

Dear Mr. Greenhalgh:

The United States Helicopter Museum began publishing a monthly newsletter in May. *On Course* is designed to help keep everyone up to date with our progress and to recognize individuals and organizations that are active in the industry. One of the newsletter sections, *Spotlight*, features different organizations within the industry which we would like to recognize as leaders and significant contributors. Our June edition will profile the VHPA.

Another section, *Above and Beyond*, features different pilots and flight crews who have performed difficult and dangerous rescues. We would like to recognize these individuals for their outstanding performance.

I read your article in the April VHPA newsletter, "Pilots who made medevacs sought." We featured Donald West, U.S. Navy, (Ret.) in our May newsletter. He was the crew chief during a Vietnam rescue in which two downed pilots were retrieved. He received the Silver Star, and the pilot, Clyde Lassen, received the Congressional Medal of Honor. We would like to do other stories about Vietnam-era rescues including those made by medevacs. If you have any information you would like to share, we would be delighted to have it. Likewise, if I come across anything of interest I will forward it to you.

The USHM director and executive director gave a presentation to the VHPA in Atlanta last summer. Here is some information to refresh your memory. The USHM is a non-profit educational foundation that was created solely for the purpose of preservation, exhibition, and promotion of the development of the helicopter and its pioneers.



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The museum will feature detailed chronological exhibits and displays of all historically significant rotor-craft and variants, evolution of designs and theories; biographies of helicopter pioneers; historical documentaries; comprehensive research library; video and still photo library; educational seminars; post-graduate scholarships; traveling exhibits, plus local and national events.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions about the newsletter or the USHM.

Sincerely,

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