

# **STRAIGHT SCOOP**

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HATTIE STONE'S 90TH BIRTHDAY PARTY BECOMES

# 90 MEGAWATT GALA

On Saturday, May 10th. a five star birthday party was thrown by Morella Staggs and our museum to honor WW II Navy Veteran, Hattie Stone, WAVES, (Women Accepted For Volunteer Emergency Service). Morella, a close friend of Hattie, is herself a WW II Vet, having served in the U.S. Coast Guard as a SPAR. (Semper Paratus: Always Ready). She provided all the birthday cakes for the event. And boy, did we ever have the great food! Appetizers galore, from baked Brie and dips to a cornucopia of main courses from pastas, various chicken recipes and meats to a final extravagant desert selection of which there were several cakes, one of which was dramatically decorated as the American Flag. Initial entertainment was musically supplied by the Drum And Bugle Corps of American Legion Post 21 of Santa Rosa, of which Hattie was the past Commander. Guess who played First Trumpet? Hattie Stone! Following the musical selections, Duane Coppock, Master of Ceremonies pulled a sneaky fast one. Knowing that we all wanted Hattie to sing "Anchors Aweigh!" he announced that Hattie would "serenade" Bill Carpentier with the song! To that invitation she replied "I don't see why I should sing "Anchors Aweigh" to a former Coast Guardsman." Well, in her beautiful soprano voice she did just that, and you could probably hear the ovation back at Naval HQ in Washington. However, Bill stepped forward and pointed out that in retaliation. he would sing "Semper Paratus" (The Coast Guard Marching Song) to her, which he did. There was an ovation, but pretty mild....

Duane then got to the bottom line; the announcement of our first time creation of a plaque to honor all of the museum members who had been awarded a life membership - of which Hattie was one of the original. Bill read the dedication, followed by the names of all the current members. He announced to the gathering and to Hattie in particular that the dedication of the plaque on this date was specifically to commemorate her 90th birthday. Hattie really got a standing ovation after that announcement. Many pictures were taken of her hold-ing the plaque. We all gathered around and gave her a reverberating rendition of "Happy Birthday."

Oh yes, Morella Staggs read a wonderfully worded biography of Hattie's life and accomplishments and ended with the words "And we'll all be here for your 95th."

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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 26th 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. end renewals to the museum at the address below.

#### Address Corrections:

Please send to: Pacific Coast Air Museum 2230 Becker Boulevard Santa Rosa, Ca 95403

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### "A Note from Hattie Stone"

"To all Members of the Pacific Coast Air Museum Thank you so much for the wonderful party to celebrate my birthday. I still don't know exactly who hosted the party since no one has taken credit (or blame) for the event, no matter. It was a great party and I am grateful to each and everyone of you for your part. I enjoyed it. A special "Thank You" to Duane Coppock who was the Master of Ceremonies and to Bill Carpentier for whatever it is that Bill does. He certainly does it well. Again, thank you for the camaraderie, the food, the cards and mementos. With deep affection, love, hugs and kisses to all,

Hattie Stone

## "The Return of the P-38 to Santa Rosa"

Have you ever wanted to see, touch and feel a Lockheed P-38 "Lightning" aircraft, the fighter that won the war in the Pacific, and was at Sonoma County Airport during WWII? Then mark Thursday, August 14th on your calendar. From 5:00pm-7:30pm that evening, co-sponsored by the Pacific Coast Air Museum and Kaiser Air - Santa Rosa Jet Center, we are having a fundraiser to help bring the P-38 to our Air Show. Your \$25 per person ticket gets you reserved parking on the ramp, up close and personal with the P-38, photo opportunity if you bring your camera, chat with the P-38 pilot, complimentary wine and light snacks, and a Champagne toast celebrating "The Return of the P-38 to Santa Rosa". Tickets are on sale in the museum Admin Office. Chuck Thomas was in and bought the first two tickets. Get your tickets early, before this popular event sells out.



The Lockheed P-38 "Lightning"

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### June Guest Speaker

Our Own Charley Taylor

Naval Aviator - Served 25 years active duty. He flew the A-6 Intruder off USS Enterprise (CVN-65) during Vietnam. Steve Coonts (Flight of the Intruder) was his roommate for about one week Served as instructor pilot in A-6 after the war. Other assignments included Catapult and Arresting Gear Officer - USS Enterprise A-6 Class Desk at Commander Naval Air Forces Pacific A-6 cruises on USS Ranger & USS Kitty Hawk Washington DC tours at Naval Air Systems Command and Bureau Of Naval Personnel Naval Oceana Systems Center - Point Loma (R&D) Naval Central Command during Desert Storm Attack Class Desk at Commander Naval Air Forces Pacific

He has flown: T-34, T-2, F-9, TA-4, TC-4C, U-11, AWACS (special crew)

### Pacific Coast Air Museum's Summer Aviation Program

The Pacific Coast Air Museum's Summer Aviation Program starts in just one week, June 2. There is seating for several more Junior and Senior High School students. If you have knowledge of students this age that would enjoy learning more about aviation and airplanes, please have them the museum. Class starts 10:00 Monday June 2. The contact is Allan Morgan at <a href="mailto:amrgn@comcast.net">amrgn@comcast.net</a> or call the museum Admin Office at 707-575-7900.



