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



No Words Are Necessary

www.pacificcoastairmuseum.org

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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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Free Ride in a T-6

Ever wanted a flight in a war bird? Well, now is your chance. Come to our May 21st Member Meeting at SCOE, right down the street from the Air Museum. We will be raffling a 20 minute flight in a local T-6, thanks to the generosity of war bird owner/pilot and Pacific Coast Air Museum member [Mike Haisten](#).

Remember, the **ONLY** way you can get this flight is by attending the May 21st meeting, buying raffle tickets, and being there in person when the winning ticket is drawn. There will be other great raffle prizes as well.

THE BIG NINER ZERO

[Hattie Stone](#) celebrates her birthday (May 11th), and all members of the museum are invited to help her celebrate on Saturday, May 10th, at the museum, 4 PM to ? The party is hosted by [Morella Staggs](#) who is providing the dessert (cakes). Folks from the other organizations to which Hattie belongs are also invited, so it will be a huge party. It's pot-luck for snacks and dinner.

For those whose last names begin A through I, bring a main dish. The J through R's, bring salads. The S through Z's, bring hors d'oeuvres. Water, soft drinks, paper plates, cups and napkins will be provided.

Birthday party for [Hattie Stone](#)

Saturday, May 10th, 4 PM to ?

At the Museum



President's Message

by *Mike Voorhees*

“Wings Over Wine Country” Air Show 2008

Preparations for the 2008 Air Show underway. Nearly all of the performers have been selected and are in contract. Now the big job: Volunteers are being solicited for the many tasks that have to be performed to make the show a success. If you'd like to be a vital part of this year's Air Show please contact our Volunteer Coordinator, Bobbi Lewis at 707-837-0148 or rlewis6543@sbcglobal.net.

Can't volunteer but still want to make a big contribution? Help us bring a P-38 Lightning to the Air Show. It will cost about \$10,000 (checked fuel prices lately?) to get the plane here, have it perform and get it back home. Your donation, earmarked for the P-38, will help make it possible.

Besides being one of the most beautiful and effective aircraft to grace the skies, our airport was the training base for the P-38 during World War II. Including the check that I just signed, so far we've received cash and pledges totaling about \$4,000. So, join me and the others who want to bring this historic aircraft to our Air Show. Mail your tax-deductible contribution today and be sure to mark it for the P-38 Fund.

Shrimp Feed

This year's Shrimp Feed will be held Saturday, June 7th at the Finley Community Center in Santa Rosa. All-you-can-eat Shrimp, pasta, salad and bread for \$45. Besides terrific food and great company, you're helping to support the Museum. See you there!

Mike welcomes your questions and comments. You can reach him at president@pacificcoastairmuseum.org.



PACIFIC COAST AIR MUSEUM

Presents

Hot Dog Thursdays !



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11:30 - 2:30

ENJOY A PATIO LUNCH AT THE MUSEUM

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Executive Director's Update

If you haven't been out to the museum lately, drop by and have a look. The old shop, library and display areas have been gutted. Under [John Rutigliano's](#) superb leadership, new air conditioning and heating is currently being installed, new walls and display areas will be constructed, the roll up door will be replaced, all new windows will be installed and more. Our target date for completion is early May and we are planning a big celebration and grand re-opening for Saturday, June 21st. Mark it down on your calendar. More info will be forthcoming.

Our latest Pacific Coast Air Museum member is [Carrye Alice Kerkhof](#), born on April 19, 2008 at 2:06 pm. She weighed 8 lbs 6 oz and was 20 inches long. [Baby Carrye](#), [Mom Sarah](#), [Dad Billy](#) and [sister Carley](#) are all reported doing fine.

The Windsor Day Parade is on Saturday morning, May 3rd. Following the parade at 11:30 am, on the Windsor Town Green, in front of the library, the dedication of a brand new stage will be made in honor of our veterans. Stop by and show your pride. Speaking of the Windsor Day Parade, [Duane Coppock](#) is building another wonderful float that will be in both the Windsor Day Parade on May 3rd and in the Luther Burbank Rose Parade in Santa Rosa on May 17th. [Jacquie Warda](#) (Jacquie B and her Pitts Special in our Air Show again this year), will be riding on our float in the Rose Parade to help promote our "Wings Over Wine Country" Air Show August 16 and 17.

