



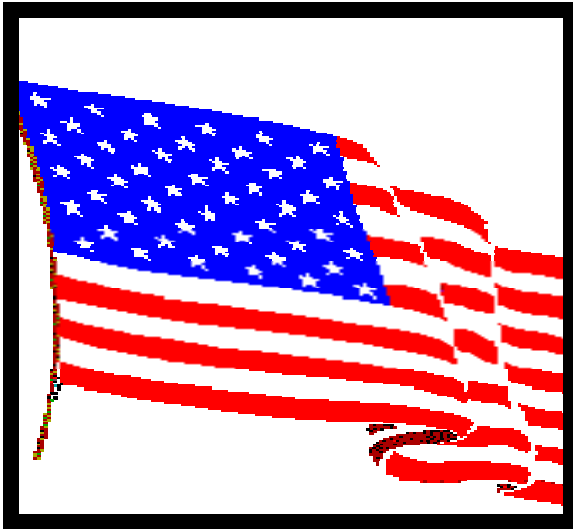
# STRAIGHT SCOOP

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## PACIFIC COAST AIR MUSEUM

To promote the acquisition, restoration, safe operation, and display of historical aircraft  
and provide an educational venue for the community

This July 4th, let us remember the sacrifices of those who have given us the freedoms that so many Americans take for granted. We must never forget.



### “Joe Cool-perman” Snoopy Has Arrived.

Thanks to the generosity of [Craig Schulz and his family](#), Joe Cool Snoopy #91, “Joe Cool-perman” is now on display outside the main entrance of our Pacific Coast Air Museum. It will be at our museum until mid-September, when all the Joe Cool Snoopy’s will be gathered up for display on the field just North of the Schulz Museum near Coddington. Since all the Joe Cool Snoopy locations are depicted on a map given out to visitors and tourists, we expect it will attract a lot of folks to our Air Museum. There are two other Joe Cool Snoopy’s on the airport—one outside the Main Terminal and another outside REACH. Many thanks to [Craig Schulz](#) and his family for letting us display “Joe Cool-perman” and for their support of the Pacific Coast Air Museum.



[www.pacificcoastairmuseum.org](http://www.pacificcoastairmuseum.org)

(707) 575-7900

## The Pacific Coast Air Museum

**Location:** At the Charles M. Schulz-Sonoma County Airport, North of Santa Rosa, West of Highway 101, at 2230 Becker Blvd, off North Laughlin Road.

**Hours:** Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday. 10:00am—4:00pm.

**“Climb Aboard”:** A selected aircraft is available to “Climb Aboard” the third weekend of each month (weather permitting). Please visit our web site at [www.pacificcoastairmuseum.org](http://www.pacificcoastairmuseum.org) or call 707-575-7900 for details or further information.

**Member Meetings:** Normally held on the third Wednesday of each month, 7:00pm, at the Sonoma County Office of Education, near the airport at the intersection of Airport and Skylane Boulevards. Interesting speakers are featured at each meeting.

**“Straight Scoop”:** The museum newsletter, “Straight Scoop” is published monthly and is available on line on the museum’s web site. Members are highly encouraged to submit articles for possible publication. The deadline is the 20th of the month prior to publication. All articles in the newsletter are covered by copyright. If you wish to submit articles or use any of the content, please contact:

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**Membership Renewals:** \$30 per year individual; \$45 per year for families. Send renewals to the museum at the address below.

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## Pacific Coast Air Museum Stars at Santa Rosa Chamber of Commerce Business Expo

Thanks to the hard work of [Roger and Alan Olson](#), who set up our terrific booth, and to [Kathy Kumpula](#) and [Steve Hoxie](#) who helped staff it, our booth at the Santa Rosa Chamber Business Expo at the Veteran's Building in Santa Rosa was a huge success. Our booth was just inside the main entrance, where every visitor saw us as they came through the door. We sold some Shrimp Feed tickets, advertised the Air Show, and Kathy even signed up one new member. It was great exposure for our Pacific Coast Air Museum. Thanks Roger, Alan, Kathy and Steve.



