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President Rob Kinnear

At our last Dinner Meeting , **Zach Reeder** gave an impressive presentation on the **Scaled Composites Stratolaunch Aircraft**. He helped design the aircraft and is an assigned test pilot for it. He will fly the chase plane on the first flight, ride as flight engineer on the second, and co-pilot on the third flight. By the time you read this, they hope to have completed the first of the missions. We wish him and the aircraft well.

Cuesta College's Dr. Gil Stork will be our October 3d guest speaker. He played football for the Cal Poly Mustangs in 1960. Fifty eight years ago in October the team's chartered C-46 crashed on takeoff from Toledo, Ohio, taking 22 lives, including 16 of his classmates. He will tell us how this event influenced the way he has lived his life.

Estrella had a visual presence at Sculpterra Winery on September 22d for the Camp Roberts Museum Day held there. This coincided with Patriots Day, Constitution Day and POW Recognition Day. We had a table with brochures and a couple of...**volunteers!**

October 13 marks the annual **Paso Robles Pioneer Day Parade**. Our vehicles will be rolling for everyone in and around town to see and enjoy. We expect to provide an aircraft flyover too! **One of our own, Bob Tullock, is the Parade Marshal.**

The City of Paso Robles Library donated two map cabinets to the Museum this month. See page 7. These will be used to store large artwork and posters. Included were spectacular aerial photographs taken of San Luis Obispo County in the late 50's and early 60's. Anyone wanting to see them should contact our curator Dr. Jill Thayer.

If you noticed tractors and equipment by the Woodland Auto Display,

ESTRELLA/WOODLAND DRAWS A FORTUNATE NOD FROM. . .WWW?

Each year the **Wineries of 46 East** sell tasting passports as a fund raiser. The proceeds are split 50/50 between two



L-R: 46 East President Audrey Arellano, (Adelaid Inn) Rob Kinnear, Toni Moore, 46 East VP Brandee Wilson (Black Oak)

501c3's. This year EWM was nominated as a recipient by **Kathleen and Tom Maas** of Pear Valley Winery. The second recipient is **Camp Roberts Museum**. The **Warriors, Wines & Wheels** event garnered a \$4,000 profit

On Sept . 7, Audrey Arellano or the **Warriors, Wines & Wheels** committee and Brandee Wilson, E-46 VP, presented a check for \$2,000 to Rob Kinnear, President of EWM and Toni Moore, EWM contact person.

A big thank you goes to the **Maas'**, major **Warbirds, Wings & Wheels Car Show** sponsors, for nominating Estrella Warbirds Museum this year!

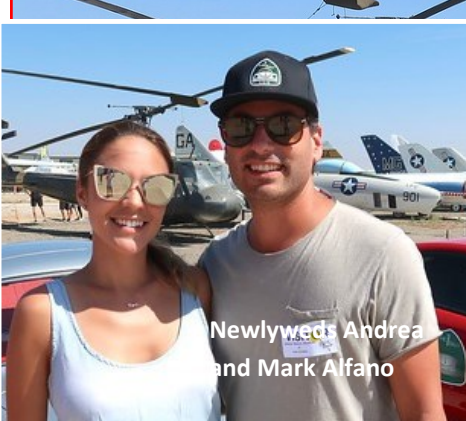
CHECK OUT THE WINERIES OF 46 EAST AT:

<http://www.pasorobleswinerieseast.com/wineries/>

VISITORS FROM OUTSIDE THE WIRE WEDDINGS, COOL RIDES, CELEBS!!

<https://dockhl.smugmug.com/MUSEUM/EWM-people-and-random-events/Newlyweds-Post-wedding-Rally/>

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Michael_Armand_Hammer



Newlyweds Andrea and Mark Alfano



Michael Armand Hammer and wife, Misty

August 20 was a Monday. EWM Closed. Exception: Emergency: Newlyweds **Andrea and Mark Alfano**, from Carpenteria, got married August 18 and road rallied with friends to Hearst Castle and Pebble Beach. On the way they stopped at EWM\WAD where Peter Snyder escorted them throughout. "Hidden Gem" "Highlight of our trip" just two comments. Also in the group: Michael Armand Hammer, grandson of Occidental Petroleum's founder. FYI. . .Mr. Hammer's ride is a rare Benz SL 65, one of only 167 to come off the line. Photos: Mike Levine

Antique Auto Association Local Chapter



Micha, Cole, Tobin Bob & Bonnie Pat & Sharon Bill O'Neil Phil Gammons

Member Comments Per Group Leader Bob Brabineau (Ford Ranchero):

Polly Gammons: It was a wonderful history tour for our grandsons ages 12 and 15.

