

ESTRELLA WARBIRD MUSEUM

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Dinner Meeting

Wednesday, June 5, 2002

Guest Speaker

BENJAMIN S. LAMBETH

Benjamin S. Lambeth is a senior staff member at RAND. In 1989 and 1990, he directed RAND's International Security and Defense Policy program. He has written more than six dozen articles and reports on air power, Soviet and Russian military affairs, and other security matters and has lectured widely on these subjects, including at all of the U.S. senior military service schools. Before joining RAND in 1974, Dr. Lambeth served in the Office of National Estimates at the Central Intelligence Agency. Prior to that, he worked for the Center for Strategic and International Studies and the Institute for Defense Analyses. From 1970 to 1973, he was a Graduate Associate of the Center for International Affairs and a Teaching Fellow in Government at Harvard University.

A civil-rated pilot, Dr. Lambeth has flown in more than thirty-five different fighter, attack, and jet trainer aircraft types with the U.S. Air Force, Navy and Marine

Corps air arms, as well as with the Royal Air Force, Royal Australian Air Force, Canadian Forces, German Luftwaffe, Royal Netherlands Air Force, Royal Norwegian Air Force and the Israeli Air Force. Lambeth has also attended the USAF's Fighter Weapons and Tactics Course, the Aerospace Defense Command's Senior Officers' Course, the Air Force Space Command's Senior Leaders' Course, and portions of the Navy Fighter Weapons School (TOPGUN) and the Marine Aviation Weapons and Tactics Course. In 1988, he received initial qualification training and a front-seat checkout in the F-18 Hornet with the Royal Australian Air Force. In December 1989, he became the first U.S. citizen to fly the Soviet MiG-29 fighter and the first Westerner invited to fly a combat aircraft of any type inside Soviet airspace since the end of World War II.

Dr. Lambeth graduated with honors in Political Science from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 1965. He received a Masters degree with distinction in Government from Georgetown University in 1968 and his doctorate in Political Science from Harvard University in 1985.

He is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations, the International Institute for Strategic Studies, the Pacific Council on International Policy, and the board of reviewers of Aerospace Power Journal.

He also is the author of Russia's Air Power in Crisis (Smithsonian Institution Press, 1999) and The Transformation of American Air Power (Cornell University Press, 2000). The latter book recently earned for him the Air Force Association's Gill Robb Wilson award in arts and letters for 2001.

Mr. Lambeth is a new member of the Estrella Warbird Museum. Let's make him welcome.



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ESTRELLA WARBIRD MUSEUM

The Estrella Squadron Newsletter is published monthly for distribution to members and friends. The Squadron is dedicated to the restoration and preservation of aircraft and memorabilia and to those who flew and worked on them. The goal is not to glorify conflict but rather to assist in making future generations aware of the fact our way of life does not come without sacrifice.

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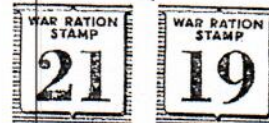
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What's Cooking....



June Menu

Pork Roast with Peach Brandy Sauce
 Green Beans
 Fettucini Alfredo
 Rolls
 Dessert
 Coffee or Tea.

\$10.00 Per Person

Reservations Please!

Call **227-0440**

When the announcement comes on press 1 and leave your name and the number attending. (No other announcement will heard once you press 1)



EWM Member Dwaine Thwing

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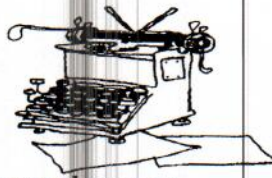
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Newsletter

As you may remember, we had asked for volunteers to continue this newsletter. Not one person stepped forward to take over the job as Editor. Our talented **Geri Heggarty** offered to write a column from time to time as her already over-packed schedule permits. Thank you Geri! This means more than you know!

We did get several offers to fold, or label, or stamp and mail. No one could do all of the mailing process, so it would have meant schlepping the newsletters (200 of them) to each person! Our White Knight **Pete Johnston** stepped forward and graciously offered his staff to fold, label, stamp and mail out the newsletter. Thank you Pete!

As far as an Editor, I'm not convinced that out of 176 members no one other than myself has the capability to write a newsletter once a month. Everyone says we must have a newsletter to keep the membership informed of all our exciting events that come up each month. What do you think?

ONE or two people cannot do all the jobs required to make this organization operate as it should. As for me, I am happy to be your President and put forth all the time and effort necessary to continue to develop the museum. However I cannot continue to write this newsletter by myself. If no one comes forth to share the work of publishing this on a monthly basis, I will be forced to do the newsletter on a quarterly basis. At our upcoming Dinner Meeting I will be talking to each of you to see what you would be willing to do to help keep our organization growing. Please don't expect the same 25 to 30 people to do all the jobs. Many hands make all tasks lighter. Your skill and support is needed. Volunteer today!