### Thanks to our Warbird Friends and Apex Aviation

Two weeks before the recent Windsor Day Parade, the organizers called the museum and asked if some warbirds could fly over and open the parade. President [Guy Smith](#) jumped right on it and got it done. Many thanks to [CJ Stephens](#), [Dan Vance](#) and [Rob Gordon](#), who flew the AT-6 formation for the Windsor parade. Thanks to museum members [Mike Haisten](#) and [Phil Gattuso](#) for the use of their AT-6s, as well as to [Rob Gordon](#) for his aircraft. You guys looked great!! Many thanks to Apex Aviation for providing the fuel for the flyover aircraft. Owner [Jim Markel](#) and Manager [Jeremy Epperson](#) are huge supporters of the museum, and we appreciate all they do for us.

### Want to Work with a new Flight Simulator?

We would like to have some interested members to volunteer for training to be docents on our new Flight Simulator. Flying experience not required, but experience with computers would be helpful. Please contact Mike George (527-7993) or Ray Smith (837-7573) to sign up.

### June “Hot Dog Thursday” Another Huge Success

Thanks to [Paul Heck](#) and his merry band of volunteers, our June “Hot Dog Thursday” was another rousing success. 125 guests passed through our doors to enjoy a hot dog, bag of chips and a cold soda with us. [Bob Conz](#) reports a very nice income in the Gift Shop that day. Thanks to [Nick VanKruining](#), [John Henry](#), [Bill Green](#), [AL Cathcart](#), [Barney Hagen](#), [Paul Heck](#), [Ed Nelson](#) and crew for all their hard work in making “Hot Dog Thursday” such a success. Don’t forget to mark July 5th on your calendar and attend the next Pacific Coast Air Museum “Hot Dog Thursday”. Check out the pictures below of the June Event.



**HELP WANTED**

Our Museum is in dire need of a Grant Writer. If you have any experience in grant writing, please contact Dave Pinsky so that the museum can submit grant proposals for needed educational resources. Even if you are not experienced and want to aid the museum in this effort, give me a call at 575-7900 or e-mail me at [director@pacificcoastairmuseum.org](mailto:director@pacificcoastairmuseum.org).



Pacific Coast Air Museum  
**BLOOD DRIVE**

**Thursday, July 5 - 10:30 am to 1:30 pm**

2230 Becker Boulevard

\*Coach in Parking Lot

Make an appointment Today!  
Sign up with Karina at 545-1222 \*169  
or E-mail [karinap@bbr.org](mailto:karinap@bbr.org)



**Hot Dog Thursday**

Every donor will receive free entry into the museum and a free hot dog, chips, and a drink!

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## CHARLES M. SCHULZ-SONOMA COUNTY AIRPORT OPEN HOUSE JUNE 16, 2007

*Our "Climb Aboard" a Huge Hit.*

On Saturday, June 16<sup>th</sup>, the Charles M. Schulz-Sonoma County Airport presented their second annual open house to introduce the Sonoma County community to their airport. Pacific Coast Air Museum participated by having two aircraft and the Rose Parade float at the site. The gates were opened from 8 AM to 4 PM and approximately 200 people from the community attended. This was "Climb Aboard" weekend at the Museum so the A-6 *Invader* was open and visitors went to both locations.

For the open house, the two aircraft were the A-26 *Invader* and the RF-8 *Crusader* nose section and both were opened for "Climb Aboard". They were the hit of the open house. People saw the two airplanes and they were very interested in inspecting them.

It took a lot of effort by the two crews to have the planes ready by June 16<sup>th</sup>. Picture this. Both crews had a deadline of August 18<sup>th</sup>, the Air Show. About two months ago **Jim Cook**, Master Crew Chief, approached both crew chiefs, **Terry Lorence** and **Ron Stout** and asked them if they could have their airplanes ready by June 16<sup>th</sup>. This was a big deal. Ron's A-26 had the right strut and wheel off so he could complete repairs on the right nacelle because if the repairs were not completed the wheel could collapse as they towed the airplane. Terry's airplane required much work installing instruments in the cockpit, a good clean-up, and applying protective coating. In Navy colors, of course. Both crews spent many extra hours working to get the airplanes ready. And they did it!