Bob Babineau: I want a motorhome just like the REO.

Pat O'Grady: I am certainly coming back. Our time was too short to take it all in.

Not sure who said it: This collection knocks your eyes out!

Firestone Walker Hosts Gala At EWM

"Revelry" At EWM 400 Strong



Hosts Adam Firestone and David Walker

EWM August 24-Four hundred guests arrived by car, truck and bus to feast and drink and be merry at Firestone Walker's Corporate meeting held at Hangar 1 August 24. EWM/WAD stayed open until 8pm for them to enjoy. The Company is no stranger to Estrella/Woodland. Each year they participate at Warbird Wings and Wheels as vendors and contributors.

David Walker minced no words at the podium emphasizing the close bond between us. "This is the read deal", he told the entire assembly. "This is a true friendship". We agree.



**Estrella Warbirds Museum
Woodland Auto Display**

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there is a reason for it. Another building is going up to add more display space for Dick's race-cars. The shell is expected to be up before the rainy season hits.

Journalist and former tanker pilot Milo Peltzer visited EWM in September. He took pictures of our Neptune #07. He is writing about each of the retired P2V's and their respective "fates". When his piece publishes, we will let you know.

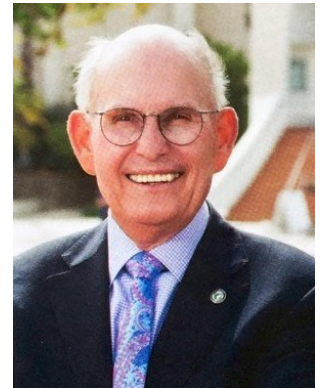
This November we're looking for **volunteers** to man the **polling place** in our Museum. If you can volunteer a few hours, please contact Joan Burgess or myself. **See page 8 for more information.**

We are always looking for volunteers for our normal operations. If you, or someone you know can give us some time, we can always use more hands to help us grow the Museum. So, come out and join the fun with us. -Rob

**MONTHLY DINNER/MEETING
SET FOR OCTOBER 3
FEATURING GUEST SPEAKER
Dr. Gil Stork**



A story of tragedy and triumph as a survivor deals with what airline pilots have referred to on the intercom as "the unthinkable". Living a life after surviving the unthinkable. George Marrett presents Cuesta College's **Dr. Gil Stork**. Be at Thompson Hall October 3.



MENU/SCHEDULE OCTOBER 3:

**PORK SPARE RIBS
MASHED POTATOES
SAUERKRAUT
VEGETABLES
DESSERT**

GEORGE MARRETT SPEAKER

SOCIAL 6PM

DINNER 7PM

\$20.00 AT THE DOOR

Reservations:

Phone: 805-296-1935

**On Line: ewarbirds.org Drop Down
To Dinner Reservations**

TA-4J ROLLOUT ON SEPTEMBER 17 AT 1000 HRS.

EWM RESTORATION HANGAR-After 7-1/2 months of tireless effort and sweat, fumes, paint, research, buffing, sanding, polishing, masking, taping, detailing and meetings of minds, the restoration crew hooked up the brilliant **TA-4J** and gently towed it out into the sunlight where it belongs. Like everything else, it was a team effort.

The result of their work is truly stunning to the eye. A few facts to remember:

- About 800 man hours, not including research
- Around \$4000 worth of paint and supplies
- Another 20 hours left to finish it all off.

Next up: UH1-D HUEY. They are already sweeping up the shop. Resto Non-Stop!



Lifting the nose to get it out of the hangar! Very gently.



TA4-J Team: Ron Boyte, Tom Nixon, Tom DeVaul, Dennis Johnsen NOT PICTURED: Tom Gorham, Keith Dekker, Mike Brophy and others.



Two New Trucks For Pfauter Bldg./Red Ball



1941 Diamond T Wrecker

Thanks to the late **Elmer Goetsch** and his son Don, Estrella has two "new" stellar restorations to place in the Herman Pfauter Building. Mr. Goetsch Sr. was a close associate of Mr. Pfauter. **Gary Corippo** arranged the "deal" to secure and transport the vehicles to Estrella. They came on schedule over the Labor Day weekend.

Don Goetsch and his crew expertly off-loaded and parked these beautys into their exhibit spaces.



1942 Studebaker US-6

EWM Library Quiz

This Month's Theme: Supersonic Flight And The X-1

READY. . .BEGIN!

