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This article provided by Chuck Root

Guest Speaker for October

Mike McKinley

Senior Planner, Homeland Security Operations San Francisco
Office of Emergency Operations & Homeland Security

Mike will talk about the local Bay Area Homeland Security and its planning. Mike Flew a P-51 in our Air Show this year. He also served on active duty with the U. S. Navy in Southeast Asia. Mike is responsible for planning various aspects of the Office of Emergency Service and Homeland Security. He is involved in planning operations, development of exercises and analyzing the state of readiness of San Francisco City agencies to meet the Department of Homeland Security National preparedness goals. Mike retired after 31 years with the San Francisco Fire Department as a Battalion Chief. During his years of service, he was an arson investigator, Lt. and Capt. of training. Mike holds a Bachelors and a Masters degree in Public Administration from the University of San Francisco. He holds a California Teaching Credential and a Commercial pilots certificate.



The Pacific Coast Air Museum

Located on the corner of North Laughlin and Becker Blvd. on Charles M. Schulz-Sonoma County Airport. Just North of Santa Rosa, Ca.

Museum Hours:

*Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday;
10:00AM to 4:00 PM*

A selected aircraft is available to "Climb Aboard" on the third weekend of each month. (weather permitting)

Call 707-575-7900 for details and information, or Fax 707-545-2813.

Meetings are typically held at Sonoma County Office of Education located near the airport on Skylane Blvd., on the third Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM.

"Straight Scoop", the museum's newsletter is published monthly. Members are encouraged to submit articles for possible publication-due by the 20th of the month prior to publication. All articles in this newsletter are copywritten. If you wish to use any of the contents, please contact:

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Editor's Note

I am proud and grateful for the opportunity to serve as editor of this publication. I was asked to provide a brief history, so I was born in Chicago, entered military service in 1956 and served in the Illinois National Guard for 18 months then enlisted in the U.S. Air Force and stayed for 21 years. After retiring from USAF, I served as a Deputy Sheriff in Coles County, Illinois for 21 more years and then retired again. I currently work at Santa Rosa Memorial Hospital as Security Supervisor on day shift. I am still in love with airplanes, so here I am.



Air Show T-Shirts

The gift shop has plenty of t-shirts on hand. Get yours while they have all sizes in stock.

\$7.00 per shirt for sizes Sm thru XL

\$9.00 for larger sizes

This Article Provided by Bill Carpentier

AMERICAN FLAG ALERT!

Our resident heroine, WWII Vet Hattie Stone, has a need for American Flags for the Veterans Home in Yountville !

When she was working over there recently, she noticed that a lot of the disabled Vets needed to replace the worn and faded flags that these great Vets take pride in attaching to their wheelchairs. She was able to find a few replacements, but the need is urgent and she needs donation assistance from anyone who has a source to provide these flags. The approximate size is 12" X 18" I suggested a notice in our newsletter as we always respond to this type of need.

For more info, contact Bill Carpentier at curmudgebill@sonic.net



This article submitted by Larry Rengstorf as sent to him by Walt Huss

Sunday, Sept.18, 2005

To All: Yesterday Ellie and I attended National POW-MIA Ceremonies at the Santa Rosa Veteran's Memorial Building. It was hosted by the Military Order of The Purple Heart. The National Vice Commander , Tom Poulter, from Santa Rosa gave a speech on the history of the Purple Heart. A Coast Guard Honor Guard from Two Rock Station near here presented the Colors. The key note address was by Col. Frank Kappeler the Navigator on B-25 # 11, the plane that bombed Japan under the command of Col. Jimmy Dolittle. Col. Kappeler is 91 years old and spry and hearty. He spoke about the mission and told about the crew bail-out where his parachute caught in a tree that probably saved his butt. He later flew combat in Europe in a B-26. He had 81 mission during his service career. He was born in San Francisco in 1914 and after retirement, in 1966 he moved to Santa Rosa. IT WAS AN HONOR TO SPEAK WITH HIM, AND SHAKE HIS HAND. Sorry, I didn't ask him how many from that mission still survive. As I remember, the last one will have a special bottle of wine to partake.

