



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

“Pilot, Moment, Aircraft - - The Military Weekend”

October 20th & 21st

A very Special “Climb Aboard “Weekend at the Pacific Coast Air Museum

Meet a pilot from each branch of the military: Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marines and Navy, with their aircraft - - **F-106 Delta Dart**, **UH-1H Huey**, **HU-16 Albatross**, **AV-8C Harrier** and **RF-8 Crusader Cockpit**.

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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 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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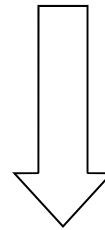
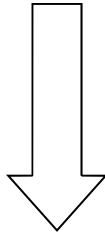
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September's Classic Car "Hot Dog Thursday"

September's "Hot Dog Thursday" was another resounding success. Over 65 members, guests and museum visitors attended, munching on a wonderful hot dog or Polish Sausage, chips and sipping a cold drink. The day was highlighted by the presence of almost a dozen classic cars. The picturesque setting of these well-restored and fabulous looking cars along with our well-restored and beautiful aircraft was a sight to behold, as depicted in the photo below. You can also see that a good time was had by all as Board Members [Voorhees](#) and [Nation](#), Master Crew Chief Cook, Air Show Announcer [Perez](#) and Marketing Director [Olson](#) and a couple of fellas named [Kerkoff](#) and [Carpentier](#) "hot dog" it up for each other. The photographer was none other than your Executive Director.

The final "Hot Dog Thursday" of this year will take place on Thursday, October 4th from 11:30-1:30 on the Museum Patio. See you there!

Many thanks to [Paul Heck](#) for coordinating this event, and to [Ed Nelson](#), [Barney Hagen](#), [AL Cathcart](#) and [Bill Greene](#) for all the volunteer hours they spend setting up, cooking, serving and cleaning up.



Schulz Bronze Statue Dedication

On Sunday, September 23rd, eight years of work for [Craig Schulz](#), son of cartoonist Charles M. Schulz, came to fruition as a bronze statue of Charlie Brown and Linus was unveiled and dedicated at the Charles M. Schulz - Sonoma County Airport. The beautiful bronze statue was funded by three years of Peanuts characters paint-offs - - Charlie Brown, Woodstock and Joe Cool Snoopy (our very own [Jim Cook](#) of Hawley's Paints participated in all three paint-offs and Jim's Woodstock can be seen at the Pacific Coast Air Museum where it resides). The bronze statue dedication was a wonderful, cheerful, "feel good" event, with Supervisor [Paul Kelley](#), Mayor [Bob Blanchard](#) and Chair [Janet Condron](#) making opening comments. Then Craig Schulz gave the background of the paint-offs and what the paint-offs, eight years of work and dedicating the bronze statue meant to him. The Pacific Coast Air Museum was invited to participate in the event by Craig Schulz. Our F-5 and F-16 were towed over, and [Billy Kerhoff](#) opened up the F-5 for folks to climb aboard. We also had a Pacific Coast Air Museum membership information table. All in all, a wonderful day for the Schulz family, the Charles M. Schulz - Sonoma County Airport and the Pacific Coast Air Museum.



Get Your Bronze Peanuts Statue Dedication T-Shirt

There is only one place you can get the official T-shirt from the dedication of the bronze Peanuts statue dedication—the Pacific Coast Air Museum Gift Shop. The entire remaining supply, 60 t-shirts, as depicted in the photograph below, have been allocated to our gift shop. They cannot be purchased anywhere else. The rear of the t-shirt shows the rear of the statue. This beautiful bronze memorial to [Charles M. Schulz](#) is located directly in front of the terminal at our Charles M. Schulz-Sonoma County Airport. These one of a kind t-shirts, in children and adult sizes, make great Xmas and birthday gifts.



Annual Election Alert

Each year, Pacific Coast Air Museum members elect three of the nine directors for three-year terms to the Board of Directors. This occurs during the annual general meeting in December of each year. The terms of [Guy Smith](#), [Gary Beverlin](#) and [Jimmy Long](#) expire at the end of 2007 and three directors must be elected to fill these vacancies.

