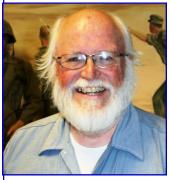


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Prez Sez President Rob Kinnear

Welcome to the New Year!! We are looking forward to a great year for the Museum, and hope you had a wonderful holiday season in December.



Speaking of great, the December Dinner Meeting met that expectation. Between Larry Eastwood's prime rib dinner and the Atascadero High School Show Choir we had a lot of fun (and was a lot better than Plan B with hotdogs and George and myself singing and dancing). Jamie

Warner's presentation at the January Dinner should be excellent, and I hope you will join us.

After years of rumors, Dry Creek Road is being reworked. Our hope is it will be completed by this spring. Until then, for the near future the road will be oneway going east Monday – Friday until 5pm. This should not affect evening events. To get to the Museum will be the same from Airport Road. To leave the Museum, you will turn left and go east to the Jardine Road to get to Highway 46. It will be a bit of a pain while this is happening, but the end result will be so much better than what we have.

The Woodland Auto Display addition is moving along. The building shell was completed before the rain started. Electrical is being installed and sheetrock will then go up. The rain unfortunately has slowed down the groundwork at the north end of our property.

If you stepped into the Hind Pavilion or Freedom Hall recently, you may have noticed something different. Yes Dr. Jill has changed some displays, but it smells a little nicer. With the help of Ron Brooks and Martina from Less Mess we got the carpets cleaned. It looks nicer and does smell better. Cont. on page 2





Larry Eastwood shows off the plaque presented in appreciation from Estrella/Woodland at the Dec. 5 Dinner Meeting in Thompson Hall.

Estrella has been lucky to have nine years of service from a Central Coast Icon, the Patriarch of Vic's Café on 13th St in downtown Paso Robes. **Larry Eastwood** has served thousands of locals and travelers since way back in the '40s. He retired on December 18 and Vic's The Restaurant is now under new ownership. **DON'T PANIC!.** Larry and the crew will be still be catering the Estrella monthly dinners. In fact, he catered his own retirement party in Thompson Hall. . .and it was a surprise party for him!

Estrella Warbirds Museum

Woodland Auto Display

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We have completed the first interviews for the Hall Rental Coordinator and expect to have the position filled by this month.

If you can give us some time, we can always use more hands to help us grow the Museum. If you are volunteering, bring a friend. As always, come out and join the fun with us.

Rob





Mike Brophy pilots Navy Jeep in Paso Robles Christmas Parade on December 1st

Photos Dr. Jill Thayer



John Everett guides the weapons carrier right behind Mr. Brophy.

Ronald Brown served our country in the National Guard and is the stepson of Water Botts. Yes, THE Walter Botts who was the model for the WWI and WWII poster, "Uncle Sam Wants You!" He and his daughter Sherri Lauderdale were recent guests at the museum. Check out the article: "The man who modeled as Uncle Sam poses in front of the iconic poster," 1970. https:// rarehistoricalphotos.com/uncle-samwalter-botts-1970/. Walter Botts photo credit: Jerry Heard / The Library of Congress.

George Marrett Presents...

Jamie Warner

A journey from USMC helicopters, to teaching, guidance and healing. . . "Life After Combat"

WEST COAST REGIONAL FACILITATOR MIGHTY OAKS FOUNDATION

USMC Naval Aviator





Come to Thompson Hall on January 2 to hear Mr. Warner speak about his life in the Service as a Marine **CH-53 Sea Stallion** aviator. He will relate what that Service taught him about the effects of combat on the ordinary citizen who is called to do what the Country has asked him to do. As the **Facilitator at Mighty Oaks**, Jamie is responsible for all the administration and logistics for programs conducted at **SkyRose Ranch in San Miguel, California**. Jamie also oversees social media related to all programs, continues to help with the editing process on book projects, and speaks for and represents the **Mighty Oaks Foundation** on the West Coast and is the "local representative" in the Central California region. Do not miss this one.

Now Hear This #1...

