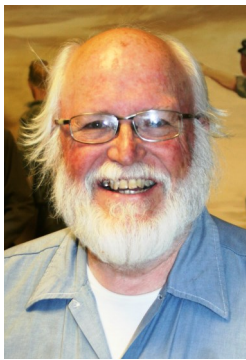




PREZ SEZ ... EWM President Rob Kinnear

Happy 4th of July! Have a safe and sane time. The Museum is open and we will be open on July 4th. Since opening on May 28th, in the **first 3 weeks we've had over 600 visitors.** These are mostly local folks, but we are beginning to see more visitors from out of the county. This is a good sign. Hopefully as the Covid-19 crisis eases we will see more long distance travelers.



The government-issued guidelines and protocols are in place. The health barriers to promote safe distancing are set up. Staff is trained to protect themselves and our visitors. The viewing path through the Museum easily meets the new criteria for maintaining social distancing and it is working.

Unfortunately we must cancel this year's Warbirds Wings and Wheels. It is now set for the Saturday before Mothers Day 2021. We are looking at smaller events to bring in funds for operations.



We had a very successful hangar sale, if you will a "Fly Market," at the Museum in May. Thanks to all of you who donated materials for this. We want to host more like this as we get back to normal.

Four years ago **Jerry Jones** became our Museum Coordinator. He has always been here with a smile and helping hand in his confessional (office). The energy and work he put into our Museum has gone far to make us successful. **Jerry retired** as coordinator at the end of June, but will still be **around as a docent.** Thank you Jerry for all that you have done for us and we wish you well in your second retirement!



Jerry Jones

Ken Neuman will be taking over for Jerry.

As we get back to normal operation, there is much to do. The Museum is a safe and fun place to visit and **volunteer.** We had a wonderful volunteer picnic at the end of May. Estrella has welcomed new volunteer into the fold in the past few months!

Volunteer when you can. We can be safe, well and have fun to boot.

Rob



Hall Rental Guru Ken Neuman hawks wine raffle tickets for visitors on D-Day June 6, 2020. Winner will take home the bottle that flew to Normandy on *Betsy's Biscuit Bomber* a year ago.

An "Overcast" day at EWM when EAA Sent Their B-17 To Visit Estrella



Sept 28, 2015



ESTRELLA WARBIRDS MUSEUM WOODLAND AUTO DISPLAY

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VFA-25, "FIST OF THE FLEET" SENDS 2 HORNETS TO PASO ROBLES TO ASSIST OBSERVANCE OF D-DAY WEEKEND



2 More Visitors. See pages 4,6

EWM Curator **Dr. Jill Thayer** stands with F-18 pilots and their rides at EWM. The two jets from VFA-25 Lemoore came to Paso Robles and stayed on display, one at the airport tarmac and one at Estrella. **Pilots Lt. Cmdr. Matt Laio, our Dr. Jill Thayer, and Lt. Wesley Perkins** are pictured in front of Super Hornet at EWM.

Photo: Ken Trefftz

LIBRARY QUIZ FOR JULY: USA FLIGHT DEMONSTRATION TEAMS

1. The Navy and the Air Force currently fly demonstration teams. They (in order) are called;
- a. The Golden Knights and the Snowbirds
 - b. The Eagles and the Falcons
 - c. The Blue Angeles and the Thunderbirds
 - d. The Red Arrows and the Eagles



2. The Blue Angeles were formed by the then Chief of Naval Operations:
- a. Admiral Chester Nimitz
 - b. Admiral "Bull" Halsey
 - c. Admiral Mike Gilday



3. The first aircraft chosen for the Blue Angeles was:
- a. The F4U
 - b. The P-38
 - c. The F6f

4. In 1971, the Blue Angeles switched to the F-4-Phantom.
This airplane proved to be less desirable because:
- a. It was very expensive to operate
 - b. It was too loud
 - c. formation flying was difficult at low air speeds
 - d. It was hard to keep over air show grounds due to high wing loading
 - e. all of the above



5. The team longest in operation is:
- a. The Thunderbirds
 - b. The Blue Angeles



6. The Thunderbirds chose their first female flight team member in:
- a. 2007
 - b. 2001
 - c. 2005

7. The first airplane flown by the Thunderbirds was:
- a. F-100
 - b. T-33
 - c. f-84 Thunder Jet



8. What was the only aircraft flown by both teams?
- a. F-4
 - b. F-16
 - c. F-18



9. In the 1990's, a demonstration team flew at Paso Robles Airport. Was it the Blue Angeles or The Thunderbirds?
10. The Thunderbirds, by flying the F-100 Super Sabre in 1956, became the world's first supersonic demonstration team. True or False

Visitors From Outside The Wire

More on back page...

