

Wings Over Camarillo 2017 Air Show

Wings Over Wendy's Members Support the Wings Over Camarillo Air Show



The 2017 Wings Over Camarillo Air Show, August 19 & 20, had a special salute to Veterans of the Vietnam era (those who served during the period 1955 to 1975). The Grand Marshall for this year's show was our old "friend" from previous years: Lt Col Bob Friend a WWII Tuskegee Airman. The Veteran's Tent/Hangar had a table alongside the Grand Marshall's table where Avery and Robin Willis awarded the Vietnam Veterans a Vietnam War Commemoration lapel pin and bumper sticker.

Lt Col Ed Reynolds awarded pins to many of the veterans in front of the tent.



Avery Willis receiving the first pin and bumper sticker



Avery, Robin & Ed at the Award Table.

Note: Wings Over Wendy's banners in the background and Rosco Frazier at his display table. (Continued Page 2)





Veterans Tent – Photo by Harlis Brend

The Veterans tent was in front of a hanger. We hung four Wings Over Wendy’s banners inside the tent and set up displays.



Ventura County Supervisor Kelly Long visited the displays and talked with Art Sherman, Mike LaVere; Dick Kinder, and Bob Bermant. Dick also displayed on Sunday.



Dick, Bob & Kelly Long on Sat. – Dick & Jim Van Voorhis on Sun.

Other Wings Over Wendy’s members with displays on Saturday were:



Barney Leone – Don Foster



Fred Kaplan and Neil Baliber “selling” veterans on attending our Monday meetings.



Rosco Frasier had his Vietnam service display and Warren Weinstein displayed his pictures of aircraft.



Elmo and Tom Maiden displayed Elmo’s war history.



Helping with the displays were Howard Swerdlick, Phil Aune and Anarg Frangos.

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Also assisting on Saturday were David Alvarez (no picture), Ricard Raskoff, Bob Bermant and Mark Ax.



Dick Thackston visited from Florida and had a display and so did David Timmerman in a flight suit.



In addition to Dick Kinder, Ed Reynolds returned on Sunday with his Air Refueling display. Bob Donovan assisted in the break down of the displays and banners on Sunday.



The success of the show could not have happened without the hard work and support of **Avery Willis** and **Frank Lopez**. (Plus the pictures courtesy of **Harlis Brend**)

August Group Tour Autry Museum of the American West August 16, 2017



Photo by Mike LaVere

On August 16, 2017 sixteen Wings Over Wendy's members toured the Autry Museum of the American West, Griffith Park, Los Angeles. The group car pooled to the museum and were met by three docents that guided the three groups through the museum for over two hours. Following the tour many members of the group met for lunch at the StoneFire Grill in West Hills.

August Speakers August 7, 2017 Avery Willis



Photo by Ed Reynolds
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On August 7th, we were visited by Avery Willis inviting our members and especially our Vietnam Veterans to participate in the Wings Over Camarillo Air Show on August 19 and 20, 2017. Avery signed up the veterans that planned to display and participate in the Veterans tent and hanger.

He explained to us that all veterans that served on active duty during the period of 1955 and 1975 were eligible to receive a Vietnam War Commemoration lapel pin and bumper sticker. The pins and stickers were donated by the City of Camarillo. Eligible veterans could receive a discounted ticket to the Air Show by registering on line.

French Legion of Honor



Among his numerous missions and activities, the Ambassador of France to the United States regularly honors American veterans of the two world wars. Paying tribute to those men is a way to express France's gratitude toward those who risked their lives—and in many cases, gave their lives—defending liberty. American veterans who served in France during World Wars I and II are inducted into the Légion d'honneur, or Legion of Honor. Many of our members have been awarded the honor.

