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The Prez Sez...

By Estrella Warbird President
 Rob Kinnear



The January Dinner Meeting was well attended and everyone enjoyed Larry Eastwood's baked chicken with potatoes. John Chang spoke eloquently about his grandfather's experiences in 442nd Regimental Combat Team and the efforts to regain his citizenship after World War II. His grandfather, Mr. John Chang, was awarded the Congressional Gold Medal of Honor for his effort while serving our country. The details of his story told us many things that are missed in the grand sweep of the history we know.

The big news is that the new Hind Pavilion entrance to the Museum is finally under construction. Depending on the weather, we hope to have it open by Warbirds, Wings and Wheels 4 in May. As soon as the paint dries on the Brooks Building extension floor, we will begin to move in the displays.

We received the AeroMachi MB326 Italian training aircraft from Mojave. It will be brought in for restoration as soon as we complete some of our older projects. We are still hoping for the F-16 this month. We acquired a rare Korean era Navy F9F-8P Cougar, that was paid for by donations from members. It will need a lot of tender loving care, but will look great after it goes through restoration.

Remember, we can always use more Docents. There is always something going on in the restoration shops. Come out and have some fun with us.

Rob Kinnear
 EWM President

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Wednesday
February 1, 2012
MENU



Pork with Cherry Sauce
Yummy Au gratin Potatoes
Seasonal Vegetables
Green Salad
Rolls
Chocolate Cake
Ice Tea & Coffee
\$17.00 pp
(Includes Tax & Gratuity)

Reservations Please

By Monday January 30

805-227-0440 press *2 when
asked & follow instructions

or

Use Our Website Link :

www.ewarbirds.org/dinnerrsvp.html



Social Hour 6:00pm
Dinner 7:00pm



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Fredrick Thacker

Frederick Clarence Thacker, 66 from San Miguel, died suddenly Dec. 27, 2011. He was born in Hemet, CA to Dick and Dixie Thacker. He grew up in San Miguel, attended Pleasant Valley School and graduated from North High School in Bakersfield in 1964. While in high school, he worked at a pack station during the summers. After graduation, he worked as ranch foreman for Floyd Grigory in San Ardo, then as a farm mechanic in Visalia and Redding. Fred married Judith Carlson in Petaluma in 1975. for the next eight years, they lived in Grass Valley, where he was a mechanic for a gold mine, repaired equipment for a logging company, and started his own business in 1979. Fred moved his family to Petaluma in 1983, becoming truck shop foreman for Cal Egg Farms and Sunrise Chicken Ranch. In 1997, the family moved to San Miguel, where Fred continued his business, Oak Leaf Equipment. He was active with the Estrella War Birds and the Native Sons of the Golden West. He was a founding member of the Pleasant Valley Community Foundation and served several terms on the San Miguel Advisory Council. Fred is survived by his wife of 36 years, Judi, his son Daniel, daughter, Amanda Gonzalez, mother, Dixie Thacker, 3 sisters, and numerous nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews. He was preceded in death by his father Dickerson Thacker in 2004. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to Pleasant Valley Community Foundation to help preserve the old school house, c/o Jean Hoffman, PO Box 475, San Miguel, 93451.

A celebration of Fred's life will be held at 1 pm, Saturday, Feb. 4, 2012 at the Estrella Warbird Museum, 4251 Dry Creek Road in Paso Robles. For more information, call (805) 467-0194.

Gift Shop Gab

By Jackie Brooks



We are open Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday from 10am to 4 pm.

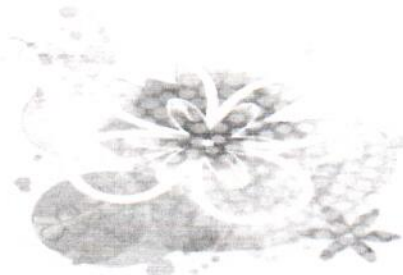
Show your MEMBERSHIP card to receive the admission discount.



This is inventory month. Don't forget to visit us prior to our dinners.

Illness and Concern:

Due to PRIVACY issues and all of the HIPAA regulations, we can only publish the names of members that notify Judy Corippo, Health and Welfare, at 238-2090. Call her prior to the 15th of the month if you want your information shared in the newsletter. Thank you.



BLOOD DRIVE

The Estrella Warbird Museum will host its second **Obbie Atkinson Blood Drive** on Friday, May 4, 2012 from 2-6 PM in Thomson Hall.

A sign-up sheet for donors and volunteers to host the drive will be circulated starting with our February 2012 Dinner Meeting.

Check your calendars and mark the date.



Our first drive in 2011 was very successful, so let us all strive for a repeat in 2012.

Contact Wayne Rice at 805-423-8828 with questions or to sign up.

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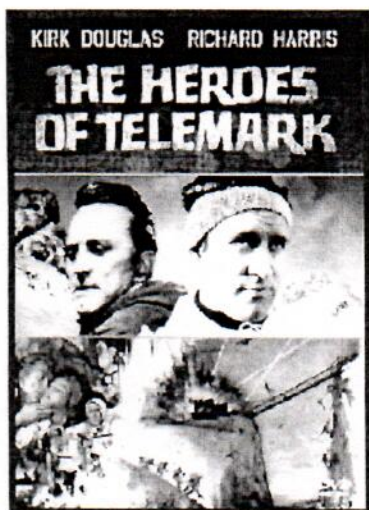
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Movie Nite !

Wednesday, February 8th

6:00pm - Pizza & Popcorn

6:30pm - Movie Time

HEROES OF TELEMARK

STARRING: Kirk Douglas, Richard Harris, Michael Redgrave - DIRECTED BY: ANTHONY MANN (El Cid)

Set in German-occupied Norway, this is an account of the remarkable efforts of the Norwegian resistance to sabotage the German development of the atomic bomb (heavy water project). Although the film is embellished with fictitious stories, the location scenery is *fantastic*.

This film at least reminds one of the amazing Norwegians who affected the outcome of WWII.

★ ★ 1/2 Maltin (1965 - 131 min.)



AN ACTUAL EXCHANGE BETWEEN PILOT AND CONTROL TOWER

One day the pilot of a Cherokee 180 was told by the tower to hold short of the active runway while a DC-8 landed. The DC-8 landed, rolled out, turned around, and taxied back past the Cherokee. Some quick-witted comedian in the DC-8 crew got on the radio and said, "What a cute little plane. Did you make it all by yourself?"

The Cherokee pilot, not about to let the insult go by, came back with a real zinger:

"I made it out of DC-8 parts. Another landing like yours and I'll have enough parts for another one."





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DATES TO REMEMBER!

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| Wednesday, February 1 | Dinner Meeting | 6:00pm Social/7:00pm Dinner |
| Wednesday, February 8 | MOVIE NIGHT | 6:00 pm |
| Wednesday, February 15 | EWM Board Meeting | 6pm to 8pm |