Dispatch From Ken Neuman...

(photos Ken Neuman)



Rolland Martin (L) and buddy Ralph Love and Roland's very pink Lancair roll out to EWM on June 11, 2020



Hi team.... just wanted to share with you that we had a WWII B-17 bomber pilot visit the museum and loved it! His name is **Roland Martin** and he flew a B-17 named "**Iron Maiden**". His airplane was shot down over Schweinfurt, Germany. Roland bellied the Maiden in and was able to elude enemy forces for a month with a fellow crewman before being captured. (There's a real story in there somewhere).

He flew into EWM with his buddy, Ralph Love, on a plane that had a Pink Panther logo on the rudder! (another story in there somewhere)

Truly a great day for our museum to have such aviation royalty here!

Iron Maiden at last rest stop



"Delivered Denver 3/1/43; Salina 11/1/43; Morrison 5/3/43; Assigned 407BS/92BG [PY-W] Alconbury 19/5/43; transferred 525BS/379BG [FR-W] Kimbolton 4/9/43; Missing in Action Schweinfurt 14/10/43 with **Roland Martin**, Co-pilot: Linden Price, Navigator: Dan Maher, Bombardier: Irving Rittenburg, Flight engineer/top turret gunner: Edwin Mattern, Radio Operator: Nick Macri, Ball turret gunner: Elihu Peacock, Waist gunner: Dan Sirianni, Waist gunner: John Cihonski, Tail gunner: Adam Janik (10 Prisoner of War); enemy aircraft, crash landed S of Wurzburg, Ger. " *Missing Air Crew Report 957. THE IRON MAIDEN.*

<https://b17flyingfortress.de/en/b17/42-29511-the-iron-maiden/42-29511/> (check it out)

POST-PANDEMIC POSTER BOY ARRIVES AT EWM/WAD AS VISITOR #1!



BILL WILLIAMS WELCOMED BY BARBARA HEATHER ON MAY 28, 2020

Ken Neuman reports that nearly 60 visitors came to EWM/WAD on the first 2 days. A great start in a new "economy"!

"I DO" AT EWM MARCH 14



Jennifer Loewen and John Nicholds complete pre-flight, taxi and hold short prior to take-off destined for their lives together as Man-And-Wife on March 24, 2020. **EWM\WAD is a perfect venue for any event!**

Call:

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Photo Dr. Jill Thayer

Lon Allen with his handmade display creation: DD-67 USS Cole

RESTORATION CORNER

OV-10, Blue Angel F-4



Carl Robbins tapes top of OV-10 wing for new camo paint job



Templeton H.S. student Hari Raja tapes F-4 canopy in preparation for painting. Most of prep handled by Paso Robles Aviation Club headed by Brad Eaton.



Tom Duvall preps top of OV-10 wing for new camo paint . Looks like he is attacking the OTHER side..



Brad Eaton guides seat into cockpit of F-4. this will end up as an interactive exhibit. Detail painting is all that is left!



Tom Duvall moves F-4 nose into restoration hanger for insignia painting

Scott Stelzle motors around in the " **M-29 Weasle** from WWII. It is a vehicle made by Studebaker that saw many uses in WWII ...forerunner to the Armored Personnel Carrier (APC). This is a brand new acquisition....paperwork is still in process as of this writing.





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**Couple of Crusty Veterans
Grace Freedom Hall**



Photo Dr Jill Thayer

U.S. Army Veteran David Avila-Eskridge, who served as a Sgt. in the 82nd Airborne, here posing with Paratrooper Bob in Freedom Hall . Thank You for your service, Sergeant(s)!

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The Times They Are A'Changin'Toni Moore at post behind new safety shield as per trendy, new social distancing mandates/suggestions. Thanks Ron Brooks crew for the install.

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Answers 1-c, 2-a, 3-c, 4-e, 5-b, 6-c, 7-c, 8-a, 9 Blue Angels, 10- True