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Museum Pietenpol in flight

Museum News

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President's Propwash

Dan Petroff

It's summer time and another issue of the Vintage Flier, which may describe some of us. We just came off of the Open House and while the number of attendees was down slightly, our income seems lagging more. That aside, we had more volunteers helping this year and kudos go to Lia Peterson. These were young people from Gilroy High School. We hope that we can continue with this kind of help.

The event appeared to be a success in that EAA flew 195 kids and everyone seemed to have a lot of fun.

One family had their kids' birthday party at the event including a Piñata, which they graciously allowed other kids to participate in. They commented, "This was the best party ever". The enclosed photos really tell the story. We had great participation from the County Sheriff, CalFire, and CalStar as well as SCAPA, EAA62, and the Beech Boys. Without their participation this event would not exist. Our sponsors Dassel's Petroleum, Starbucks, and Tower Hobbies deserve your business. We didn't fly any of the museum aircraft during the event because our intrepid pilot was off ferrying another twin Otter to the UAE. He is back in one piece and will be piloting the Pietenpol to Frazier Lake on June 7th and to Hollister for June 14th and 15th.

As an organization we are always looking for help and suggestions. We have a number of openings for help in the daily running of the museum as well as ideas on fund raising. Some that we need immediately are docents, office help, and maintenance and grounds.

We also need immediate help in marketing and training of docents. Please contact either Susan or me if you wish to help. We are starting normal activities on the weekends so if volunteering during the week is a problem you can contribute on the weekends. We have openings for the Hollister Airshow June 14th and 15th and the SCCMAS model airshow on July 12th and 13th. Contact Susan if you wish to help staff the booth. It's a lot of fun and you get to see great events for free. The Salinas Airshow September 27th and 28th is another great venue to go to and help us.

Our speaker's bureau for the dinner meeting speakers is looking for suggestions of speakers. Please contact Gianni Leonarduzzi at (408) 847-7295 with suggestions. We also welcome your thoughts on speaker topics. We will resume the dinner meetings in September.

Thanks to Pat Nichols and her planter, Frank, we now have the beginnings of color next to the driveway. We need to get water to the northeast corner of the restoration hanger. If you feel inclined to take on the project let me know.

Till next time may the skies be blue and the grass green. ❖

Open House and Fly-in *(photos begin on page 5)*

Peggy Jones:

The day opened with calm skies and brightly colored balloons in the air and ended with a satisfaction that our guests enjoyed a great day on the field and at the museum.

Thank you so much for giving all of your time and effort to make the 14th Annual Open House a fabulous day for everyone attending!!

Member Meeting

Thursday, September 11, 2014 at 6:00pm

Holder's Country Inn
998 S. De Anza Blvd., San Jose, CA 95129

Speaker to be announced.

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Open House and Fly-in *(continued from page 1)*

Paul Marshall:

We Norcal BeechBoys had 3 passes in formation over the airport – a formation of 3 planes on arrival at about 10:00am, and a formation of 6 planes at 12:02 and 12:08. All passes were done 500 feet above the traffic pattern to allow the Young Eagle operations to continue unabated. Likewise, on arrival we did a 45 pattern entry rather than an overhead break to be less disruptive to the Young Eagle traffic flow. My pilots loved their tri tip sandwiches and hot dogs and send a hearty thanks to WoH for providing them. ❖

New Addition

The Museum now has a an excellent Radial engine for display along with its run-up stand. The engine is a 1942, 9 cylinder, Pratt and Whitney R985-14B loaned/donated by the Gavilan College Aeronautics Department. It is the military (U.S. Navy) version of the famed Wasp Junior and is rated at about 400 horsepower. The engine is in excellent condition except for the reported low oil pressure problem. It is mounted on a portable run-up stand that appears to be fully functional with controls, instruments, and the oil and fuel tanks. There are many options with this loan/donation.

Thank you Gavilan College. ❖



Pratt and Whitney R985-14B Radial Engine

Watch Us Grow!