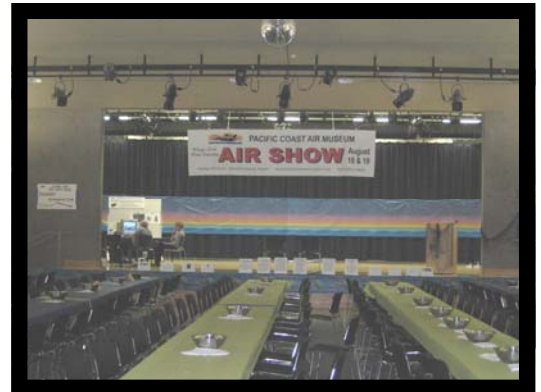
During the open house Terry and his crew, **Rachel Lorence** and **Robin Dotti**, had visitors climbing into the cockpit all day. Ron's crew on the A-26 had their visitors climb an air stair to get up to the cockpit. They saw a great interior restoration done by **Rick Elwood**. Ron's crew for the open house was **Rose Pattenau**, **Ben Martin**, Ben's grandmother, **Marlena Holway**, junior member, **Kyle Johnson** and **Joe Cholewa**. Not only did the two crews help with the open house, they also put in many hours of work preparing the airplanes.

The crew manning the Rose Parade float was **Michael Callen**, **Kathy Kumpula** and **Duane Coppock**. We used **Paul Heck's** Jeep to tow the float and it was used as a photo op by many visitors.

Many thanks to everyone involved. Ours was the largest display and also the most interesting. Having visitors view our airplanes proves to be a wonderful recruiting tool for the Museum

### Shrimp Feed a Huge Success!

The Pacific Coast Air Museum's 2nd Annual Shrimp Feed Fundraiser was a huge success! Just check out the photos and you'll get a feeling for just how great an event it was. We outdid ourselves with 280 tickets sold, way more than last year. [Kathy Kumpula](#) picked up on chairing the event and did a terrific job keeping all the "Type A" personalities on her committee under control and bringing off a very successful event. [Ray Smith](#) did a yeoman-like job making all the signs and tickets. [Ray and Mike George](#) brought our brand new flight simulator to Finley hall and the crowd loved it. [Paul Heck](#) gathered some tremendous raffle prizes and [Duane Coppock](#) was a huge help running the raffle. [Steve Hoxie and Laurel](#) decorated the Finley Auditorium magnificently, transforming it into something very special. Duane made the entrance to our Shrimp Feed very special by bringing our "Dogfight Over Wings Over Wine Country" float and parking it outside the Finley Center all day. Thanks too to [Allan and Linda Morgan](#) for setting up and running the bar, [Ron and Bobbie Lewis](#) for their work on the committee and the night of the event, and to [Norma Nation, Betty Pinsky](#) and [Michelle Smith](#) who were our "Hostesses" for the evening. And thanks to [Ellie Cook](#) for coordinating between the kitchen and the serving table, and for helping [Nan Kumpula](#) decorate the buffet table and the dinner tables. And to [Marianne Delanges, Carol Hayes, Nan Kumpula and Jerilyn Griffin](#) for helping in the serving line. And to [Roger and Allan Olson](#) for setting up and running the great aviation videos, and to Allan for pitching in when the bar needed help. [Boy Scout Troop 125](#) came through for us just as they do at our Air Show each year. They helped set up, bussed the tables and cleaned up afterward. It was heartwarming to see those young men in their uniforms taking on responsibility as they did. They were magnificent. The food was wonderful, the atmosphere terrific, the company wonderful, the raffle and raffle prizes outstanding. Everyone had a great time, we generated some needed revenue for our Air Museum, and the committee agreed that we ought to do it again next year.



## Duane Does It Again

### Pacific Coast Air Museum Float

Last month we mentioned the wonderful “Dogfight at the Wings Over Wine Country Air Show” float that [Duane Coppock](#) built for the Santa Rosa Rose Parade and the Windsor Day Parade. Well, we thought the float was so good, that we used it two more times—at our June 9th Shrimp Feed and again at the June 16th Charles M. Schulz-Sonoma County Airport Open House. Way to go Duane. One great float gets seen by the public at four different events. What great publicity for the museum and the Air Show. Many thanks to [Paul Heck](#) who towed our float with his WWII Jeep at just about all of these events, and thanks to [Buck Darbley](#) for the loan of his trailer for a lot longer than he bargained for.



