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REMEMBER:

Dinner reservations
will only be accepted,
on line or by phone,
until 6:00PM Sept 1st

NOTE: New phone #
805-296-1935

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The Prez Sez

By Estrella Warbirds President

Sherm Smoot



Wife Laurie and I just returned from Charlotte, NC last week for a Wine Society event in which we will be participating. We had never been to the Carolina's so, with the help of a few friends, we got dialed in to great places to see. The best advice went like this, "After your wine event in North Carolina, get in your car and leave N.C and head straight to Charleston, SC. That's where it's happening." Great advice. We had a lovely time in Charleston.

As August ends, some of the vineyards of our region are being harvested two to three weeks early. I wish all our museum members in the wine business a great and prosperous harvest.

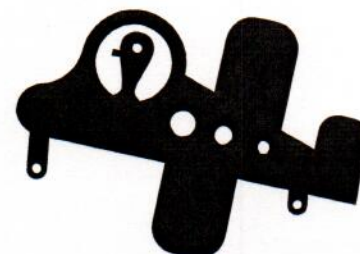
It's air race time for me, so I will be testing the race plane with our new engine and airframe improvements. The "Skunk works" guys say we will be at least 15 mph faster or ripping around the pylons at 485+ mph. Sure hope they're right – Maybe this will be the year we win Reno! I'm getting tired of 2nd and 3rd places all the time. As a result of my September racing, I will not be here for the September dinner meeting.

YOUR MUSEUM continues to move ahead. We are still awaiting building permits for our three building projects. We have been complaining about the slow process but alas, we all know how efficient government is. I'm still working on the Master Plan for our new lease on the parcels just west of the museum. Board members Jerry Takier, Scott Stelzle, Ron Boyte, Rob Kinnear, and I will meet next week for a master plan update and long range financial planning.

Have a great September. As a reminder, the date of our next Dinner Meeting is **Wednesday, September 3, 2014**. Make your reservations by calling 805.296.1935 or going to our website, click on Activities, then Event Registration, and then monthly dinner reservations. We are always on a membership drive. Thanks for your continued support.

My prayers to you and all in harms way,

Sherm



**Wednesday
September 3, 2014
MENU**



Roast Beef
Green Salad
Mixed Veggies
Mashed Potatoes & Gravy
Rolls & Butter
Apple Crisp
Ice Tea & Coffee

\$17.00 pp

(Includes Tip & Gratuity)

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

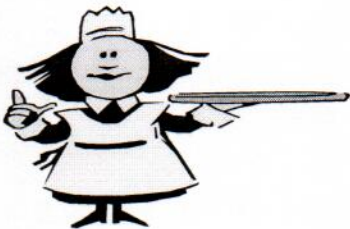
BY MONDAY, September 1st

805-296-1935 You can leave a voice message or text to this number.

or

Use our Website Link:

www.ewarbirds.org/dinnersvp.html



SOCIAL HOUR 6:00 PM

DINNER 7:00 PM

SEPTEMBER PROGRAM

Estrella Warbirds Museum

Come meet Lt. Commander
Paul "CJ" Oyler
Navy Reservist



Lieutenant Commander Paul "CJ" Oyler is a Navy Reservist. He serves with Strike Fighter Squadron 122 (VFA-122) at Naval Air Station Lemoore (NAS), California as an instructor pilot. Outside of the Navy, Paul teaches pre-algebra to eighth grade students at Flamson Middle School.

Paul was born and raised on the central coast of California. Through most of his childhood, Paul's family lived in a house just a few miles from the Paso Robles Municipal Airport. Paul caught the flying bug early. His uncle, a Lockheed engineer, built a Skybolt biplane from a kit and took Paul for rides every once in a while. Paul spent countless afternoons as a boy riding his bike around the hangars, watching pilots, planes and skydivers. He graduated from Paso Robles High School, where he met his future wife, in 1998.

