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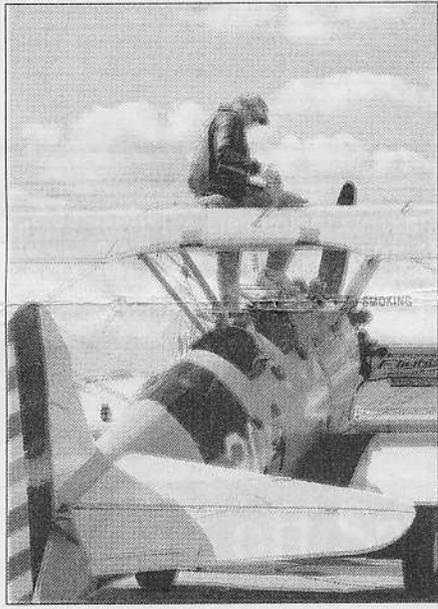
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# MERFI to provide affordable family fun Sept. 10-11

By **CRAIG SHIRK**  
 Staff Writer

In addition to its fly-in exhibit of warbirds and experimental aircraft, Grimes Field will offer a new display of Indy cars and classic Corvettes, workshops on survival skills and a round-table discussion with WWII veterans Sept. 10-11.



Pilot Rob Lock puts fuel into a Boeing Stearman 1942 U.S. Navy N2S3 in 2010 during the Mid-Eastern Regional Fly-In at Grimes Field.

Grimes Flying Lab, the T-6, the Bell Helicopter and possibly three or four Yak-52 airplanes, a Soviet-made high-speed aircraft capable of challenging maneuvers.

Even up to the day, with last-minute cancellations and additions, it's hard to say what people might see, Millner said.

"It's so - no pun intended - up in the air," he said with a laugh.

Something Millner does guarantee, however, is plenty of unique, homemade airplanes on display.

"That's always been an important part of the MERFI show," he said.

## Horsepower from the Ground Up

"Horsepower from the Ground Up" is this year's theme, attesting to a wider display of Indy cars, antique engines, classic cars and also two car clubs offering a "broader-based appeal," said Millner.

MERFI is also stressing the importance of affordability this year. "Affordable options" for families hasn't always been a theme of past events, said Millner. Although some of the bigger attractions aren't headlining the 2011 show as with NASA's shuttle in 2010, plenty of fun economical activities are planned for adults and children alike, he added.

Cub owners will be offering "affordable, slow-flying" rides throughout the weekend. Rides also will be available on the Bell Helicopter, the Ohio Valley Wing's Carin' Belle, T-6, T-28 and L-5. On the ground, indoor computer flight simulators will be available at two locations and small gliders will be on sale.

Tickets are \$5 at the gate. Children under 12 get in free. MERFI patrons will have free access to the Champaign Aviation Museum including the B-17 restoration display. In addition, Chris Henry from the Grissom Air Museum in Peru, Ind., will have a display related to that museum's efforts to restore their B-17G Miss Liberty Belle, according to MERFI's website.

Mechanicsburg.  
 Hoelscher said the event expanded to a three-day fest for the 30th anniversary. He cited community involvement and local support as leading to an improvement.

On Sept. 8, the festival's prince and princess will be crowned at the opening ceremony. The parade follows at 6:30 p.m. It will include a basket auction and local vendors. The Town Sleeper, which takes place at 8 p.m.

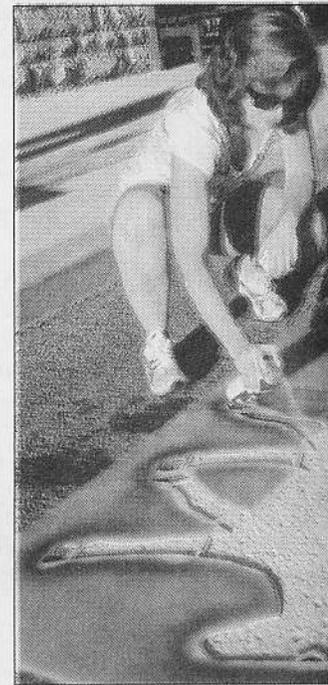
The parade will have uniforms for school bands, athletic teams, cheerleaders, vintage cars, and horse teams. As usual, the parade's final unit, the Village Corners, will be the Village Corners, with shovels in hand keeping the parade clean, will be the Village Corners, Joe Braden and Village Angels, Joe Sampson.

The grand marshals for the parade met in 1957 during the Fall Festival, which eventually evolved into Pony Wagon Days.

Byron "Barney" and Mary Margaret have fond memories of the parade, which led them to their wedding in 1960. They have three sons, Mike and Rob. They recently celebrated their 51st wedding anniversary.

Mr. Carnes graduated from Christiansburg-Jackson High School in 1959 and joined the U.S. Navy. Mrs. Carnes is a graduate of Graham High School. The couple will be in the parade.

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Randi Bodey stencil-paints the front of a downtown business on Aug. 29. Mike...