### Harrison Rued Memorial Bench

Most of you know we lost a valued Pacific Coast Air Museum member, founding member of the Redwood Empire Aviation Historical Society, renowned aviation historian and an all-around good guy, [Harrison Rued](#), who died in April of this year. Many have donated to the museum in Harrison's name, and the [Denner family](#) asked if we could have a plaque or something else at the museum in Harrison's honor. We have that plaque in Harrison's honor, and we had mounted it in the first brand new [Pacific Coast Air Museum Memorial Bench](#). As you can see in the photos, both the plaque and the bench turned out beautifully. Thanks to all who donated to the museum in Harrison's honor. The Memorial Bench is a fitting testament to this fine man and all he did for our museum and for Sonoma County aviation history.





**July Guest Speaker : Art Cader**

This article reprinted from the Travis Air Force Base news provided by Airman Kristen Rohrer.

**World War II pilot received Distinguished Flying Cross.**

5/8/2007-Travis Air Force Base, Calif.-

[Art Cader](#) (former Army Air Corps 1st Lt.) received the Distinguished Flying Cross for actions he took almost 63 years ago, during a ceremony at the Travis Air Museum Monday.\

Mr. Cader earned the medal for his heroism during a bombing mission he was part of September 30, 1944, during World War II.

The medal is given to any officer or enlisted person of the armed forces who exhibits heroism or extraordinary achievement while participating in an aerial flight.

While stationed at Komasoren Airdrome, Noemfoor Island in the Pacific, Lieutenant Cader, a B-24 Bomber pilot, and his crew set out on a mission to bomb the Japanese oil refineries at Balikpapan, Borneo. This particular mission was an especially dangerous one because it was longer than usual missions; they carried only 40 per cent of the normal ammunition to conserve fuel and the aircraft was three tons over its weight limit because of bombs and fuel, explained Mr. Cader. Shortly before they reached the target area, they were attacked by Japanese enemy fighters. As they began their attack on the B-24s, some of the crew from other aircraft began to bail out. Lt. Cader noticed this and to protect his fellow crewmembers, took his aircraft out of formation and descended with a damaged plane to give covering fire for the parachuting crews. Despite engine damage and loss of fuel, he brought his aircraft and crew safely back to base and later volunteered for a subsequent bombing mission on Borneo.

“Mr. Cader distinguished himself with courage and flight skill”, said Master Sergeant Nancy Crowell, 6th Air Refueling Squadron First Sergeant. “Today, more than 60 years after those events, we have the tremendous opportunity to finally and properly honor his service.”.

“During every one of his 44 missions, Mr. Cader never lost a plane or a crewmember”, said Col. Steve Arquette, 60th Air Mobility Wing Commander. “It is because of his discipline, loyalty and patriotism that we honor him today”.

Mr. Cader Receiving the Distinguished Flying Cross



## Executive Director's Update

So, what's going on at the Pacific Coast Air Museum these days, you ask? Well, lets see—There's the Shrimp Feed, Hot Dog Thursdays, Airport Open House, Windsor Day Parade, Rose Parade, Climb Aboards, Our terrific "Dog Fight" float, birthday parties, school children tours, a new working flight simulator, A-26 restoration work, T-28 restoration work, RF-8 cockpit restoration, DC-6 nose restoration and painting, F-105 panel modifications, F-106 tailpipe installation, F-14 re-painting, upcoming Blood Drive, the brand new [Harrison Rued Memorial Bench](#) and of course the hard work that goes into planning our "Wings Over Wine Country" Air Show.

It is heartwarming to be around the museum these days, as it is a veritable "bee hive" of activity. The museum, grounds and our displays are looking better than ever. In other articles in the newsletter, we cover many of the above events. There are far too many people to thank than the editor gives me space for in this column. At the risk of leaving someone deserving out, I want to mention just a few folks who stepped up and became leaders when leadership was needed:

[Kathy Kumpula](#)-for taking over and chairing the Shrimp Feed

[Paul Heck](#) for honchoing the Hot Dog Thursdays

[Duane Coppock](#) for building our great float which was used in both parades, at the Shrimp Feed and Airport Open House.