Paul attended the United States Naval Academy and competed on the midshipmen's varsity lightweight crew team. He majored in economics and minored in Spanish. He was commissioned in May 2002.

Paul received orders to flight training at NAS Pensacola, Florida. His first formal flying instruction was conducted in T-34C Turbomotor aircraft at NAS Whiting Field in Milton, Florida. After primary flight training, he completed advanced training in the T-45 Goshawk at NAS Kingsville, Texas. Paul earned his Navy wings of gold in 2004.

Following flight school, then LTJG Oyler learned to fly the F/A-18 Hornet with VFA-125 at NAS Lemoore. He reported to the "Gunslingers" of VFA-105 at NAS Oceana, Virginia. As a Gunslinger, Paul transitioned from the Hornet (F/A-18C) to the Super Hornet (F/A-18E) and deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom aboard USS HARRY S TRUMAN (CVN-75).

Paul was selected to attend the Navy's TOPGUN school and earned his Strike Fighter Tactics Instructor (SFTI) qualification in September 2008. He then served as an instructor at Strike Fighter Weapons School, Pacific, where he flew every variant of the F/A-18, the T-34C and E/A-18G and led a team of 24 tactical experts.

Paul was subsequently ordered to join the Golden Dragons of VFA-192, who had recently been reassigned to NAS Lemoore. Paul completed one and a half deployments with VFA-192 aboard USS JOHN C STENNIS (CVN-74) flying the F/A-18C Hornet in support of Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation New Dawn.

Paul and his wife, Elizabeth, returned to Paso Robles after leaving active duty service. They have two sons.

PECKINPAUGH LIBRARY BOOKNOTES



Your library has received a donation that includes a large amount of books and materials about WWI aerial warfare and aircraft. If this is your area of interest, come by and check out this collection.

REMEMBER: We are open 5:30 to 6:30 PM on the Dinner Meeting nights!

POLLING LOCAL NEWS



We would like to extend a big “Thank You” to those who volunteered to “Man the Polls” at EWM for the June 3rd, County Primary Election. Thanks go to: Margi Bauer, Rick Brandt, Jackie and Ron Brooks, David Frayer, Arnold & Linda Hermansen, Dave Highland, Rob Kinnear, Betty Miller, Wayne Rice and Jeanne Thiebaud.

You have an opportunity on **NOVEMBER 4TH** to get acquainted with some of your fellow members as a poll place volunteer. For more information or to volunteer, contact Jackie at 703-0028.

GIFT SHOP GAP

Jackie Brooks, Manager

Come check out the new items in your Gift Shop:

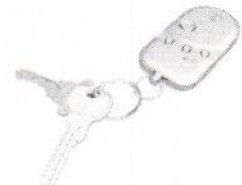
WWII related “Vintage Tin Signs”

Several NEW Hawaiian Shirt designs

New “Remove before Flight” Embroidered Key Chain Tags

Baby Bibs, Blankets, and Neck Pillows

AND the loved Baby Sipper Cups and Dish Sets



Along with our regular great selection of toys, jewelry and clothing



REMEMBER: We are “OPEN” from 5:45 to 6:45 PM before our dinner meetings.

FOR 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 or Jackie 703-0028

We look forward to hearing from you!



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IN MEMORY OF RICHARD DALY "DICK" REDDICK

May 14, 1937—April 27, 2014

Funeral services were held for Richard Reddick on Saturday, May 3, 2014.

He was a member of this museum for several years. His father was Ben Reddick, a long time newspaper man who worked for the largest newspapers in this country. After college, Richard went to work for his father and was a newsman for many years along side his brother, Randy. He took over the Paso Robles Press many years ago and was quite a voice in the community. He will be missed.

DATES TO REMEMBER!

Wednesday, Sept. 3	Dinner Meeting	6:00pm Social/7:00pm Dinner
Wednesday, Sept. 17	Board Meeting	6:00 pm to 8:00 pm