A nominating committee of Board Members [Jim Long](#), [Mike Voorhees](#) and [Norma Nation](#) encourages and welcomes any nominations from you, the members, including nominations from the incumbents. Please remember the one and only official qualification for a board member is that he or she must have been a member of the Pacific Coast Air Museum for at least one year, and of course, it's probably a good idea to check with the person you plan to nominate to ensure they agree to run and serve if elected.

We are looking for some business minded folks who want to really get involved with the policy setting, fund raising and strategic planning that our museum board will be very busy with for the next few years.

Anyone who wants to find out more about what board members do can contact [Jim Long](#), [Mike Voorhees](#), [Norma Nation](#), [Dave Pinsky](#) or [Duane Coppock](#), who will be happy to fill them in.

Candidates will make their official candidate statements at the member meeting on November 14th and the nominations will be closed at that meeting. Candidate profiles will be published in the December issue of the Straight Scoop and the official ballots mailed in early December.

If you wish to be a candidate or know someone who would, please contact any member of the nominating committee or the executive director.

Executive Director's Update

The annual Veteran's Day "Tribute to Veteran's" Luncheon is being held on Thursday, November 8th, at 11:30, at the Veteran's Building in Santa Rosa. As in past years, we will have a table for our Pacific Coast Air Museum contingent. [Dave Pinsky](#) has tickets, which are \$15 each. Get your ticket, wear your Pacific Coast Air Museum polo shirt with pride, and come honor our veterans and be honored.

The dedication of the bronze Peanuts statues of Charlie Brown and Linus on Sunday, September 23rd, in front of the terminal at the airport, was a memorable event. The Pacific Coast Air Museum was invited by Craig Schulz to display some of our aircraft and to have a museum information and membership table at the dedication. What an honor to be invited to be part of this historic event. As noted elsewhere, you can still get a t-shirt commemorating the dedication at our museum Gift Shop.

The plaudits and rave reviews keep coming in regarding our 2007 "Wings Over Wine Country" Air Show. Folks have stopped me on the street when they see my Pacific Coast Air Museum polo shirt to tell me what a great Air Show we put on this year. The good word going around the community should help attendance at next year's show, which we are already planning.

The Air Show Survivor's BBQ, held Saturday, September 22nd, at the museum, was a lot of fun and a huge success. The rain stopped exactly as we scheduled, at 3:00pm, and the pot luck food, great beer and wine, and fantastic BBQ'd tri tip and chicken were wonderful. Air Show Director [Steve Hoxie](#) gave mementoes, donated by [Larry Carillo](#), to some key Air Show volunteers, and [Ron Pearson](#) donated some beautiful photos which were part of a terrific raffle, along with some donated wine, which raised funds for the museum.

We're going to have the Second Annual Clean-Up Weekend on October 13th. With the terrific work we did throughout the month of September last year, we do not have that much work to do. But the outside storage area at the museum, the workshop and area outside it, the big hangar and the two half-hangars all need a little "TLC". It shouldn't take long. [Jim Cook](#) is in charge and asks that everyone who can give a hand meet him at 10:00am on Saturday, October 13th, on the patio at the museum. Rumor has it that cold beer may be in the offing on the patio at the end of the day.

Part of the cleanup effort will be to clear an area for our new shop. The Board voted to allocate funds to purchase a container, with doors, windows, heat and air conditioning, to be located on the museum grounds, as a shop for our crew chiefs and their crews. The location has been determined to be alongside the Executive Hangar, where the storage area is now. A committee chaired by [Jimmy Long](#), and made up of [Jim Cook](#), [Duane Coppock](#) and [Dave Pinsky](#) has been working on this important project. The current shop will be converted into more room for the Gift Shop, additional display space and a break room for our crews and volunteers.

Contributions continue to come in to bring the Planes of Fame P-38 to next year's Air Show. We have \$2200 contributed so far, with another \$2000 pledged. It's going to take \$15,000 to bring one P-38 to our show next year, \$25,000 to bring two of them. They will be on static display and perform each day of the show. If you make a donation and the P-38s for some reason cannot make it here, your donation will be refunded. Although several folks have donated \$1,000 each, any amount is appreciated and will help us reach our goal.