[Allan Morgan](#) for his leadership in the schoolchildren education and birthday party programs

[Ron Stout](#) for his diligence and leadership on the A-26 project—it looked great at the Open House

[Bryan Lee](#) for his diligence and leadership on the T-28 project—we're getting there Bryan

[Terry Lorence](#) for his diligence and hard work on the RF-8 cockpit—its beautiful

[Bill Greene](#) for his leadership and hard work on the DC-6 nose—Wow

[Jim Cook](#) for his leadership and very hard work removing the Mag/Thor panels off the F-105

[Garry Beverlin, Billy, Sarah, and Carley Kerhof](#) for their hard work repainting the F-14

[Mike George and Ray Smith](#) for their leadership and work in building our new operational flight simulator

[Bill Carpentier](#) for his leadership and coordination on the Harrison Rued Memorial Bench

[Bob Konz](#) for the tremendous strides and improvements in our Gift Shop

To [Steve Hoxie, Barney Hagen, Bill Canavan, Bob Eldredge, Roger Olson, Doug Clay, Jim Abel and](#)

[Kathy Kumpula](#) for the tremendous leadership, planning and huge numbers of hours they have put

in and are putting in to make this years Air Show the best one ever. To the Tuesday/Thursday volunteer crew and Saturday/Sunday Gift Shop volunteers, without whom we could not stay open.

There are a lot more volunteers who give of themselves and their time to make our Pacific Coast Air Museum the wonderful museum that it is.

**Do we need more help?** You bet we do. Here is a short list of help we could use right now.

**Volunteers to work in the Gift Shop on weekends; Vendor Coordinator for the air show; Grant research and grant writing; and Office administrative help.**

[Norma Nation](#) has put together a fundraiser. — It is a trip to Egypt, Israel or both. The itinerary is fascinating, including an air museum, air base and aircraft factory in Israel. For every sign up on this trip, a donation is made to the Pacific Coast Air Museum. Contact Norma for details.

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This year's Air Show Performers Reception will be at the beautiful and brand new Vintner's Inn, on the grounds of John Ash & Company, on Friday, August 17th, from 6:00-9:00pm. It's a gorgeous wine country setting to welcome our performers. We'd love for you to attend and it is very affordable at \$35.00 per person. We would love it even more if you would care to buy an extra ticket or two and sponsor one or two of our performers. See [Kathy Kumpula](#) or [Duane](#) for tickets.

Last but not least, we have this year's Air Show T-Shirts in stock, now. They are the best Air Show t-shirt we've ever had, professionally designed, with our performers featured on the front. We also have V-necks and tank tops for women, and lots of children's sizes too. We have next years (2008) "Ghosts" Aircraft calendar in stock now as well. Gift Shop Manager [Bob Conz](#) wants all members to know that upon presenting your museum membership card, **you get 10 per cent off every item in the Gift Shop.**

Thanks to all of you for all you do.

Smooth Landings,

Dave

#### The Pacific Coast Air Museum Is Pleased to Welcome These New Members

Trevor Thorpe Family—Kensington, Ca

Charley J. Taylor—Cotati

Tom Luther family—San Rafael

Rose Pattenaude—Windsor

Ron & Lucy McCully—Santa Rosa

Micah & Kristina Ashley—Cotati

Samuel X. Kaplan—Santa Rosa

Tom Whitmore—Healdsburg

Larry McFadden Family—Windsor

Douglas Scott—LaMirada, Ca

Paul Johnson Family—Santa Rosa

Andrew Groves—Santa Rosa

Richard & Charlotte Brazell—Santa Rosa

Kristofor Graber Family—Santa Rosa

Eleanor Cook Family—Santa Rosa



**Visit PCAM  
July 21st & 22nd  
Climb Aboard  
T-38 "Talon"  
10 am-4 pm**

**REMEMBER THESE DATES**

**July 11th @ 8:30 AM—Board of Director's Meeting at the Air Museum.**

**July 17th @ 12:00 Noon—Executive Director's Staff Meeting at the Air Museum.**

**July 18th @ 6:00 PM—Air Show Planning Meeting at S.C.O.E.**

**July 18th @ 7:00 PM—Member Meeting at the S.C.O.E.**

**July 21st @ 11:00 AM—New Member Orientation. Learn the ins and outs of your air museum's operations and programs.**

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