Marcia Rice, EWM Librarian

1. THE SPEED OF SOUND AT SEA LEVEL IS. . .

- A) 600 MPH
- B) 750 MPH
- C) 760 MPH

2. THE LOCKHEED F-94 STARFIRE BECAME THE FIRST STRAIGHT WINGED PLAND TO REACH THE SPEED OF SOUND

- A) IN LEVEL FLIGHT
- B) IN A DIVE
- C) IN A ROCKET ASSIST



3. THE "SOUND BARRIER" WAS FIRST EXPERIENCED

- A) TRUE
- B) FLASE



BY WWII FIGHTER PILOTS IH HIGH SPEED DIVES

4. THE SOUND BARRIER WAS BROKEN AT. . .

- A) WRIGHT PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE IN DAYTON,OHIO
- B) MUROC DRY LAKE IN CALIFORNIA
- C) POINT MUGU

5. THE BELL X-1 WAS ROCKET POWERED

- A) TRUE
- B) FALSE

11.) WHO PILOTED THE FIRST SUPERSONIC AIRPLANE?

- A) USAF MAJ. HENNY YOUNGMAN
- B) NAVY LT. ALVIN YANKOVICH
- C) USAF CAPT. CHARLES YEAGER

6. THE BELL X-1 WAS CARRIED INTO THE AIR BY. . .

- A) BOEING B-50
- B) BOEING B-29
- C) BOEING B-52



7. THE BELL X-1 WAS DESIGNED AND BUILT BY LOCKHEED "SKUNK WORKS":

- A) TRUE
- B) FALSE

8. THE WORLD'S FIRST "SONIC BOOM" WAS. . .

- A) HEARD ON OCTOBER 14, 1947
- B) CREATED IN A WIND TUNNEL
- C) NOT PREDICTED BY THE BELL X-1 DESIGN TEAM



9. THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE TURBO JET ENGINE

- A) MADE SUPERSONIC SPEEDS POSSIBLE
- B) MADE PISTON ENGINES OBSOLETE
- C) WAS STARTED AFTER WORLD WAR II

10. THE COMMERCIAL SUPERSONIC TRANSPORT PROTOTYPE THAT CRASHED AT THE 1973 PARIS AIR SHOW WAS

- A) BOEING 733
- B) TUPOLEV 1445
- C) FRENCH/BRITISH CONCORDE

FROM THE DUCKPOND. . .

Dick Woodland

Hi all. . .

August 20, 2018

This is the latest promo activity. First, Claudia, Robert and I spent last weekend in beautiful downtown Perris, Calif. participating in **Legends Night at the USAC/CRA Sprint Car** races. Lots of flyers handed out on top of catching up with lots of old friends and lots of BS.

Labor Day weekend, we are off to Calistoga with Dan & Carol Verstuyft for the **Louie Vermeil Sprint Car Classic** and their **Hall of Fame banquet**.



This is promoted by Tom and Jeanie Hunt so we will be taking the **Hunt Magneto sprint car**, which was **driven by Tommy Hunt** back in the day, for display at their banquet. **We will have our EWM/WAD banner along with flyers etc.**

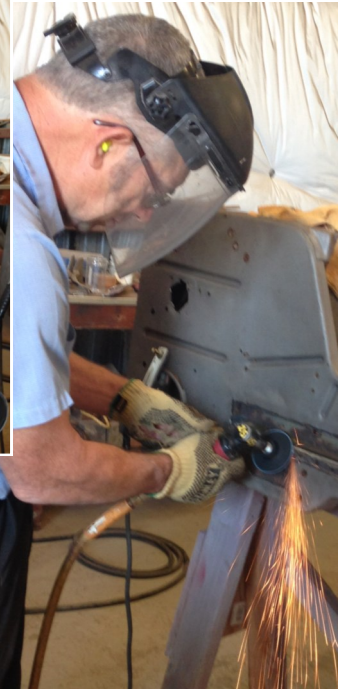
The biggest news is that the **#4 sprint car**, the Moser powered **Tamale Wagon**, will not be returning to WAD until late November of 2019. I was contacted by the **Petersen Museum** in Los Angeles and they requested it for a **one year display** they are putting together and is scheduled to



open in Nov 2018. That means it will go from Cal State Univ. Northridge, directly to the Petersen Museum. There we will also have EWM/WAD promo and recognition. (Continued →)

Restoration Corner

Meet Joe Caetano



Joe Caetano hails from Atascadero CA. He is now on the M151A Jeep project, grinding down the new

welds that will keep the frame in one piece! Joe is another one who **saw EWM ONLINE** and decided to come over and lend a hand. I think Joe has done this kind of work before. Welcome to the Resto Crew. He says he will probably join the Museum in the near future.