Pat Nichols putting in native plants

California native plants are slowly appearing along the entrance to the Wings of History driveway among the wood chips that have replaced the oleander and olive trees. All of these new plants are varieties that will grow no taller than three feet, and most will hug the ground except for a few native grasses and salvia. A few in front of the flagpole will be higher. Some will bloom in the winter, others in spring and summer, in shades of orange, red, blue and yellow. There will be NO bright green shades familiar to those of us who hail from the east coast or Midwest. Instead, these plants will have the muted green and brown foliage of California natives adapted to six months (or more) of no rain and six months of some rain. They'll need weekly or monthly buckets of water for the first year to get established, but they can make it on their own from there on out.

All have labels on them. Find your favorite and bring it a drink when you pass by each week as it gets warmer: manzanita, ceanothus (CA lilac), epilobium (CA fuchsia), salvia ("sage"), deer grass, red bud, verbena, and lots of poppies. WoH is doing its part to conserve water now and into the future!

Ginny Babbitt of Garden Solutions has been volunteer consultant on this project. Plants are from Yerba Buena Nursery, Summerwinds Nursery, and Chez Nichols in Campbell. ❖

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Do you have an interesting story to tell? Send us your story and we'll consider it for publication in the *Vintage Flyer*. You can e-mail Frank Nichols at fnichols@mac.com or Evie Liebgold at evieliebgold@gmail.com. The deadline for articles is the 20th of the month preceding publication.

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Yearly dues: General \$40.00; Student \$10.00; Sustaining \$100.00; Lifetime \$1,000.00

Recent Donations

All donations are greatly appreciated and fully tax deductible

Dr. Arthur Basham:	Three old aircraft identification books.
Diane Dege:	A large Fokker D-VIII model airplane made by Richard Dege
Topher Gayle:	Various shop tools and books.
Bruce Harper:	Aircraft books.
Jerry Kettman:	Handbuilt scale model of a Douglas "Dauntless".
Magnum Aviation:	Cash donation toward the Open House, and a discount on aviation gasoline for the aircraft participating in the EAA Young Eagles program.
Lionel Mattos:	Many items for the yard sale during the Open House.
Don Murphy:	An old U. S. Army footlocker.
Frank Nichols:	A box of P-Touch labels for the Library.
Patricia Nichols:	Forty native plants and planting material. Plants were placed at the Museum entry.
Dan Petroff:	A small LED TV/DVD for the forthcoming Lindbergh display.
Jo Anna Petroff:	Four handmade tote bags in military motif.
Strandberg Associates:	Provided a safety inspection of the two large, fire safety water tanks on the museum grounds.
Jack Thurman:	Aircraft spark plugs and intake valves
Tower Hobbies Marketing:	Software and controller for a model airplane flight simulator.
Kevin Walker:	A "Pitts Special" fuselage frame and various other parts the airframe.
Family of Richard S. Weir:	Nine Beautifully framed relic posters of WW1, many framed aircraft pictures, books and plastic models.
Marjorie White:	A second large donation of many books and magazines.

Recent New Members

Kris Miller	Karen Cornwell
Lisa Markus	John Lampe
Dane Mechlin	Etienne Winkelmuller

Schedule of Events

2014

June 6 and 7	California Capitol Air Show, Mather Airport, Sacramento, California	September 20 and 21	Wings Over Wine Country Air Show, Santa Rosa, California
June 7	Frazier Lake Airpark Display Day and Fly-In (10am-4pm)	September 23	WOH Board meeting
June 15	Hollister Air Show	September 27 and 28	California International Air Show, Salinas, California
July 5	Frazier Lake Airpark Display Day and Fly-In (10am-4pm)	October 4	Livermore Open House and Air Show
July 12 and 13	SCCMAS Model Aircraft Fly-In at the Morgan Hill Skypark	October 4	Frazier Lake Airpark Annual BBQ (10am-4pm)
August 2	Frazier Lake Airpark Display Day and Fly-In (10am-4pm)	October 10-13	San Francisco Fleet Week Air Show
August 22-24	Thunder Over the Valley, Santa Maria, California	October 11 and 12	Watsonville 50th Anniversary Fly-In and Air Show
September 6	Frazier Lake Airpark Display Day and Fly-In (10am-4pm)	October 18	Mustangs and More 2014, Nut tree Airport, Vacaville, California
September 11	Meeting at Holders Restaurant. Speaker to be announced	November 1	Warbirds Over Paso, Paso Robles Municipal Airport