**The most recent awardees were:
Guy Chookoorian and Sam Schultz
Congratulations!**

Abe Rosenzweig WOW Soaring Valor Group Trip Pictures



Photo by Ed Reynolds

On August 7th, Abe Rosenzweig showed a slide presentation produced by his son and daughter of the Wings Over Wendy's WWII veterans that participated in The Gary Sinise Foundation's "Soaring Valor", trip to New Orleans. There were some great photos of the participants and of the presentations.

August 14, 2017 Avery Willis

Avery Willis returned to the meeting to distribute colored wrist bands for those that would be participating in the Veteran's Tent and Hanger displays. The wrist band provided free entrance to the show and a free lunch on both Saturday, August 19th and Sunday, August 20th. Avery explain were to park and told us that those that arrive early would be provided a free ticket to the pancake breakfast cooked and served by The Ninety-Nines, international organization of women pilots.

Karla Duff Hull and Joe Sapien



Photos by Harlis Brend

Following Avery, we heard from Karla Hull and Joe Sapien from the VA. Karla is the VFW Veteran Service Officer (VSO) in building 20 at the VA Vet Center Sepulveda. She has an office in the center that can provide assistance to those that need help when they visit the facility.

Joe Sapien is the Los Angeles County, Veteran Service Officer and he spoke on the services his office can provide.

Mike LaVere WOW Soaring Valor Group Trip Video



Photo by Mike LaVere

Also, on August 14th Mike LaVere showed us a 40-minute video he filmed, edited and produced of the Gary Sinise Foundation's "Soaring Valor", trip to New Orleans. The video showed displays in the World War 2 museum that we had not seen in Abe's slide show on the 7th and included sound of Gary Sinise addressing the group and of the other speakers and performances. It was a terrific recap of the trip for those of us that were not able to attend.

August 21, 2017 Dan Pemberton "A Gathering of Heroes"



Photo by Harlis Brend

On August 21st, 2017, BGen Dan Pemberton talked to us about an event organized by the Conejo Valley Chapter of the Military Officers Association of America and the Military Order of the World Wars titled "A Gathering of Heroes", scheduled for 5pm, Wednesday, **November 15, 2017** at the Los Robles Greens Banquet Center, 299 S. Moorpark Road, Thousand Oaks, CA 91361.

The evening will feature the video documentary **HEROES OF WW2, THE EUROPEAN CAMPAIGN** which is co-produced and narrated by Michael Reagan. In the film, 22 soldiers, sailors, and airmen share their personal stories of "... what it took to fight and survive in the Allied invasion that brought an end to Germany's Third Reich."

In addition to showing the 51-minute video, they have invited 15-20 local WWII veterans allowing them to honor their wartime service. The dinner is \$35 per person. (No cost to the WWII veterans and their companion if they provide Dan with a bio of their WWII service). RSVP to (818) 399-0469 by November 8, 2017.

Solar Eclipse 2017



Photos by Harlis Brend
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On August 21st, 2017, we were treated to a partial (70°) view of a Solar Eclipse during the time of our meeting. The event began at 09:05 and the maximum (Moon covers 70% of Sun's diameter, 62% of Sun's area) occurred at 10:21. Alan Hill wore a shirt depicting the stages of an eclipse. We adjourned the meeting early so attendees could view the maximum via many methods. Many had Solar Glasses they shared and some had other methods such as projecting the scene via a reverse projection via binoculars on a white table.

