

Estrella Squadron Newsletter



All the news that's fit to print and then some!

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April Meeting

The April Meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 7, 1999 at the Meeting Building with Social Hour commencing at 6:00pm and Dinner at 7:00pm.

Our program for the evening will be a special one. We will be privileged to have as our speaker The Honorable William P. Clark, former United States Secretary of the Interior, Advisor to the President for National Security Affairs, Deputy Secretary of State, Justice of the California Supreme Court, Justice of the California Court of Appeal, Judge of the Superior Court and Chief of Staff to Governor Reagan.

As most of you know, Judge Clark is a strong supporter of our group and serves as an Advisor for the Estrella Warbirds Museum. This will be a truly important meeting and we urge all members to be in attendance. We have heard from the Judge in the past and he was extremely interesting. This is a chance to hear from someone who was "there" in a big way and will be something one will not want to miss. A further brief biography of Judge Clark appears on page 3.

This meeting will be open to the public and will be so announced in the local papers. We expect a heavy turnout so, again, we ask that members as well as outside guests call for reservations. Please call Betty Miller at 466-1212 or Bruce Toomey at 238-9266. If you get an answering machine PLEASE leave your name and number and the number

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of people attending in your group. If there is any question we will return your call.

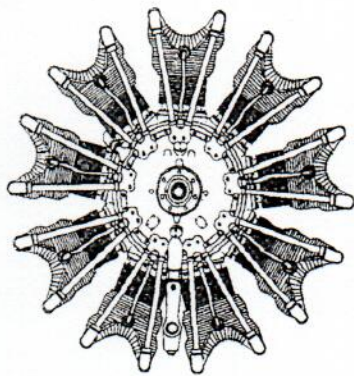
Our Chef, John Himes, will be serving his wonderful Boeuf Bourguignon which was such a hit last time so this should appeal to everyone!

Membership Applications

We are delighted to be able to say that we have received several new applications for membership and we welcome our new members most enthusiastically.

We also note, however, that applications seem to be appearing from out of the woodwork; stuff that must have been saved from early years with wrong dues amounts and weird nomenclature.

Please be advised that the current applications are dated in the lower left hand margin on the first page as "Squadapp rev. 2/4/99". On the back side it says "Revised page two 2/4/99". There should be a stack of these in the drawer under the cash register; either



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loose or in a folder. Please use only these and destroy any others. If for some reason you must use an old one (such as trying to nail down a potential member as he's running out the door) please make sure the dues are shown as \$50.00 annually for Squadron Members. If you need a supply of apps please let Bruce Toomey know at 238-9266 and he will see that you are supplied ASAP.

What's Happ'nin'?

Brothers and sisters, when you next see the Meeting Building as well as the Restoration Building you won't believe your eyes!!

In the last couple of weeks the entire meeting building has had the plumbing and electricity installed!

Not only that, all of the interior has been sheet rocked and taped!!

Not only that, John Kendall has been working like a dog getting the landscaping shaped up in the front and alongside the Museum Building as well.

It is now time for a little more volunteer help since the plumbing, electrical and sheetrock work has been done mostly by outside contractors with help from some of our own volunteers (at great rates, we might add.) This Saturday, the 3rd, we are trying to raise a painting group to finish the interior of the meeting building so bring your old clothes, a roller or two and a couple of finish brushes and lets knock this thing out!!

Gary Corippo painted the interior of the Restoration Building almost by himself a couple of weekends ago to say nothing of the amount of cleaning and straightening out he did with all of the stuff in the Building the weekend before.

Progress and Sacrifice

As in the case of freedom and democracy, which we as a group celebrate, progress does not come without a certain amount of sacrifice. In this particular case the sacrifice was

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made personally by one of our founding members and certainly one of the hardest working members. Glen Thomson had a ladder slip out from under him while working in the Museum building causing him to sustain three broken ribs and assorted other moderate to severe bruises! This happened on Saturday the 27th.

