



PREZ SEZ – President Rob Kinnear

Happy Holidays and New Year!! Where has the year gone? We have had a very good one.

Our visitor attendance exceeded all other years. Warbirds Wings and Wheels 10 brought in a record number of people. Restoration completed 2 projects, the UH-34D and TA-4J aircraft. After years of waiting, we finally received the P2V Neptune.

The Paso Robles Aviation Club is growing and we will continue to assist them. **Dick Woodland's Auto Display**

building addition is moving along. The shell is up and electrical and interior walls are being installed.

For next year we are working on improving access to our property lease to the west of our buildings. We have received a grant to put in move-efficient exterior lighting and are working on getting one for the interior lighting in the Museum buildings. You will see improvements to the grounds north of WAD and Red Ball Express buildings for better utilization of the space.

Challenge issued: BOD is considering a method of **solar protection** for the aircraft and outdoor exhibits. Right now the vision of a few is a good one: fabric "shade sails". Ideas from the membership are encouraged. *Cont page 3*





Toni Moore has ordered and received into EWM Gift Shop Inventory automobile license plate frames with a patriotic theme. These smart looking items can be had easily with a *\$25.00 Donation* to EWM/WAD. Buyers will get a receipt and can consider the purchase price a **deductible donation** amount on their IRS 1040.





The museum has received many artifacts from our donors, all of which support our efforts in honoring those who served. Two mannequin displays in Freedom Hall feature the WWII uniforms of Lt. Margaret Jones (Shilub), N-787016 US Army Nurse Corps, Jan 1943 - July 1944. The collection, donated by her daughter Barbara Newsome includes: a footlocker, uniforms, antique surgical instruments, photographs, a Bible, and a vest pocket prayer book with bullet proof cover. Shown: A photo of Lt. Margaret Jones Shilub, her USAAF nurse's tan fatigue dress and dress blues.



Visitors From Outside The Wire



Docent Dave Brooks stands with ACC members on their visit to EWM/WAD on Nov 16. Debbie Semonson,5th from left, led the group. They has a "fabulous time" and all were "so impressed with the Museum's hospitality!"

Reach ACC at: 805-466-8021



SoCal T-Bird Club with "Fearless Leader" Jack Swing in command (blue shirt) October 27.



Don Orosco stands at right with the rest of the Monterey Garage Guys. They stopped by EWM/WAD Oct 18."We will be your museum's greatest PR team while interfacing with others in Monterey and Santa Cruz Counties about the quality and diversity of your collection. Thanks!"



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December 5th Dinner/Meeting Atascadero HS Show Choir Sings In The Season

Be at Tompson Hall the evening of December 5th for food and song as George Marrett Presents the Atascadero High School Show Choir to ring in the Season and the New Year. Sumptuous Dinner by Vic's of course. **Note: the fare this once is \$25.00**.

<u>MENU</u>

PRIME RIB SALAD BAKED POTATO MIXED VEGETABLES CHEESE CAKE DESERT Reservations: Phone: 805 296 1935 On Line: ewarbirds.org Drop Down to

Dinner Reservations

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None of this is possible without the support of our wonderful and talented **volunteers.** The hours that they have spent working here is what keeps the Museum open and growing. To all of them, thank you for your continued support. 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.

Have The Happiest Of Holidays! See You Next Year!!

Rob



Restoration Corner M151A1 Jeep, Huey



Tom Nixon performs some neurosurgery on delicate wiring for Jeep's under dash nerve system. Note 5 different sets of pliers in photo. Wire by wire and bolt by bolt is the method.



Jeep's metal frame is complete at last. Some primer and paint remain to be applied. Then the **work** really begins.



Available updates include the initial sanding effort front to stern, engine cowling to skids to prepare for the paint. The rotors are off. The instruments are 80% removed and are joining the array of microparts on top of the work table between the 20perating rooms (Huey on north side, Jeep on south side. Discussions about the final paint scheme are continuing.

Kieth Dekker is manufacturing the equipment rack for the rear to the **Cleatrac** (remember that one?). When that is done, he will find the correct fire extinguisher to place in its original holder aft of the vehicle. Then: call it a wrap! No rest in Resto!!

It's Wash Day for PRAC at EWM Healthy Scrub For The Exhibits



"....workin' at the carwash, yeah. . ."



After a day of serious, major league washing of airplanes and helicopters, **Paso Robles Aviation Club** gathers around the Bomber prior to embarking on a sunset cruise over to the beach and back. **Brad Eaton** organized this event and made sure the power washer started properly.



Library Quiz...

Monthly Theme: General Aviation

- 1. All airfields must have a manned control tower: True or False
- 2. Alaskan (and other) bush pilots are required to have a license:

True or False

- "NORAD" has been tracking Santa on Christmas eve since the '50s" Does it do so today? YES or NO
- 4. The first airports were called aerodromes and had unpaved surfaces: True or False
- 5. FBO stands for:
 - A. Flight based operations
 - B. Finally beat the odds
 - C. Fixed base operator
 - D. Faster out than back
- 6. Santa's Reindeer powered sleigh is:
 - A. STOL
 - B. A secret "skunkworks" success story
 - C. By necessity unpressurized
 - D. All of the above
- 7. The VOR is:
 - A. A navigation aid
 - B. A vertical take off aircraft
 - C. A weather beacon
- 8. Beechcraft, Mooney, Cessna and Piper all make general aviation aircraft:
 - True or False
- 9. Santa's Reindeer:
 - A. Are equipped with GPS navigation
 - B. Are capable of IFR landings
 - C. Are mid-air refuelable
 - D. All of the above
- 10. Despite serious CG (Center of Gravity) and weight issues; Santa's flight has never been cancelled, Re-routed or delayed.

Christmas Gift Answer: TRUE

Merry Christmas All!















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Answers 1) false, 2) true, 3) yes 4) true 5) c 6)d 7)a 8) true 9) d

Veterans Day Paso Robles Estrella Fly Bys in Morro Bay, Los Osos, Atascadero, Paso Robles

This season of giving thanks at **Thanksgiving** and celebrating **Christmas, Hanukkah** and the **New Year** is preceded by a day of Remembrance for all veterans who have served and made the Sacrifice to enable us to enjoy our abundance and Freedom.

Never forget. November 11, 2018





Riders and crew assemble before take off on Veteran's Day for C-47 Fly Overs at Morro Bay, Atascadero and Osos.





