# **PREFLIGHT**

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## Community Days—2017





Part # 204-011-105-1. Trunnion. AD 200-01-31 requires that we replace this since we have not yet been able to establish Time In Service for the part.

Every two years, Lancaster Airport puts on a fantastic show. Community Days 2017 on August 26 and 27 this year was no different. We might be biased, but 823 was one of the big attractions at this years show. Lots of folks wanted their pictures taken sitting behind one of the M60 machine guns and our "gunners" did a great job ensuring everyone got in and out safely and was happy with their photos. Passing out brochures, answering questions, and

telling 823's story makes for a long but rewarding day. Many of our volunteers got together at the show for the group photo above, and most appear to be still smiling! Visit our Facebook page for more photos. As many of you know, we have a beautiful set of main rotor blades ready to install on 823, but we couldn't manage that for the event. The reason is that we need to replace 823's trunnion (part of the main rotor hub assembly). See the above picture. We did, however, exhibit our set of displayonly blades, which attracted a lot of attention. So, if anyone knows of an airworthy trunnion part #204-011-105-1 please let us know. Paperwork for the trunnion detailing Time In Service (hours) for the part is a must. Also in the news-our website is being upgraded, and our current site is down-longer than we had planned for, but the problem is out of our hands for now and we are hoping that iPage will get a move on. Stay tuned!

#### POINTS OF INTEREST

- The "Over the Top" Club
- Community Days 2017
- Check Upcoming Events



Always a treat to see the M60s back on Huey 823. Many thanks to our friend and long time supporter Jeff Biles for the loan of the guns. One of these days, we know he's just going to donate them to us!

### Over the Top Club

Many thanks to our newest members and all our wonderful donors! D. Scott Witmer and Harold Kramer joined us in August as did VFW Post 8008! Also, many thanks to our friends that renewed or doubled-down in August - the Corporal Brandon Hardy Memorial Fund, Eric Haydt, VFW Post 1446, and VFW Post 1568.

Membership now stands at 53 members for a grand total of \$133,500!

All of our supporters are heroes. Your donations help to ensure that the legacy of service by both the Vietnam veterans and the aircraft that flew them will not be forgotten.



Maybe this is what will come to be called the Chicken Coop? Who knows? Looks like it could be a nice place to hang out someday.



If we don't get 823 out of the hangar and flying soon, the entire crew will have to be put on a strict diet! Weight and Balance indeed!

### **Upcoming Events:**

Join us at Pottstown Veterans' Community Day!



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