Glen landed on the ladder which caused the rib fractures and the cement floor accounted for the rest of the damage. There were some frightened faces surrounding him immediately after his fall but they were able to get him to the hospital where he was taken care of and eventually sent home.

He had a tough night caused in part by wrong medications and had to return to the hospital very early the next morning but was feeling better the next day and sent home again.

Of course, as of this writing, the 31st, he's up and at 'em and trying to get someone to get to Mugu for a fork lift so you can see how hard it is to keep a good man down!! At least he's staying home for the moment!

In any event, we all extend our best wishes for a speedy recovery along with our thanks for his usual tremendous efforts!

Jack Compere Injured in Fall

We are sorry to have to report another injury and that one happening to our good friend and loyal member, Jack Compere, who was injured in a

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- Executive Officer
Col. Betty Miller
- Finance
Col. John Himes
- Adjutant
OPEN
- Operations
Col. Glen Thomson
- Maintenance
Col. Al Schade
- Safety
Col. John Cromwell

Staff Appointments

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- PX Officer
Marty Wright
- Aircraft Restoration Projects
Col. Al Schade
- Historian
OPEN
- Flight Coordinator
Col. Bob Singleton



**CAF Hangar
Phone
227-0440**

fall at his home on the 22nd of March. Jack cracked the femur in his leg just above the knee and also broke several bones in his foot. He was taken to Twin-Cities Hospital in Templeton and was later moved to the Sierra Vista

Regional Medical Center's Rehab Center in San Luis Obispo. He will be there probably until the 7th or 8th of April and will then come home. The number there is 546-7810.

Jack is going through some extensive therapy but feels pretty good as of this writing and has nothing but good to say about the facilities and the people at the Center. We all wish him well and look forward to seeing him back with us soon.

Air Show Progress

The 1999 Air Show is shaping up to become one of if not the best ever. Twenty-one military groups have been contacted with regard to the parade to be held at the Show site before the Show itself. We have been informed that we WILL be able to have the F-18 demo after all and our main act, which will be the Red Star MIG-17 aerobatic team will really be a showpiece. This is really an unusual act because there aren't many who have seen actual Soviet MIGs in flight in person and when you think about it it's pretty exciting.

Air Show Chairman, Chuck Miller, has been "on the road" so to speak, calling on sponsors both old and new and has been unusually successful. This has been pretty much a solo effort to date on his part so we ask again that you try to think of potential sponsors among those you know and either approach them yourself or contact Chuck 466-1212 who will dazzle them with facts and get them to contribute.

We have a terrific team on the Air Show Committee composed of, not only some of our own troops, but many, many people who are just doing it to help out and who have no other connection with us other than through Chuck and Betty Miller. We have some real pros working in various categories and it really shows.

Judy Crownover, our Air Show Volunteer Coordinator is continuing to

contact individuals and groups alike and is doing a fantastic job of bringing volunteers, both from within our group as well as outsiders, together with those who are handling various parts of the Show. Please contact her (see inset) if you are able to help before or during or even after the Show.

PICTURES AND SNAPSHOTS NEEDED!!

WE NEED YOUR 1930'S -1940'S PICTURES AND SNAPSHOTS FOR THE AIR SHOW!!! ALSO, ANY OF YOU WHO HAVE PICTURES OF YOURSELF IN UNIFORM FROM WWII, KOREA, VIET NAM OR DESERT STORM.

WE WILL HAVE COPIES MADE AND RETURN YOUR ORIGINALS. REMEMBER, THE THEME THIS YEAR IS " A SENTIMENTAL JOURNEY - A SALUTE TO VETERANS FROM 1941 TO 1999" AND YOUR SUPPORT IS NEEDED.

Please call Betty Miller 466-1212 for further information.

Brief Biography of
William P. Clark

William P. Clark is Chief Executive Officer of Clark Company and serves as Senior Counsel to the law firm , Clark, Cali and Negranti. He earlier served as United States Secretary of the Interior, Advisor to the President for National Security Affairs. Deputy Secretary of State, Justice of the California Supreme Court, Justice of the California Court of Appeal, Judge of the Superior Court and Chief of Staff to Governor Reagan.