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# Help Wanted – Assistant Air Show Operations Director

- We very much need a volunteer to assist us for the next three months as we prepare for this year's "Wings Over Wine Country" Air Show.

- It would be good if you had some aviation or aviation related experience. You'll be working with our Air Show Operations Director, Barney Hagen, assisting him and understudying with Barney.

- We'll need you approximately two days per week for the next three months. You'll be working closely with Barney Hagen, Steve Hoxie, Bill Greene and me (don't let that scare you off :-). You'll also get an inside look at how our Air Show works.

- If you are interested in this part-time volunteer position to help Barney and learn about Air Show Ops, call Dave Pinsky or Barney Hagen at 575-7900.

# Wings Over Wine Country COMMEMORATIVE WINE

THE PACIFIC COAST AIR MUSEUM IS PROUD TO PRESENT A LIMITED EDITION WINE COLLECTION FEATURING THE AMAZING AVIATION ART OF

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\$23.98 / single bottle \$258.98 / case (10% discount)

The purchase of this collection benefits the Pacific Coast Air Museum.



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# **Executive Director's Update**

Hattie Stone's 90th birthday celebration was a Pacific Coast Air Museum day to remember. Photos and an article, as well as a beautifully handwritten thank-you from Hattie, are featured at the beginning of this month's "Straight Scoop". A big "Thank You" and "Well Done" to those of you who organized it and put it on. It was a tremendous salute to a tremendous lady, a Life Member of the Pacific Coast Air Museum.

The renovations of the old shop, library and display areas are complete. Under John Rutigliano's superb leadership. new air conditioning and heating were installed, new walls and display areas were constructed, the roll up door was replaced (at long last!), all new windows were installed and more. It's now done, and Mary Jane Brown is putting displays back into the renovated areas as we speak. Many thanks to all who helped, but especially to John Rutigliano and Buck Darbley for the many hours they put into the project. We are planning a big celebration and grand re-opening for Saturday, June 21st. It will be IL-14 "Climb Aboard" Weekend, on Saturday the EAA "Young Eagles" Program will be based at the museum, and on Saturday, for our Grand Re-Opening, we hope to talk Paul Heck and crew into doing a "Hot Dog Thursday" on Saturday; and, finally a very special aircraft may be on display Saturday of that weekend. I can't tell you what it is just yet, but it bears a strong resemblance to a P-40!

Duane Coppock's wonderful float was a star 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), rode on our float in the Rose Parade to help promote our "Wings Over Wine Country" Air Show August 16 and 17 - - great publicity for our Air Show.

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 sauce, pasta with pesto sauce, salad and garlic bread. The price of a ticket includes a glass of a beverage of your choice. We've also got lots of raffle prizes including some airplane rides. A very special raffle prize, a flight in a P-51 Mustang with Dan Vance, will be raffled, but you must be at the Shrimp Feed to buy tickets and the winner will be drawn that night For tickets to the Shrimp Feed, 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. Ticket sales close at 5:00pm on Tuesday, June 3rd, as we have to call in our guarantee first thing the next morning.

"Hot Dog Thursdays" began May I 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 next Hot Dog Thursday is June 5th.

As President Mike Voorhees stated in his column last month, 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. If you'd like to help bring a P-38 Lightning back to Santa Rosa where it was based in WWII, contact Dave Pinsky concerning a donation.

We are going to do a fund raiser with the P-38 and it's pilot on Thursday evening of Air Show Week, August 14th, from 5:00-7:30. It'll be at Kaiser Air (formerly Apex). For \$25, you get to park on the Kaiser ramp, see/touch/feel a P-38, up close and personal, take a picture of you in front of a P-38, talk to the pilot, enjoy complimentary wine and light hor's d-oeuvres and take part in a complimentary champagne toast celebrating the "The Return of the P-38 Lightning to Santa Rosa". Tickets are sure to sell out quickly, so drop by the museum admin office and get your tickets early from Dave or Duane.

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 museum's 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. There is still space for a few more people, so contact Alan at (707) 431-2856 or at <u>amrgn@comcast.net</u>.

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. Jacquie B will be here in her Red Pitts, Kent Pietsch will be back with his comedy act, dead stick act and takeoff/ landing on the top of a truck. Local pilot Dan Vance will be doing an aerobatic routine in his P-51 "Speedball Alice". We will also have the Misty Blues, an all female parachute jump team. Eddie Andreini in his Stearman (maybe!) and Paul Lopez in his MX-2 will be doing amazing aerobatic routines. The C-17 will be back on static display and doing it's 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, is almost done with her 70+ interviews for the Capitol Campaign Feasibility study. In another one or two months we should have the results of the study which will help the Board decide exactly what kind of facilities we should plan and build based on our capacity to raise the funds. We are fervently hoping that Vera will determine that there is enough community support and that we can raise the funds to build, operate and maintain our new Air Museum.