Our Third Annual All You Can Eat Shrimp Feed Fundraiser will take place on Saturday, June 7th, at the Finley Center in Santa Rosa. It's all the Cajun shrimp you can eat, pasta with marinara, pasta with pesto, salad and garlic bread and the price of a ticket includes a beverage of your choice. We've also got lots of raffle prizes including some airplane rides. For tickets, come to the Gift Shop or stop by the Admin Office and see Dave or Duane, or see any Board member. Reserved tables for eight are available.

"Hot Dog Thursdays" began May 1 and will take place the first Thursday of each month throughout the summer. \$5 gets you a great hot dog, chips and a soft drink; plus members get a discount. Come on out for "Hot Dog Thursdays" this spring and summer. The May 1st Hot Dog Thursday was a sell-out.

Air Show: If you'd like to volunteer to work at the show, send [Bobbi Lewis](#) a message at rlewis6543@sbcglobal.net and she will set you up.

As President Mike Voorhees stated in his column, we are trying very, very hard to bring a P-38 to our Air Show this year. It's going to be expensive to do so. We've got a little over \$2000 donated so far to bring it here and \$2000 more in pledges. We are trying to do a fund raiser with the P-38 and it's pilot on Thursday evening of Air Show Week, so stay tuned for further info.

Most of you know that part of the Pacific Coast Air Museum's mission is to provide an educational venue for the community. In furtherance of that goal, and thanks to [Allan Morgan](#), this June we will host an Aviation Summer Camp. The dates are in June and the summer session is targeted at specific age groups. It is being strongly supported by [Dr. Carl Wong](#), Sonoma County Superintendent of Education. For information on our first Summer Aviation Camp, contact [Allan Morgan](#) at amrgn@comcast.net.

Our Air Show is shaping up to be one of the best ever. P-38, P-40, lots of P-51s and other war-birds. Jackie B will be here in her Red Pitts, [Kent Pietsch](#) will be back with his comedy act, dead stick act and take-off/landing on the top of a truck. We will also have the [Misty Blues](#), an all female parachute jump team. [Eddie Andreini](#) in his Stearman and [Paul Lopez](#) in his MX-2 will be doing amazing aerobatic routines. The C-17 will be back on static display and doing its great aerial performance, as will the Navy's F-18 Super Hornets. And we'll have a U-2 flyby on Saturday and a flight of black T-38's will do a flyby on Sunday. The Air Force Jet Car is returning to our show this year. It's shaping up to be one fantastic Air Show. If you'd like to volunteer to work at the show, send [Bobbi Lewis](#) a message at rlewis6543@sbcglobal.net and she'll set you up.

Finally, our Capitol Campaign consultant, [Vera Berg](#), has begun the interviews for the Capitol Campaign Feasibility study. With the County Board of Supervisors giving their approval for us to negotiate a lease for the "Sheriff's Garden" area on Airport Boulevard, we are on our way to determining if there is enough community support and if we can raise the funds to build, operate and maintain our new Air Museum. It is our fervent hope that we can.

Smooth Landings,
Dave

PCAM Summer Aviation / Education Program

The Pacific Coast Air Museum is initiating a two week Summer Aviation Program, June 2 – 13, for student's grade 7 – 12. The 2 hour class will meet Monday – Friday, 10:00 – 12:00.

The students will explore, among other areas, the Principles of Flight, Aviation History, Navigation Basics, Aviation Safety, will host guest speakers from all areas of aviation, and will have an opportunity to sit in the cockpits of many the museums' jet fighters.

The course is intended to be an enrichment experience, acquainting the class with some of the basic concepts of aviation.

[Allan Morgan](#) is "Ram-rodding" this program. Alan can be contacted at (707) 431-2856



PACIFIC COAST AIR MUSEUM'S
3rd Annual Shrimp Feed Fundraiser
SATURDAY, JUNE 7, 2008

Finley Community Center - 2080 W. College Avenue, Santa Rosa

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THE EARTH SHAKES AT THE MUSEUM

This weekend, there was so much going on at the museum it felt like the earth was shaking. On Saturday, [Buck Darblay](#) and his airplane partner performed major modifications on the main building. They moved partitions, installed double pane windows, took out one window and then framed and covered the remaining hole. The roll-up door was removed, the hole was framed and covered, and an entry door was installed. These guys turned to and did great work. I'm writing this Monday AM and carpeting is being installed in the gift shop and the gift shop office. There is more work to be done, carpeting the gallery and painting. These are wonderful changes.

