



**Dixie Wing CAF Education Program  
Historic Airpower Facility  
Falcon Field, Peachtree City**

Fayette County Principals  
January 28, 2003



# Presentation Agenda

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- Commemorative Air Force
- Commemorative Air Force Mission
- The Dixie Wing: a local unit (Peachtree City, GA)
- The Dixie Wing CAF Education Program
- How to schedule a tour and presentation
- Questions





*"Never has so much been owed by so many to so few"*

- Winston Churchill



# The Commemorative Air Force

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- The Commemorative Air Force is an *all-volunteer, non-profit*, 501©3 incorporated under Texas laws for charitable and education purposes (restoring and preserving World War II-era combat aircraft in flying status)
- The CAF's primary mission is preserving history.
- The second most important mission of the CAF is teaching history.
- Today the CAF has grown to over 11,000 members, 147 aircraft, and over 75 chartered units established in cities across the country.
- Each year more Americans *see and touch* the metal, *smell* the smoke, and *hear* the roar of piston-engine CAF aircraft than visit the static displays of *all other aviation museums in the United States!*
- See more at [www.commemorativeairforce.org](http://www.commemorativeairforce.org)



## Commemorative Air Force Mission

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1. To **preserve**, in flying condition, a complete collection of combat aircraft which were flown by all military services of the United States in World War II.
2. To **provide** museum buildings for permanent protection and display of these aircraft as a tribute to the thousands of men and women who built, serviced, and flew them.
3. To **perpetuate** in the memory and hearts of all Americans the spirit in which these great planes were flown for the defense of our nation.
4. To **establish** an organization having the dedication, enthusiasm and *esprit de corps* necessary to operate, maintain, and preserve these aircraft as symbols of our American military aviation heritage.



## The Dixie Wing CAF: A local unit

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- The "Dixie Wing" is based at Falcon Field, Peachtree City, GA.
- Roughly 225 active members from all walks of life
- The wing currently has 5 aircraft, plus individual members own several vintage aircraft
- Participate in 30 air shows annually, including "The Great Georgia Airshow" at Falcon Field (Sept 6-7, 2003)
- [www.dixiewing.org](http://www.dixiewing.org)





# The Dixie Wing CAF Education Program

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- Conducted Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9am-5pm or by appointment
- Historic Airpower Facility, Falcon Field, Peachtree City, GA
- Prepared topics are selected by teachers or scout leaders
  - ad hoc requests can be developed upon teacher request
- 45-60 minutes presentations and tour of the hangar facility is conducted by Dixie Wing Education Program Volunteers
- Program volunteers include WWII survivors





# The Dixie Wing CAF Education Program

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## WWII TOPICS

- Air War Over Europe
- Air War Over the Pacific
- Arsenal of Democracy
- Battle of Midway
- Childhood in WWII Germany
- German Slave Labor in WWII
- Pearl Harbor
- Tuskegee Airmen
- WASPs

## OTHER TOIPICS

- Berlin Airlift
- Korean War



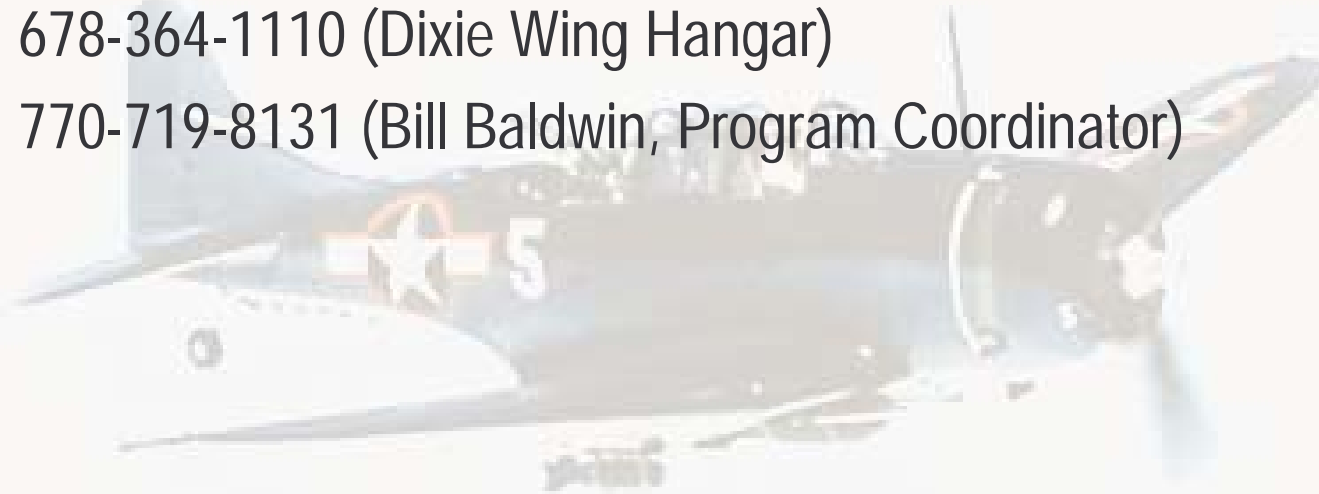


# The Dixie Wing CAF Education Program

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## How to schedule a Tour and Presentation

- [dixiewingcafeducation@yahoo.com](mailto:dixiewingcafeducation@yahoo.com)
- 678-364-1110 (Dixie Wing Hangar)
- 770-719-8131 (Bill Baldwin, Program Coordinator)





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