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Estrella Warbirds Museum XXIV-07 The EAGLE

Honoring the Past—Inspiring the Future NEWSLETTER Vol. 18, Number 7 July, 2013 Paso Robles, California

The Prez Sez

By Estrella Warbirds President Sherm Smoot





Wow, what an honor to serve as the President of EWM. I sincerely appreciate the trust the Board has placed in me to lead this museum. I pray my efforts will further expand the museum.

I want to sincerely thank Mr. Wayne Rice, our retiring President. Under his tutelage, this museum has made huge progress. Our first air show in 10 years, a very successful "Wings and Wheels" car show, and the completion of the Hind Pavilion, to name a few. It's been an honor to work with Wayne and all owe him a debt of gratitude for his accomplishments.

This is my first column so I would like to share just some of my thoughts... In these questionable economic times there are many challenges facing our museum. One of my worries is the ability to continue to fund the EWM. We seek your counsel and your help in this endeavor. If you know of any way to improve our fund raising efforts, please let us know. We need you to volunteer for our future air shows and car shows. We need docents to show off our unique collection of history. This is after all, our museum and we will either see it flourish or decline.

One of my many goals is to get our last building constructed, which will complete our master plan. It will house our C-47 and other aircraft. Maybe even some flying WWII warbirds. It will be no easy task as we will need to raise about \$600,000. On the revenue side, however, this building can host huge parties, facilitate gala events, host indoor R/C electric aircraft and car events for kids, etc. I'm sure Rick Brandt, our facilities coordinator would be tickled to have this hangar in his bag of tricks. Just think, we would never be limited by event space again. This is truly within our reach. What is going to help make this happen is having audited financials. It's expensive, but it opens up a huge door of funding from large donors and philanthropic trusts, etc. that require audited statements.

Also, I will work closely with our Board to get the parcel just west so we will not be landlocked and unable to expand in future years. We need to redefine our mission statement and make sure everyone understands exactly what our mission is. We must then, doggedly, live up to and fulfill that mission. These are just some of the things that need to be accomplished to keep us on the path of success.

These goals are realistic and achievable. Your Board of Directors and I look forward to making it happen. You know, I just feel in my bones that this will be the finest military and automobile museum on the left coast - Right here in the heart of wine country. Yeah!

We look forward to meeting you at our next Dinner Meeting on July 3rd. Come and have some fun with us. It's rewarding. You might even enjoy it...

Prayers to all in harms way,



Wednesday July 3, 2013



BBQ Spare Ribs Veggie Pasta Salad Chili Beans French Bread Larry's Dessert

Ice Tea & Coffee

\$17.00 pp

(Includes Tip & Gratuity)

RESERVATIONS PLEASE BY MONDAY, July 1st

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

JULY PROGRAM

Kyle Plummer, and his parents, will be our special guests for the July dinner. His short film "Korea Remembered" can be viewed at:

https:vimeo.com/61894812



Cambria teen, Kyle Plummer, is helping shine light on the Korean War. Plummer, 16, went to Washington, DC, to present his short documentary, "Korea Remembered," at the GI Film Festival. The 5 minute movie was a winner of the "Heroes Remembered: Voices of Korean War Veterans" filmmaking contest, which challenged high school students to capture the experiences of American Korean War veterans on video.

Before entering the contest, held in conjunction with the US Dept. of Defense's 60th Anniversary of the Korean War Commemoration Committee, Kyle said he didn't know much about the war waged between North & South Korea and their allies between 1950-53. Although his history textbook dedicated 2 or 3 chapters to WWII, the writers "only had one paragraph dedicated to the Korean War," he recalled, confirming that conflicts reputation as "The Forgotten War."

Through American Legion Post No. 432 in Cambria, he reached out to veterans, including EWM member, Al Schade, and families, to share their stories. He interviewed 12 vets on camera, including retired members of the Air Force, Army, Marine Corps and Navy, as well as Shirley Vega & Delphine Vega Paulsen, the widow and daughter of deceased PFC Delphino Vega. "I really see how much the Korean War has been overlooked and how it has affected the soldiers coming back." "When they came back, they got nothing. It was really sad." "I'm glad they'll be able to be recognized and have their stories told," he added.

Kyle and his brother, Carlos, have crafted several short films in recent years. They include: 2009's "Indiana Jones & the Crystals of Eternity," 2010's "The magic Hat" and 2012's 'The Second Mission." Kyle currently attends California Virtual Academies, an Internet-aided charter school. He's eager to rack up more film making experiences. He said, "What I'm doing right now is really beneficial."

