



LVAA News

Monthly Flyouts

By Candace Murray

Bruce, here are some fun fly outs, but I think you missed most of them. We missed you too. (Head hung in shame. Sorry. I've been helping out with BB-61, the [Battleship IOWA](#) for the past several Saturdays. Either fortunately, or unfortunately, the ship will be leaving the Bay Area on Sunday, May 20th, so I'll be back for our great LVAA activities. Bruce)

We have been flying everywhere! The great Modesto breakfasts that are delicious and who could get a deal like that for \$6.00 anywhere? It's an amazing group that congregates at the LVK terminal by 9:00 and then we all fly off. It might be Bob Brown in his Mooney, Julius and JoAnn in their Mooney, Angelo might join us, then there was Bob Keller and Charlotte, Robert & Julie Flagg, Don Davis & Mark, Bob Tucknott & friends might also be there, Matt & Jolie joined us from the Friends of the Oceano Airport! As usual, we seem to show up last in our Cherokee which Terry so meticulously polishes and inspects every possible area on the preflight before we takeoff.



In March our lunch fly out was to Auburn, what a great day to go flying! There were Apaches with Robert & Julie, Angelo's Mooney with Julius as co-pilot, Don Davis as passenger enjoying the state of the art stuff of the Mooney and some room back there. Candace & Terry were sharing the flying that day and the crosswind out of Auburn was fun for Terry. Great food, fun and fantastic flying was the name of the game. We're living up to our motto: "Have fun!"

April Lunch fly out (4/28) to Santa Rosa (STS) was delayed but did finally get off the ground about noon because there was a strut problem with the Murray's Cherokee. Luckily the Strut Doctor, Ralph, was available with a nitrogen bottle and then we were on our way. Somehow trying to stagger our takeoffs for the perfect arrival but it still doesn't seem to work out. We all arrived at STS at once and then began the dance to either slow down or speed up. The tower requested our Cherokee 140 to follow C-170, then slow up, S-turns, where is that red devil? No problem we all arrived in short order with Robert's Apache being the first even though he took off last. The Sky Lounge is a unique restaurant with outside seating and a view of the runway. They have sushi and other delicious entrees that are a departure from our usual choices. Ask the Flagg's and Mark and us about the horse of a different color. (Fishnet)

Our friends Jolie and Matt (www.FriendsofOceanoAirport.com) invite us all to their Oceano Airport Celebration on Friday, May 11th. The Beach Burger Fry & Dance is 5:30 - 9:30 p.m., then on Saturday, May 12, 9:00 - 3:00, will be A Salute To Veterans.

J.R. also gives us a "heads up" for the Lake (68CA), CA, Open House and Fly-In on May 19th.

Happy Flying! Candace



Hospitality Report

Looking forward to the Mexican Fiesta Dinner this year as Celebrity guest chef Cheryl and her assistants, Donna and Geri have volunteered to make Enchiladas Verde for us. See you on May 12th!

JoAnn Bertolucci, Hospitality Chair

LVA A Mexican Fiesta Dinner

When: Saturday, May 12th, 2012

Where: Livermore Airport Terminal Building
636 Terminal Circle, Livermore, CA

Time: 5:30pm Social
6:00pm Dinner

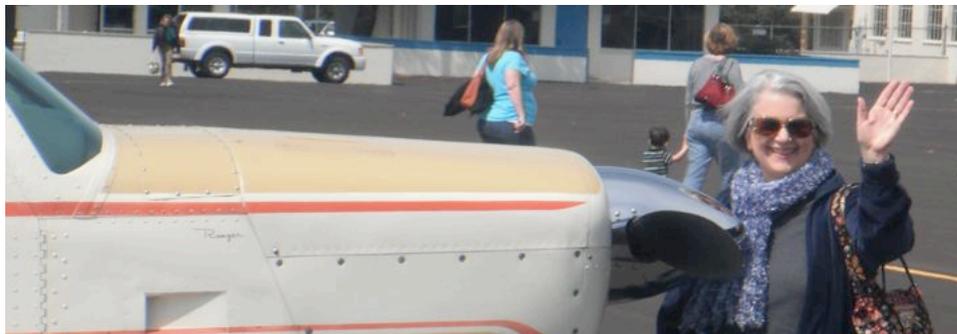
Menu: Appetizers: salsa & chips, taquitos, guacamole & Steve's famous stuffed jalapeno poppers.
Entrée: Enchiladas Verde, Spanish Rice, Refried Beans, Green Salad, Desert & Coffee.

COST: \$10.00 per person

Please bring your own preferred beverage.

**Please R.S.V.P. to JO ANN BERTOLUCCI by phone (925) 373-1687
or by eMail (bertolucci1@att.net) by Thursday, May 12th.**

We will also be having our 50/50 raffle.



Calendar

Standing Meetings

Second Saturday of the month are Modesto Breakfast & Aircraft Display Fly Outs, depart before 9:30am.

Fourth Saturday of the month are Lunch Fly Outs to somewhere fun. Meet at LVK terminal at 10:30am.

Contact our [Fly Out](#) Captain Candace Murray at (925) 443-6103 or dc3ace@aol.com for more information.