Rob Kinnear and John Edell scrub a plate insert for the C-47 wing assembly on Sept 10. Things are progressing towards the 2019 flight to Normandy for the 75th Anniversary events. Restoration Corner Continued on page 7

→ **That one is definitely a major feather in our cap from a promo standpoint.** Regarding the poorly kept "secret" of the new **WAD addition**, we are **ready to break ground** as soon as we receive our permits from the City. Hopefully, we'll have them in hand this week. I guess that means the rumors are true. -Dick

PASO ROBLES PUBLIC LIBRARY, GIFTS ESTRELLA WITH TWO UNIQUE ARCHIVAL CABINETS

EWM SEPT 6—Paso Robles City Library generously donated two sets of wooden cabinets and architecture flat files containing mid-century aerial maps of San Luis Obispo County. Thanks to our EWM guys: Scott Stelzle, Ron Brooks, Rob Kinnear, Mike Levine, and Todd Pederson who deftly transported and reassembled the fixtures with contents in Freedom Hall at the museum. The cabinets are located near the curator’s office and library for research and reference, and will also be used to house archival prints in our collection.

Dr. Jill Thayer
EWM Curator

Photos: Dr. Jill Thayer



Top: Ron Brooks and Scott Stelzle haul main frame of special cabinets into Freedom Hall and get ready for assembly. Above Right: Rob Kinnear Todd Pederson, Mike Levine and Ron Brooks lean on their hefty handiwork. Thanks!

EWM/WAD Promoted At Calistoga Races on Labor Day



Nice banner, #95 on display at Calistoga over Labor Day.Races. From Carol & Dan Verstuylt:



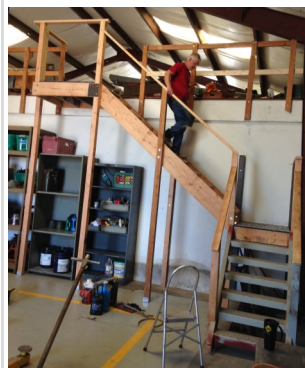
“**Dick Woodland** was a major sponsor at the Calistoga Dirt Track Races this weekend at **Calistoga Raceway** near Napa. The display drew lots of interest to the museum and the car show. Many thanks to Dick for all he does to promote our museum! “

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Tom DuVaul masks center of **TA-4J** canopy to prep it for hard polishing. Results on rear portion area visible to his left.

Keith Dekker, Dennis Johansen and Tom DuVaul wrestle port wheel back onto jacked up axel of the A-4 after gear overhaul.



Mike Brophy tests out new stairs to 2d level of Resto hangar. They work fine. Needed stair-way designed, cut, assembled and erected by Keith Dekker, who was busy with the A-4 wheel when this picture was taken. *Nothing ever stops in the Restoration Dept.*

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ESTRELLA WARBIRDS MUSEUM
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THURSDAY—SUNDAY 10 AM - 4PM



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**WANTED: WORKERS
FOR UPCOMING ELECTIONS
NOVEMBER 6, 2018**

What does it entail?

1. A 3-hour class/training session in October, date and place of your choice
2. Four hours. **Where? . . .**at our museum, on election day, greeting our friends who have come to vote
3. Minimal book work to verify eligibility, address, and to issue ballots

Who participates?

1. You and your EWM/WAD friends.
Estrella benefits (\$) from our labors on Nov. 6!

**CALL OR EMAIL ME. JOIN US
FOR THIS IMPORTANT, EDUCATIONAL AND
FUN EXPERIENCE .**

**Joan Burgess, 805-237-1030
pasojoan@gmail.com**

Volunteers Wanted. . .

Docents: Call Coordinators Jerry Jones or Jason Holland 805-238-9317

GIFT SHOP: Thursday through Sunday, 10am until 4pm.
Call Toni Moore at 805-238-9317

LIBRARY: Open when the Museum is open. Contact Marci Rice, Librarian at 805-238-9317

RESTORATION: Hands On! "Get Dirty"! Just show up Monday, Wednesday or Saturday, startin at 9am. Gourmet Lunch on Saturday provided by Wayne Rice.

ANSWERS: 1-B, 2-B, 3-TRUE, 4-B, 5-TRUE, 6-B, 7-FALSE, 8-A, 9-A, 10-B, 11-C