August 28, 2017 John Lee

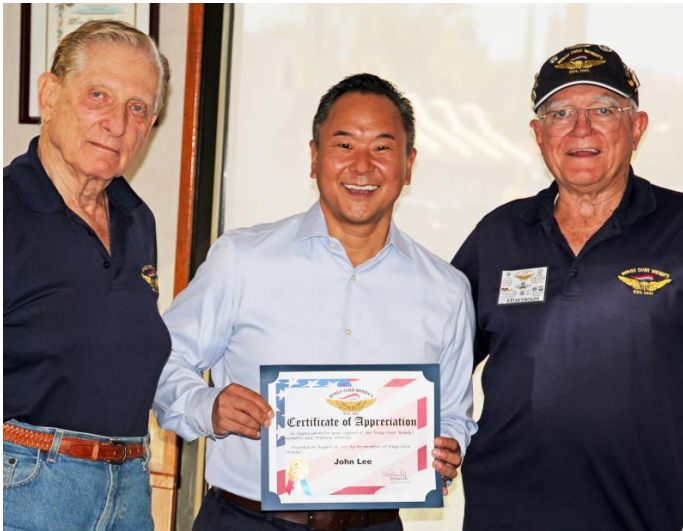


Photo by Harlis Brend

On August 28, 2017, Wings Over Wendy's presented John Lee, former Chief of Staff for Councilmember Mitchell Englander, a Certificate of Appreciation for the support he provided Wings Over Wendy's during his service on the Councilmember's staff. Specifically, he was able to obtain buses for or tours that left the boundary of the city and in some cases the county. Also attending the presentation was **Ron Rubine** from the Councilmember's staff.



Photo by Harlis Brend

Jack Norris



Photo by Harlis Brend

Jack Norris reported to us his experience observing the total eclipse in Whistler, Idaho. He normally doesn't buy t-shirts but thought the one depicting the total eclipse was worth buying and wearing to the meeting to emphasize his talk. His daughter, who lives in Sacramento invited him to join her to view the total eclipse in Idaho. Jack found the long drive through uninhabited country into the southwest area of Idaho near the Snake River gave him an appreciation of what Lewis and Clark must have experienced.

The main reason for the trip was to see the corona around the moon. He found that it was really a genuine insight that you can't normally see. It has a lot of sunspots so the things were very pretty but look like a real complex place. The 2 million miles across the moon was pretty big for him. The sun is not a million miles in diameter but it's close like 865,000 miles across at a distance of 93 million miles. So, the crown was really worth seeing in the dark as were the stars. It was not completely dark because around the periphery you can see there was still light but it was an event that he was glad he experienced.

He met a lot of interesting people but it seems the people that went were unusual in some way inspired and interesting so it was a really good event that way and it turns out that Whistler was a really nice little town. The people set out on their relatively new high school grounds for the people to set up a common camp. They had a great big additional field so he thought there must've been a thousand-people camping. There was a family next to him from Goa, India. Since Goa had been a Portuguese colony the families name was Gonzales. Overall it was an interesting trip, a long drive but it was really worth it.

Boyd Davis



Photo by Harlis Brend

Boyd Davis read to the group a speech he gave back in 2010 at the end of the Memorial Day parade. It covered the experience of John C. Morgan who was awarded the Medal of Honor for his performance as a B-17 co-pilot.

Morgan's experience began as his group formation neared the German coast. The B-17, nicknamed Ruthie II, was attacked by a large number of Focke-Wulf Fw 190 fighters and had part of its oxygen system to the gunners' positions in the rear of the aircraft knocked out. The first burst of fire also smashed the cockpit's windshield, damaged the interphone, and split open the skull of pilot Lt. Robert Campbell. The pilot's upper body slumped over his control wheel, causing it to start out of control. F/O Morgan seized the controls on his side and by sheer strength pulled the plane back into formation.

The disabled pilot continued to try to wrest the controls away from Morgan and smashed at the co-pilot with his fists, knocking some teeth loose and blackening both his eyes. Meanwhile, the top turret gunner was also seriously injured when a 20 mm shell tore off his left arm at the shoulder. He fell out of the turret position, and was found by the navigator bleeding to death. The navigator bailed the gunner out of the aircraft in a successful effort to save his life.

Unknown to Morgan, the waist, tail and radio gunners became unconscious from lack of oxygen and were threatened with death by anoxia. Morgan, unable to call for assistance because of the damaged interphone, had to decide whether to turn back immediately or try to fly all the way to the target and back within the protection of the formation. He also had to decide whether or not to subject Campbell to anoxia by cutting off his oxygen to disable him. In spite of wild efforts by the fatally wounded pilot to seize the controls, Morgan chose to complete the mission and not cut off his pilot's oxygen supply.

