

# ESTRELLA WARBIRD MUSEUM

## ESTRELLA SQUADRON NEWSLETTER

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### July Dinner

## Meeting Date

## Change!!

**Wednesday, July 10, 2002**

Due to the 1st Wednesday falling on the eve of the 4th of July, the Board of Directors has changed the meeting date to the following week. please make a note on your calendar. This will be for July only.

### *Guest Speaker*

### Tim Haley, USMC

Atascadero resident Tim Haley enlisted in the USMC in February of 1966 with two highschool buddies. He served for a period of three years and was honorably discharged in 1969.

After completion of training Tim was sent to Vietnam where he was assigned to 1st Battalion, 9th marines, 3rd Division. He served as a rifleman in Charlie Company, 2nd Platoon. Eventually he got into 60mm mortars in Charlie Co. and remained with them for 13 months, attaining the rank of Corporal (E-4)

His battalion was known as "The Walking Dead", primarily due to the high amount of casualties sustained while in country. His jobs consisted of rifleman, ammo carrier, gunner, squad leader, and ultimately overall weapons platoon sgt.

Haley participated in combat operations in and around the DMZ; Leatherneck Square I corps. He operated in Con Thien, Gio Linh, McNamara line, Cam Lo, Camp Carroll, Camp Evans, The Rockpile, Ca Lu and most significantly, Khe Sanh.

His decorations and medals include the Purple Heart, US Navy Achievement Medal with Combat "V", USMC Good Conduct Medal, Combat Action Ribbon, two Presidential Unit Citations, National Defense Service Medal, Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry with Palm, Unit Citation, Vietnam Service Medal with 3 Bronze Stars, Vietnam Campaign Medal, Rifle Sharpshooter Badge and Pistol Marksman Badge.

After his discharge from the USMC, Haley used his GI Bill to attend college. He has an AA degree from Pierce Junior College and a BS from Cal State Northridge.

Tim Haley is on the Board of Directors for the SLO Veterans Memorial Museum, is Senior Vice Commandant of the Central Coast USMC League, and a proud member of the Honor Detail which provides Color Guards at special events and Military Honors for funerals of any deceased veteran of any branch of the armed services.

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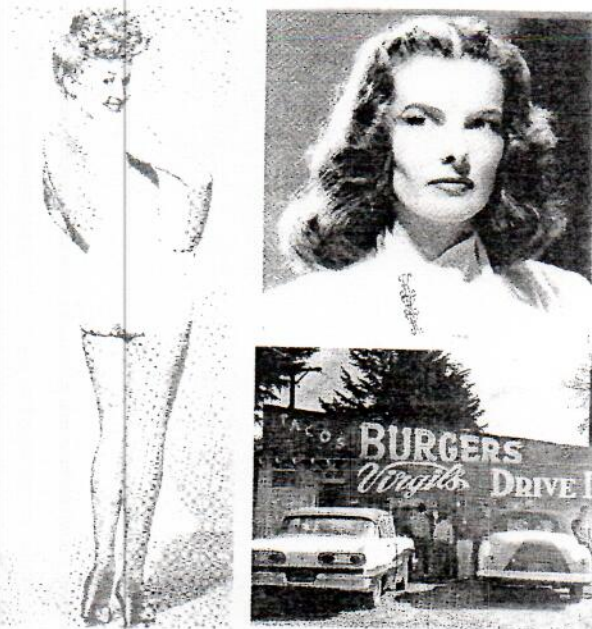


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## ESTRELLA WARBIRO MUSEUM

### GENERAL INFORMATION

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<http://www.ewarbirds.org>

### Board of Directors Meeting

#### Highlights

June 19, 2002

The meeting was called to order by President Betty Miller at 6:00 pm with 14 Directors present and 2 Directors absent. New Directors Ron Brooks, Dave Highland and Tom Weiss were welcomed. Betty Miller went over the basics of Robert's Rules of Order that will be followed for all meetings, including a 3 minute time limit for speakers on any one item.

