturdays	6,13,20,27
PA VFW Mid Winter Conference	1/26-28
N.E. Council of Air Shows	1/26-28
LWBA Christmas get-together	12/23

Above and Beyond

This month's Above and Beyond goes to [Hi-Tech Helicopters](#). A big thanks to owner John Kerrick for including Huey 823 on the new sign. Plus we are grateful for the support of Hi Tech employees who are always there offering support on a daily basis. Hugo and Adam and John, thank you all for all you do!