For two hours he held position in the formation - flying with one hand, fighting off the pilot with the other. At length the navigator entered the flight deck and relieved the situation. The navigator and bombardier secured the dying pilot in the nose compartment of the airplane. F/O

Morgan's B-17 reached the target at Hanover and successfully dropped its bombs. With all his fuel gauges reading empty, Morgan landed the bomber at RAF Foulsham. Lt. Campbell died an hour and half later, and the five surviving gunners recovered from various degrees of frostbite. The B-17 was declared damaged beyond economical repair and never flew again.

F/O Morgan transferred to the 482nd Bomb Group in October 1943 to fly B-17 H2X radar aircraft and was promoted to second lieutenant in November. He remained on combat duty, flying in all 25½ missions. On March 6, 1944, Morgan was the pilot of a B-17 leading the first major USAAF attack against Berlin when he was shot down and captured, held in Stalag Luft I, Barth, Germany, for the remainder of the war, the only person to become a POW after being awarded the Medal of Honor.

When questioned of his valor and heroism, Morgan replied, " *There's no such thing as a hero.... I was pushed into circumstances where I was forced to act. You can never say how you're going to react to something until it happens, but I think most people would have done the same.*"

Alice Stone



Photo by Harlis Brend

On August 28, 2017 gave us a brief history of her life. She was the first woman to join Wings Over Wendy's in 2002. Her story started with her going to college in Chicago at the age of 19 when the US Navy took over her school to train their men.

At the time, she had a boyfriend in California so unable to continue college she went to work at SAKS Fifth Avenue. In July 1943, she received a message from her boyfriend that he was coming to Chicago on a three-day pass. She guessed that meant she was going to get married and sure enough she did and left on an open air train with no air conditioning and no windows, and cheese sandwiches for meals. They got off the train in Scottsbluff, Nebraska. At the time, the third largest city in Nebraska, still with only about 12,000 people. Very small for a Chicago native.

The local hotels would only allow you to stay three nights and they found rooms to rent through the USO in the basement of a doctor's home. (Continued page 8 column 1)

Without television one of the entertainments was watching small animals scurry around the yard out their basement window.

Alice passed a typing test at the local Junior College and got a job at the local airbase. A little-known fact was there was a POW camp of Italian soldiers on the base. Alice got a job at the POW Camp in the prisoner personnel records office which she found was very interesting. The prisoners were not to talk to the civilian employees but Alice learned that many of them were not residents of Italy before the war but were visiting when the war broke out and were forced to join the Italian Army and surrendered in North Africa. She also worked at a trucking company that serviced all the grocery stores in the area

Her husband was transferred to St. Joseph, Missouri, home of the Pony Express starting point. He was a meteorologist and worked nights so she didn't get a day job. They enjoyed the days and she was cautioned not to go out at night because of the paratroopers stationed there. She took up her art hobby again and when her husband was sent overseas they used her art work as a clue to his location by his asking if she was still doing India ink sketches which meant he was in India. She got a job in Chicago for a scrap iron brokerage cataloging every train that went through Chicago, name of the train and the destination which was usually Gary, Indiana, so she was never a "Rosie the Riveter". She replaced men and then trained men to replace her.

He had entered the US Army on 11/01/1941 and came out March 23, 1956. He got a good offer from China training their people but he turned it down and moved to California.

Her oldest friend here is Steve. They have been sitting cheek to cheek since '02. She read the article in the Daily News about a group of veterans, after her husband passed on in '02 and she thought what a nice way to remember him. So, she joined here in his memory and Steve and she have been friends ever since. Lee would remember her. She doesn't know if anyone else is here from '02. She finished by saying "I guess I am older than everybody else here. What the heck, I'm gonna be 94 in February."

