

March 5: The "Cambria Radar Station"

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Dan Paves, a resident of Cayucos, California, served in the U.S. Air Force from November 1960 to May 1964. After attending radar school Paves was assigned to the 775th Radar Squadron in Cambria, California.

The mission of the squadron was to detect incoming Russian bombers over the Pacific Ocean and guide Air Force jets to intercept them. He was on duty during the Cuban Missile Crisis of October 1962.

In January 1963 Paves was reassigned to the 937th Radar Squadron at Homer, Alaska and was 50-feet underground when a 9.2 Richter earthquake struck Alaska.

Paves completed his military service in 1964. He worked for Allstate Insurance for five years before entering independent insurance agency business. He spent 40 years in the insurance business prior to retirement and still does some consulting work.

Paves has been married for 45 years and has four children, three of whom are engineers. He has lived on the California Central Coast for 12 years and now lives only ten miles from his old 775th Radar Squadron location. He says, "What goes around, comes around."

George Marrett, Program Chairman
GMarrett@charter.net

March 5 Dinner

Our guest chef for March is a return engagement with Larry Eastwood. He was responsible for the excellent pork roast dinner in January, has extensive catering experience as well as is the owner of Vic's Café in Paso Robles.

Remember to RSVP (call Rosemary 467-3521) by Monday the third. For the comfort of our guests we must limit seating to 125. Last month we served over that amount and things were tight.

March 5th Dinner

Please RSVP a.s.a.p. @ 467-3521

Roast Beef

Mashed Potatoes & Gravy
Seasonal Green Vegetables

Rolls

Green Salad

Dessert

Coffee or Tea

Social at 6 pm, Dinner at 7

\$15 per person

Please RSVP: 467-3521

No later than Monday, at 8 PM!

Membership Report....

With the weather improving and people starting to move about, we are beginning to see more activity in new memberships and guests at our events.

Following are new members---

Debbi Brooks, Teyvon Brooks and Tielor Brooks -- Family members, Sponsors Ron & Jackie Brooks

Toni Adinolfi, Lee Adinolfi -- Family members.

Mike Kelley, Michelle Kelley -- Family members, Sponsor Rod Dykhouse

Mike Baters, Sheila Baters--Family members

Carlton V. Trimble -- Family membership

Darien Nielson -- Family membership

Don Peckinpugh

- Membership Chairman

Calendar Sales

Calendar sales at the Post Office in Paso Robles have been successful, yielding \$200/day 2 \$10 each, according to Peter Visel. Obbie Atkinson and Gary Corippo have assisted and they will expand to Walmart next.

Scholarship Committee

John and Cheryl Everett visited four high schools and gave the counselors information on the EWM scholarships, encouraging them to have their students visit the museum.

Each high school has a scholarship presentation and we shall have a representative visit and make the presentation. Winners will be invited to bring their parents and dine with us at our monthly meetings.

Home and Rec Show

Scheduled for April 26 and 27 at the "Event Center" (Mid-State Fairgrounds). We will have an information booth inside and the F-4 outside.

Facilities Events & Tours

Thomsen Hall was a voting precinct (polling place) on February 5th, EAA meeting place on the 7th, carpets were cleaned on the 11th, Lubrizol Training on the 13th, Marine Corps League on the 16th. March will include some of the same as a meeting place for EAA,

EWM and others. April schedule includes meetings for the same organizations, a Navy League dinner on the 26th, an Estrella Associates Hot Air Balloon Brunch the 27th.

"Movie Time"

The Estrella Warbird Theater is in the final stages of being ready to show great movies on our big screen. Harald and Margie Bauer have accepted the position as Directors of The Warbird Theater. More information about the movies and time will be coming soon. Be sure to join your Warbird friends for an evening of friendship and fun. To get the latest information about movies please visit our web site www.ewarbirds.org. If you would like to receive updates by e-mail send your e-mail address to warbirdnews@msn.com.

Call 467-3521 or register on line in the members section of our website. www.ewarbirds.org.

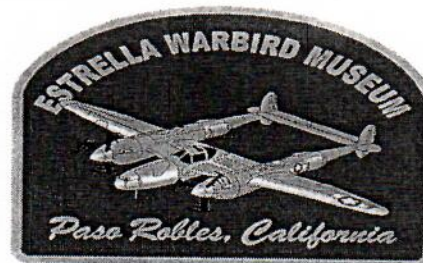
Very Respectfully,

George Taylor

President

Estrella Warbird Museum

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More Docent Doings

Peter Visel has redone the Docent Handbook. If you are a Docent and haven't checked this out in the last week, do so! You will learn all kinds of things about the Museum, it's history and the artifacts that we have on display. Thank you Peter!