Finally, on the Air Show - - the day after the show, the C-17 aircrew wrote and told me that they go to air shows all over the country, but enjoy our Air Show the best and get treated better at our show than at any other show they go to. They then asked me if they could return next year! And the September issue of "Pacific Flyer" had a wonderful three page spread on our Air Show, the final paragraph of which stated: "The Wings Over Wine Country Air Show has done everything right over the years. They have become the premier war bird and aerobatic air show in Northern California". Quite a compliment. Congratulations to all of you who made it happen.

Smooth landings, Dave

Air Show Survivor's BBQ

The museum members who organized, planned and brought off the best Air Show we have ever had celebrated at the "Survivors' BBQ" on Saturday, September 22nd. In addition to great fellowship, pot luck food and BBQ's chicken and tri-tip, several folks were recognized for their contributions to this year's Air Show. Others won some tremendous raffle prizes. Many thanks to all who contributed to the BBQ, and to [Larry Carillo](#) and [Ron Pearson](#) for the beautiful photos they donated.



Veteran's Day Luncheon - Tribute to Our Veterans

On Thursday, November 8, 2006, the Santa Rosa Rotary and Kiwanis Clubs are putting on "A Special Luncheon Honoring America's Veterans". It is from 11:30-1:30 at the Santa Rosa Veterans Memorial Auditorium. Last year, twenty-five Pacific Coast Air Museum (PCAM) members attended as a group, wore Pacific Coast Air Museum polo shirts, and sat at the same table. We would like to do it again this year, with an even larger PCAM contingent. If you want to go, the cost is \$15.00 each. Get your checks to Dave Pinsky and he will get the tickets for the entire group.



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Rotary and Kiwanis members are requested to host a veteran.
Contact your club's representative for tickets and/or the name of a veteran to invite.
Veterans may contact any Rotary or Kiwanis Club to obtain tickets.

Tickets \$15.00 each

The Pacific Coast Air Museum Welcome These New Members and Families:

Fred & Mary Blanton—Windsor
Gerald Schalchi Family—Rohnert Park
Ralph Crumb—Santa Rosa
Richard Andolsen—Healdsburg
Harrison Comstock—Sebastopol
Charles Murray Family—Petaluma
Bill & Ellen Bolton—Petaluma
Carole Gardner—Forestville
Robert Kennedy—Santa Rosa
Peter & Ronda Turk—Santa Rosa
Barbara Rivard—Santa Rosa
Martin Sheridan—Windsor
Lew Peterson—Petaluma
Peggy Rohde Family—Santa Rosa
Jay Osmundsen—Santa Rosa
Richard Bettencourt—San Anselmo
Jerilyn Griffin—Santa Rosa
William VanEsselt—Santa Rosa
Jim Weaver—Santa Rosa
Judy Boschi—Healdsburg
Chuck Byram—Santa Rosa
Robert & Linda Judd—Guerneville
Paul Rivas Family—Sebastopol
Jennie Stevens Family—Ukiah
Stephen Zimmerman—Healdsburg
Jack & Kay Hartman—Santa Rosa

Corey Martin—Livermore
John Mede—Santa Rosa
Judith Glemann Family—Santa Rosa
Michael & Sheri Allen—Rohnert Park
Leonard Johnson—Rio Nido
Gregory Thomas—Santa Rosa
Clyde Galantine Family—Santa Rosa
Dennis Ball Family—Santa Rosa
Robert Tutone—Santa Rosa
Alan Parry—Novato
Ross Akers Family—Santa Rosa
Michael Powell Family—Windsor
Peggy Thompson—Guerneville
Bruce & Susan Garritson—Santa Rosa
Arthur Barnum—Windsor
Eric Kress—Santa Rosa
Fred Twers Family—Santa Rosa
Richard Marker—Healdsburg
Jeffrey McDonald—Windsor
Scott Weiss—Santa Rosa
John Laurin & Fern Magrini—Santa Rosa
Tom Tillett Family—Santa Rosa
Harold & Pamela Michalek—Geyserville
Steve Barnes—Santa Rosa
Julian Hart—Napa

Time is Running Out to Make Tax-Free Distributions From IRAs

The 2006 Pension Protection Act was enacted to give taxpayers the option of using funds from their IRA to make a **lifetime charitable gift free of obligations**. It's simple, but time is running out.