Minutes of the May 15th Board Meeting were approved as corrected. Treasurer Rosemary Netto presented the Cash Flow Report (see copy elsewhere in this Newsletter) which were approved as presented. There was a significant increase in our water and Electrical bills. The Board asks the help of all members in turning off lights, and fans, when leaving any of the buildings. There will be attention paid to the start time and duration of the watering system to see if we can be more efficient.

Cathy Paine, Media Relations (and our Secretary) reported that all media announcements were out to the local newspapers, radio and TV station.

Chuck Miller, Liaison to the City of Paso Robles reported that the proposed lease amendment between the City and the Museum (eliminating the annual Air Show requirement) should appear on the July 2 City Council Agenda for their consideration. George Marrett, Program Chairman reported that the July speaker will be Tim Haley, a former USMC member who fought in Vietnam. Glen Thomson reported that the CDF S-2 is now in place and has been cleaned up by Gary Corippo, Arnold Hermansen, and Paul Sacks. CDF removed the cockpit instruments, and many other parts. Glen has documented the missing items and pictures taken by K.O. Ecklandt have been sent to DRMO (Govt. agency who obtained aircraft for us) by Betty Miller so that DRMO has the information on file. Gary Corippo will be working to obtain replacement parts from CDF. Al Schade will straighten out the bent propeller blades. Building Maintenance Chairman Glen Thomson reported that we are getting closer to completing the remaining items needed for a complete kitchen sign-off by the County Health Department.

Betty Miller, Facility Use, reported that we have been approached by another large group wishing to have a luncheon in our Meeting Hall. Because we have not yet been signed off by the City Building Department, we have turned down their request. The Museum repeatedly turns down requests by groups that wish to rent our hall. This is much needed income, but until we have completed all the required work and been signed off we are unable to rent

Some members have not yet renewed their dues. Obbie Atkinson, Membership Chairman will call these folks to see if they have forgotten or have just not gotten around to it.

Al Schade, Restoration Chairman, reported on status of the Navion. The wings are in the process of being mated together. Al Schade, Glen Thomson and Conrad Martin will fly to Yuma, Arizona on Monday the 24th, to look at the three F-4's that are available there. Gary Corippo has obtained high gloss aircraft paint for the A-6 Intruder. Since we do not have access to the Grizzly Cadets for a month, we will need a good turnout of volunteers to wash the aircraft and prepare it for painting ASAP. Ed Chidlaw brought up need for the F-104 (our Gate Greeter Aircraft) to be polished. Much oxidation has occurred. Volunteers are needed.

Due to family commitments, Marty Wright read his letter of resignation and asked the Board to accept it. The Board regretfully accepted his request, but asked him to be a member of the Advisory Board. He will no longer be able to do the Gift Shop and that position is open. Glen Thomson moved to nominate Gary Corippo to fill Marty Wright's vacant three year term. George Marrett seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Welcome aboard Gary.

American Airlines has advised us that sales of their B 727 aircraft are progressing much faster than they had anticipated. This means they probably will not have any leftover aircraft to donate to the Museum. AA states they will have a final decision in September-October.

#### Volunteers needed for Docent Duty

No physical strength needed. We will train you. Call 466-1212 today.



Paul Smith, of Smith & Smith Well Drilling, donated a 34' x 190' steel building to the Museum. It was dismantled and stored at his business on Paso Street. Dave Geiger, Ron Brooks, Chuck Miller and Betty Miller spent three fulls days loading, hauling, palletizing and storing the building. Thank you!!! The building will have to be structually engineered for future uses. Our grateful thanks to Paul Smith for not only the building, but for the use of his heavy duty trailer for hauling it as well.