If you have access to the Web. Please take time to check out the newly redone Museum website at www.ewarbirds.org. Again, Peter Visel is our Webmaster and is always working to make this a top notch site for members and visitors.

FREEDOM FLIGHT HONORS VETERANS



THE FREEDOM FLIGHT VETERAN'S HONOR ROLL IS PROUDLY DISPLAYED IN THE ESTRELLA WARBIRD MUSEUM'S "FREEDOM HALL".

The Prez Sez!

"Freedom Flight" Honors
Today's Active Duty and
Veterans of the Past"

This Program allows us to pay tribute and give deserving recognition to our current veterans and veterans of the past. This program is designed as an opportunity for anyone to place a veteran's name on our permanent honor roll.

Everyone is invited to place the name of their very special relative or friend on the Estrella Warbird Museum Veterans' Memorial Honor Roll.

What a great gift for that special person in your life! Veterans deserve the respect and honor for the sacrifices they have made to preserve our freedom and the freedom of our children.

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President Estrella Warbird Museum

APPLICATION FREEDOM FLIGHT VETERANS' MEMORIAL SUBSCRIBER BENEFITS

In addition to the Memorial Plate, each donor will be received for a memorial donation, complete a membership application and be granted a complimentary, temporary membership, name badge and Freedom Flight pin and be added to the monthly newsletter mailing list. You will be mailed a membership renewal at usual dues time. Your "Memorial" will be recorded in a permanent ledger for "Museum" visitors to view.

Check here to decline complimentary museum membership

MEMORIAL INFORMATION

Veteran's Name _____

Rank (Optional) _____

Branch of Service Army Air Force
 Navy Coast Guard
 Other Marines

Years served _____

"Memorial" Donation Amount
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YOU'RE INFORMATION FOR MEMORIAL REGISTER

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Note: This offer does not apply to current member renewals. All donations are tax deductible to the extent provided by law.

The Prez Sez...

"Warbird Spirit is Alive"

Every day the spirit of the Estrella Warbird Museum is very evident. It is the men and women that volunteer their time day in and day out that makes it possible for all of us to enjoy this great museum.

The tremendous amount of projects we have lined up are staggering, The Paso Robles weather can sometimes be as challenging as the projects themselves, but our staff makes progress by working tirelessly each week. Some of our ongoing projects include, The Warbird Library, Freedom Hall artifact displays, repairing display aircraft and vehicles.

I wish to thank all our volunteer staff for their dedication and professionalism. You are what make this a World Class Museum.



WARBIRD STAFF JOHN KENDALL, ROB KINNEAR, RON BROOKS, DAVE GEIGER AND GLEN THOMSON TAKE A WELL DESERVED LUNCH BREAK.

Our very talented Board of Directors and volunteer staff make our day to day operation possible. EWM bookkeeper Treasurer Rosemary Netto, Freedom Hall docents, gift shop workers, Thomson Hall event coordinator, site maintenance, food service, beverage service, newsletter, membership chairman, recording and executive secretary are just a few of the critical functions our members perform.

Thank you for keeping the Warbird Spirit Strong.

George Taylor

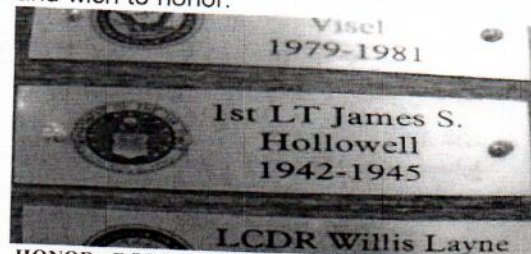
President Estrella Warbird Museum



The Estrella Warbird Museum is more than just an exhibit of aircraft and weapons representing our nation's success in maintaining our freedom. Our success is obvious to every visitor. What is not obvious, is the opportunity for the visitor to personally participate in honoring our military personnel, past and present. After all, "Freedom" is about people and our active participation in supporting it.

So the next time you visit "Freedom Hall", pause as you enter the exhibit and respectively view the names of our country's greatest citizens that make it possible for each of us to continue to share our freedom.

By actively supporting our dedicated "Freedom Fighters", each of us can personally show our community and our nation, our thanks and dedication to our country's future. While you're there, read the Memorial Register and complete an application for a "Memorial" to be added. It is not required to be a friend, relative, or acquaintance. They can be any military person that served or is now serving our nation honorably, any rank that you admire and wish to honor.



HONOR ROLL NAMES ARE ON PERMANENT DISPLAY IN "FREEDOM HALL" AND OUR WEBSITE. www.ewarbirds.org

Time is fast approaching when the "Freedom Flight Veterans' Memorial" will be announced to the public, with their support and participation invited. Museum members can be models to assure the success of the "Memorial" by our early demonstration of support.

Bottom line, "Not everyone can serve, but we can all support". Be a "Model".