Following completion of eighteen years in full-time public service. Mr. Clark was appointed by President Ronald Reagan to serve as Chairman of the Task Group on Nuclear Weapons Program Management, as

Committee Chairs

CAF

Program

George Marrett
466-7640

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John Himes
466-6680

Membership

Obbie Atkinson
238-9212

Hangar/Grounds

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John Kendall

Air Show

Chuck Miller
466-1212

Ground Equipment

Dave Geiger
239-1598

Project Manager

Gary Corippo
238-2090
237-2090

Insurance

Brian Webster
237-0222

Supplies & Refreshments

Tom Gabele
237-1567

Activities

Linda Hermansen
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Glen Thomson

Joint Community Events
Committee
Gary Corippo

Presidential Emissary to the Chairmen of the Navajo and Hopi Indian Tribes, as a member of the Commission on Defense Management (Packard Commission), as a member of the Defense Department's Commission on Integrated Long-Term Strategy and as Trustee of the Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation and Library.

Mr. Clark is a Director on several national and international corporate boards. He is a Counselor to the Standing Committee on Law and National Security of the American Bar Association, Director of the Museum of Flying, Santa Monica, California and Chairman, USA-ROC (Taiwan) Business Council

Mr. Clark attended Stanford University, served in the United States Army Counter Intelligence Corps, and later attended Loyola Law School, Los Angeles. He was admitted to the California and Federal Bars in 1958. A fourth generation Californian, pilot, lawyer, rancher and Roman Catholic, Mr. Clark is married to the former Joan M. Brauner. They have five children - Monica, Peter, Nina, Colin and Paul. He is a member of Rancheros Vistadores and Bohemian Club.

CAF Staff Meeting Minutes, 17 March '99

Submitted by Col. Betty Miller, Acting Adjutant
Paraphrased for length by Editor

Staff Present: Cols. Toomey, B. Miller, Himes, Thomson & Schade. Absent: Col. Cromwell, Adjutant (Not assigned).
Other members present: Col. Corippo, Tom Gabele, Marty Wright, George Marrett & Col. C. Miller.

Minutes of the last Meeting were approved as submitted.

Financial Report: Treasurer's Report was presented by Col. Himes and approved as presented.

Old Business

1. Building Funds: Glen Thomson and Gary Corippo reported that it will take \$10,000 to 15,000 to finish basics on the new meeting facility. This would not include finish work (trim, door hanging, etc.). There is a need to raise more money to complete the facility. Gary Corippo wrote to Mr. Tom Martin and Mr. Weyrick to see if they would like to make a donation. Discussion followed regarding how to let members and friends know of our needs. All members are encouraged to donate something to help out.

2. Adjutant Post - Adjutant post is still empty. Staff will continue to try to get someone to volunteer for this position as soon as possible. Col. Betty Miller, XO, is currently doubling in this role but a separate person is needed.

3. Meeting Facility Use Rates - Bruce Toomey, John Himes and Betty Miller will meet to finalize the Use Rates for renting out the new meeting facility.

4. Liquor License - We currently have a one day liquor license for our monthly meetings. There was discussion on obtaining an annual liquor license. Bruce Toomey has talked with other CAF organizations and they all use a one day license. Discussion followed and it was decided to table any action on this pending further investigation of advantages Vs, disadvantages.

5. Web Page - We need to have a CAF Web page with links to other main search engines for the Estrella Squadron of the CAF. There is one for the Air Show that is under development. The Museum had one that K.O. Eckland designed which Bruce Toomey will attempt to have moved over to a new website as K.O. says he no longer has space in his computer to devote to it but there is not one for the CAF. Marty Wright

volunteered to have a friend of his who works on webpages look into our setup and needs and see what he can do to set one up for us.