May 12th/Saturday — LVA A Mexican Fiesta

See above

July 14th/Saturday — LVA A Patriotic Bash

Bertolucci Hanger, see future newsletter

May 27th -30th/Sun - Wed — [Collings Foundation](#)

B-24, B-17 & P-51 visit the Livermore Airport

Sept 22nd/Saturday — LVA A Italian Dinner

Terminal Building, see future newsletter

See LVAA.ORG or upcoming newsletters for more information.



Safety Report by Ralph Huy
Subject: "I Read It In An Article"

I have read a lot of articles about how to land in a crosswind. Every one of them left out an important part, none of them told me which aircraft I was supposed to be landing. There are normally three ways to land in a crosswind: slip to a landing, crab and straighten it out with rudder prior to touch down, or land in a crab. All of them work!

If you are landing a Cessna C-172 the slip is the preferred technique as the nose wheel will be straight on touch down and the steering is through springs. If you are in a Cherokee 180 the preferred method is to rudder it straight just before touchdown as the nose wheel is positive steering and will not be aligned with the flight path on touchdown causing the aircraft to swerve or, worst case, a nose gear failure. If you are in an Aircoupe with only two controls you land in a crab — it works!

If you are in a tail wheel aircraft the most important thing is that you are going the way you are pointed as anything else will lead to at the least an exciting arrival or at worst a ground loop as the aircraft will immediately try to turn into the wind.

If you bounce a landing in a crosswind GO AROUND you have just removed all of your crosswind correction and the next touchdown will be with the aircraft drifting toward the downwind side of the runway.

Remember the superior pilot uses their superior judgment and knowledge
to prevent having to show their superior skills.

Return from Oshkosh Adventure - 2010 (Continuation)
By Candace Murray

We departed Blue Earth, MN (SBU) continuing flying West, fuel stop in Alliance, NE (AIA) on to Rawlins, WY (RWL) when winds picking up and turbulence increasing caused us to divert to Scotts Bluff, NE (BFF) and who was there on the approach a DC-3 coming home from Oshkosh. Their call sign "Douglas" was a big tip off before I even got to see the Gooney Bird. Sure enough upon landing we met the crew and got to go onboard the "Spirit of Benovia" from Santa Rosa, owned by a winery. What a classy, newly refurbished DC-3 that was originally a C-53, check out the history and the trip log from Oshkosh (not much different than ours) on www.benoviawinery.com

Looks like all pilots checked into the Candlelight Inn and were dining at the Whiskey Creek BBQ restaurant next door, what a fun night. The Inn is quite a unique place with antique furniture about and country style bed and breakfast rooms, each decorated differently, (from a travel agent's view it was worth every penny and a refreshing change from the usual chain hotel).

We are up early the next day and off to Rock Springs, WY (RKS), our favorite place, hopefully we don't get stuck there for 3 days again. The DC-3 is still sitting on the ground when we took off, guess they partied too much the night before.

That's all for now. Look for the conclusion of our 2010 trip to Oshkosh in the next newsletter.

Candace & Terry



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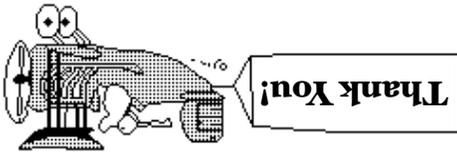
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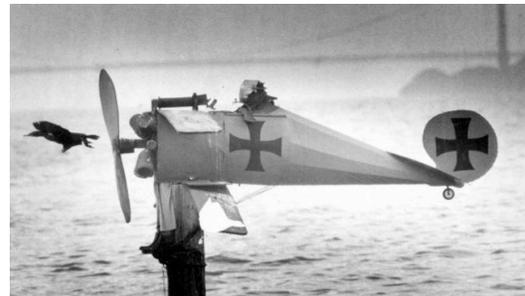


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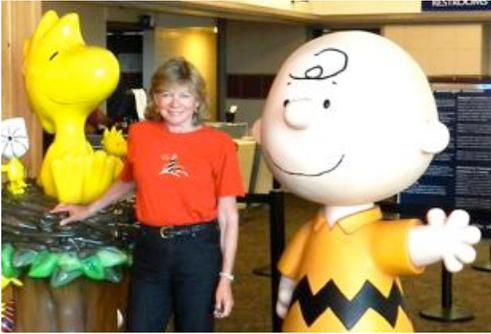


Livermore Airport *Brown Bag* Thursdays Are Back!

The *GREAT* crew who make our Hot Dogs and Clam Chowder are taking a well deserved break!
We still enjoy gathering at the Airport Terminal though so we just individually pickup lunch somewhere and bring it to the airport to enjoy. Give it a try!



Member Activities



Need Some Shelf Space?



One day I returned home to find biplanes in my neighbors garage. Greg Albright is a finish carpenter and does little projects like these on the side. The large biplane shelf has a 48" wingspan and the small one is 30". I believe he is asking \$50 each for them. If you know a good aviator that might enjoy a bookshelf, you can eMail Greg at gregor357@yahoo.com. You can pulse him on larger projects (kitchen cabinets, book cases, etc.) if you're interested as well.

Treasurer's Update

by Rob Hartley

Checking \$2,173.83

Savings \$ 25.74

Rob says we can still pay our current bills. Thanks Rob!





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