Obbie Atkinson

Chairman

Bob Kelly

Co Chairman

The Prez Sez...
 "Warbird Calendar is
 A Must Have".....

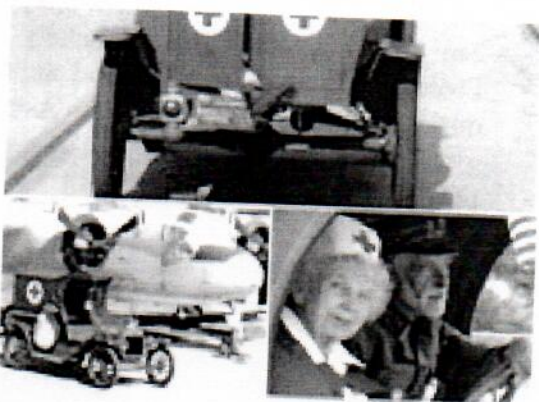
Support your museum by purchasing the 2008 Estrella Warbird Calendar. Webmaster and Advisory Board Member Peter Visel has created this fantastic calendar. Peter has not only provided the great photographs but has put the whole calendar together. He is now active with the marketing. You can support the Estrella Warbird Museum by purchasing one or more of these "Works of Art". Purchase several and share them with friends, relatives and neighbors. The calendars have different pictures for each month and includes January 2009.

The pictures are worthy of framing. What better way to show your friends and family what a great organization you belong to in Paso Robles.

Below are samples photographs for 2008.



JUNE



JULY

You may purchase Warbird Calendars from our gift shop, directly from our website www.ewarbirds.org or at our monthly dinner meetings. The price is only \$10.00 to support your museum and you get a great calendar.

"Warbird Museum receives U.S. Coast Guard Aircraft"



Photo and article supplied by Peter Visel.

Sikorsky HH-52A Sea Guard Saved from the Scrap Heap

EWM Acquisitions Manager, Gary Corippo inspects #1395 upon arrival at Estrella Warbird Museum, January 26th.

The HH-52A was originally destined to become scrap metal in Oregon. Gary's discovery allowed EWM to purchase the aircraft for the price of scrap metal and promptly scheduled it for restoration to a static display. This Sea Guard is rare, one of only 151 ever produced and one of only 17 which have found their way to a museum. Stop by and check out our new aircraft and view more info on our website www.ewarbirds.org

It is an honor to have this United States Coast Guard Aircraft on display at the Estrella Warbird Museum. I wonder how many lives have been saved by this aircraft and crew???

George Taylor

President Estrella Warbird Museum

The Prez Sez... "Warbird Guest Speaker Fills Thomson Hall"

Estrella Warbird member Harald Bauer filled Thomson Hall during the February dinner meeting. I am continually amazed by our talented membership. Our members and guests honored Harald with a standing ovation at the conclusion of his program.

It is truly my pleasure to know Harald and Margi Bauer.



Harald Bauer - EWM February guest speaker

"Movies on the Big Screen"

Harald and Margi Bauer are the Directors of our "Estrella Warbird Theater" and will surely bring many great movies to our big screen.

Photo by George Marrett



Harald and Margi Bauer - Directors of The Estrella Warbird Theater.

We will feature movies from the past as well as current productions. The Warbird Big Screen is six feet high and twelve feet wide and capable of showing "High Definition" productions and sounds great with our surround system. Ron Brooks and Peter Visel have been busy building the big screen and mounting our projection system. I am looking forward to our Friday night at the movies.

We are looking for volunteers to be part of our Warbird Theater staff. Please contact George Taylor and I will put you in contact with Harald or Margi Bauer for more information. We need help setting up and with food and beverage service. I am looking for a theater food service manager to prepare the hot dogs and popcorn. This is an easy process since we have acquired the automatic hot dog roller system. Watch our website for dates and time of upcoming attractions. Join your Warbird friends for a great movie and enjoy the evening.

"Freedom Hall Admission Tickets Now on Sale"

Looking for a gift to give someone that has helped you with a special project or how about that special neighbor that has not visited the Warbird Museum. We have the perfect gift for you to give them. On sale now in our gift shop you can purchase admission tickets for Freedom Hall that can be used anytime during normal museum hours. Ask our gift shop cashier how to purchase your tickets.

The Estrella Warbird Museum

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"Walter Mitty Would Enjoy This One"

I think most of us can remember "The Secret Life of Walter Mitty". He would daydream of doing all kinds of heroic accomplishments. Try this one. Imagine yourself as the only person in the cockpit of an F-18 Super Hornet on the final approach to land on the deck of a Navy aircraft carrier. Yes, that is your job to put this supersonic jet on the moving flight deck of a super carrier.



Think you can land on this flight deck? OK, now let's try a night landing!!!!