Even more was going on Saturday. [Bryan Lee](#), [Ron Stout](#), [Jim Cook](#) and a whole gang of volunteers were sorting and storing aircraft hardware in the large hangar. It was a four or five hour effort and now all is organized in the hangar.

And more! On Sunday, a crew was together to move the large items out of the Healdsburg storage area to our new storage in a facility on Santa Rosa Avenue. (We were evicted from the Healdsburg facility.) The one attribute we needed for this crew was pick ups. We got them. [Dennis Flynn](#), [Rich Lewis](#), [Duane Coppock](#) and [Rick and Mrs. Shea](#) all provided pick ups. And [Ted Shurtleff](#) provided expertise because in a past life he was a furniture mover. He also provided really excellent furniture dollies. [Mary Jane](#) provided leadership so we got the job done.

The crew on the Ilyushin IL-14 was on hand Sunday for their fund raiser. [Rose Pattenaude](#), [Ben Martin](#), [DJ Malley](#) and [Marlena Holway](#) were hard at work providing chili dogs, brownies and more.

What a great weekend! As you can see a lot is going on at the museum. Come by and see the great changes being made. You will be surprised at the improvements.

Duane Coppock

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The Pacific Coast Air Museum Welcome these New Members

David & Diane Watson - Windsor
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Chris Willis - Santa Rosa
Russ Morrison - Santa Rosa
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Tom Kosta Family - Santa Rosa
Briceida Guerra - Windsor
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Martha Curoso - Santa Rosa
Joseph Long - Monte Rio
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Bruce Cook - Santa Rosa
Mr. & Mrs. A.C. Tiedeman - Santa Rosa
Kie Williams & Brian Apadaca - Santa Rosa
Robert & Myrtle Edmiston - Santa Rosa
Scott Edmiston - Elk Grove
Erick Zamora - Windsor
Todd Farmer & Family - Sherwood, OR
Carrye Kerkhof

Born: April 19th, 2008 8 lbs, 6 oz, 20" long

Crew on the F-14 Tomcat Parents, Billy and Sarah (and Carly) doing fine



The following is the history of the PCAM A-26 Invader

The A-26B-15, Serial Number 41-39303, was manufactured by Douglas Aircraft, Long Beach, California and delivered to the USAAF on 9 October 1944.

October 1944, it departed the CONUS for 9th Air Force (European Theater of Operations) via Hunter Army Air Force Base, Georgia.

July 1945, it returned to CONUS via Hunter AAFB Georgia.

December 1945, assigned to 4160th AAFB Unit (Air Material Command), Grenada AAFB, Mississippi, (storage).

September 1947, assigned to 4135th AAFB Unit (AMC), Hill, AAFB, Utah, (storage).

April 1952, sent to Ogden Air Material Center, Hill AFB, Utah, (modified as a B-26C).

July 1952, sent to 126th Bombardment Wing (Light) US Air Forces Europe), Leon, France

November 1952, sent to 38th Bombardment Wing (Light) (USAFE), Chaumont AB, France.

March 1954, Assigned to 66th Tactical Recon. Wing (USAFE), Sembach AB, Germany.

April 1954, Returned to the 38th Bombardment Wing (Light), Leon AB, France. (this unit later became the 38th Bombardment Wing (Tactical).

June 1956, Sent to Aircraft Storage Branch (AMC), Davis-Monthan AFB, AZ.

December 1956, sent to 1400th Field Maintenance Squadron (Military Air Transport Command) Keflavik AP, Iceland.

September 1957, sent to Middletown Air Material Area, Olmstead AAF, Pa.

In 1958, it was declared excess and sold on the civilian market. Its last assignment was as a water bomber fighting forest fires.

The Pacific Coast Air Museum acquired the aircraft in 1992 intending to restore it to flying condition.

The A-26 Invader is the only type aircraft to see combat in WWII, Korea and Viet Nam



**Visit Pacific Coast
Air Museum
May 17th & 18th
Climb Aboard weekend
Featuring The
A-26 Invader**

REMEMBER THESE DATES

May 7th @ 8:30 AM Board of Director's Meeting at the Air Museum.

May 13th @ 12:00 PM Executive Director's Staff Meeting.

May 17th @ 11:00 AM New Member Orientation.

May 21st @ 6:00 PM Monthly Air Show Planning Meeting at SCOE.

May 21st @ 7:00 PM Monthly Membership Meeting at SCOE.

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