

LVAA News



Blue Skies Ralph!
October 15, 1938 — September 2, 2013

Letter From 'The Prez'

By Steve Radcliffe

Hello everyone, I am writing this from the Reno Air Races. I know that you have heard about Ralph, Candace will have more about the life and times of Ralph. I do know that he was at Reno and Mojave Races. The weather here has been typical rain, wind and some sun. On to other things. We had a fly-in to Swansboro. It turned out that the Rim Fire impacted our day. We were not able to arrive until the smoke cleared to 4 miles visibility good thing for some of this magic navigation equipment to help find the airport. The runway had just been repaved no runway markings. I am glad to report that some of us made it!!!! We had nice group we had hamburgers and hot dogs. Much thanks to Dan, Rob and KIM they brought the B-B-Que. It was scary because I did the cooking; no one has come after me thank god!!!! The weather got better as the day wore on becoming clear. It sure is a very nice place to visit. Once again thanks to all of those that came. I did have a report that Robert Flagg may have eating a whole cheese cake it is just an unverified report. I hope to see you all for Italian Night on the September 28th 2013 all the information is in the newsletter.





LVAA Italian Dinner

When: Saturday, September 28th, 2013

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

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

Menu: Lasagna, Meat Balls, Green Salad, Garlic Bread, and Dessert

Cost: \$10.00 per person



PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN PREFERRED BEVERAGE.

We will also be having our famous 50/50 raffle.

PLEASE R.S.V.P. to Jo Ann Bertolucci
by phone (925) 373-1687 or by e-mail (bertolucci1@att.net)
by WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25TH.

A Celebration Of Life For Ralph

Not sure when or where but there will be a Celebration Of Life for Ralph.

Watch your eMail and/or check our website (<http://lvaa.org>)

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.

SEPTEMBER — Italian Night

NOVEMBER — Holiday Dinner

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Another Lap Around The Sun

So how many years has LVAA been incorporated?

See LVAA.ORG or upcoming newsletters for more information.



Safety Report for Ralph Huy

Subject: "Oh, I Have Slipped The Surly Bonds Of Earth..."

Ralph Marshal Huy, an icon at the LVK Airport, has "Slipped the surly bonds of Earth" and will be missed by all his friends and pilots. Ralph has been a staple at the Livermore Airport since the mid 1980's. He was everybody's A & P Mechanic, IA, and CFI too who has kept our planes flying all these years. We will never forget his stories and wisdom he imparted.

He got his pilot's license in 1974 and owned the Fremont Flight School where hundreds of pilots learned how to fly back in the day when flying was really fun. When the Fremont Airport closed in 1986, Ralph came to LVK with a few planes and their pet names. There was "21 Ugly" and "Dirty 30 Charlie" to name a couple — I am sure you can remember a few names he had for some of the pilots at LVK over the years as well. He threw some great parties in his hangar back then. Ralph was a one-of-a-kind and a longtime member of the LVAA who served as President as well as other positions many times over the years. He was a special and cherished member.

Ralph also served on the Airport Commission for many years. Ralph was always there when you needed him, volunteering every year for Airport Open House and always available to fix your plane at a moments notice.

Ralph grew up in Oakland when it was a different place. After high school he joined the U.S. Navy and spent time in Adack, Alaska, as a radio operator; he also served aboard an LST. Then he went on to work for United Airlines at SFO and his history goes on and on.

Ralph, you will be missed by all your airport friends and pilots. We are really lost without you. There is a great big hole in the airport.

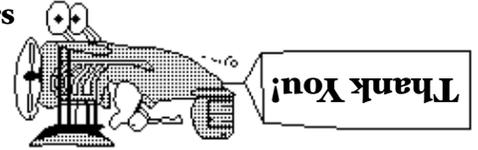
Remember the superior pilot uses their superior judgment and knowledge to prevent having to show their superior skills.

Thanks for everything Ralph,
Candace & LVAA



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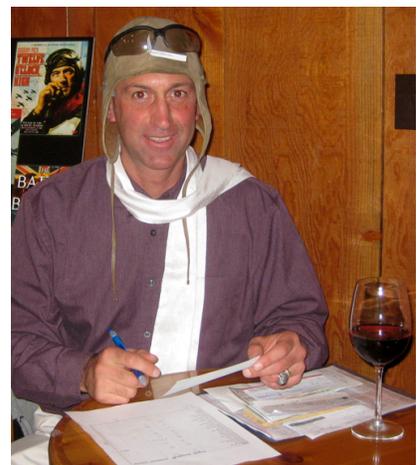
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**Treasurer's Report
Rob Hartley**

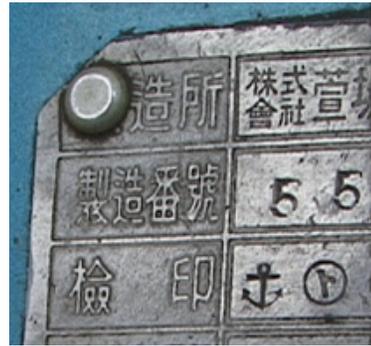
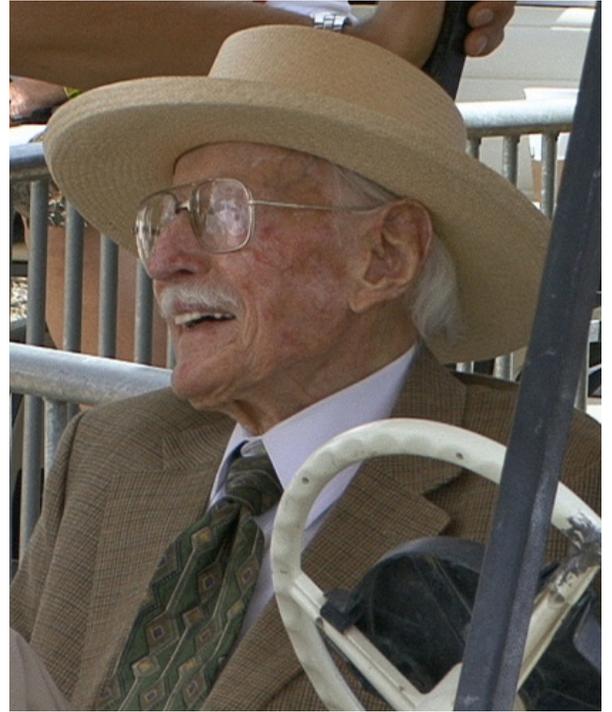
Rob says we have money.

Thanks Rob!





Some of Bruce's photos from Reno 2013





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LVAA Membership, P.O. Box 3306, Livermore, CA 94551

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