Best Regards

Walt.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS
AUGUST & SEPTEMBER 2005

SANTA ROSA

Bob and Barbara Abbott
Bennett Cullison & Christina Gonzales
Anne, Pat, Ryan & Morgan Driver
Alan, Mary, Kailey, & Tyler Dengler
Patrick, Vicki, Alex & Aimee Eagle
Tony, Julie, Ashley, Chelsey, & Taylor Korman
Michael, Mia, Peter, Katelyn, & Dakota Krysinski
Kim, Marcia, Chris, Sean, RJ, & Carrie McFarland
Fredrick, & Yolanda Tolleson
Nicholas Rowan
Sam, Linda, Michael, & Monica Saunders
Peter, Suzanne, Fereby, & Simon Schlosser
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HEALDSBURG

Kathryn, Haley, & Madison MacPhail
Robert, Thomas, & Joseph DeHoney
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Martin Humphrey
Kim & John Lloyd

WINDSOR

Betsy, Steve & Sara Francis
Don, Janette, Amy, & Emily Johnson
Linda Wright & Ashley Dellarocca
Reuben Moore

Carlton Burille
Ronald & Bobbi Lewis
Charles Siebenthal
Alfred Musetti (Jr. Member)

HIDDEN VALLEY LAKE

Dennis Schallert

LIVERMORE

Rich Perkins
Marilyn Bedford

PETALUMA

Tom McGaw

CLOVERDALE

Carol, Dave, Bryan, & Kevin Rankin

SANTA ANA

Gar Travis

MEMBER OF THE MONTH

This Month's bravo and congratulations goes to Barney Hagen. Barney has been a fixture around the museum for nine years. Barney isn't just a member that is around to help out if needed, he takes things a step further. He has served a full term on the Board of Directors, was Volunteer Coordinator for two years, was our Tour Coordinator, Birthday Party Coordinator, and reached many children in our education outreach program at Monroe, Lehman, and Proctor Terrace Schools. Barney was our President in 2002. When Tom Whitson had regrettably resigned from his board position in the last year of his term, Barney stepped up to the plate to help out. He assisted Chuck Thomas in Air Operations and served as the Air Ops Director for Air Show 2005. Barney served seven years in the RCAF and flew for United for 34 years. When asked what he likes about PCAM, he said "I like to watch the growth of the museum. I like that. I came here to occupy my time and got more and more involved. I'm anxious to see our dream museum come to life and I want to be part of that". It certainly shows that you do, Barney. Thanks for all of your dedicated support



This Article submitted by Jim Long

NEWS FROM THE BOARD

Some months ago we mentioned that our Executive Director Duane Coppock had announced plans to resign from his position near the end of this year. The word was out and an attempt to recruit a new E.D. produced several candidates. Our new E.D., Mr. Dave Pinsky, will officially work and share the position the month of October, after which Dave will take the wheel on his own in November. Duane isn't going far, he just wants to lighten his workload. Dave won't be alone, as Duane and Bob Eldridge will support Dave in managing the museum business. Duane says, "Maybe now I can get something done around here." Dave comes to us following recent retirement from an eighteen year tenure as Deputy Director of Utilities for the City of Santa Rosa. Dave is a Colonel (retired) in the U.S. Air Force, is a Military Command Pilot and an FAA Commercial pilot with over 6,500 flying hours in 15 different aircraft, including four of the jet aircraft currently in our collection. One of the planes Dave flew was PCAM's own F-106. He has also flown the SR-71, U-2, FB-111, F-102, T-33, T-37 and O-1. He has over 1,100 hours of combat flying time and over 600 combat missions in Vietnam. Dave has a Masters degree in Public Administration. He commanded the U.S. Air Force's only SR-71 and U-2 equipped wing. Dave is a graduate of "Leadership Santa Rosa", Class VII, and is a former President of Santa Rosa's Rose Parade Board. In his recent association with PCAM, he was instrumental in the creation of Santa Rosa Mayor Jane Bender's Proclamation declaring "Wings Over Wine Country Air Show" Weekend, arranging use of a golf cart for the Air Show. He was responsible for many business connections that resulted in contributions to PCAM. The list goes on and on. Dave joined the T-28 Crew several months ago and has been helping with its restoration. Dave is excited to get started in his new position and we look forward to benefiting from his many skills. Please join me in welcoming him as PCAM's Executive Director.



PACIFIC COAST AIR MUSEUM
2230 Becker Blvd.
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Visit PCAM October 15th & 16th
Top Gun/Climb Aboard Weekend
featuring
The F-14 Tomcat and
The F-16N Viper

REMEMBER THESE DATES

October 15th @ 11:00 AM— New Member Orientation

Learn the ins and outs of your air museum's operations and programs.

October 19th @7:00 PM— Member Meeting @ S.C.O.E.

October 15th 2 PM Until dusk; "AIR SHOW SURVIVORS BARBEQUE"

Location—George Town, 4015 Frei Road, Sebastopol