FYI: Attendance at Estrella Warbirds Museum/Woodland Auto Display topped 10,000 early in the month of November for the first time ever. Will we tally over 12,000 by January 1? Monthly Dinner Meeting January 2nd in Thompson Hall \$20.00 6pm Social 7pm Dinner *Menu:* Roast Pork Loin Salad Mashed Potatoes Vegetables Dessert

Reservations:

Phone: 805-296-1935

On Line: ewarbirds.org Drop Down To Dinner Reservations

NOW HEAR THIS #2...



Attention Veterans! Note from VA: You do NOT want Shingles. So, get the Shingles Vaccine. This recruit did it just after his interview here . . . and you should too. Go to VA.gov and search for "vaccinations". Then get

down to SLO and get yours....compliments of Uncle Sam.These vaccines can run up to\$200.00. The Editor knows this.

That is all.

MONTHLY LIBRARY THEME AND QUIZ : **THE MOON AND APOLLO FLIGHTS**

- 1. How far away is the moon?
 - A 1 million miles
 - B 500,000 miles
 - C 240,000 miles
- 2. The goal of landing a human on the moon was set by **President Kennedy** in. . .
 - A. 1959
 - B 1961
 - C 1965
- The development of the Saturn V Booster enabled the Apollo and Moon Landing missions True or False
- 4. The first Apollo Mission, **Apollo 8**, in December, 1968...
 - A dropped a probe to the surface to test the landing area
 - B was an unmanned photographic survey
 - C a crewed mission to orbit the moon and return safely to earth
- The First manned lunar landing mission, Apollo 11, landed Neil Armstrong and Edwin Aldrin on the moon's surface in July, 1969.
 Who was the third member of the crew who stayed aloft in the Command Module? Bonus: The name given to the lunar lander? A Scould
 - A Michael Collins
 - B John Glenn
 - C Wally Shirra
- The Soviet Union had a vigorous Space program of its own True or False
- 7. **Apollo 13** is best remembered for:
 - A Heaviest payload ever sent to the moon
 - B Crippling explosion threatening the lives of those on board
 - C Landing on land, not in the sea as designed.
- 8. The Lunar Rover was
 - A A 4-wheeled "moon buggy"
 - B A popular song in 1972
 - C The Name of the Lunar Lander
- As of this date The United States is the only country to land humans on the moon's surface and return to earth. True or False

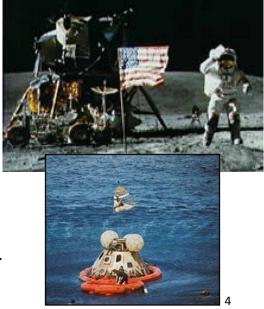
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A Scout B Intrepid C Eagle





RESTORATION CORNER

M151A1 JEEP, UH1D HUEY

Huh?

Well, here it is at year's end and we still await the next masterpiece out of the Shade Building. Patience will be rewarded. The next to emerge from the works will be truly awesome. Bets are on which will see daylight first, the Jeep or the Huey. The Jeep frame is in its final stage of readiness.



Joe Caetano smooths out frame rough spot

The wiring has commenced within the front

om Nixon

of the frame. Very soon the finished front suspension will be reattached to the mounts and the steering installed. Perhaps the unveiling by. . . April 1?



From The Duckpond. . .









A sneak peek into the "Skunkworks" over on Buena Vista revealed a very busy Alex Lopez sanding down the '32 Ford Sedan body in prep for the reconstruction of Dick Woodland's 8-Ball racing machine. A like-new Studebaker Lark from 1963 with the required V8 and stick shift. Only 90 of these made. Then, a gorgeous 1956 Lincoln Continental looking like factory new.

Work on the outside panels has begun, including the arduous hand-sanding of the entire skin to prep for painting. The Dept. of Interior is tackling the instruments, controls, wiring, seating, Plexiglas, rotor assemblies, etc. for a debut sometime in 2019. Take a walk over to the Shade shop/hangar to check it out.

Visitors From Outside The Wire



Dec 7-Harry Singer Foundation/ Bob Hoover Flight School. Mentor and Guide Sharon Tucker (center left in red) led this group of 14 to 17 yr olds on a visit to EWM. They got good guidance from Docents Dave Brooks and Brad Eaton. The Bob Hoover School will guide students to work hard for their private pilot's license. "Great photos. Thank you. We all had a great time. The teachers enjoyed it as much as the students, maybe even more."

