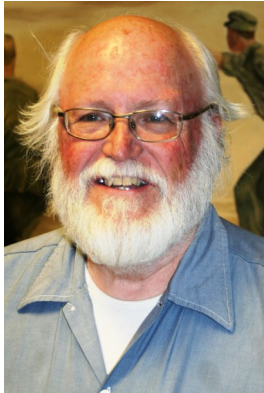




PREZ SEZ

President Rob Kinnear

September 2nd is the 75th anniversary of the **Victory over Japan**, that ended World War II. It's also another day to celebrate, because we are going to have our **first dinner meeting** since March of this year. We are **limiting the dinner to the first 50 reservations** for September 2, 2020. There will probably be no walk-ins. We will set up the facility to meet all health regulations. Of course, we are asking everyone to bring a mask. See this newsletter for the menu and guest speaker.



We are moving aircraft and vehicles in the display yard. Our purpose is to better group the artifacts for viewing display, by type and historical sequence. Our other concern is to minimize the damage done by the sun. You well know the sun and weather really beat up our outside displays. This will not happen overnight. There is much preparation work to be done before we can move each aircraft and vehicle. We should be finished by fall before it rains.

When you come out to see the new outside display layout, checkout the new museum entrance signs on Thomson Hall. Scott Stelzle, Ron Brooks, Ken Trefftz and Dr. Jill Thayer have been working hard on this project. Also look for a newly painted Hangar 1. New displays are showing up throughout the Museum.

A lot of work is happening around the Museum for our visitors to see. We are still seeing good visitor numbers. Our layout is proving to be a safe experience for our visitors and staff.

The Museum is also a safe and fun place to visit and volunteer. We are working hard to keep it that way. Volunteer when you can. Be safe, well and have fun! —Rob

THE ONLY THINKABLE OUTCOME



September 2, 1945

ESTRELLA WARBIRDS MUSEUM/
WOODLAND AUTO DISPLAY

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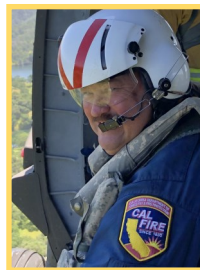
DINNER/MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 2, 2020!

GEORGE MARRETT PRESENTS
ATTACK BASE PASO ROBLES

Well, you read it on page 1: The first Meeting/Dinner for EWM/WAD members and friends is scheduled for Wednesday, September 2, 2020. Limited to 50 people per State Mandate. Wear a mask....please! Scheduled for Thomson Hall...perhaps Hangar 1 if the situation requires.

Guest Speaker From Cal Fire
Matt Milhaco will present

his story of aviation and firefighting since he went to work at Paso Attack Base in 1992.



Another DON'T MISS OPPORTUNITY!

MENU

BBQ Tri-Tip
Salad
Chili Beans
French Bread
Apple Crisp Desert

Social 5:30pm dinner 7:30pm Matt Mihaco post dinner.
Reservation required phone 805-296-1935 Hurry! "50 max"
Online: ewarbirds.org drop to **DINNER RESERVATIONS**

You May Have Noticed... Dr. Jill Thayer

You may notice that some of the case displays are being updated throughout the campus. This one, in Hind Pavilion, features **WWII Recognition models (ID spotter models)** generously donated by **Bryan Brown**. They were used for training in aircraft recognition and range estimation. These spotter models were critical to the war effort. They helped familiarize observers with the outlines of planes from all possible angles. **Thanks to Ken Neuman**, EWM Museum Coordinator and **Jim Blaes**, EWM Volunteer Archivist for their assistance in the case installation. More info on these *spotter models* check out: <https://rb.gy/klqujm>.



RESTORATION CORNER. . . .

STINSON, BRONCO, A-7, AND A FAREWELL

Ron Boyte checks out the bomb rack on A-7 Corsair. It's next in line to get the complete Resto Treatment and will be an absolute stunner.



Carl Robbins applies paint mask to OV-10 Bronco prior to painting. All stencils are to specifications, required by US Govt.



Scott Stelzle and Paso Aviation Club members delicately lift Stinson L-5 wing to prepare its removal prior to backing the bird into the storage area in front of Shade Restoration Bldg.

ADIOS AND GOOD LUCK TO TOM DUVAUL

Restoration A-Team Member Moving to Wyoming!

Well, did it really "have to happen sometime?" Tom and his wife Elaine will wrap up business here in Paso and head off to Wyoming to live in their new house. To say he will be missed is an understatement. There is not a single outdoor display at Estrella Warbirds Museum that does not have Tom DuVaul's prints all over it. The master of. . .actually, everything. Tom's ethic around EWM is summed up as a LABOR OF LOVE. Best of luck to one great guy.



H-19 WITH ANOTHER ESCAPEE, TOM GORHAM, NOW LIVING IN PRESCOTT VALLEY, AZ WITH WIFE MARY ANNE.



LIBRARY QUIZ

SEPTEMBER, 2020

THEME:

AVIATION

BETWEEN THE WARS

(WWI AND WW II)

1. **Wiley Post was a household name in the 1930's. Which statement is *False*?**

- a) He was the first pilot to fly solo around the world.
- b) He helped develop the first pressure suite.
- c) He and Will Rogers were killed in a crash near Point Barrow, Alaska.
- d) He was born in Nebraska in 1898.