Tom Bates



Photos by Harlis Brend

Following Alice Stone, Tom Bates showed us a picture

that is in his family of two Northrup P-61 Black Widow night fighters. The first aircraft designed to use radar. The picture is from a USO show and has the autographs of: Jack Northrup, Lucille Ball, Desi Arnaz, John Wayne, Lionel Barrymore, Gary Cooper, Marilyn Maxwell, John Conte

PROFILES

Tommy Villanueva

By Ed Moreno



Photo from Tom Villanueva

In 1924 Gallup, New Mexico welcomed Tommy Villanueva. He was one of five brothers and one sister. His school years were interrupted when the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor.

Like thousands of youth in this country, enlistment then soared. While still in high school, Tommy tried to join the Navy. He was a couple of inches too short. He then enlisted in the Air Corps.

Soon he was at Fort Bliss, Texas. Then he went to Atlantic City for Basic Training. He completed Boot Camp in New Jersey. Eventually he completed all his training at Drew Field, Florida. He missed having friends from the west because by then all of his friends were from the east coast--New York, New Jersey, New England, etc.

From San Pedro, California, his troopship sailed for thirty days until they all disembarked in India. Soon the eighteen-year-old found himself in Burma. He spent all his service time at a radar facility on the Burma Road. The radar station was distinguished by its two antennas. Tom was promoted to corporal and served there until the Japanese surrendered.

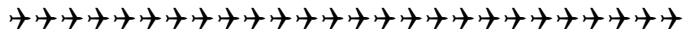
His least fondest memories were eating chicken from Burma every day and lamb from Australia day after day. Only the pastries from the baker saved his unit from going crazy.

After his discharge he returned to Gallup, New Mexico to continue his life. He decided not to go to college, but he did get his high school diploma. He, with his family and friends, became a "jack of all trades": In 1948 he married his high school sweetheart, started his family and in time moved to Southern California.

The highlight of his working years was his employment by a furniture store where he learned more skills. (Continued page 9 column 1)

Tommy loved being part of a four-man work crew that carpeted the homes and businesses of celebrities. In L.A. he laid carpet at Frank Sinatra, Jimmy Stewart and for John Wayne's houses. He also carpeted former president Dwight Eisenhower's residence. His favorite job experience was carpeting the home of then President Ronald Reagan and his wife Nancy and his office in Century City.

He missed walking in the many feet of mud in Burma during the rainy season.



Peggy Jean's Hanger

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The "Superscooper" is back!



The Canadair CL-415 arrives again this year from Quebec, Canada, to the Van Nuys Airport. Bright yellow and red are its colors. "Superscooper" is a nickname given to certain amphibious fire-fighting aircraft built by Canadair, designated as the Bombardier 415. The Superscooper flies at high speed, approximately 100 MPH just above the surface of a lake or reservoir, scooping up copious amounts of water into its belly in just 12 seconds.

The family of three aircrafts known as "Superscooper" are the Canadair CL-15, the CL-215 T, and the Bombardier 415 turbo prop. A pilot must be certified to operate a seaplane, to ensure water conditions are safe for scooping (not having choppy waves). While used mostly to fight Canadian wildfires, this aircraft is also leased to California firefighting agencies for their firefighting season. Canadair CL 215, an amphibious airplane, and the Canadair CL-415, the flying boat. Engines are two Pratt and Whitney Canada PW 123 AF, power 2, 380, 000 horsepower wing span is 94 foot, height is 29 ft., length 65 ft. The two water storage tanks hold 1,530 gallons.

Research by Peggy Jean Bassett

Rare P-38 "Lightning" takes to the skies again



After 20 years on the ground, the Collings Foundation acquired a P-38 "Lightning" following the Collapse of the Evergreen Museum in McMinnville, Oregon (The museum is now up and running under new management.) The P-38, with two rebuilt V-12 Allison engines and a through restoration of all the systems, replacing hoses, and all the work that was needed to bring the plane back to life after sitting so long. Ashley Ezell and his crew from American Aero Services did an amazing job getting the aircraft ready.

