



## THE AIRSHOW SEASON - 2006

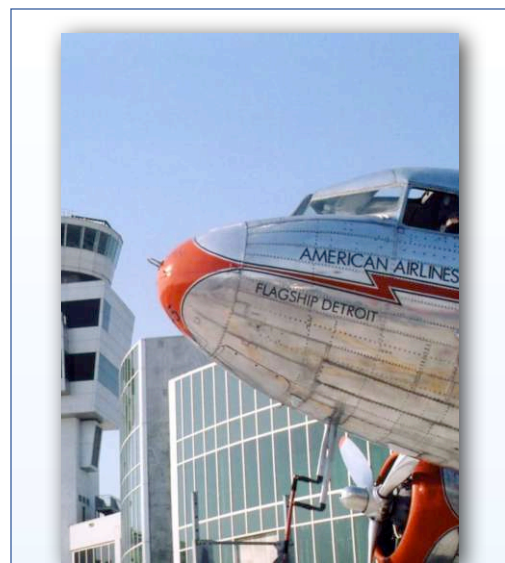
### Greetings, American Airlines DC-3 lovers –

The Flagship Detroit has just completed its seventh airshow of the season, the two most recent appearances were at the MCI Maintenance Facility in Kansas City and the Tullahoma Air Show in Tennessee. Both events were great successes. We had a large and appreciative turnout on Saturday at Tullahoma, but strong thunderstorms on Sunday kept the crowds down. Luckily, though the airplane was exposed to gale-force winds for a few minutes, there was no damage!



At the Open House in MCI we presented membership certificates and showed our appreciation to all the AA employees that volunteered their time and skills to help us prepare “Detroit” for the shows. We certainly thank them and especially thank all the members that have made the effort to assist at each of the airshows.

In May, the Flagship flew down to the Miami area for the Ft. Lauderdale Air and Sea Show held May 6/7. This show was most memorable as the “Detroit” did a six minute fly-by with an American Airlines 767 in front of an estimated 250,000+ crowd of south Florida residents and fans. This was a great opportunity for the “Detroit” because the great majority of the events at the show were military exhibitions, and this allowed us to stand out as one of the



### MIA BASE VISIT

The MIA station hosted the Flagship Detroit team for a day at the MIA terminal. The Recreation Committee provided assistance, refreshments, and a photo setup to record the reactions of hundreds of AA employees to our legacy and our historic aircraft

few civilian demonstrations present. We were even interviewed by a columnist for Flying Magazine - look for the *Jumpseat* column in the August issue.

Miami also provided the opportunity to display the aircraft at a one-day open house at Miami International Airport for AAL and airport employees. The AA Recreation Committee provided hot dogs, drinks and music, and nearly 800 employees visited the airplane while it was on display from 9 a.m. until we shut the door at 5 p.m. Not only did airport personnel get to see our great vintage airplane, but so did many passengers who were in the D terminal in the vicinity of



gate 38. Our thanks to all the MIA employees that helped make this a great event.

The next scheduled appearance for the "Detroit" will be the Heber Valley Fly-In at the Russ McDonald Memorial airport in Heber City, Utah on July 8.

We encourage all FSD members to come out and participate in any of the upcoming airshows. We need your support, and if you haven't seen the Detroit lately, the next air show is a fine time to have some fun and see how good she looks. If you would like

to volunteer for any of the shows, contact Cal Moreland at [calmoreland@charter.net](mailto:calmoreland@charter.net) or (817) 578-0519 for scheduling. On behalf of the Flagship Detroit Foundation, I want to personally thank each and everyone very much for all of your hard work you have done and your contributions of both your time and your financial support.

Sincerely,

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