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The Prez Sez

By Estrella Warbirds President
Wayne Rice

As you are reading this, a newly-constituted Board of Directors and Executive Committee will be preparing to assume their duties for the next twelve months. As of the time of this writing the election has not been conducted, ergo, I cannot introduce the lineup to you now, however, all will be revealed at the June Dinner Meeting. Those who attend will be among the first to know. AND, don't forget the theme....Hobo night!

Our fifth Warbirds, Wings and Wheels Car Show held on May 11th was a resounding success, in spite of the toasty temperatures. Many kudos to Carol and Dan Verstuyft for leading the effort and as well as to all the volunteers who pulled off this lalapalooza event. Organization, fascinating wheels, and volunteer enthusiasm all contributed to a great day. And, just when you thought things were slowing, may I remind you of the "Bob Hope Radio Show" for June. Your museum does not slow down: tickets remain available for this event. See the gift shop or Betty Miller.

October will witness our second Warbirds Over Paso Air Show. Planning has commenced and the initial estimate is for a bigger event this year. Volunteers will be needed for this event so pitch in where and when you are able.

Projects abound: the C-47, operated by the Gooney Bird Group, has completed its repaint and mechanical work and has been flying and representing the museum. The DUKW (aka DUCK) is making steady progress along with the F-86, F-8 and the Ford Staff Car. The Wing Nuts recently completed the AQM-34 drone which will soon be on display. If you haven't been out to the area near the Woodland buildings lately you will not have noticed the restored kiosk which was recently completed by Jim Stainbrook and his happy gang. This really cleaned up nicely-thanks to all.

The past twelve months witnessed some significant events and activities. We had our first Air Show in over ten years, the Hind Pavilion was completed and our first salaried employee, Jeanne Thiebaud, retired. Her replacement, Alexandrea Helms, won the interview process and has been on the job since the first Thursday in May. Where next, who knows, but your museum is not a static institution.

Lastly, I wish to thank all of you for your support over these past twelve months, and, I trust, you all will lend enthusiastic support to your 2013-2014 Board and Executive Committee. It has been a honor and pleasure to have served you and this museum.

Wayne

**Wednesday
June 5, 2013
MENU**



Oven Baked Chicken
Potato Salad
Baked Beans
Rolls and Butter
Larry's Choice Cake
Ice Tea & Coffee

\$17.00 pp

(Includes Tip & Gratuity)

RESERVATIONS PLEASE

BY MONDAY, June 3rd

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

or

Use our Website Link:

www.ewarbirds.org/dinnerrsvp.html



SOCIAL HOUR 6:00 PM

DINNER 7:00 PM

JUNE PROGRAM

Estrella Warbirds Museum



"Padre Bill"
The
Phantom Chaplain
(Check out his
military jacket
and baseball hat)



"The Navy Chaplain Corps from the Inside"

Estrella Warbirds Museum member William J. "Bill" Houston (known as "Padre Bill" at the museum) will be the dinner guest speaker for June 5, 2013. Born in Fort Worth, Texas, Bill grew up in Washington, D.C. and Seattle, Washington. He joined the US Army in 1951 and served in the Counter Intelligence Corps until 1954. Bill went back to school graduating with a BA degree from George Washington University in 1957 and a MA degree in 1965. He, also, entered seminary graduating from Southern Baptist in 1960.

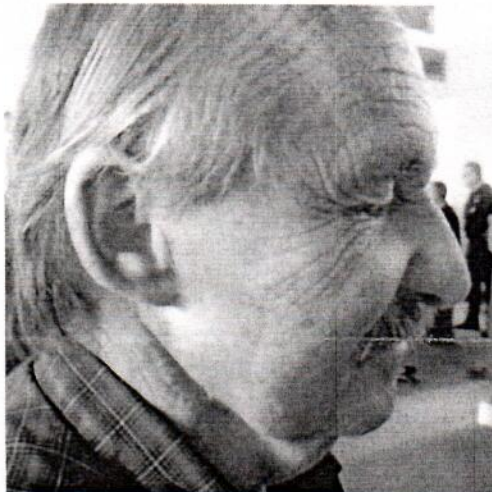
Bill joined the US Navy as a chaplain in 1966. From 1967-68, he served with the 1st Marine Division in Vietnam. Bill retired as a Commander in 1986. His military awards include various service and campaign ribbons, including the Vietnam Service Medal with two Bronze Stars, Combat Action Ribbon, Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service Medal and Navy Commendation Medal.

Bill was married for 57 years to Mary Elizabeth Koelb from Washington, D.C., who served as an organist in many of his military assignments. Sadly, Mary passed away last month. Bill and Mary have a son, daughter, and several grandchildren.

Presently, he is very proud that he leads the "Lost at Sea Memorial Day" services in Cayucos and got the nickname "Phantom Chaplain" for serving with a McDonnell Aircraft F-4C Phantom squadron.