6. Pay Phone - Betty Miller reported that the phone company would charge us \$55.00 per month to have a pay phone installed outside our new meeting facility. If the phone brought in more than \$55.00 per month the phone company would get a 6% commission on all moneys received over the \$55.00. It was decided that this was too much money to allocate at this time. Betty Miller will see what can be done about having a regular phone that could be used for 911 and local calls only with other access blocked.

New Business

1. April Meeting - Col. Gary Corippo announced that the speaker for the April meeting will be Judge Bill Clark. It remains imperative that reservations be made by all who intend to be present to ensure that enough meals are available. The meeting facility will be held to 200 persons maximum. Reservations should be called in to Col. Bruce Toomey at 238-9266 and/or Col. Betty Miller at 466-1212.

2. Thank you letters - Letters with Proffer of Gift forms need to go out to anyone donating anything to the Estrella Squadron and/ or Museum. IRS Form 8283 will then be sent to those qualifying after the completed Proffer of Gift form has been signed and returned. Catherine Davis has offered to write these.

3. Culinary Arts Institute - This new venture of the School District will be supplying meals to area schools. They will also be able to supply meals for other events such as our meetings etc. for net prices ranging from \$3.50 to \$8.00 per person depending on the menus selected. It was suggested that we try out some of these for possible use at future meetings to help free up the cooking volunteers.

4. Desserts - Carol Weiss has been contributing desserts for our meetings along with several other members for a number of years. With the increase in the number of attendees at the meetings this has become too large for a few individuals to handle and it was decided to purchase desserts from commercial sources from now on. Col. Marty Martin volunteered to provide enough sheet cakes to handle the April Meeting.

5. PX - Member Marty Wright is now the PX Coordinator. Marty presented a current inventory of existing PX items. Marty will be repricing some of the older items to get them moved out of inventory and will be ordering new items for our PX. Marty showed the Staff a new Sales Form that all Docents will complete to keep track of sales made during their shifts. These will replace the present slips and will be kept by the cash register. A kite-type flyer which has proven to be very popular was shown to the Staff and it was decided to authorize an expenditure to obtain these items to sell at the 1999 Air Show. Marty presented some other ideas for PX promotion and much interest and discussion followed.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Col. Elizabeth Miller,
Acting Adjutant

Where Did The Docent Book Go?

Some time ago Cols. Betty Miller and Catherine Davis set up a book for the Docents which had pictures of the static as well as flying airplanes with explanations etc. so the Docents could sound a bit more informed. This book has disappeared along with all of the information much to the discouragement of the authors as well as those who would like to use it to be more informed. Does anyone know where it went? If you borrowed it and are too embarrassed to return it in person please bring it back and leave it on the counter. If you borrowed it for some legitimate reason please call Betty Miller and explain. If you just plain stole it may your next three landings look like frog jumps!

Since a book of this nature helps the Docents when they are talking with visitors its pretty informative and very nice to be able to refer to when necessary. Consequently, Betty is preparing a new book which takes quite a bit of work and trouble. This one will be attached to one of the steel uprights with logging chain but it would be nice if the other one could be located. Betty has been taking a whole set of new pictures for the new book but some of the information contained in the old one would also be of help to her.

Be good, bring it back!!!