George Marrett

GIFT SHOP GAB with Jackie Brooks, Shop Manager

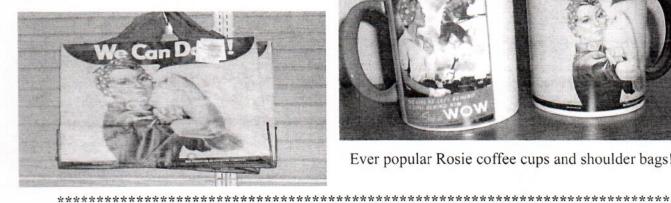
Check out these best sellers in our new Gift Shop. Be sure you get one for yourself, family and friends. Can't keep the "Rosie" items in stock! Very popular lady!



Estrella mousepads for your computer.



Estrella collectible shot glasses in red or blue.





Colorful airplane coffee cups—pick your favorite!



Black and white plane and helicopter coffee cups.



Ever popular Rosie coffee cups and shoulder bags!

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON HOW YOU CAN HELP AS A GIFT SHOP VOLUNTEER

Contact the Gift Shop any Thursday—Sunday, 10 AM to 4 PM

Phone: 238-9317

We look forward to hearing from you!

LIBRARY BOOK NOTES with Tom Gorham

Come see our fabulous new library before the dinner meetings. (Hours are 5:30 PM to 6:30 PM)

You might even decide to spend more time in this great new location....do a little reading and stay cool in the air-conditioned room.

We need **volunteers** who would help us keep it open during museum hours. Thursday/Saturday 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM

No visitors to talk to???? What a great time to catch up on a little historical reading.

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Hours of operation and member check-out procedures to follow......

Contact Tom at tag2878@cox.net





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MUSEUM MUSINGS with Alexandrea Helms

Come visit your museum to see the new displays! We get lots of compliments on our exhibits and it is always fun for our Docents to hear the visitors share their own history with their families....and with us!







ILLNESS AND CONCERN:

Peter Visel's mother passed away. His address is: 20382 North 1300 East Rd, Hudson, IL 61748.

Ruth Dickey is at Vineyard Hills Health Center recovering from a fall.

Charmaine Peckinpaugh is recovering at home from successful chemo. Surgery will be scheduled.

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. Thank you.

BOB HOPE ROADSHOW REVIEW PICTURES







For those of you who couldn't make it to your Museum's Fund Raiser "Bob Hope Road Show" on Saturday, June 8, you missed a fun-filled evening.

Lynn "Win" Roberts is a professional actor who did a fantastic job impersonating Bob Hope, Jack Benny (complete with violin) Red Skelton and Jimmy Durante. The voice, mannerisms, facial expressions changed with each character and this was punctuated with actual recordings or readings, of advertisements of products many of us haven't heard of in years! The jokes were funny, suggestive but without any four-letter words, and as one Museum member said "it was such fun to be able to laugh at the jokes. Most present-day comedians just are not that funny."

There are many folks behind the scenes that need recognition for the work they did to make this an enjoyable evening. Our set-up crew were Rick Brandt, Wayne Rice, Ron Brooks, Richard Campbell, Bob Kelly, Penny & Jerry Takier, Linda & Arnold Hermansen, Harley Davis and Ernie Hernandez, aided by other Museum members that stopped by. Gail Hansen took tickets out and got them sold.

Penny and Jerry Takier took tickets dressed in period 1940's attire, while Rosalie James helped tend bar in a very fetching period outfit. Thank you for some major support from Bella Luna Winery (President Sherm Smoot and wife Laurie) Ron and Jackie Brooks, Bob and Joan Burgess, Ed and Pam Morrison, Jim Stainbrook, Thom Schulz and Laura Coats Schulz, Jerry and Penny Takier and Dick and Claudia Woodland. You all are awesome!!

Our sound was handled by Harvey and Gwen Hunt ("Music on Wheels") and the piano was loaned as a donation to us from Farrell Johnsen Pianos. Professional pianist Judy Harris donated her services as well.

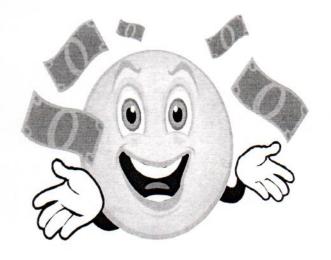
We have many compliments coming in via phone calls and emails about how much folks who came enjoyed the evening.

Thank you all!

BETTY MILLER









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DATES TO REMEMBER!

Wednesday, July 3 Wednesday, July 17

Dinner Meeting

Board Meeting

6:00pm Social/7:00pm Dinner

6:00 pm to 8:00 pm