Obituaries

Gerry Gabe

August 22, 1943 – March 19, 2014

Gerald “Jerry” Gabe was a well known local pilot from Hollister, California. He was born on August 22, 1943 in the Bronx, New York, and passed away on March 19, 2014. He served in the United States Air Force from 1963 until 1966. He was a member of national and local aviation organizations and the Military Vehicles Club for decades. He was an avid private pilot who held many flying ratings for over 40 years. Jerry previously owned a P-51-Mustang Warbird and owned a T-6 World War II Trainer. He attended the Oshkosh, Wisconsin Air Show yearly for many years and he also attended and participated in the Reno Air Races each year. He was appointed to and served on the Hollister Airport Advisory Commission for many years. Jerry was a 30 year resident of San Jose prior to moving to Hollister in 1997. Jerry is survived by his wife, Sandra, his brother, Norman who resides in Florida and several nieces and nephews. A celebration of Jerry’s life was held at Hollister airport on Saturday, May 24.

Edward Andreini

March 28, 1937 – May 4, 2014

Eddie Andreini, a longtime aerobatic pilot of Half Moon Bay, Calif., died on Sunday, May 4, 2014. Andreini crashed in his modified “Super” Stearman while attempting an inverted cut-the-ribbon pass. The vintage blue-and-silver biplane hit the ground and caught fire in front of the crowd, killing the 77-year-old.

Andreini, an experienced aerobatics pilot who had performed in nearly 1,000 airshows, had been flying his usual routine at the ‘Thunder Over Solano’ air show at Travis Air Force Base in Fairfield

Eddie Andreini was born in San Gregorio, California, on March 28, 1937, to Italian immigrant parents Angelo Andreini and Rosina (Guerra) Andreini.

He entered his first year of school in San Gregorio at the age of 6, speaking only Italian. Eddie learned to fly at the early age of 16 by tricking his dad into signing paperwork, saying it was school-related. Eddie graduated from Half Moon Bay High School in 1955, served in the US Army, and worked until starting his own business as a general engineering contractor.

Eddie is survived by his wife of 51 years, Linda Andreini, their sons Ed Jr. (daughter-in-law Sandra) and Mario (daughter-in-law Gina) as well as his beloved grandchildren.

A memorial Mass was held on Tuesday, May 13, at Our Lady of the Pillar Catholic Church. In lieu of flowers, the family requested donations to our local Boys and Girls Club of Coastsides.



Open House and fly-in, May 17, 2014

A BIG thank you to Patricia Roskiley and Steve Roselle for the photos!



Getting fired up



Balloons at rest



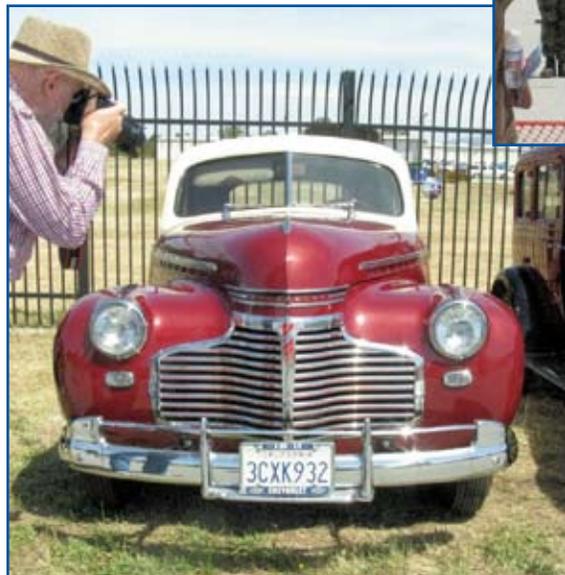
Bolkow



Stinson



CAP on duty



A vintage red Chevy



Critters!



Eagle with a friend



Tiger



Wolf with THREE friends!