The people at Evergreen were sad to see the P-38 go away with Steve, Hinton, as the pilot. The "Lightning" was ready for the trip south to Chino, California for a smooth touchdown. The fighter was greeted by John Hinton, Rob Patterson, and the rest of the POF/fighter rebuilders gang admiring the aircraft. Steve gave it a final look over with barely any exhaust stains and no leaks from the zero time Allison engines. The P-38 was towed and pushed into its new hanger for a little more work and then it will be ready for a lengthy new life as "Lightning N505MH".

Women in Aviation International



Scholarships will be presented at WAI's 29th Annual International Women in Aviation Conference.

Applications must be submitted by November 13, 2017, and will be presented on March 22-24-24, 2018 in Reno, Nevada. Scholarships are available for Flight Training, and funding for nearly every aspect of the aviation and aerospace community. The total value of awarded scholarships typically reaches more than \$600,000 annually.

WAI.org – Good news for the women in your family. Encourage, them to seek a career in Aviation.

Pilot and Technician Outlook 2017

Boeing projects a demand for more than 1.2 million pilots and mechanics over the next 20 years.

Boeing forecasts that between 2017 and 2036, the world's commercial aviation industry will require 637,000 new pilots, 648,000 maintenance technicians and 830,000 new cabin members. The 2017 outlook shows a slight increase of 3.2% for pilots over the 2016 outlook and a slight decrease in the need for airline maintenance technicians (4.6%) primarily driven by the reduction in maintenance hours required on the 737 MAX. (Courtesy Boeing.com)

Mitchells at Dayton



The 75th Doolittle Reunion was held at the National Museum of the U.S. Air Force in Dayton, Ohio April 18th, 2017.

The event was attended by 11 North American B-25 Mitchell bombers. The following B-25 Mitchells were in attendance: "Panchito", "Champagne Gal", "Georgie's Gal", "Miss Hap", "Show Me", "Devil Dog", "Barbie III", "Miss Mitchell", "Yankee Warrior", "Betty's Dream", and our very own "Semper Fi" from Camarillo's (CAF) Commemorative Air Force Museum, at Camarillo Airport. Prior to arriving at the museum in Dayton, the B-25s were staged at Grimes Field in Urbana, Ohio. The event and museum was open to the public offering rides in the B-25s. The Mitchells left Urbana on Monday for Dayton. On Tuesday, the B-25s took off for a flyover over the museum and then performed a "Missing Man" formation for the memorial service. **Lt Col. Dick Cole**, who is 101 years old and was Jimmy Doolittle's copilot is the only surviving crew member of the original 80 crew members. Cole was in attendance at both Grimes Field and the U.S. Air Force Museum to meet the crews and the public.



DC-3 Planes Disappear Over The US



The last of the DC-3 airplanes that regularly flies over the United States disappeared from the skies on Tuesday, June 13, 2017. The prop-driven aircraft has been a mainstay, outliving its Douglas Commercial predecessors and successors, but Catalina Flying Boats Air Freight Service flew its last flight out of Long Beach Airport in California, and will begin using Cessna Caravans instead.

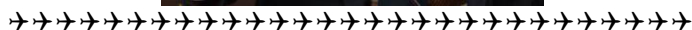
The DC-3 was one of the most important transport aircraft, especially for the military during World War II. The DC-3 Sleeper Transport provided travelers with state-of-the-art comfort, with seats that folded out for sleeping at night for all 16 of its passengers. This was essential in 1936 when a California to New York route meant cruising along at 207 mph, which meant this was a 15-hour flight; 18 hours for the reverse trip because of headwinds. And not nonstop, of course. The aircraft had to make 3 stops to refuel.

But that isn't the end of these dependable planes. From Long Beach, these aircraft will then head to South Africa where they will begin their next chapter, performing humanitarian flights.

Around the globe, the DC-3 is still used for routes from Africa and South America to Haiti, as well as up in Canada's Northwest Territory.