If you are 70 and 1/2 years old or older, you can make a gift to a charity (like the Pacific Coast Air Museum) of up to \$100,000 before December 31, 2007, and transfer the funds directly from an IRA or Rollover IRA, and you avoid paying income tax on the total amount of the gift. This type of gift also fulfills the desire of many donors to give while they are still living and able to witness the benefits of their generous donation.

To make a gift to the Pacific Coast Air Museum, simply contact your IRA custodian for the necessary transfer forms. If you wish to make a gift to the Pacific Coast Air Museum, please contact [Dave Pinsky](#) at (707) 575-7900 or director@pacificcoastairmuseum.org.

Members of the Pacific Coast Air Museum are extremely fortunate to have [Deirdre Cruse](#), an outstanding Elder Law Attorney and Pacific Coast Air Museum member, who has volunteered her services to museum members interested in any of our Planned Giving programs. Deidre has offered to discuss these areas with you and will provide help in setting up your will or trust should you desire to include our museum. You may contact Deidre by calling her office (546-4970) or e-mail her at dk@elderadvocate.net

October Member Meeting— A “U-2 Driver”

The October 17th Member Meeting will feature [Lt Col Jon \(“Huggy”\) Huggins](#) from Beale Air Force Base as our featured program and speaker.

Huggy has more flying time in the U-2 than any other active duty U-2 pilot, and is in charge of the U-2 pilot recruiting program. Huggy has been here for our last two Air Shows, coordinating the U-2 and T-38 fly-bys. He's the guy you see making those high-speed dashes up and down the runway and taxiway in the U-2 chase car during our Air Shows. He also takes Beale U-2s to Oshkosh and has given this same presentation at the last two Oshkosh EAA Fly-Ins. His talk will cover the current U-2 worldwide high altitude reconnaissance program and is a fascinating one that you won't want to miss.

It's at 7:00pm, Wednesday, October 17th, at SCOE.

Patio Dedication

After almost two years of planning, designing, construction and landscaping, the museum's wonderful new patio, the result of a generous donation by [Gloria Going](#), was formally unveiled and dedicated on Saturday, September 8th. Gloria's donation, as many of you know, was in memory of [Fred Zanotto](#), aviator, winemaker and attorney who died in an aircraft accident near Sonoma County Airport in late 2005.

Gloria hosted the memorable event and invited Fred's many friends and those who knew him well. [Chris Smith](#), columnist with the Press Democrat was in attendance, as were the majority of the museum's Board of Directors.

Speakers had the opportunity to recognize our many Board Members who attended, to recognize and thank those members who put in so much of their time building the patio, and especially to thank Gloria for her generous donation which made it all possible. Gloria asked our Executive Director to tell everyone how

the patio came about, what went into planning and constructing it, how the patio is used and what it means to our museum.

At the end of her remarks about what Fred meant to her, Gloria unveiled the plaque. That was followed by an "Open Microphone", in which friends of Fred told hilarious stories about Fred, his generosity, his appetite and his wonderful personality.

Again, many thanks to Gloria Going for making this all possible. September 8th was a very special day for the Pacific Coast Air Museum.



Folks enjoying the patio



Gloria remembering Fred Zanotto



Gloria Going unveiling the Fred Zanotto
Memorial Plaque



Guy Smith, Jim Long & Chris Smith



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REMEMBER THESE DATES

October 3rd @ 8:30 AM—Board of Director’s Meeting at the Air Museum.

October 16th @ 12:00 Noon—Executive Director’s Staff Meeting at the Museum.

October 17th @ 6:00pm—Air Show Debrief & Planning Meeting at SCOE

October 17th @ 7:00 PM—Monthly Membership Meeting at SCOE

October 20th @ 11:00 AM— New member Orientation: Learn the ins and outs of your Air Museum operations and volunteer opportunities

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