Luli with her Mom Michelle, Wolf, Tiger, and Eagle



Sita with some new acquaintances.



Eagle getting a hug



Balloons and firetruck



Foo fighter(!?)



1953 John Deere tractor



Todd Minier's "Lovin' from the Oven" serving breakfast



Maze being designed (top) and solved (bottom)



Model A



Pinata time



A young fireman getting some on-the-job training



CalStar helicopter



Model building with Joe Szep



Old car line-up



A young aviator getting some flight instruction



Our Pietenpol



A volunteer hard at work



Young Eagles lining up for a free flight



Pitts



Doug Rosskilley, Steve Roselle, and Vernon Hayashida tending to the needs of the Quickie



SITA! WATCH WHERE YOU'RE GOING!



Vernon manning the simulator



Volunteers taking it easy after working hard all day



Ready for take-off!



SCCMAS booth



Volmer Jensen



Squaredancers!

Board of Directors

Meeting Minutes for April 8, 2014

Call to order at 1:00pm

Roll call; we have a quorum.

Approval of February 25, 2014 Board Meeting minutes.

Accept the February 25, 2014 minutes. Motion passed, no dissension

Treasurer's report

The Note was paid off on March 15, 2014.

Strategic Planning

Impressions of Retreat

Some comments about the retreat:

Mostly positive

Ron is an honest, ethical person and we can work with him

Can we meet our goals? Only we can answer that

There is some skepticism regarding this process; we have a "wait and see" attitude

We really have very few options at this point. We have to take some action

Our Museum is a valuable entity; we must get more people involved.

Shall we continue with Ron?

Continue our relationship with Ron Muriera. Motion passed, no dissension

Implementing Goal #1 (Increase volunteer base to support the operations of the Wings of History Air Museum. Identify by August 2014 a Volunteer Coordinator. Develop training program for new volunteers by December 2014.)

Jeff has started this process by emphasizing volunteer opportunities prominently on our website. Evelyn will send out an extra edition of the Vintage Flyer calling for volunteers, especially for our May event.

Old Business

Using credit cards (Jeff)

Jeff presented some comparisons between various companies. He concluded that PayPal is our best bet. He needs to do a bit more research regarding using more than one device at a time, such as at our May event.

New Business

Using UPC to track inventory and help with the cash register

Jeff will research this.

Revise By-laws: review section 5 (Administration), 14C1c (Board of Directors; Vacancy; Events Causing Vacancy; Number of Absences), 14F (Board of Directors; Other Regular Meetings), and 20A1 (Meetings of Members; Annual Meeting)

These sections of the by-laws now read:

Section 5: The affairs of this corporation shall be administered by a Board of Directors. The authorized number of directors on the Board of Directors shall be not less than nine (9) nor more than fifteen (15) until changed by an amendment to these Bylaws. The directors need not be residents of the State of California. The Board of Directors will be elected by the membership each year at the annual meeting. The directors' positions on the Board of Directors shall be designated by the Board of Directors. Each of the directors shall hold office for one (1) year and until a successor has been elected and qualified.

Section 14C1c: Three absences from regular meetings of the Board of Directors without notification. Note: Directors will not be deemed absent if they participate by conference telephone as described in Section 14 D.

Section 14F: Other regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held without notice and called at such times as shall from time to time be fixed by the Board of Directors. Such regular meetings may be held without notice.

Section 20A1: There shall be an annual meeting of the regular members of this corporation to be held in the County of Santa Clara, State of California, in April of each calendar year.

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Sections 5 and 14C1c will be changed to read (changes underlined; additions in red; deletions crossed out) [there are no changes to Section 14F]:

The affairs of this corporation shall be administered by a Board of Directors. The authorized number of directors on the Board of Directors shall be not less than seven (7) nor more than ten (10) until changed by an amendment to these Bylaws. The directors need not be residents of the State of California. The Board of Directors will be elected by the membership each year at the annual meeting. The directors' positions on the Board of Directors shall be designated by the Board of Directors. Each of the directors shall hold office for one (1) year and until a successor has been elected and qualified.