Betty Miller, President, Interim Editor



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Docent Handbooks are Here!

We have new Docent Handbooks (thanks Bruce Toomey!) We will pass them out at a short meeting Sunday, June 9th at 3 pm in Thomson Hall. Current Docents and anyone who wishes to become a docent, please plan to attend. Call Betty Miller 466-1212 so she can get a head count.

Board Meeting Highlights.

May 15, 2002

Meeting called to order by President Paul Clark at 6 pm in Thomson Hall with 13 Board Members present and 3 absent. Minutes and the Treasurer's Report were approved as presented. (See complete treasurer's report elsewhere in this newsletter)

Meeting adjourned to to Annual election. Ballots had been sent out and mailed back in sealed envelopes and were opened, counted and tallied by Election Committee : George Marrett, Glen Thomson and Obbie Atkinson.

The following results were presented.

Three year term Board members

Ron Brooks, Betty Miller, Rosemary Netto, Tom Weiss, Marty Wright

Two year term :

Dave Highland

2002 - 2003 Officers:

President	Betty Miller
1st V.P.	Paul Clark
2nd V.P.	Al Schade
Treasurer	Rosemary Netto
Secretary	Catherine Paine

Motion made to accept and certify Election results. Passed. Regular meeting reconvened.

OLD BUSINESS:

Insurance. Motion to require all groups including non-profit, to provide museum with Certificate of Insurance naming the museum as additional insured in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 Passed

Restoration progress on aircraft was presented by Restoration Chairman Al Schade.

Speaker Etiquette: Some of the Board Members felt that all museum members need to be reminded that any solicitation of services or artifacts for the museum or for the individual from any Program Speaker should not occur at the time of the speakers presentation. Members desiring to obtain help from a speaker should request an address or telephone number and contact the speaker at a later time away from the museum. Motion made and passed.

Thomson Hall Status: Bids have been received for both sprinkler systems and a two hour firewall. Because of the expense involved, architect Nick Gilman provided new specs for a firewall and bidders will be recontacted to bid on the new specs.

Lease Modification: Chuck Miller met with the Ad Hoc Airport Lease Committee including Jim App, City Mgr., Joe Deakin, Dir. Public works, Roger Oxborrow, Airport Mgr., and City Councilmen Jim Heggarty and Gary Nemeth . They are willing to remove Exhibit C from our current lease (requirement for Museum to stage major annual air show) but

require new fee schedule. This was presented to the Board who instructed Miller to return to the committee with a revised payment plan. Passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

President Paul Clark asked for update on possible aircraft acquisitions for the Museum. These include a Boeing 727 from American Airlines for a static display, a flyable T-34, a F-4 Phantom for static display and a S-2 from the local CDF base. All aircraft are in the pipeline. Moved to require entire Board to approve any aircraft acquisition. Passed

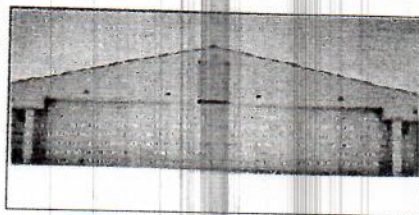
Missing Parachute: The large orange and white parachute donated by Ron Thomson (had hung in the museum hangar) was loaned out and has been misplaced. Rosemary Netto is working on locating it.

Dinner Charge Increase: It was reiterated that the monthly dinner fee was raised to \$10.00 by Board approval in April due to increasing food costs. June meeting will reflect increase.

Meeting adjourned at 8:16 pm to next meeting on Wed, June 19th at 6 pm. Public is always welcome.

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income:

Advertising	\$200.00
Beverages	
2001 Sodas	\$300.00
Apr-May	\$699.00
Dinner	\$ 2550.00
Donations	\$ 2148.84
Tours	\$584.50
Misc.	\$389.00
Dues	\$ 2650.00
Gift Sho	\$355.00
Int. Income	\$ 99.85

Total Income \$ 9976.19

Expenses:

Airshow	
(lost check)	\$522.17
Awards	\$ 52.32
Bank Chg	\$ 9.50
Beverage	\$393.71
Cement Blocks	\$275.55
Change	\$109.00
Jinners	\$ 1730.15
Gift Shop	\$269.91
Improvements	\$ 1005.18
Interest Exp	\$260.16
Memberships	\$100.00
Newsletter	\$176.64
Office	\$258.91
Publicity	\$ 25.50
Restoration & Maintenance	\$ 1332.66
Spcl Event	\$528.70
Utilities	
2001	\$137.20
May 2002	\$176.28
Alarm Sys	\$175.00
Electric	\$815.50
Garbage	\$342.75
Gas Heat	\$414.62
Water	\$ 38.97

To City of Paso Robles \$ 2243.84

Total Expenses \$11394.22

Difference < \$ 1418.03>

NET WORTH REPORT 5/13/2002

Assets	
Checking	\$ 2169.42
Savings	<u>\$ 39341.85</u>
Total Cash	
and Bank Accounts	\$41511.27
Liabilities	
(City of Paso)	< \$ 9,055.64>
Overall TTL	\$32,455.63



WASP (Women's Air Force Services Pilot) around 1943 Avenger Field, near Sweetwater, Texas

Shape Up Troops!