Buffalo Airways, Yellowknife, Northwest Territories, Canada, still flies a fleet of DC-3s. They normally operate on wheels, but when it comes time to land on the snow-covered lakes of the Canadian North, some of the aircraft have the wheels removed, and replaced with skis.

From the warmest deserts, to the coldest, snow-covered north and south poles, the DC-3 has been everywhere. Traveling at 170 miles per hour (274 km/h), Buffalo Airways DC-3s can haul 7000 pounds of freight or 27 passengers to destinations throughout the Canadian North. That is not to say that these aircraft always stay close to home, as they have flown from one end of Canada to the other, south into the United States, and as far north as Greenland.



In Memoriam

We lost two faithful members during the month of August

Donna Brend

July 26, 1941 to August 6, 2017



Photo by Harlis Brend

Donna Jean Friedman Brend was born in Los Angeles, California and passed away on August 6, 2017. Funeral Services were conducted on August 10, 2017 at Faith Lutheran Church, Canoga Park, California. Interment was at Oakwood Memorial Park, Chatsworth, California.

Her family lived in Los Angeles, then Sun Valley, finally settling in Studio City. Donna graduated from North Hollywood High School in 1959. She originally trained as a dental technician, but she found her place as a manicurist, serving for 45 years in places like the Beverly Hilton, and in beauty salons in the San Fernando Valley. During her last 15 years, she rented space for her business at MJF in Tarzana. She had clients that went back 25 years and was well respected.

Donna met Harlis Brend at a square dance in January 2000. First, they flirted, and then they dated, and were engaged in October of 2000. To celebrate, they took a trip with their square dance group to Loretto, Mexico, during the Thanksgiving weekend.

They were married on June 2, 2001, in a garden setting at Epiphany Lutheran Church (now known as the Garden Chapel), Canoga Park. They honeymooned in Tahiti and Bora Bora, and later visited Hawaii twice. They lived in Canoga Park during their 16 years of marriage.

Donna went through many trials in her life. Along with losing two of her adult children (Darren and Lisa). Donna was a breast cancer survivor. She also suffered through and recovered from a hip replacement and a broken collarbone. Three years ago, Donna tripped at her salon, broke her arm, and a year later required shoulder replacement surgery. In January 2017 Donna had pneumonia and was still weak when she fell again in early March at her salon and broke her pelvis. (Continued page 9)

She spent a month in a physical rehabilitation facility, followed by being cared for at home by Harlis. By June,

she was allowed to walk with her walker and was making good progress toward recovery. Harlis was always with her, doing everything he could for her.

On July 23 of this year, Donna had a cardiac episode. She had many tests over the past few years but the underlying problem was never diagnosed! During this trip to ER, doctors finally determined that Donna's heart was working at about 20%! A major heart artery was 80% blocked. On her 76th birthday, Donna received a stint as a present, but her heart was never able to recover maintaining blood pressure without maximum allowed medication.

Donna passed away 6 am August 6, 2017, at Kaiser Sunset. Thank God for the life of Donna Jean Brend.

Clifford H. Wolf

April 14, 1919 to August 15, 2017



Photo provided by Stephanie Morales

Clifford H. Wolf, was born on April 14, 1919, in Brooklyn, New York and passed away on August 15, 2017. Funeral Services were held at Mount Sinai Simi Valley, 6150 Mount Sania Drive, Simi Valley CA 93063, on August 18th at 3pm. A webcast of his service is available at <https://mountsinaiiparks.org/obituaries/clifford-wolf/7635/webcast/> (Password:WOLF1919). A YouTube of his life is available at: Clifford Wolf (1919-2017) – YouTube.

During World War II, Cliff served in the European theater, predicting the weather for the troops. He was a member of a front-line infantry weather observation unit which spearheaded attacks. He recorded and radioed code messages to air support groups, and participated in the initial landings at Sicily, Italy and Southern France. He remained on the front lines throughout the action. All told, he was overseas for 32 months with the famed 12th Tactical Air Command. He received a special commendation and meritorious service plaques for gallantry in action.

When he returned to the States, he married the love of his life, Lillian Larck. They had two children, Stephanie and Michael. He was a loving and wise father and husband.

Over the next forty years, Cliff was in turn, a meteorologist, an engineer, and finally a math teacher at Venice High School. (Continued page 12 column 1)

Students and colleagues alike admired him immensely.

Cliff took up art as an avocation. Some of his paintings won awards at art fairs. He made friends wherever he went and he and Lillian traveled extensively to countries in Europe, Asia and South America.

Cliff's beloved Lillian passed away in February of 2013. Soon after, Cliff discovered Wings Over Wendy's where he spent many an enjoyable, humor and pathos-filled Monday morning, as well as numerous exciting November Veteran's Month activities.

He will be remembered with fondness and will be truly missed.

Prayers

Unfortunately, several of our most active members were hospitalized or are either in Nursing Homes or at home recuperating from their injuries or illnesses. Our prayers are for a speedy recovery and a return to our meetings:

Connie Hein
David Plumb (The Chief)
Earl Minkin
Ellie Harrison
Mort Green

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We all want raffle prizes!

Please search your closets and garages and bring your items to the next Wings Over Wendy's meeting.

Suggested Items: Military books, magazines, DVD's, tools, etc.

Thank you!



September Birthdays

Abe Brownstein	September 01, 1923
Kent Kellegrew	September 05, 1923
Max DePedro	September 07, 1952
Sid Maiten	September 09, 1925
Louis Marini	September 10, 1926
Steven Goodman	September 11, 1943
Carl Schena	September 13, 1921
Olfredo Castillo	September 15, 1943
Dale Edmundson	September 16, 1932
Ethel Margolin	September 17, 1922
US Air Force	September 18, 1947
Reuven Zeavy	September 19, 1948
Martin Light	September 20, 1932
Dov Landau	September 21, 1948
Barry Chapman	September 22, 1943
Duane Buckley	September 23, 1943
Jimmy Weldon	September 23, 1923
Barney Leone	September 25, 1924
Ken Mayer	September 26, 1942

New Members

We welcomed the following new members during the month of August 2017.

Jim McMichael
Bill Ratner
Michael Sugar
Abe Weinreich
Larry Albucher
Sam Mulley
Harry Smitty
David Rosen

**WOW's monthly food drive
is Monday, September 11th.**



Wings News Patrons

The following is a list of WOW members who have contributed \$10 to fund the publication of the *Wings News* for 12 months.

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Future Events and Tours

September 14, 2017

Reagan Ranch Center in Santa Barbara Tour. Meet in the Wendy's Parking lot at 09:30am to car pool to the event.

October 19, 2017

Edwards AFB Tour. Meet in the Wendy's Parking lot at 07:40am to board a bus to take us to the West Gate at Edwards AFB to meet a USAF Bus to take us on the tour. No cameras allowed.

October 20, 2017

Ventura County Aviation Career Day, CAF Museum, Camarillo Airport, 455 Aviation Drive, Camarillo. Table and display set-up at 08:00am. Event is 09:30 to 12:30.

November 5, 2017

Canoga Park Womans Club Veterans Luncheon, 11:30am

November 15, 2017

"A Gathering of Heroes" dinner presented by the Military Officers Association of America and the Military Order of the World Wars, 05:00pm at the Los Robles Greens Banquet Center, 299 S. Moorpark Road, Thousand Oaks. The dinner is \$35 per person. (No cost to the WWII veteran and their companion if the vet provides a bio of their WWII service).

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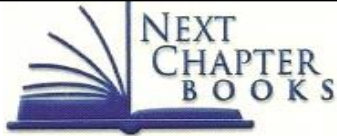
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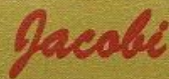


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