Section 14C1c (this section refers to reasons for dismissal from the Board): Three absences from regular meetings of the Board of Directors without notification. Exceptions may be granted by the Board on a case-by-case basis. Note: Directors will not be deemed absent if they participate by conference telephone as described in Section 14 D.

Section 20A1: There shall be an annual meeting of the regular members of this corporation to be held in the County of Santa Clara, State of California, in April of each calendar year. The number of Directors elected shall be the authorized number for purposes of determining a quorum for the year. If a member resigns or is removed the authorized number is reduced by that amount until the position(s) are refilled.

2:15pm adjourn. Next Board of Directors Meeting: Tuesday, May 27, 2014 6:00pm at Atlantic Aviation.

Meeting Minutes for May 27, 2014

Call to order at 1:09pm

Roll call; we have a quorum.

Approval of April 8, 2014 Board Meeting minutes. Accept the April 8, 2014 minutes. Motion passed, no dissension

Treasurer's report

The Note was paid off on March 15, 2014.

The Heritage Bank CD matures in June. We will check what the interest rate will be and work on getting a greater return.

We need new signatories for our bank accounts. We will require two signatures for checks of more than \$500.00 and only one signature necessary for checks less than \$500.

Regarding day-to-day expenditures and expenses, Vernon said how he would appreciate having an approval form for each expenditure. If he or anyone else has to run to Home Depot for some supplies or parts, there should be an approval cycle in place; not try to get reimbursed after the fact. We all agreed and Dan has stepped up to be the one making the approval. He has the budget and will monitor all expenditures.

Elect Officers

Officers nominated and voted in as follows:

President: Dan Petroff

Vice-President: Frank Nichols

Secretary: Evie Liebgold

Treasurer: Susan Talbot

Accept the election of these nominees as presented. Motion passed, no dissension

The following Board members have resigned: Gianni Leonarduzzi, John McMains, and Howard Pomeranz.

We would really like to have some Board members from outside our organization. We've had these folks in the past, and we believe it would be a positive step in organizing ourselves. The question is how to accomplish this. Food for thought.

Strategic Planning

Ron's status. Ron has presented the Strategic Plan 2014–2017 and each Board member has a copy for review.

Report from prior strategic plans. Each Board member has the following documents for review: The Strategic Planning Process (1992), California Antique Aircraft Museum Fund Raising Planning Study Interim Report (1992), and What is Needed for Successful Fund Raising? (Giving USA, 1982).

Progress on Goal #1 (Increase Volunteer Base). Dan and Susan will coordinate and approach Lia Peterson to see if she would take on the responsibility of marketing. If she agrees, she may be able to give us some guidance on increasing our volunteer base.

Dan will send each Board member a list of jobs that need filling

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Old Business

Using credit cards (Jeff and Susan). Jeff and Susan presented the results of using the credit card swipe on Susan's phone during the Open House. We gained about \$214.00 by offering credit card purchase ability. This is something we need to pursue for the gift shop. There are some docents who have trouble using the cash register and to use a swipe may be asking too much of them. In that case perhaps we can partner these folks with others who are willing and able to take credit card purchases from visitors.

Status of revised by-laws (Susan). Susan is working on this. She feels that when the by-laws are ready and complete they should be signed off by the President and/or Vice-President.

New Business

Report of Open House event (all who were there)

We all agreed it was a very successful Open House!

Jeff presented a report on web activity before and after the event. The day before the event and the day of the event had a dramatic increase in web activity.

Susan presented a Open House Income Comparison and emphasized that it's preliminary.

Acquisition of P&W 985 radial

Acquire the P&W 985 radial engine on loan from Gavilan.

Motion passed, no dissension

Loan of Flutterbug to Hiller Museum

Loan the Flutterbug to Hiller Museum (long term).

Motion passed, no dissension

Other fund raisers

Swap meet? Jack feels it would be a successful venture to involve Frazer and/or Hollister and any other airplane/engine/car entities in a swap meet at our Museum. He will ask around to see if there's any interest.

2:45pm adjourn. Next Board of Directors Meeting: Tuesday, June 24, 2014 6:00pm at Atlantic Aviation.