George J. Marrett

HIND PAVILION OPENING CELEBRATION HELD APRIL 3, 2013



Theme night was Hawaiian and a good time was had by all! We even got a sneak preview of the new Library location. Tom Gorham, with the aid of Ron Brooks and wife, MaryAnne, is doing a great job setting it all up for our future enjoyment.

Final preparations for Warbirds, Wings & Wheels 5 were put into motion on Thursday by moving all the planes from the hangar and clean up of the hangar and surrounding areas. Volunteers worked hard to finish putting in all the fencing to separate the spectator parking from the participant area, hanging banners, signs directing traffic flow for both participants and spectators. Several vendors and car participants moved in on Friday to lessen the congestion on Saturday morning. At one point participant cars were lined up about one quarter of a mile down Dry Creek Road Saturday morning anxiously awaiting entrance to the car show and to have a picture taken of their car with a great warbird plane.

I want to wish a huge, huge THANK YOU to all of our volunteers that worked in the grueling sun and heat on Thursday and Friday, but especially on Saturday to make sure all of our visitors to the museum enjoyed our fun packed Free Family Fun Day. This year we had 248 cars entered in the car show along with all the special guests at the Woodland Auto Display. Those fantastic custom motorcycles and the 1949 Cadillac Custom Station Wagon were just some of the highlights of the show. This year we added a Kid's Fun Zone which was sponsored and manned by the Sea Scouts as a fundraiser for their great organization. If you happened to wander in that direction it was obvious the kids were having a great time. Freckles the Clown was also on hand to do some very artistic face painting for the kids.

The Food Court was very popular with a variety of great things to satisfy your appetite including hamburgers, hot dogs, Italian sausage sandwiches, taquitos, tri-tips, Italian Glacier frozen delights, snow cones, cotton candy, popcorn and kettle corn. Firestone Walker Brewing Company was on hand with their beer garden pouring their great 805 and DBA beer all day. The line for beer seemed to be endless most of the day. Rick Brandt and crew were on hand to help with the beer garden and pouring some great J.Lohr white and red wines.

We had a great line up of vendors with something for everyone to wander through and find their souvenir for the day. Many thanks to all of our vendors for enduring the heat to help make our event successful.

Congratulations to all of our winners. Winners of the different classes include:

- Class A-Model A was San Luis Ambulance with their green/white ambulance
- Class B-1900-1934 Modified winner was George Stone with a black 1934 Ford Coupe
- Class C-1935-1954 Modified winner was Rick Hlland with a purple 1936 Dodge
- Class D-1955 to present Modified winner was Roy Poole with a blue 1965 Comet
- Class E-1900-1954 Stock winner was Jim & Donna Derrick with a green 1947 Ford
- Class F-1955 to present Stock winner was Patrick Coady with a burgundy 1957 Chrysler Imperial
- Class G-Pickups Pre-war 1900-1941 winner was Robert Friedrichsen with a purple 1940 Ford
- Class H-Pickups Post War 1946 to present was Kurk & Beth Lins with a cream/orange 1953 Chevy
- Class I-Ranchero/El Camino winner was Blake Wallas with a yellow 1967 El Camino
- Class J-Pony Car winner was John Campbell with a green 1969 Camaro
- Class K-Corvettes 1953-1982 winner was Ron Robinson with a green 1967 Corvette
- Class L-Corvettes 1983 to present winner was Edwin & Linda Combs with a red 2007 Corvette
- Class M-Mustangs 1964-1978 winner was William Peterson with a green 1967 Mustang
- Class N-Mustangs 1979—present winner was Steven Armandico with a 2011 Mustang
- Class O-Thunderbirds winner was Davin Cooke with a turquoise T-Bird
- Class P-Muscle Car winner was Jason Cox with a red 1968 Dodge Charger
- Class Q-Shelby/Cobra winner was Edmund Martinson with a red 1965 Cobra
- Class R-Sports/Foreign winner was Alex & Helga Zanina with a black/white 1960 Austin Healey

Class S-Special Interest winner was Jerry Martin with a blue 1957 VW/with Chevy engine

Class T-motorcycles winner was Chett Myers with a red/white Harley Scooter

Class V-Modern Challengers winner was Shannon Awtrey with a green Dodge Challenger

The President's Award chosen by Wayne Rice was Theryl Bell with a blue 1965 Corvette.

The Woodland Choice Award went to Jeff Sines, Paso Robles, 1931 Packard 4 Door Touring Car

Tour for 4 to Jay Leno's Big Dog Garage winner was Lee Wilson, Paso Robles

50/50 Drawing winner won \$255 and didn't leave her name in all the excitement

The 12 winners of the One Hour Ride in the C47 on May 25th are Jerry May, Jack Hanson (giving his ride to Robert Stevenson), Shelli Maldonado, Wes Butterwick, Jerry Gaugh, Richard Zamora, Scott Young, Anne Laddon, Leonard Joe, Darrell Hall (all from Paso Robles), Ken Webb (Atascadero), and Ron Dives (San Dimas).

