

North Texas Aviation Centennial

Recreational & Sports Aviation

From Sailplanes to Kites. Come join us March 26th from 10 to 4 for a Kite Festival at Tarrant County Colleges's Northwest Campus.

Bringing Aviation History To Life



Left: The Arlington Aircraft Company's Sisu 1A that broke the 1,000 km distance record by Alvin Parker July 13, 1964.

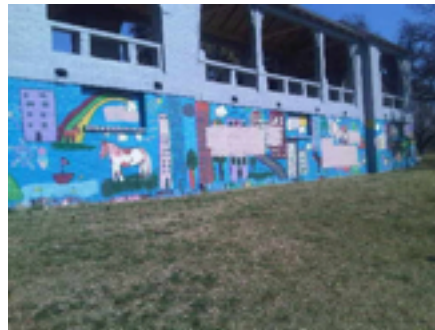
Right: A 1948 Globe Swift built by the Globe Swift Aircraft Corporation of Saginaw, TX.



A Community Celebration of 100 Years of Flight in North Texas - March 2011 Event

Centennial Mural Program

The North Texas Aviation Centennial celebration is a joint effort by a variety of community groups. Recently we joined with the City of Fort Worth's Parks and Community Services Department to paint several aviation themed murals around the our city. The Graffiti Abatement Program uses volunteer labor and funding from the Crime Control and Prevention District to help residential and commercial property owners by offering a no-cost graffiti removal service. With the help of at least five aviation artists, this year's projects will be about the history of aviation in North Texas. Painting begins this month and continues until at least



June. Fifteen locations have been identified and six volunteer groups will be doing some of the painting. For details contact Alison Letnes at Alison.Letnes@fortworthgov.org or 817-212-2701.



For more information, call the Fort Worth Air and Space Museum Foundation at (817) 763-5914 or write ashelton@fwasm.org

Public Centennial Displays

This month the Aviation Centennial committee began setting up public displays of centennial related items. Last month, we were loaned ten large plaques, depicting a variety of subjects, from the Museum of Texas's recently concluded *Tango Alpha Charlie - Texas Aviation Centennial* exhibition in Austin. These plaques are on display at City Hall, Meacham, Alliance and Spinks airports. Each month the displays will be rotated between venues. Contact Air and Space for appearances details.



PSA Contest

We have started a **Public Service Announcement Contest** to help us produce a video presentation to build awareness of aviation history in the area and inspire kids to careers in aviation and aerospace. Cash prizes are being offered. For details contact Rob Hodgson at rdothodgson@gmail.com