President Betty Miller passed out parcel maps of the Museum's two lots to all Board Members to study and so that they can come up with a Five Year Plan and a Ten Year Plan for future expansion. These ideas will be presented at the next Board Meeting on Wed., July 17th for discussion. Betty also reminded the Board that any correspondence or negotiations by any Board Member must have Board direction and approval.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:09pm. The next Board Meeting will be Wednesday, July 17th at 6:00 pm

Treasurer's Report (Jan. 2002 thru June 18, 2002)

<b>Income:</b>		
Advertising		\$ 200.00
Beverages/Bar		\$ 1221.75
Dinner		\$ 3230.00
Donations		
Cash	\$ 388.00	
Concrete Block	\$1700.00	
PG&E Match	\$ 115.84	
Tours	\$ 728.50	
TOTAL Donations		\$ 2932.34
Fund Raiser Drawings		\$ 473.00
Dues		
Regular Dues	\$3200.00	
Family Dues	\$ 75.00	
Sustaining Dues	\$ 100.00	
Patron	\$ 200.00	
Life Membership	\$ 930.00 (Some on Payment Plan)	
TOTAL Dues		\$4505.00
Gift Shop		\$ 391.25
Interest Income		\$ 99.85
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		<b>\$ 13,053.19</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>		
2001 Air Show Exp (lost chks)		<\$ 522.17>
Awards		<\$ 52.32>
Bank Charges		<\$ 9.50>
Beverage		
ABC License	\$ 150.00	
Bar Supplies	\$ 195.43	
Pepsi Mach.	\$ 79.75	
TOTAL Bar Expenses		<\$ 425.18>
Buy-a-Block Tiles		<\$ 275.55>
Change On Hand		<\$ 109.00>
Dinners		
Food	\$1507.66	
Kitchen Supplies	\$ 291.41	
Oak Park	\$ 325.00	
TOTAL DinnerExpense		<\$2124.07>
Gift Shop		<\$ 269.91>
Improvements		
Buildings	\$ 358.79	
Land	\$ 646.39	
TOTAL Improvements		<\$ 1005.18>
Interest Expense		<\$ 305.44>
Membership Exp		<\$ 100.00>
Newsletter		<\$ 176.64>
Office		<\$ 292.91>
Publicity		< 25.50>
Restor/Maint.		<\$ 1680.58>
Utilities		
Alarm Sys	\$ 200.00	
Electric	\$1072.82	
Garbage	\$ 394.45	
Gas/Heat	\$ 446.91	
Telephone	\$ 356.74	
Water	\$ 184.07	
TOTAL Utilities		<\$ 2654.99>
To City of Paso Robles		<\$ 2699.36>
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## Volunteer Lunch

We have been offering a complimentary Volunteers Luncheon for the last two months. It has been well received and we will continue to do these. Please mark your calendar for the SATURDAY following our monthly Dinner Meeting as the Volunteer Lunch Date.

Come out to volunteer and help out on one of our projects and get a free lunch and lots of good fellowship as well. Invite your significant other to join you for lunch at 12 noon and they can meet your fellow volunteers! Just give us a head count when you first arrive so we can prepare enough to eat.

Be sure to check out our website at [www.ewarbirds.org](http://www.ewarbirds.org) to see what's happening at the Museum. K.O. Eckland is our Webmaster. Send him an email and let him know you have checked it out.

If you have noticed the new red covers on the intake and exhaust scoops on our jet aircraft, the thanks go to Director Ed Chidlaw! He heard our plea for someone to take this on as a home project (something that you can do at your own pace, in your own garage or shop) *Thanks Ed!!!*

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## Thank You

### A Note to our loyal Advertisers....

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## Newsletter Status...

It has been fun creating columns with photos, etc., but with the added hours needed to be your President I no longer have time to do the Newsletter. Because we were not able to get any volunteers to do the Newsletter we will be changing the format beginning in August.

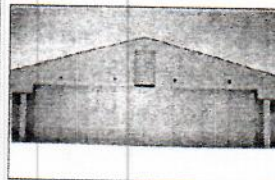
Your August Newsletter will be replaced with a postcard. This will be a reminder of our dinner meeting date, and information on the program. Copies of the Board Highlights will be on the Volunteer Log table as well as the Treasurer's Report.

You will receive a QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER in September, December, March(2003) June (2003) September(2003) and December (2003) Your meeting reminder postcards will be sent out October, November, January, February, April, May, July, and August. If we should get a volunteer to take over the Editor's job we will go back to a monthly Newsletter.

*Betty Miller*  
Betty Miller, President

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