2. **Howard Hughes directed and produced which WWI aviation thriller?**

- a) The Dawn Patrol
- b) 12 O Clock High
- c) The Blue Max
- d) Hell's Angels

3. **In advocating for aviation in the military, "Billy" Mitchel was greatly criticized including a court marshal for insubordination.**

True or False

4. **In pursuit of the Ortega Prize, Charles Lindberg took off from:**

- a) Roosevelt Field (long island)
- b) St, John's, New Newfoundland
- c) Le Bourget Aerodrome

5. **Amelia Earhart is probably the world's best know aviatrix, which of these statements is not true??**

- a) She was a visiting faculty member at Purdue University
- b) She was the first woman to fly solo across the Atlantic.
- c) She contracted the Spanish Flu in 1918 while working as a nurse.
- d) The navigator on her doomed flight was Harry Manning.

6. **Juan Trippe, a commercial aviation pioneer was first to:**

- a) Run scheduled flights during WWII
- b) Fly Boeing 707s on a scheduled route
- c) Fly from Havana to New York commercially.

7. **Eddie Rickenbacker was a WWI fighter ace and Medal of Honor recipient. In an alternate career move he bought the Indianapolis motor speedway**

True or False

8. **Before WWII, Jimmy Doolittle was employed by Shell oil company. He was accused of a million dollar blunder. It was:**

- a) Developing 100 octane aviation gas
- b) Telling Shell there was no market for aviation fuel
- c) Investing in the development of petroleum -free oil

9. **In a stunt guaranteed to get you banned for life by the FAA today, which aviator filed a flight plan to Long Beach and flew to Ireland?**

- a) Douglas Corrigan
- b) Wiley Post
- c) Howard Hughes

10. **What aviation movie won the first academy award for best picture?**

- a) Hell's Angels
- b) Wings
- c) High Flight

Bonus Question: Which famous movie star had his debut in the answer to #10?

- a) Clark Gable
- b) Errol Flynn
- c) Gary Cooper



Answers on back page



EWM patron **Marty Wright** and Curator **Dr. Jill Thayer** with the new Tuskegee Airmen and Navajo Code Talker Display in Freedom Hall. Photo by Ken Neuman

Story: Dr. Jill Thayer



Special thanks to **Marty Wright** for his contributions on the new *Tuskegee Red -Tails* Airmen and *Code Talkers* Displays in Freedom Hall. Marty donated the elements for the exhibit that feature the group's history and triumphs. The Tuskegee Airmen are the group of African American pilots who fought in World War II as the [332nd Fighter Group](#) and 477th Bombardment Group of the [US Army Air Corps](#). They are also referred to as the **Red Tail Angels or Red Tails**, to describe the mostly unknown group of Airmen because of the distinctive red paint used on the tails of their fighter aircraft. The Tuskegee Airmen were the first unit of African American military aviators in the United States Armed Forces.

The **Code Talkers** were employed by the military during wartime to utilize a little-known language as a means of secret communication. Code Talkers are strongly associated with bilingual [Navajo](#) speakers, specially recruited during World War II by the US Marine Corps, to serve in their standard communications units of the Pacific Theater. Code talking was pioneered by the [Cherokee](#) and [Choctaw](#) peoples during World War I.

Marty and his wife Patty will be relocating to Tennessee at the end of the year. On behalf of Estrella Warbird's Museum, we sincerely thank Marty Wright for his decades of dedicated service to the museum since its inception.

- EWM Board Member for 6 years (91-97)
- Acquisitions for 3 years (92-95)
- Managed the Gift Shop for 3 years (91-94)
- EWM Top Gun 1992
- One of the original 12 Life Members
- Created the EWM logo (P-38 artwork) and initial T-shirt order with Dolphin Shirt Company
- Donated and installed most of the small-medium size ceiling model planes in Freedom Hall
- Created the Naval Nuclear Display
- Created the Tuskegee Airmen and Navajo Code Talker displays
- **Contributed years of sweat labor in between**

Another "Escapee"! That makes 3+: Wright, DuVaul and Gorham. Thanks and Best of luck to Patty and Marty Wright! Come back and visit us sometime.



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Woodland Auto Display
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10am till 4pm

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Check out the latest addition to the **Woodland Auto Display** at **Estrella Warbirds Museum**. This **1969 Jaguar XKE Series 2**, sports its original stock color (rather rare), plus a fibreglass top

VISITOR VETS.....

NOW HEAR THIS!.....



The County has asked **Estrella Warbirds Museum** to be the site of a **polling place** for the November 2020 election. We need **11 to 15 volunteers** to man the poll. The poll will be open from **Saturday October 31st through Tuesday November 3rd**. The shifts will be for 4 hours except on Tuesday. Duties include curbside pickup, drop box control, voter rolls and sanitizing. **Call the Museum at 1-805-238-9317 extension 2 and talk to Ken Neuman or leave a message and we will contact you.** That is all

Today's (August 6, 2020) visitors at Estrella Warbirds Museum included honored Veterans, pictured L to R: **Dave Parker**, US Marine Corporal E-4 Logistics, High Time Logistics for rotary-wing, served in the Gulf War; and **Dustin Silva**, Navy, Auxiliary Division, Petty Officer 3rd Class, Machinist Mate, USS George Washington (CVN-73) served in the Iraq War. Dave's responsibility in the military required him 1 hour to repair a downed aircraft for return to mission. Dustin is an officer in the Morro Bay Police Department. Thank you gentlemen for your service to our country. We salute you.



—Photo Dr. Jill Thayer