Smooth Landings, Dave



Republic XF-84H

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# Pacific Coast Air Museum's IL-14

Climb aboard this "bird" on Saturday & Sunday June 21st and 22nd. We received the IL-14 on May 5, 1993



"The post-war Ilyushin IL-14 transport was a logical development of the earlier IL-12. It had improved aerodynamic qualities, a greatly modified and refined structure and greater power. Externally the greatest differences lay in the redesigned wing and crew cabin, and the enlarged angular vertical tail.

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IL-14 flew in prototype form in 1952 and over 3,500 were built in the Soviet Union in a variety of versions for passenger transport, and in military variants for trooping or cargo transport. The military IL-14s had strengthened floors, large double doors for freight loading in the port side rear fuselage, and observation blisters for use by the controller during employment as a paratroop transport. The NATO reporting name for the type is "Crate".

East Germany and Czechoslovakia built the IL-14 under license from 1956 and when Soviet production terminated in 1958, Czechoslovak development and production continued into the 1960s. IL-14s served with the airlines of the Soviet bloc and with those of other countries, while it formed the military equipment of all the Soviet Union's allies plus Algeria, Egypt, India and Yugoslavia.



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# **JACOUIE WARDA KICKS OFF AIR SHOW** PROMOTIONS

Air Show Performer lacquie Warda helped promote the 2008 Wings Over Wine Country Air Show by participating in the Luther Burbank Rose Parade & Festival on May 17<sup>th</sup>.

The float entered in the Rose Parade by the Pacific Coast Air Museum featured Jacquie and Snoopy chasing the "Bad Guy", Darth Vader. Snoopy was in his dog house and he was chasing Darth Vader who was flying the Museum's BD-5 home built mini-jet. It was an uneven competition to say the least. But Jacquie was there next to Snoopy telling him how to out-maneuver Darth.

Our float was a hit. People clapped, took pictures, lots of pictures, and the kids kept saying "There's Snoopy". Jacquie with her wonderful smile was a huge addition to the float. The radio announcers had great fun with our script describing how Snoopy was after the bad guy. And Jacquie was really enthusiastic about participating. In fact, Jacquie flew her Pitts to the Sonoma County Airport before the parade, was transported to the Veterans' Memorial Building by Roger Olson to meet all of us and then to ride the float. It was a great pleasure meeting her.

Our float was towed using a World War II era jeep owned by Darrel Shumard and we had great help from Dorothea Logan, Duane Coppock and Darrel's great grandson, Max. The signage for the float was created by our genius computer poster maker, Ray Smith.

This float was used in the Windsor Day Parade May 3<sup>rd</sup> to a great reception. Of course, Jacquie was not there so the float required some changes. And rumor has it that the float will make an appearance at the June 7th Shrimp Feed.

All in all, the float was entered in two parades to great effect to kick off the promotion of the 2008 Wings Over Wine Country Air Show. Many thanks to Jacquie for her enthusiastic support.

Duane Coppock

It's Jackie Warda with the Pacific Coast Air Museum Float at the Rose Parade. Who is that guy behind her with the white hat and shirt? Could it be the one and only Duane Coppock?



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# PACIFIC COAST AIR MUSEUM'S 3rd Annual Shrimp Feed Fundraiser SATURDAY, JUNE 7, 2008 Finley Community Center - 2080 W. College Avenue, Santa Rosa

ALL THE SHRIMP YOU CAN EAT NO-HOST BAR OPENS AT 5PM ★ DINNER SERVICE 6-8:30PM DINNER TICKETS \$45 INCLUDES SALAD, PASTA AND BREAD ★ RAFFLE

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## Welcome to Our Newest Pacific Coast Air Museum Members

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### A Note Received by Past President Jimmy Long

Hi Jimmy,

I believe that with all the airport security today, the only chance a young person has in looking and touching planes is going to be through these types of Museum's. When your young and get to touch and sit in planes the dream gets started, it worked for Me. The check to the shrimp feed is in the mail with a return envelope. Thanks, Thomas



# PACIFIC COAST AIR MUSEUM

Visit the Pacific Coast Air Museum on June 21st & 22nd for "Climb Aboard" weekend Featuring The IL-14

# **REMEMBER THESE DATES**

June 4th @ 8:30 AM Board of Director's Meeting at the Air Museum.

June 10th @ 12:00 PM Executive Director's Meeting.

June 18th @ 6:00pm Air Show Planning Meeting @ SCOE.

June 18th @ 7:00 PM Monthly Membership Meeting at SCOE.

June 21st @11:00 AM New Member Orientation.

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