Let's mail in those Membership Dues. You should have received an Invoice from Treasurer Rosemary Netto during the last few days if your Dues have not yet been received.

Our Membership goal for 2002-2003 is the addition of 100 new members! To accomplish this, I am asking each member to recruit and sponsor one new member. For each new recruit you bring into membership you will be awarded one free "Mess Pass" for dinner at our monthly meeting. At the end of the year's campaign the recruiter with the most new recruits will be recognized with a paid up Lifetime Membership, along with a plaque

to display at home and a plaque hung in the Meeting Hall. To receive proper credit make certain the new recruit shows your name as their sponsor on the Membership Application. I know you can do this and I will help you accomplish this - just call me.

Obbie Atkinson,
Membership Chairman 238-9212



Bird Flight Appears at Memorial Day

In addition to our many museum activities, the Estrella Warbird Museum is an ever-present memorial to our veterans of recent and past wars.

This year, as in past years, our museum's "Bird Flight" honored our veterans at four County Memorial Day services with a formation fly over. Bird Flight appeared as part of the program at Paso Robles, Templeton, Atascadero and Los Osos.


Participating in the 2002 salute were museum members Bob Foote, George Marrett, Doug Erway and Obbie Atkinson, all veterans of WW II or Vietnam. The flight consisted of old military aircraft, L-5, L-16 and an RAF Bulldog. Flying "top cover" was our great ex-CEO, Glen Thomson in his T-28.

Dinner Reservations Requested

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On Saturday, May 18, thirtyfive Grizzly Academy Cadets from Camp San Luis arrived at 8:30 am to spend the day working on a major clean up project. Some were assigned to clean up the planters around Thomson Hall, and what a great job they did! Another group helped move the L-Birds, the jeeps, the Marine truck, and jet engines out of the hangar, and then scrubbed down the floor. Another group was dispatched to clean bird "mementos" off all aircraft and rolling stock that had been mercilessly attacked by our feathered friends. A small group helped prepare and serve hot dogs , coleslaw and potato salad for all who worked Saturday. The Grizzly squad has asked to be assigned to the Estrella Warbird Museum on a permanent basis to volunteer their Community Service time to help us . Let us hope this will be approved by the California National Guard soon.

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Museum Hangar

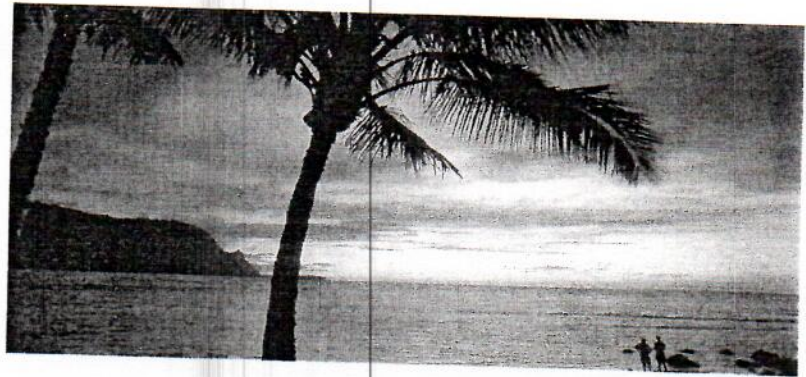
Love to dance? We will have an hour of Live Big Band dancing from 6 pm to 7 pm before dinner. After dinner there will be more dancing, followed by the Troop Show and then we end the evening with more dancing (unless your feet give out before!)

At \$45.00 per person, it's the best deal in town! Mark those dates on your calendar today!

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is asking anyone who is interested in helping decorate the hangar for our September Dinner Dance to call her at 238-9011 today. She promises a great time for the "Deco Crew". We also need folks to save any palm fronds that might be cut between now & the first part of September for decorations.



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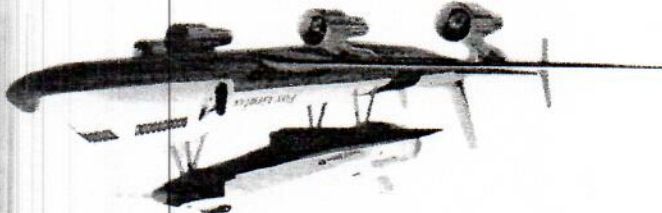
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