All the best, Sharon Law Tucker Program Manager web: singerfoundationsf.org



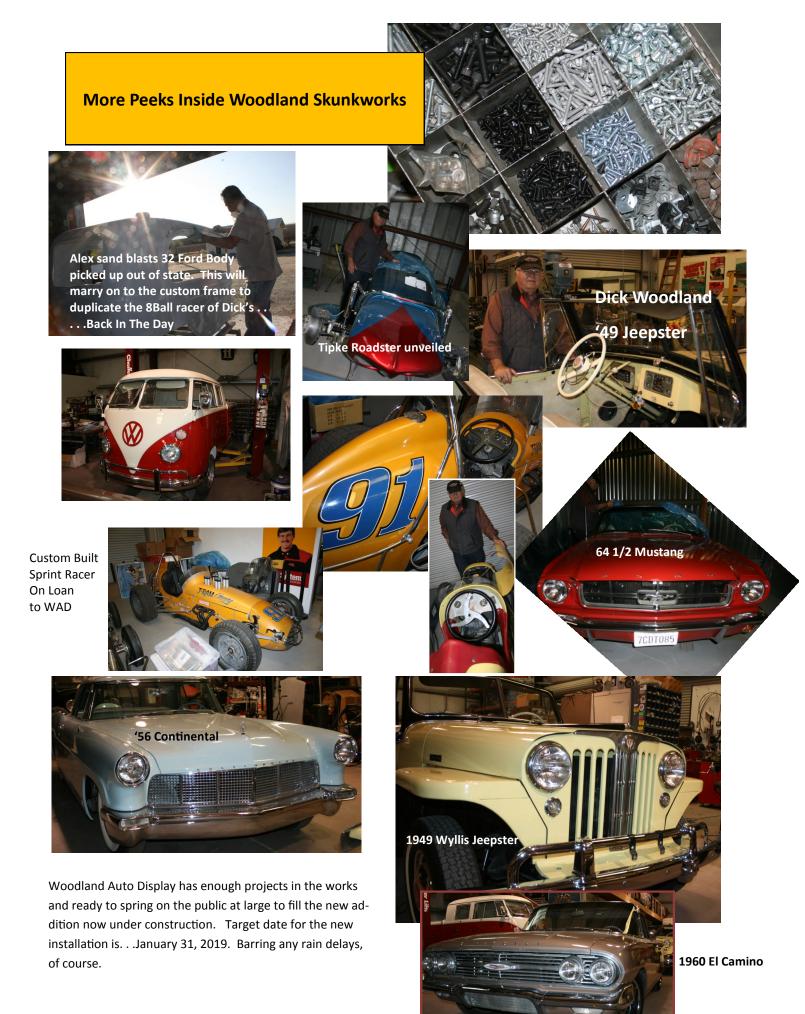
Dec 7-Beaver RV Ambassador Club arrived early and stayed for lunch in Thompson Hall. Jerry Jones and Dave Brooks split the group into 2 parts and led the on a tour of EWM/WAD. Like a lot of folks, they were astounded to find out that Estrella was here all along. This is now a stop each year for this group. Seems like Woodland Auto Display ranks high among these "Land Rovers". See you all next year!

Not Again!?



Visitors and members alike were a little aghast at the sight: **Betsy's Biscuit Bomber** sitting out in the open minus starboard engine. Right after all the fanfare about the wings, engines going out for overhaul we see this! No reason to despair. The C-47 is getting a new engine. Explaining via iphone, EWM VP Scott Stilzle says...

"The new Engine came from **Sun Air Parts**, in Valencia CA, they are a Pratt Whitney Dealer specializing in Radial Engines. They acquired it from Catalina Air Boats that operated it on their DC3, it has 104 hours on it since **rebuilt in 2016 by Anderson Aeromotive** in central Idaho. Once the new engine is installed on the plane, the one that came off will also be taken to Anderson Aeromotive for complete rebuild. This will give us one brand new engine and one 100 hour engine for our trip to Europe."





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If you see or experience anything concerning airplanes and/or automobiles that you think may be of interest to our membership, send it to The Editor via email:

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Send it by the 12th of the month deadline.

Everything will be considered. Send names with any photos. Submissions will belong to Estrella Warbirds. Easy as that! Thank You! Steve Lochen, Editor