1. UNIVAC/Sperry/UNISYS Plant 2 was the original Engineering Research Associates facility; located at 1902 Minnehaha Avenue in St. Paul, MN.
2. Before ERA, this facility was a Northwestern Aeronautical Corporation glider manufacturing plant.
3. John Parker was the NAC owner and first ERA President and financier.
4. NAC was the 2nd largest WWII builder of the CG-4A glider.

- The CG-4A glider is commemorated in a Normandy, France museum and at the Fagen WWII Museum in Granite Falls, Minnesota
- Gish Devlaminck, a VIP Club member, has visited both museums.
- Gish’s snapshots in the following slides show his museum visits.
WW II Glider Manufacturers

1. Ford Motor Company's Kingsford (4,190)
2. Northwestern Aeronautical Corporation of St. Paul (1,510)
3. Commonwealth Aircraft of Kansas City (1,470)
4. General Aircraft Corporation of Astoria, L.I.,NY (1,112)
5. Gibson Refrigerator of Greenville, Michigan (1,078)
6. Waco Aircraft Company of Troy (999)
7. Pratt-Read of Deep River, Connecticut (956)
8. Nine Other Manufactures (2,515)

Total Built 13,830
CG-4A Glider Airborne Museum, Normandy France
Fagen Inc.

- Family Owned Business
  - Ron Fagen, CEO and 1988 company founder
  - Ron’s Father was Ray Fagen;
    - WW II private who fought on Utah Beach and Battle of the Bulge
- Main Offices
  - Corporate Headquarters; Granite Falls, MN
  - Southeast Regional Office; Greenville, SC
- MARKETING OFFICES
  - Baton Rouge, LA
  - Columbus, NE
  - Odessa, FL
  - Seattle, WA
- MISC. LAYDOWN YARD
  - Houston, PA
- Industries Served
  - Auto Manufacturing, Chemical, Ethanol, Food Processing, Grain & Seed, Metals, Mining, Natural Gas, Power, Pulp & Paper, Rubber Industry, Solar, Water Treatment, Wind Turbines

Fagen is the largest, most respected green energy design-builder in the United States.
A. Hangar 1
   • Main entrance
   • Gift shop
   • Glider
   • Ground vehicles
   • Airplanes
B. Main Hangar
   • More Planes
   • D-Day Tribute
C. Quonset Hut
   • Motion detectors turn on audio for a mission briefing
D. WW II Control Tower
   • Motion detectors turn audio explaining tower
E. Two restoration hangars
F. P-51 Target Area
G. Planning to build third hangar for displays
CG-4A Glider

Glider restoration work done by volunteers at Villaume Industries in Eagan, MN - 2009/12
CG-4A Cockpit

• Troop Capacity 13 with their equipment
• Cargo loads could be one of following
  • A quarter ton truck (Jeep)
  • 75 mm howitzer
  • Quarter ton trailer
VIP Members Saw the Villaume Inc. Restoration Work in Eagan

These snapshots by LABenson - 2/3/2012
More Fagen Museum Pictures

Curtis P-40 Desert Shark

Messerschmitt

North American Aviation P-51 Mustang

Firing Range for airplane guns!
Fagen Museum Links, etc.

- **Museum**
  - Recommend that you visit when the weather is relatively warm
  - [www.fagenfighterswwiimuseum.org](http://www.fagenfighterswwiimuseum.org)
  - Museum is four miles south of Granite Falls at Municipal Airport
  - Electronic equipment (radios, etc., some are functional)

- **Youtube Promotional Video**
  - [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n_2XBmsrWAo](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n_2XBmsrWAo)
  - Video is also available on museum link

- **Other Granite Falls, MN Attractions**
  - Andrew Volstead House
    - Minnesota Congressman 1920s
    - Responsible for the Volstead Act (aka Prohibition Act)
  - Prairie's Edge Casino Resort

END of slides, *thanks Gish!*

More about Plant 2 at [http://vipclubmn.org/Locations.html](http://vipclubmn.org/Locations.html)

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