If that is not enough how about taking off, kicking in the afterburners and point the nose of your Super Hornet toward the stars.



Kick in the afterburners and enjoy the ride.

Maybe the Super Hornet is not your aircraft of choice. With the click of the computer keyboard, our Flight Engineer can put you behind the controls of many different aircraft including vintage propeller driven planes.

Our simulator is not just for the accomplished pilots but is a chance for everyone to enjoy the thrill of piloting an aircraft. Gary Corippo and crew are nearly ready to activate our Simulator. You will find yourself setting in a full size F-18 cockpit with active controls.

If you would like to be part of this exciting simulator program see Gary Corippo. We are looking for Flight Engineers to staff the simulator control room and provide assistance to those piloting the simulator.

Gary Corippo, Ron Boyte, Ron Brooks and Christopher Rena are just a few that have been working hard to make this simulator a reality. Thank you....

"Thomson Hall Becomes Voting Center"

February 5th Thomson Hall once again became the voting hub for our area. This was made possible by our Warbird members working very hard and putting in a very long day. I have been told that over 400 people cast their ballots at Thomson Hall. I wish to thank our crew that worked very hard to make this possible.

Margi Bauer--
Jacqueline Brooks--(Clerk/Contact)-
Gary Corippo--
Ruth Dickey--
Bob Kelly--
Rob Kinnear--
Chuck Miller--
Betty Miller--
Rosemary Netto--
Ray Passon---- (Inspector)--
Charmaine Peckinpaugh--
Don Peckinpaugh--
Frank Ragland--
Noreen Ragland--
Glen Thomson--

After a hard days work our crew reassembled Thomson Hall, making it ready for our Wednesday dinner meeting.

Thank you....

George Taylor

"Guess Who's Coming To Dinner"

Guess Who's Coming to Dinner is a 1967 Academy Award-winning comedy-drama film starring Spencer Tracy, Sidney Poitier, Katharine Hepburn, and Katharine Houghton.

This was certainly a notable movie in 1967. But the real drama starts when we do not know how many are coming to our monthly dinner meetings. And that is not a comedy.

It is requested that we know how many will be attending our dinner meetings so that we can provide the level of service our members deserve.

It is easy and quick to make your reservations. If your plans change and you are unable to attend please let us know. We can open up that seat and may not have to turn other guests away thinking we are full. The museum must pay the caterer for all ordered meals. That includes meals for those that do not show up.

There is two ways to make your reservation. Logon to our website www.ewarbirds.org and go to the members section. Also you may call 467-3521 and leave a voice message

Please make your dinner reservations by Monday noon.

"Al & Bobbi Schade Set The example of What Warbird Pride Is"

You do not have to spend much time at the Warbird Museum to soon understand that Al Schade sets the standards very high for the rest of us.

Al not only has tremendous knowledge from his years of experience but has the unusual ability to share his professionalism and work ethics with us.

Photo by George Marrett.



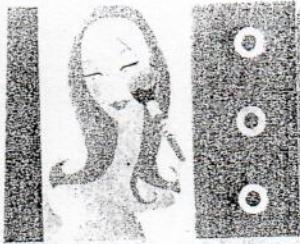
Al and Bobbi Schade - Define Warbird Pride.

On Saturday Al can be found working on our static display aircraft, repairing or fabricating unavailable parts. If that is not enough Al also coordinates and schedules the Saturday lunch.

Thank you Al and all our Warbird members that work very hard to make the museum the great place it is.

Very Respectfully

George Taylor
President Estrella Warbird Museum



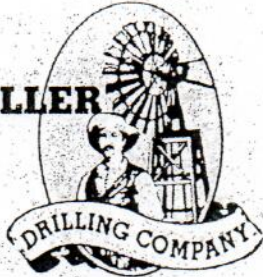
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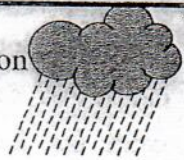
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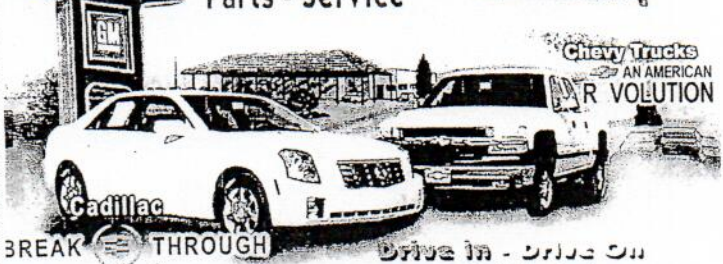
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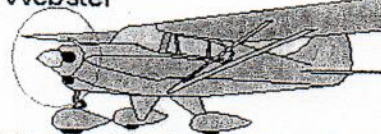
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