The day was topped off with beer, wine and a great tri-tip dinner served by Larry Eastwood, the crew from Vic's Café, and enjoyed by all the volunteers that opted to stay and celebrate the end of an awesome day with us.

Check out the website for pictures of all the winners and their trophies.



LIBRARY BOOK NOTES By Tom Gorham

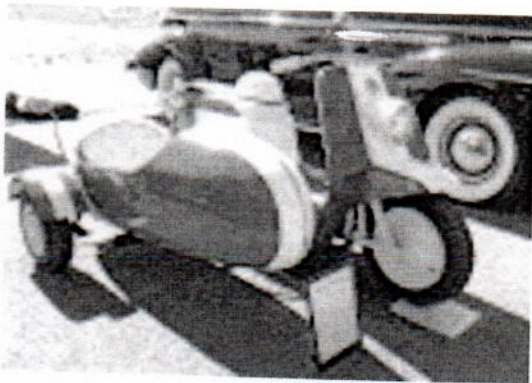
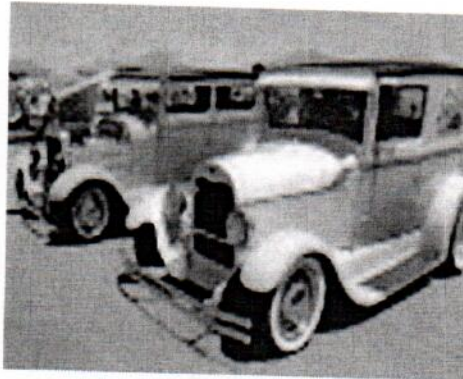
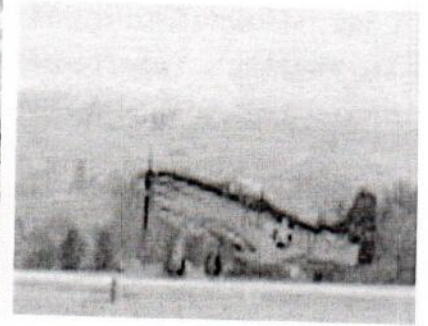
Pictures by Mike Levine

What a beautiful new Library for all to enjoy! The guidelines to check out books and the hours of the new Library will be in the July issue of our newsletter. If you would like to donate time to keep this new space open for all, call the museum and give them your name.....no visitors while you are there?.....you get to have a nice quiet spot to do some reading! AND, it is AIR CONDITIONED!



WARBIRDS, WINGS AN D WHEELS PHOTO GALLERY

Pictures by Mike Levine





ILLNESS AND CONCERN



Ruth Dickey had a fall and is at Vineyard. Her address is 1759 Miller Court, Paso Robles, CA 93446.

Charmaine Peckinpaugh is now at home. Her address is 410 Turtle Creek Road, Paso Robles, CA 93446.

To publish names of members, call Judy Corippo at 238-2090 prior to the 15th of the month if you want your information shared in the newsletter.



BOB HOPE ROAD SHOW COMING SATURDAY, JUNE 8!

Tickets available at the EWM Gift Shop

Or Online at www.ewarbirds.org

The **Bob Hope Road Show** starring veteran actor Lynn Roberts, will be presented on the Estrella Warbirds Museum Hangar One Stage, Saturday, June 8th.

The Bob Hope Road Show portrays a 1940s radio program complete with an onstage announcer (Chuck Carson) and era commercials plus legendary guest stars, W.C. Fields, Jimmy Durante, Benny Goodman and Red Skelton (all portrayed by the very talented Mr. Roberts) and Frances Langford, known as "Sweetheart of the Fighting Fronts" and Bob Hope's USO Show vocalist (portrayed by our own Betty Miller).

This will be a dinner show and lots of fun. Watch for more info in the next newsletter and on our website, www.ewarbirds.org.

Time: 6:30 PM

\$50.00 Per Person

\$375.00 for VIP Host Table for 8

No Host Bar/Vic's Café Caterer



Volunteers needed. Ticket Takers,
Table Décor, Table set-up June 8 (9AM)
Table break-down Sunday, June 9
Hosts/Hostesses

Museum Musings
With Alexandra Helms
Museum Coordinator

PG&E presented a check for \$1,190. to EWM President Wayne Rice to offset our lighting costs in two buildings at the Museum, Thomson Hall and the Restoration Hanger. The new lighting will make us more energy efficient!



Alexandra, born in the Bay Area, has lived on the Central Coast since 2000. She is a Cuesta College student who volunteers at a dog rescue in Creston. She will major in Animal Sciences in a few years.





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DATES TO REMEMBER!

Wednesday, June 5
Wednesday, June 19

Dinner Meeting 6:00pm Social/7:00pm Dinner
Board Meeting 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm