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# Wings Over Wendy's, "Greatest Generation," WWII Veterans Honored By LA Sports Teams

Following their birthday celebrations, two of our "Greatest Generation" WWII veterans were honored by LA sports teams in October.



Photo by Larry Kushner

Barney Leone – LA Dodger Game OCT 12<sup>th</sup>



# Barney Leone with his family LA Galaxy – LAFC Soccer Game OCT 20<sup>th</sup>

It was a busy month for 98-year-old Barney Leone. On October 12, 20222 he was the Military Hero of the Game at the Dodger's second game of the NBL Playoffs vs the Padres. Then, on October 20, 2022, he was the Miltary Hero of the Game at the LA Galaxy, LAFC Soccer Game.



Photo by Ed Reynolds

Ethel Margolin – 100 years old at the LA Kings Hockey Game, OCT 13<sup>th</sup>

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On the night of October 13, 2022, Ethel Margolin was the Belfor Hero of the Game at the LA Kings vs. Seattle Kraken ice hockey game at Crypto.com Arena, Los Angeles.

Ethel's son was able to obtain VIP tickets for Ethel's friends and family.



Photo by Larry Kushner

Tony Cubarrubia, Ed Reynolds, Barney Leone, Marion Lovelace, Stephanie Pofcher, Kurt Rademacher, Fred Kaplan, Liliane Profcher, and David Timmerman, with three LAUSD Policemen behind.

# Joe Weber's 96<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration

On October 27, 2022, a group from Wings Over Wendy's joined with Los Angeles School Policeman to celebrate Joe Weber's 96<sup>th</sup> birthday at the weekly Stonefire Grill luncheon.

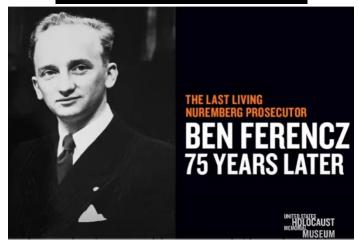


Photo by Larry Kushner

Also in attendance at the celebration was Neal Houston, Hillard Lewinson, Arlyn Coro and Larry Kushner.

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# October 2022 Meetings October 3, 2022



# The Last Living Nuremberg Prosecutor, Ben Ferencz, 75 Years Later

The featured presentation on October 3, 2022, was a documentary from the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, *The Last Living Nuremberg Prosecutor, Ben Ferencz*, 75 Years Later.

The documentary format was Museum Historian Edna Friedberg interviewing 101-year-old Ben Ferencz about his life leading up to age 27 when in his first turn as a prosecutor, Benjamin Ferencz led what was then called "the biggest murder trial in history." On behalf of the US government, he won guilty verdicts against 22 Nazi leaders of mass shooting operations that murdered over a million Jews. The Nuremberg Trials, which began 76 years ago, aimed to achieve a measure of justice for the unimaginable scale of Holocaust and war crimes.

Benjamin B. Ferencz was born in the Carpathian Mountains of Transylvania in 1920. When he was ten months old his family moved to America. His earliest memories are of his small basement apartment in a Manhattan district - appropriately referred to as "Hell's Kitchen."

After Ben graduated from Harvard Law School in 1943, he joined an anti-aircraft artillery battalion preparing for the invasion of France. As an enlisted man under General Patton, he fought in most of the major campaigns in Europe. (Continued page 3)

As Nazi atrocities were uncovered, he was transferred to a newly created War Crimes Branch of the Army to gather evidence of Nazi brutality and apprehend the criminals.

On the day after Christmas 1945, Ferencz was honorably discharged from the U.S. Army with the rank of Sergeant of Infantry. He returned to New York and prepared to practice law. Shortly after that, he was recruited for the Nuremberg war crimes trials. The International Military Tribunal prosecution against German Field Marshal Herman Goering and other leading Nazis was already in progress under the leadership of the American Prosecutor, Robert M. Jackson, on leave from the US Supreme Court. The U.S. had decided to prosecute a broad cross-section of Nazi criminals once the trial against Goering and his henchmen was over.

Ferencz became Chief Prosecutor for the United States in The **Einsatzgruppen Case**, which the Associated Press called "the biggest murder trial in history." Twenty-two defendants were charged with murdering over a million people. He was only twenty-seven years old. It was his first case.

All of the defendants were convicted. Thirteen were sentenced to death. The verdict was hailed as a great success for the prosecution. Ferencz's primary objective had been to establish a legal precedent that would encourage a more humane and secure world in the future.

Ben, devoted his life to pursuing peace, demanding justice for victims, and preventing genocide.

# October 10, 2022



Photo by Larry Kushner

# Col. Bill Marshall, US Air Force Academy Overview and Application Process

On October 10, 2022, the featured speaker was Col. Bill Marshall, with a presentation on the **US Air Force Academy Overview and Application Process**. He started with a brief history of the Service Academies and the mission of the Air Force Academy:

To Educate, train and inspire men and women to become officers of character motivated to lead the United States Air and Space Forces in service to our nation.

Bill then provided a brief outline of his career: Bill Marshall

- · AF Academy 1973-1977
- 1978 T38 Instructor Williams AFB, AZ



- 1980- C-141 McChord AFB, WA
- · 1981- Saberliner, Yokota AB, Japan



- 1983 C-141, 15<sup>th</sup> ALS, Norton AFB, CA
- 1985 C-141, 730th ALS, Reserves, Norton
- 1994 C-141, 730th ALS, March ARB, CA
- 2001-2007, Scott AFB, IL
- 1985-2002 TWA, 727, L-1011, 757, 767, DC9, MD83
- 2002-2020 American, 757, 767, MD83, A321





Followed by an overview of the Air Force Academy:



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**Electrical Engineering** 

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**Undergraduate Engineering** 

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**Civil Engineering** 

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**Computer Engineering** 

#10

Mechanical Engineering

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**Best National Liberal Arts** 

Academy Ranking Per US News and World Report (2020) for schools where a doctorate is not offered.

#### MAJORS and MINORS\*

91.5 Semester Hours of Core Classes

Foreign Area Studies English Foreign Languages*	Behavioral Economics Geospatial Legal Studies
English Foreign Languages*	Economics Geospatial
Foreign Languages*	Geospatial
eal.	0.00000 <b>*</b> 0.00000
cal	Legal Studies
History	
General Studies	Management
Military Strategy	Nuclear Weapons &
Philosophy*	Strategies*
Religious Studies*	Political Science
	Space Warfighting*
	Religious Studies*  e Humanities

Bill then described several of the programs and activities available at the Academy





He then listed the career fields available to the students and the percentage selected by the graduates.



Bill then described the Academy application process. Each applicant has to be:

#### **Academically Competitive**

Average HS GPA: 3.85

Average SAT

- Reading: 630-800
- Math: 640-800

Average ACT

- English: 26-34
- Math: 28-36
- Reading: 29-34
- Science: 28-36

#1 in Class = 8%

Top 10% = 53.7%

Top 25% = 82.6%



# Physically Competitive and Medically Qualified

- Candidate Fitness Assessment (CFA)
- Department of Defense Medical Evaluation Review Board (DoDMERB)

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He then described the nomination process

#### **Nominations**

All applicants must receive a nomination BY LAW to attend the Air Force Academy

Apply to every nomination source

- Two U.S. Senators
- U.S. Representative
- Vice President

\*may be eligible for more dependent on background (Instructions to Candidates under Nominations)

Applications must be completed concurrently, pay attention to specific nomination deadlines

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Bill finished his slide presentation with the statistics for the 2026 class:



The presentation led the audience to ask Bill many questions ranging from his personal career in the military to his airline career and his role of guiding high school students through the military school application and nomination process.

He reminded the group that he had talked to Wings Over Wendy's following 9-11 about his experience serving in the Air Mobility Command, Command Post at Scott AFB, IL. Bill briefly described the challenge of safely clearing the United States air space and then deploying mobility forces to support the operation to fight Al-Qaeda and hunt for Osama bin Laden.



Photo by Larry Kushner
Ed Reynolds presents Col. Bill Marshall with a
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# October 17, 2022



## Frank Lopez – Edwards AFB Air Show

Frank Lopez attended the Edwards AFB Air Show on October 16, 2022, and provided the following pictures:









# Andy Romanisky's 2008 trip to Vietnam

The featured presentation on October 17, 2022, was Andy Romanisky's 2008 trip to Vietnam. Andy and Roger Meredith from the 146<sup>th</sup> Air Wing, Channel Islands, ANG Base, filmed their 2008 tour of Vietnam and showed it at a reunion of the 146<sup>th</sup>.

The video started with a short review of the 146<sup>th</sup> and then Andy arriving at the Ho Chi Minh City Airport. He then showed the crowded streets of the city, a typical meal, and the market where you could purchase meat, vegetables, clothes, shoes, and almost anything you needed.

Next, he showed scenes of the city, the former US Embassy, the REX Hotel, the former Vietnam Presidential Palace, and the War Remnants Museum.

Andy left the city to visit the Cu Chi Tunnels and then on to the Cao Dai Great Temple, 60 miles northwest of the city. He filmed a religious ceremony in the temple.

The next stop on his tour was the city of Hue and the walled Imperial City. Andy showed various scenes of the city and footage of the February 1968 Tet Offensive Battle in the city. He then visited Hoi An and showed scenes from a Marble Sculpture Showroom and a Silk Factory.

From Hoi An, Andy visited Hanoi. In Hanoi, he visited Ho Chi Minh's Mausoleum, his Official Home, and the actual house he lived in.

The tour took him to Hoa Lo Prison, aka "Hanoi Hilton POW prison." Andy showed the cells, displays, and prison museum.

Next, he visited "old Hanoi" and filmed a stage show and then visited Halong Bay, where he took a boat tour and had lunch aboard the boat before touring Emerald-Green Bay with its forested limestone towers. The boat tour included a stop at the Hang Hanh Cave to see the beautifully colored stalagmites and stalactites. Andy's video ended with scenes of the bus trip back to Hanoi from Halong Bay.



Photo by Larry Kushner

Ed Reynolds presents Andy Romanisky with a Certificate of Appreciation & WOW bumper logos

October 24, 2022



Photo by Mike Sugar

# We Bid Farewell to Jimmy Weldon as he Leaves Southern California

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On October 24, 2022, Wings Over Wendy's bid farewell to Jimmy Weldon. It was his last week in Southern California. His relatives moved him to **Westmont The Oaks at Paso Robles** on October 27, 2022, to better manage his affairs. Jimmy has been an icon at Veterans' events in Southern California for decades.

Born Ivy Laverne Shinn on September 23, 1923, in Dale, Texas, he began his career in the Army following induction into a new Battalion, the 146 Combat Engineers, at Camp Swift, Texas. While there, he took the Air Corps examination, passed it, and was transferred to Norwich University in Northfield, Vermont, for training. Jimmy qualified for all three positions—Pilot, Navigator, and Bombardier and was then assigned to Maxwell Field, Alabama. However, two days before Preflight began, the Battle of the Bulge broke out, and instantly 36,000 men were returned to their respective ground and service forces.

He was sent to Camp Chaffee, Arkansas, for training, assigned to the 1270th Combat Engineers, and sent to Weston Super-Mare, England, for further training before being shipped to Le Harve, France. The unit was then assigned to General Patton's Third Army Combat Engineers. They built pontoon bridges, cleared minefields, and whatever else was needed as they marched onward. Finally, he was attached to the group that liberated Buchenwald Concentration Camp. That was a horrible event that impacted Jimmy's life. Seeing men and women crowded together, lying on wooden slabs so close, they could only slide out sideways to stand up. In the back were hundreds of nude bodies in open cribs waiting to be cremated. Bodies just tossed in, piled on top of one another.

His group was only ten miles from the Czechoslovakian border when the war ended. He was transferred to General Eisenhower's SHEAF Headquarters, Special Services Section in Frankfurt, where he spent the remainder of my time in the battle theater. Jimmy ended his military service attending the Royal Academy of Dramatic Arts in London, England, where he honed his acting skills before being discharged from the Army.

Following his discharge, he took the stage name Jimmy Weldon and began his career in 1946 as a disc jockey at KWCO in Fresno, California. He was the first announcer hired at this new radio station.

While there, he developed a character named Webster Webfoot, a little duck who visited him while playing record requests from listeners calling in. Often they just wanted to talk to little Webster. They thought Webster was someone other than Weldon, so he became an important part of Weldon's disc jockey presentations. Jimmy obtained his flying license and purchased a Bonanza airplane.

In 1948, Weldon (and Webster Webfoot) moved to Duncan, Oklahoma, where they performed on another 250-watt AM station, KRHD, for two more years. Then the big 50,000-watt radio station WFAA in Dallas, Texas, recruited Webster and Weldon as entertainers, and Webster became

a real person on television on April 4, 1950, on The Webster Webfoot Show, produced locally by station WFAA-TV.

They moved to California on September 5, 1952, joining KCOP-TV, Channel 13, in Hollywood and continued their television careers. During an appearance at a middle school in Brentwood, Jeff Chandler and Randolph Scott collected the tickets from the children and parents who came to see the show. These two movie stars made Weldon feel very lucky indeed when they commented, "Our children think more of little Webster than they do OUR movie careers." Also, Ralph Edwards was there. He later gave Webster and Weldon the positions as co-hosts of a new children's game show, *Funny Boners*, a junior version of his famous *Truth or Consequences* radio and television shows, which aired on ABC.

In 1956, Weldon and Webster moved to Fresno, California, where they began a career in the San Joaquin Valley at KFRE-TV, Channel 12. This was interrupted, however, when NBC executives called them to New York to replace Shari Lewis on the *Hi, Mom* show on NBC flagship station, WRCA-TV, Channel 4.

In 1959, Channel 13 in Hollywood became their television home three years later. Then in 1961, Weldon and Webster were called back to the San Joaquin Valley. They continued performing their show on KJEO-TV, Channel 47, in Fresno, California, throughout the 1960s. During this time, Weldon and Webster also did TV shows in Salinas and Bakersfield, California, flying their airplane from city to city for those shows. It was thanks to Webster's voice that he earned the voice-over for the Hanna-Barbera cartoon character Yakky Doodle. Many of the odd animal sounds were also performed by Weldon. He also was the voice of Solomon Grundy on Hanna-Barbera's series Challenge of the Super Friends. Jimmy has also made numerous television appearances acting on shows such as Dragnet, Alfred Hitchcock Presents, The Waltons, Dallas, and Diffrent Strokes. In addition, he loved to give motivational talks at schools, veterans, and business meetings. His book Go Get 'Em, Tiger! has sold nearly 30,000 copies.

Through his love of flying, he was an early member of Wings Over Wendy's and the Hollywood American Legion Post 43. In addition, he attended the MOAA, MOWW, and ANA meetings where he recited the *I Am The Flag* followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

He will leave a big void in our meetings and will be missed.





Photo by Larry Kushner

# Jerry McCormack Visits WOW

Also, on October 24, 2022, we were visited by Jerry McCormack, a US Navy veteran. We hope he returns to future meetings.



Photo by Larry Kushner

### Lee Ambers Heliports

The featured presentation on October 24, 2022, was Lee Ambers's talk about his Heilport business. He started by telling us that one day people from the Grossman Burn Center called him and asked him to help them with the regulatory processing for a heliport. His first reaction was,

"what is a heliport?" However, after visiting many of the heliports in Los Angeles and researching the regulations and regulatory processes, he was able to help the Burn Center build and put into operation a heliport. He was then asked by other businesses to perform the same service and decided it was an excellent business to be in, and he formed Vertical Aeronautics International.

The following is a partial list of Vertical Aeronautics International projects completed and/or in progress as of August 2014:

- 93 East Town Refueling, Columbus, OH - Heliport Audit
- Aerolineas Ejecutivas, Mexico City, Mexico -Site Selection and Feasibility Study for Multiple Locations
- Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital, Chicago, IL - - Site Selection, Conceptual Design and Development Aid
- Bank of America, Los Angeles, CA - Conceptual Design and Regulatory Processing
- Bank of America, Glendale, CA - Site Selection, Conceptual Design and Regulatory Processing
- Bannock Regional Medical Center, Pocatello, ID Site Selection and Feasibility Study
- Bay Park Community Hospital, Oregon, OH - Site Selection, Conceptual Design and Regulatory Processing
- Bartlett Regional Hospital, Juneau, AK - Feasibility Study, Site Selection, Conceptual Design
- Black Oak Ridge, Feather Falls, CA - Site Selection and Conceptual Design
- Butterworth Hospital, Grand Rapids, Ml -Accident Investigation, Heliport Compliance & Heliport Redesign
- Cabell Huntington Hospital, Huntington, WV -Site Selection, Conceptual Design and Regulatory Processing
- California Highway Patrol, Sacramento, CA - Conceptual Design and Regulatory Processing
- Carson-Tahoe Hospital, Carson City, NV - Site Selection, Conceptual Design and Regulatory Processing
- Centennial Hospital Medical Center, Las Vegas, NV - - Site Selection, Conceptual Design and Regulatory Processing
- Children's Hospital, Columbus, OH - Site Selection and Feasibility Study
- Children's Hospital of Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA - - Site Selection, Conceptual Design & Regulatory Processing
- Children's Hospital of Orange County, Orange, CA
   Site Selection, Conceptual Design and Regulatory Processing (Continued page 9)

- Cleveland Clinic, Cleveland, OH - Site Selection, Conceptual Design and Regulatory Processing
- Colusa Community Hospital, Colusa, CA -Conceptual Design and Regulatory Processing
- Community Memorial Hospital, Ventura, CA -Site Selection, Conceptual Design and Regulatory Processing
- Defiance Medical Center, Defiance, OH - Site Selection, Conceptual Design and Regulatory Processing
- Department of Water & Power, Los Angeles, CA Design & Process Full Service Heliport, Hanger, Parking & Fuel
- Desert Valley Hospital, Victorville, CA - Design & Process Full Service Heliport and Aircraft Parking Space
- Edward R. Roybal Federal Building, Los Angeles,
   CA Audit, Redesign and Regulatory Processing
- El Centro Regional Medical Center, El Centro, CA
   Site Selection, Conceptual Design and Regulatory Processing
- Gatehouse Capital, Hollywood, CA - Site Selection, Conceptual Design and Regulatory Processing
- Glendale Adventist Medical Center, Glendale, CA
   Audit, Revise Flight Paths, Modify Lighting & Renew Entitlements
- Good Samaritan Hospital, Los Angeles, CA - Site Selection, Conceptual Design and Regulatory Processing
- Grant Medical Center, Columbus, OH - Heliport Audit
- Great River Medical Center, West Burlington, IA Site Selection, Conceptual Design & Regulatory Processing
- Harris Methodist Hospital, Ft. Worth, TX -Vibration Analysis, Select Replacement Site and Conceptual Design
- Henry Mayo Newhall Medical Hospital, Santa Clarita, CA - - Site Selection, Conceptual Design & Regulatory Processing
- Hensler, Robert, Sun Valley, CA - Expert Witness and Conceptual Design of Full Service Heliport
- Hoag Memorial Hospital, Newport Beach, CA -Conceptual Design of an elevated heliport
- Hyundai-Kia Technical Center, California City,
   CA- Emergency Evacuation Facility- Site
   Selection & Conceptual Design
- Iowa Methodist Medical Center, Des Moines, IA -- Site Selection, Conceptual Design and Regulatory Processing
- K. & T. 660 Figueroa Partners (Home Savings), Los Angeles, CA - Conceptual Design and Regulatory Processing

- Kaiser Hospital, Los Angeles, CA - Site Selection, Conceptual Design and Regulatory Processing
- Kilroy Realty, El Segundo, CA - Site Selection, Conceptual Design and Regulatory Processing
- Kilroy Realty, Long Beach, CA - Site Selection, Conceptual Design and Regulatory Processing
- Kilroy Realty, El Segundo, CA - Heliport Audit and Feasibility Study
- Las Vegas Helicopters, Las Vegas, NV - Site Selection, Conceptual Design and Regulatory Processing
- Lima Medical Center, Lima, OH - Site Selection, Conceptual Design and Regulatory Processing
- Los Angeles County Sheriff, Temple City, CA --Site Selection, Conceptual Design and Regulatory Processing
- Los Angeles Times, Chatsworth, CA - Site Selection, Conceptual Design and Regulatory Processing
- Los Angeles Times, Costa Mesa, CA - Conceptual Design and Regulatory Processing
- Los Angeles Times, Los Angeles, CA - Site Selection, Conceptual Design and Regulatory Processing
- Los Robles Regional Medical Center, Thousand Oaks, CA - - Select Site, Conceptual Design & Regulatory Processing
- Memorial Hospital & Health System, South Bend, IN - - Site Selection, Conceptual Design & Regulatory Processing
- Mercy Gilbert Medical Center, Gilbert AZ Heliport Audit, Conclude Permitting & Redesign to Include a Parking Spot MVA Transportation Consultants,-
- Hong Kong - Helicopter Transportation Study and Operational Projections
- Occidental Petroleum, Los Angeles, CA -Conceptual Design and Regulatory Processing
- Ornellas, Jim, Murphys, CA - Private Agricultural Heliport Audit to Determine Feasibility of Licensing
- Physicians Hospital, Murrieta, CA - Site Selection, Conceptual Design and Regulatory Processing
- Queen of the Valley Hospital, Napa, CA - Site Selection, Feasibility Study
- Queen of Angels, Hollywood Presbyterian Medical Center - Hollywood, CA - - Regulatory Processing Reinstating Facility
- Queen of the Valley Hospital, Napa, CA - Safety Audit and Feasibility Study
- Santa Rosa Memorial Hospital, Santa Rosa, CA - Heliport Audit (Continuted page 10)

- Saratoga Hospital, Saratoga Springs, NY - Site Selection and Feasibility Study
- Seventeenth & Grand, Los Angeles, CA -Conceptual Design and Regulatory Processing
- Sierra Nevada Memorial Hospital, Grass Valley, CA - - Site Selection, Conceptual Design and Regulatory Processing
- Silverado Helicopter Tours, Las Vegas, NV - Site Selection, Conceptual Design and Regulatory Processing
- Skagit Valley Hospital, Mount Vernon, WA -Safety Audit and Feasibility Study
- Smart & Final Iris, Vernon, CA - Site Selection, Conceptual Design and Regulatory Processing
- Spring Valley Hospital, Clark County, NV -Feasibility Study, Site Selection and Regulatory Processing
- State University of New York, Syracuse, NY -Site Selection, Conceptual Heliport Design & Feasibility Study
- St. Luke's Hospital, Bethlehem, PA - Site Selection, Conceptual Design, Regulatory Processing and Construction
- Summa Health Systems, Akron, OH - Heliport Audit Due to Downwash Suits, Site Selection & Feasibility Report
- Summerlin Medical Center, Las Vegas, NV - Site Selection, Conceptual Design and Regulatory Processing
- Sunset-Glendale Office Building, Los Angeles, CA
   Regulatory Assistance
- The Toledo Hospital, Toledo, OH - Site Selection and Feasibility Study
- United Hospital Center, Clarksburg, WV -Airport, Safety and Environmental Analysis
- University Hospitals of Cleveland, Cleveland, OH
   Safety Audit Following Fatal Crash
- University of California Medical Center, Orange, CA - - Conceptual Redesign and Regulatory Processing
- Univ. of IN, Riley Children's Hospital, Indianapolis, IN - - Site Selection, Conceptual Design & Regulatory Processing
- Upper Valley Medical Center, Troy, OH - Site Selection, Conceptual Design and Regulatory Processing
- Valley Medical Center, Las Vegas, NV - Safety Audit and Feasibility Study
- Veterans Administration Medical Center, Long Beach, CA - - Heliport Audit
- Veterans Administration Medical Center, Tucson,
   AZ Conceptual Design and Feasibility Study
- Wells Fargo Computer Center, El Monte, CA -Site Selection, Conceptual Design, and Regulatory

- Processing
- Wells Fargo Bank CV, Los Angeles, CA - Site Selection, Conceptual Design and Regulatory Processing
- Wells Fargo Center, Los Angeles, CA - Conceptual Design and Regulatory Processing
- Westchester Medical Center, Valhalla, NY - Site Selection, Conceptual Design and Regulatory Processing
- West Hills Hospital Medical Center/Grossman Burn Center, West Hills, CA - - Site Selection & Regulatory Processing.

Lee discussed the regulatory challenges, which include the FAA, State, Country, City and, if near the ocean, the Coastal Commission.

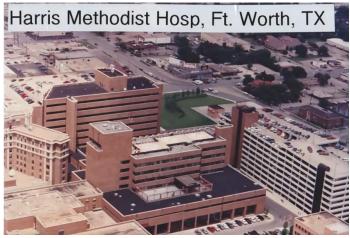


He showed a picture of an unusual military heliport, where the rotors must keep turning to lift the front of the helicopter an angle to set down the tail ramp.



Lee discussed the LA requirements for tall buildings to have roof heliports to allow Fire Department helicopters to land, gain access to fires and rescue people from the top floors. This requirement has been relaxed for buildings that have installed fire sprinklers.

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The challenge he had at Harris Methodist Hospital in Ft. Worth, TX, was when it discovered that helicopters landing on the roof send vibrations throughout the building. His solution was to relocate the heliport to the parking structure and build a bridge to the hospital.

Unfortunately, the Auditorium suffered several power

outages that impacted Lee's presentation.



Ed Reynolds presents Lee Ambers with a Certificate of Appreciation & WOW bumper logos

October 31, 2022



# Neal Parrow Patriots Remembered, Afghanistan 8-26-21

On October 31, 2022, the featured presentation was Patriots Remembered, Afghanistan 8-26-21 by Neal Parrow. Neal is an Illustrator/Artist who created a memorial art installation called "Patriots Remembered" for the 13 soldiers killed during the Afghanistan withdrawal.

It consisted of 15 paintings, 13 of the soldiers, one representing the wounded in service, and a title piece remembering Nathan Hale.

Neal introduced himself and explained why he had put many months into this project. It gave him time to think about his gratitude for veterans in general and the freedom and opportunity they have freely given us all.

He stated that veterans know something about bravery and service above self that the non-veterans do not, could not

Neal comprised a general story of each of these heroes from sources found on the internet. He found them to be exceptional, talented, and stoic Americans. But, Neal stated, "the general public is not used to seeing this sort of service above self in our "public servants," i.e., politicians. Most of us are out for ourselves, and these and all fallen American soldiers are a great loss to society beyond words."

He briefly told each service member's story, starting with an overview of the location where they were bombed at the Abby Gate.



Abby Gate

CONTINENTAL ARMY SPY

NATHAN

HALE

"My only regret is that I have but one life to give for my country"

Nathan Hale

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In addition to his illustrations, he displayed a collage of photographs of each service member. Neal also showed some scenes of the area.



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# In Other News Films That Honor the Fallen

Military.com | By James Barber

Veterans Day is a time to honor the men and women who've served our country. While the emphasis is on celebrating veterans who are still with us, some Americans may want to take a moment to remember those who are no longer with us.

We've chosen five movies that honor fallen service members in case you want a moment of reflection after you've enjoyed a free Veterans Day meal from your favorite restaurant.



The men who fought and died in Mogadishu, Somalia, in 1993 weren't expecting full-blown combat when they went on a raid to capture warlord Gen. Mohamed Farrah Aidid. Director Ridley Scott's classic movie captures the chaos of battle after giving the audience a connection to each of the men the movie celebrates. "Black Hawk Down" combines amazing action with emotional engagement like no other movie.



As it stands now, "The Outpost" is the finest movie about the Afghanistan War. Staff Sgt. Clint Romesha (played by Scott Eastwood) and Spc. Ty Carter (Caleb Landry Jones) were both awarded the Medal of Honor for their actions during the brutal 2009 attacks on PRT Kamdesh.



Veterans Day started out as Armistice Day, which celebrated the Nov. 11, 1918, end of World War I. "1917," a movie that plays out as one long, continuous take follows young British soldiers on a mission to deliver critical intel that could save the lives of their fellow troops. Over the course of their mission, we see the devastation and human cost of the world's most brutal combat ever witnessed at that point in history.



Not enough people have seen this incredibly moving movie about a Vietnam veteran who recruits his war buddies to go on a trip to bury his son, who was killed in the Iraq war. Steve Carell, Bryan Cranston and Laurence Fishburne star in a film based on a novel that's a sequel to "The Last Detail."



After an opening that may be the most devastating depiction of combat ever filmed by Hollywood, "Saving Private Ryan" spends the rest of its running time emphasizing the importance of brotherhood in combat and confronting the audience with the cost of war by killing off characters they've grown to love.

# Wings Over Wendy's Future Events:

NOVEMBER VETERANS EVENTS

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West Valley Christian Church School 22450 Sherman Way.

Wednesday Nov-02: 09:30

Canoga Park Woman's Club Lunch

7401 Jordon Ave,

**Saturday Nov-05: 11:30** 

Ernest Lawrence Middle School Assembly & Lunch. 10100 Variel Ave, Chatsworth

Thursday, Nov-10: 10:30

North Valley Military School Veterans Honor Wall & Cadet Pass in Review 12105 Allegheny St, Sun Valley,

**Thursday Nov-10: 12:30** 

Canoga Park Elks Lodge Dinner

20925 Osborne St, CPK

Thursday, Nov 10, 6pm

**SFV Veterans Day Parade** 

Laurel Canyon Blvd. & San Fernando Mission Blvd: Fri Nov-11 07:30

Ronald Reagan Library Commemoration

Friday Nov-11 10:00

Malibu Veterans Day Public Ceremony Jewish Center, 24855 E Pacific Coast Hwy Fri Nov-11 10:30

Fairwinds BBQ Fri

Fri Nov-11 11:00

CD12 Educator's Roundtable Breakfast New Horizons 15725 Parthenia St. North Hills Wednesday, Nov 16, 08:30 am ナナナナナナナナナナナナナナナナナナナナ





#### MOAA/MOWW CHAPTER MEETING 16 November 2022

#### **Honoring Vietnam Pilots**

**Date:** Wednesday,16 November 2022

Check in starts at 5:30 Buffet line starts at 6:30 Program starts at 7:30

RSVP to Dan Pemberton at dhpinto@aol.com or 805-807-7788

NLT 11 November

Los Robles Greens Banquet Center 299 S. Moorpark Road, Thousand Oaks, CA 91360 ナナナナナナナナナナナナナナナナナナ



### **Assembly Days**

9409 Owensmouth Ave, Chatsworth

November 5th
Saturday, 9 am - 12 pm
and
Sign up to attend @

https://www.operationgratitude.com/events/los-angeles-fob-assembly-day-

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## In Memoriam

During October, we learned that one member had passed in September, and two Wings Over Wendy's members were reported to have "flown west." in October.



Photo by Harlis Brend

## Ed Moreno 03/23/1928–09/17/2022

Edward Victor Moreno was born March 23, 1928, in Los Angeles, California. As a child, Downtown Los Angeles was his playground. After graduating from Polytechnic High School, in the midst of World War II, Ed enlisted in the United States Army. During his service in Okinawa, his life became filled with "excitement and adventure in foreign lands."

At the end of the War, Ed returned home and enrolled at UCLA where he earned his bachelors degrees and teaching credentials. Although he went on to earn both an MSc. and an MPA from USC, he was always a loyal and True Bruin. Shortly after beginning his teaching career, he met his wife Barbara at a Christmas party in Hollywood. The two spent the next 60 Christmases building a beautiful life together.

Ed is survived by his three children: son Scott (Joyce), who learned from his dad that at home, and in your community, you "do it because we live here;" son Victor, who is proud to have inherited his father's "gourmet"

attitude; and daughter Ruth (Walter) who always felt so special to share a birthday with her dad. Ed and Barbara were blessed with five grandchildren: Maricela, Teresa, Kimberly, Camila, and Diego, who were all deeply loved; and five great-grandchildren. Ed was the patriarch of the Moreno family and a father figure to many of his nieces and nephews.

Ed was a lifelong educator and political activist in the Chicano movement and throughout the San Fernando Valley. He made incredible contributions to the organizations he believed in. His professional accomplishments and accolades are innumerable, and the impact he made in the communities he served ever apparent. Ed lived each day with a freshness and interest in learning; he ended each day with some form of chocolate.

He joined Wings Over Wendy's in 2004, was a frequent speaker, and contributed articles to the Wings News about his experiances growing up in Los Angeles, his service in the US Navy, and his school classmates.

Ed often talked about the encampment of his Japanese classmates during WWII and his discovery of Spanish-speaking Okinawans.

A graveside service and celebration of Ed's 94 years of life was held on November 3rd at Eternal Valley Memorial Park

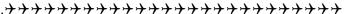




Photo by Shirley Andrews

# Judy Reynolds 12/11/1936-10/15/2022

Judith Lookanoff Reynolds was born December 11, 1936, in Columbus, WI. Her father was a Radiologist and her mother an X-Ray Technician. She grew up in Detriot, MI, graduated from Mumford High School and went to Michigan State University, where she joined the Alpha Chi Omega sorority. (Continued page 14)

She got her Bachelors and a teaching credential and started her career teaching school in Michigan and then for the DOD at Ernest Harmon AFB, Newfoundland, Canada, where she met and married Ed Reynolds in 1963.

Judy owned a Volkswagon, and Ed had his MG. Unfortunately, neither car could pull the other, so their honeymoon was spent driving across parts of Canada and the US to Ed's next duty station, March AFB, Riverside, CA.

She had her first daughter, Wendy, in the March AFB Hospital in 1965. After a short tour at Pease AFB, NH, she had her second daughter Robin in the base hospital at Offut AFB in 1969.

Judy loved Shetland Sheepdogs and trained several to become obedience champions.

She held down the fort while Ed was on multiple TDY assignments and a tour in Vietnam as an advisor to the South Vietnamese Air Force.

Judy returned to school in the late '70s and got her Master's in Guidance Counseling from Bowie State, MD.

When Ed retired from the USAF, they settled in California. Judy taught for LAUSD, and Las Virgenes School Districts, attended classes at UCLA, and worked for the LA Library as the Motion Picture & Television Fund Library interface. She also spent time as an extra in the motion picture industry. When Ed became the Publisher of *Wings News*, she served as the Editor.

Judy battled diabetes for over 50 years and the last few years, suffered from dementia, preventing her from enjoying her love of dog training, shopping, and traveling.

She will be interned at Arlington National Cemetary. A Celebration of Her Life will be held at the Woodland Hills Christian Church, 5920 Shoup Avenue, Woodland Hills, CA, Saturday, January 7, 2023, at 10 am.



Photo by Larry Kushner

# Tony Velarde 03/16/1946-10/20/2022

Jose Antonio "Tony" Velarde was born in Juarez, Mexico, on March 16, 1946, to Antonio and Alejandra Velarde. He lived in Juarez until high school when he moved to Lincoln Heights, Los Angeles. While living with his brother and his sisters, he attended Lincoln High school, graduating in the fall of 1966. He joined the Air Force after high school during the Vietnam War.

Tony served as an air traffic controller for 7 years. Stationed at Biloxi MS, Charleston SC, Holloman NM, and Clark Air Force base. After his time in the Air Force, he joined the FAA. He worked at Brown Field in San Diego, LAX, Van Nuys Airport, and Whiteman Airport.

Tony retired in 2013 after an illustrious 46-year career as an air traffic controller and spent his remaining years traveling this beautiful country and the world with his wife and family. They visited places like South Africa, Mexico, Hawaii, Alaska, and New York City. They even drove Route 66 in their 1967 mustang.

Tony always carried a deep love for everyone he met in his life. His 5 children, 7 grandkids, and 2 granddaughters will miss him greatly. His life was his family and friends, but his legacy is the love he leaves for us to share with the world.

His Funeral Service will be held at 12:30pm on November 15, 2022, with a gravesite ceremony at Forest Lawn Hollywood Hills.

# **Prayers**

Unfortunately, several of our most active members were hospitalized, 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:

Howard Davis, Wally Junkel, Howard Swedlick and Rosalie Rifkin

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### **November Birthdays**

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Nancy Eisenhart	November 02, 1938
Arlyn Coro	November 04, 1972
Glenn Fiery	November 07, 1948
Ray Rodriguez	November 09, 1939
Howard Waldman	November 10, 1942
Sam Schultz	November 11, 1923
Bill Buffington	November 13, 1933
Maria Rodriguez	November 14, 1946
Jamie Pellegrini	November 18, 1959
George Rothman	November 21, 1925
Marilyn Hauck	November 25, 1935
Arthur Hershey	November 27, 1934
Cassie Gudino	November 28, 1996
Gerald Detamore	November 29, 1947
Bruce Froude	November 30, 1933

### **New Members & Guests**

We welcomed the following new members, guests, friends, and relatives to our meetings in October 2022:

Bill Marshall, Jerry McCormack & Neal Parrow ナナナナナナナナナナナナナナナナナナナナナナナナナナナナナナ

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## WOW Events Calendar Additions

Because of Wings Over Wendy's members' high participation in their events, the **teamup.com WOW Events Calendar** has been extended to include: ANA Meetings, MOAA/MOWW Meetings, and Operation Gratitude Events.

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