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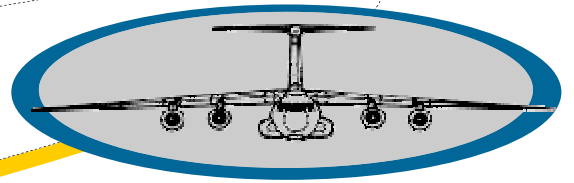
THOMAS B. MC GUIRE, JR. FOUNDATION

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STORY OF THE MAJ. THOMAS B. MC GUIRE FOUNDATION

To honor the second leading air ace of World War II, a group of Americans, led by Mr. William Demas, formed the Major Thomas B. McGuire, Jr., Foundation in early 1980. The objective of this small group was to raise a memorial to the base's namesake and to honor others who have served their nation in peace and war. The result: The *Maj. Thomas B. McGuire Memorial*, with a World War II P-38 Lightning as centerpiece and painted with marking of Maj. McGuire's aircraft, was dedicated in 1981.

The mission of the Foundation evolved from a single project to a multitude of services dedicated to the people of McGuire AFB. The Foundation went on by contributing funds for the construction of the Freedom walk and eventually the amphitheater-flag pole and reviewing stand – both integral parts of the McGuire Memorial.

As a tribute to those who have made the ultimate sacrifice for their country, the Foundation, along with McGuire's active duty wing, annually sponsors a wreath-laying service just prior to Memorial Day. All military services and the New Jersey State Police are represented at this ceremony.

In June 1991, the organization spearheaded a super-celebration for the base's military and civilian population – the people who had contributed

to the victory of Desert Storm. More than 400 members of the McGuire community enjoyed the picnic and entertainment. The Foundation had also made gifts of \$1000 each to the 514th Military Airlift Wing and the New Jersey Air National Guard, for reservists and guardsmen who had become financially strapped as a result of the Desert Shield/Storm recall.

The Foundation's latest project is the C-141 Starlifter Memorial, which is located at the circle near the BX/Commissary on base. The memorial, with a Starlifter on display, honors the crewmembers from McGuire who lost their lives in C-141 accidents, as well as those who flew and supported the aircraft mission. Raising funds through the sale of inscribed pavers and other contributions, the McGuire Foundation will fund the cost of landscaping the site.

Dedicated to honoring the men and women of McGuire AFB, the Thomas B. McGuire Foundation, comprised of patriotic Americans, continues its mission of making the base for those who serve here, a place of pride.

OPPORTUNITY IS
KNOCKING!
DON'T
IGNORE IT!

On the reverse side of this newsletter, you will find the form to help you immortalize your name or the name of someone near and dear to you. Just complete the top portion with your name, address, & phone number. Then fill in the Ordering Information for pavers you wish to be included in the walkway surrounding the C-141 Starlifter which is on display. (If you are ordering more than one paver, please photocopy the form and complete one for each paver ordered.) You may also call Ted Strempack, Pres. (609-987-8471) or Art Covello, V.P. (609-654-2236) for additional information.

When you have completed the forms follow the instructions for mailing them are included on the form.

Your invitation to the dedication of this memorable site plan will be forthcoming.

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**NOW—AREN'T YOU  
GLAD YOU ANSWERED  
THE CALL?!!**  
**The TBMFoundation is!!**  
**THANK YOU!**

**HAVE YOU RENEWED  
YOUR MEMBERSHIP?**

**Why not do it now? It's only \$20**  
**Send your check to: (See address on Page 2 of this newsletter)**

### Dates to Remember

Next Foundation Meeting 02/21

Special points of interest:

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| <b>ADDRESS:</b>                       |               |             |               |
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| <b>PLEASE PROVIDE E-MAIL ADDRESS:</b> |               |             |               |

Make Checks Payable to: The Thomas B. McGuire Foundation

Mail To: The Thomas B. McGuire Foundation  
P. O. Box 1263  
Wrightstown, New Jersey 08562

*Preserve your name, or that of a loved one  
Well into the next millennium, with a personalized brick paver*

**ORDERING INFORMATION:**

When ordering more than one brick, please attach a separate sheet of paper for each additional honoree. Each 4 x 8 inch brick may be personalized with up to three lines per brick. Each line can have up to 13 characters, including spaces and punctuation. Cost for this type of inscription is \$50.00.

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**ALL TEXT WILL BE IN CAPITAL LETTERS**

**TOTAL # OF BRICKS:** \_\_\_\_\_ x \$ \_\_\_\_\_ **TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED**

For additional information, please call: Ted Stremppack: 609-987-8471 or Art Covello: 654-654-2236