CAF FLIGHTS--MASTER SCHEDULE

12/22/98

MONTH	***** DINNER MEETING *****		** DOCENT PROGRAM **		
	DUTY FLIGHTS & FLIGHT LEADERS		BACKUP FLIGHTS	DUTY FLIGHTS	BACKUP FLIGHTS
N	ALPHA		BRAVO	HOTEL	JULIETT
	Co FLIGHT LDR: COL BLAKE WIDEMAN	237-2810	*		*
	Co FLIGHT LDR: MARIA GOLDMAN	466-0779	*		*
B	BRAVO		ALPHA	JULIETT	HOTEL
	Co FLIGHT LDR: RAY BARKSDALE	238-0917			
	Co FLIGHT LDR: JACK COMPERE	238-9609			
R	DELTA		ECHO	KILO	LIMA
	Co FLIGHT LDR: COL JOHN KENDALL	239-8029	*		*
	Co FLIGHT LDR: WALT MARTIN	239-5833	*		*
R	ECHO		DELTA	LIMA	KILO
	Co FLIGHT LDR: COL RON MULLISEN	528-4686			
	Co FLIGHT LDR: BILL CARLSON	595-7935			
Y	FOXTROT		GOLF	MIKE	NOVEMBER
	Co FLIGHT LDR: TOM WEISS	239-2637	*		*
	Co FLIGHT LDR: COL CONRAD MARTIN	226-9058	*		*
VE	GOLF		FOXTROT	NOVEMBER	MIKE
	Co FLIGHT LDR: COL DOUG MINER	239-1054			
	Co FLIGHT LEADER: AL DAVIS	238-3732			
Y	HOTEL		JULIETT	ALPHA	BRAVO
	Co FLIGHT LDR: DIRK HALE	237-0819	*		*
	Co FLIGHT LDR: ANDREW HENRY	237-2740	*		*
3	JULIETT		HOTEL	BRAVO	ALPHA
	Co FLIGHT LDR: EDWIN VINCIK	466-3758			
	Co FLIGHT LDR: RON THOMPSON	237-2904			
T	KILO		LIMA	DELTA	ECHO
	Co FLIGHT LDR: LARRY CAMPO	238-7702	*		*
	Co FLIGHT LDR: COL CATHERINE DAVIS	466-2666	*		*
	LIMA		KILO	ECHO	DELTA
	Co FLIGHT LDR: COL BOB SINGLETON	239-2084			
	Co FLIGHT LDR: ARNOLD HERMANSEN	467-3343			
	MIKE		NOVEMBER	FOXTROT	GOLF
	Co FLIGHT LDR: COL KENNY FINCH	238-1199	*		*
	Co FLIGHT LDR: COL GARY MORRISON	434-1673	*		*
	NOVEMBER		MIKE	GOLF	FOXTROT
	Co FLIGHT LDR: RICHARD MATTSON	434-0360			
	Co FLIGHT LDR: WALLY ENGLE	227-0245			
*these two flights work as a team					
ANY QUESTIONS? CALL BOB SINGLETON, FLIGHT COORDINATOR 239-2084					
(at master sched)					

CAF VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers are the lifeblood of the CAF Squadron. There are a number of tasks that need help. The variety of the tasks means that most everyone will find a task that matches his or her interest and experience. We need you to get involved so please contact the following team leaders:

TASK	TEAM LEADER	PHONE
A. VEHICLE RESTORATION AND MAINTENANCE		
AIRCRAFT & MISSILES		
1. T33	Al Schade	927-8303
2. Navion/L17		
3. A6		
4. Titan missile		
MILITARY GROUND EQUIPMENT		
1. Trucks and Jeeps	Gary Corippo	238-2090
2. Tanks and Cannon		
AIRCRAFT GROUND SUPPORT EQUIPMENT		
1. Tugs	Dave Geiger	239-1598
2. Compressors, Battery Chargers, etc.		
B. HANGAR ACTIVITIES		
1. Hangar maintenance and repair	Kevin Craig	238-4643
2. Grounds and landscape	John Kendall	239-8029
3. Dinner-Food preparation & serving	John Himes	466-6102
4. Museum-Provisioning & Operating	Gary May	466-9807
5. Flight duties (Host, dinner meetings *)	Bob Singleton	239-2084
(Host/docent, museum)		*includes setup and cleanup
C. SPECIAL ACTIVITIES		
1. Program Chairman	George Marrett	466-7640
2. Publicity Chairman (PIO)		
3. Treasurer		
4. Newsletter	Bruce Toomey	238-9266
5. New building construction	Glen Thomson	238-4858
6. Activities chairman		
7. Air show	Charles Miller	466-1212
8. Safety officer	John Cromwell	237-0605
9. Explorer air scouts liaison		
10. Obtain military hardware	Gary Corippo	238-2090
11. Membership chairman	Obbie Atkinson	238-9212

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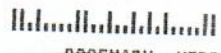


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