



Tom Kane Appointed Executive Director for Jimmy Doolittle Air & Space Museum Capital Campaign

Tom Kane, Major General U.S. Air Force (retired) has been appointed to the newly created position of Executive Director for the Jimmy Doolittle Air & Space Museum Capital Campaign, according to the Jimmy Doolittle Air & Space Museum Education Foundation (JDASMEF), a non-profit arm of the Jimmy Doolittle Air and Space Museum Foundation.

According to Phil Lancaster, JDASMEF Board President and Wings of Valor Capital Campaign co-chair, "Beginning January 2012 General Kane will provide leadership, guidance and expertise to the Museum Board as we move forward with our ambitious project to build a state-of-the-art museum that honors the generations past, present and future who have protected us and preserved our precious freedoms through their bravery and personal sacrifice. Educating the public and inspiring patriotism will be our guiding force. With General Kane, we will refine our business plan and take the necessary actions to make the new Museum a reality and make it the major museum destination west of the Rockies. In addition the museum will serve as an educational platform that offers future generations the opportunity to experience the advances in aerospace technology."

Currently Gen. Kane is Vice President, Defense & Government Programs at Atlas Air Worldwide Holdings in Purchase, NY and is a member of the JDASMEF capital campaign cabinet. A career Air Force officer, Gen. Kane served in a number of command and staff assignments. He was in command position five times, including two Air Force Wings. He has also held important overseas leadership positions in Europe (NATO) and in Asia (United Nations, Japan and Korea).

As Commander, 60th Air Mobility Wing, Travis AFB, CA (1999-2001), Gen. Kane developed an interest and tremendous support for the Travis Air Museum and efforts to build the new Jimmy Doolittle Air and Space Museum.

Herman Rowland Sr., JDASMEF Wings of Valor Capital Campaign co-chair and Jelly Belly Board Chairman said, "Our Cabinet is very excited to have Tom Kane accept the position. Tom brings a wealth of experience and important contacts in the Air Force and a new level of expertise in operating our whole operation. It is a pleasure to work with Tom on such an important and exciting project that will be so beneficial."

In the first year of the Wings of Valor Capital Campaign project begun in 2011, many achievements have been marked including:

- The endorsement of the campaign from actor and producer Tom Hanks,
- A successful fund-raising event at the Jay Adair Winery,
- The design of exciting new Museum, air park and interactive exhibits,
- The inspiring Stars and Stripes Gala that is scheduled to be an annual event,
- The raising of \$2.5 million in pledges by the fund-raising cabinet headed by Herman Rowland, Sr. and Jay Adair.

The Jimmy Doolittle Air and Space Museum Education Foundation Board and Wings of Valor Capital Campaign Cabinet fund-raising volunteers wish to sincerely thank all those who have pledged to the capital campaign this year and anticipate another significantly successful fund-raising year in 2012. One of the highlights of 2012 will be the ceremonial groundbreaking at the museum site. Join us at www.JimmyDoolittleMuseum.org.