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Objet: Reminder - Special Members Meeting - Sep. 24 - 9 A.M. - Canadian Air & Space Museum

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Canadian AIR & SPACE Museum Newsletter



Dear Pierre,

All Museum members are urged to attend the Canadian Air & Space Museum's **Special Members Meeting** and **Annual General Meeting** on **Saturday, September 24 at 9 a.m.** The Meeting will take place in the Museum facility at 65 Carl Hall Road as previously publicized.

Obviously, actions by Parc Downsview Park to change the locks on all the doors of the Museum and terminate our lease on Tuesday have altered the meeting agenda. The actions by the Park have significantly damaged the Museum's business and its national reputation.

As you are aware, local and national support for YOUR Museum and the air and space heritage at Downsview is growing rapidly. Since Tuesday, CEO, Directors and Space Curator Rob Godwin and staff have been interviewed by the numerous media organizations and hundreds of supporters across Canada have contacted us with offers of help.

On Thursday, Toronto City council **unanimously** passed a motion calling on the Federal Government to save the Canadian Air & Space Museum (CASM), thanks to the advocacy efforts of Maria Augimeri, City Councillor for Ward 9 York Centre.

As you are now aware, the "rent" was never the real basis for the Park's

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sudden action. The leases of <u>all</u> tenants in 65 Carl Hall Road, the de Havilland Aircraft of Canada heritage building (Plant 1) were terminated on Tuesday!

We have now learned that <u>Downsview Park has long had plans to demolish</u> the 1929 de Havilland Aircraft of Canada heritage building (65 Carl Hall Road) at <u>Downsview where many of Canada's greatest achievements in air and space history occurred</u> (wartime Tiger Moth and Mosquito factory, postwar birthplace of Chipmunk, Beaver and Otter aircraft, the Alouette 1 satellite and the Canadian space industry).

Puzzled? Read the <u>Canadian Skies magazine interview with David Soknacki</u>, Chairman of Downsview Park.

The Park says the location is ideal for four new hockey rinks and that it will save a few bricks from the facade of the DHC aircraft factory as a tribute to the 80 years aviation history and the veterans and pioneers that worked there! Last time the Museum checked, the Park, a Federal government agency, had hundreds of acres of undeveloped land gifted from YOU that are better suited for hockey rinks and the large parking lots they will require! Help Save Canada's Aviation & Space Heritage! (YouTube Video) Museum Media Coverage (YouTube Video)

Sincerely,

Robert A. Cohen Chief Executive Officer Canadian Air & Space Museum

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Special Members Meeting - Sep 24 - 9 a.m.



The Museum will hold a Special Members Meeting on Saturday September 24, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. at the Museum at 65 Carl Hall Road, Downsview Park.

The Meeting will address the recent serious challenges to the Museum's business and the Special Meeting will include the previous announced membership vote to approve the following additions to the by-laws:

By-law Addition Number 1:

The Board Chair and Vice Chair may together immediately remove a director who breaches board confidentiality or acts contrary to his or her fiduciary obligations to the Museum or to the Board. The decision and circumstances shall be reported in camera to the Board at the next scheduled or special meeting of the board.

By-law Addition Number 2:

"There's a beautiful new book from the country's premier author of books related to Canada's aviation history. Aviation in Canada: The Formative Years by Larry Milberry covers the fascinating era of the 1920s and 1930s when things were "really flying high" in our young nation."

Mike Filey, Historian

Volume 1, 2 and 3 of this outstanding book series are available at the Museum's Runway 33 Gift Shop

> Vol. 1 & 2 \$50 each

> > Vol. 3 \$55

No person who as an Officer of the Museum or as a Director has been in breach of their fiduciary duties to the Board or the Museum or has violated board confidentiality shall be qualified to stand for election to the Board of Directors or entitled to serve on the Board of Directors.



Volunteers Required Immediately!



The Museum is seeking volunteers who are available any time to help with operations, administration duties and to save the Museum. On-site training is provided!

Other volunteer opportunities available include:

- Tour Guide / Museum Docent Health & Safety Committee Members
- On-call volunteers various day time jobs
- Marketing & Communications Task Team (experience required)
- Web Site Development and Management
- Gift Shop Sales
- Library and Archives

If you would like to volunteer at the Museum please contact Natasha at volunteer@casmuseum.org or call 416-638-6078.

The E-News Team welcomes article and news submissions.

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