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#### PACIFIC COAST AIR MUSEUM

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#### President's Message

by Lynn Hunt

We live in uncertain times. Trying to manage our museum is greatly affected by these uncertainties as we focus one eye on bringing to reality the activities and events that support our museum while our other eye maintains vigil on the unpredictable behavior of the COVID 19 pandemic. With a focus on responsible actions we are still reluctant to launch our popular Hot Dog Thursdays and are holding off on launching the planning cycles for other annual events. As the months press on it starts to become apparent that 2020 will be a very quiet year for our museum.

However, there are signs of life out here and there are major developments going on with the museum proper. Once things get back to a sense of normalcy you will want to come out and see the many changes.

I also wanted to highlight a very simple way for you to support PCAM financially without it costing you a single penny. Amazon has a program for supporting non-profits called Amazon Smile. If you are a user of Amazon and you sign up on Amazon Smile a percentage of your purchase will go to PCAM. It isn't a large number but it adds up quickly if enough of us use it. After you sign up you can bookmark the page and then every purchase will include a small donation. Please look into it.

Our annual revenues will need all the help we can get. 🗘

A special Thank You to all PCAM Volunteers & Docents who share their love of aviation with the wonderful residents of Sonoma County and shared in the reopening of the museum!

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#### **PCAM Value Statements**

**Integrity**: Demonstrate daily the highest levels of honesty & strong moral principles

Accountability: Be accountable to our members, our patrons and our community

Customer Service: Strive to achieve the highest levels of

the highest levels of service and satisfaction

Achievement: Become a recognized and valued asset to our community Education: Complement local institutions with unique learning

opportunities

**Innovation:** Constantly evolve the museum, the stories it tells and how it tells them

**Diversity**: Create a climate of respect that is supportive of a diverse organization

PCAM Mission Statement
"To Educate and Inspire both young
and old about our aviation heritage
and aerospace technology, to Preserve historic aircraft and artifacts,
and to Honor veterans."



#### **CALLING ALL PCAM MEMBERS**

The Pacific Coast Air Museum's board of directors is reaching out to you during this every challenging and stressful time, hoping you are staying safe and well!

To help alleviate some of this stress and to give you something fun and outdoorsy to do to celebrate the easing of stay-at-home orders, the Pacific Coast Air Museum has opened its **outdoor exhibits only**, for our summer schedule, Wednesday through Sunday, 10:00 am to 4:00 pm in full compliance with both state and local mandates. Visitors will need face coverings to enter and must observe social distancing protocols and avoid large groups of six or more.

Because we too, were respecting Governor Newsom's 'Stay at Home' restrictions, we apologize for not being able to respond to any immediate request you may have had. Additionally, we were not able to immediately process new or renewing membership applications, nor send out renewal notifications to members whose membership renewals were due in March, April, May and June. To renew your membership, please click <a href="here">here</a>. We plan to resume processing new and renewed membership applications as soon as possible.

In the meantime, please continue to stay safe and well. We look forward to welcoming you back! •

#### WE WILL GET THROUGH THIS—TOGETHER!

#### Docents and Volunteers—PCAM Needs You!

PCAM is in urgent need of additional docents and volunteers for student field trips and events when we reopen. If you are interested in joining our fabulous docent and volunteer group, want to share your love of aviation history, the history of the museum and also have some fun, please contact Greg Ervice, 1.619.980.1450 to help support our growing needs. •

#### **GIFT SHOP 10% PLUS 10% SALE**



Great news! PCAM's Gift Shop has scheduled its huge 10% plus 10% sale for July 17<sup>th</sup> through July 19<sup>th</sup> as part of our soft reopening!

Please be sure to stop by PCAM for the huge sale on aviation merchandise, such as T-shirts, caps, toys for the kids and grandkids and much more.

Our Gift Shop staff look forward to welcoming you back. In the meantime, please stay safe!

A special Thank You to Mike Lynch and PCAM's fabulous Gift Shop Volunteer staff! ••

#### Hot Dog Thursday

by Janet Doto

The museum is open and we have scrubbed our faces, cut the grass and put up all the appropriate signs of the time regarding social distancing and Covid-19 symptoms. But as of Monday June 15th, the Sonoma County Environmental/ Health Department has asked us not to do Hot Dog Thursday yet. They just don't want us to gather, (even outside) in a large group like that. So, being the good citizen we, we will hold off till they give us the green light.

Boy, wouldn't a grilled hot dog on a fresh Cousteau bun, covered in home made chill sound good right about now? •

# WITH OUR VOLUNTEERS and DOCENTS ANYTHING IS POSSIBLE!



#### Healdsburg Pilot Celebrating 100 Years!

by Lynn Hunt

OK. Slide down in the seat. Darn parachute always goes with me. Try to pull it up. There. OK, take a breath. Let's get serious here. This airplane needs me to be at my very best. Let's just look around the cockpit. Make sure someone hasn't climbed in here and started moving stuff. Looks like when I left it. OK, chute and harness on. Helmet on, hope the mic works. Flaps up, doors in manual, mixture, prop and throttle set for start, electrical switches off, hydraulic bypass in, master and generator on. Good, everything moved that needs to. Pre-oil, boost pump on. Take another deep breath because the show is about to start. Prime, clear the prop, engage the starter, mags going hot, be ready with the mixture, there she goes. The airframe shakes as that Packard Merlin bursts into life. Always nice to have ground support out there watching the proceedings. If I started pumping fluids overboard I would probably never know it before it was too late. Scan the engine instruments, everything right where it should be. Radio master on. This is starting to get fun. Check the clock, right on time. There's a special pilot up in Healdsburg who is turning 100 years old today. He flew on D-day so we are headed up there to remind him what a Merlin engine sounds like. Cleared to taxi. I have a minute or two now on the way to blow out all clutter and focus on the flight. Think it through. Runway in use, emergency options, altitudes. When I get there I will have very little time to find the darn place. Looked at it on google earth, think I can find it. Will look pretty stupid if I overfly the wrong facility. Run-up complete, can't find a single reason to not go flying. Cleared on to the runway. Another deep breath. All lined up waiting for clearance. Pause a moment. Think: how on earth did I get here? But more important, is there anyone alive that I would trade places with right this minute? Hmm!

#### "MUSTANG 334 FOX SIERRA, CLEARED FOR TAKE OFF" 💠



P-51 Mustang Ready for Take-off to Healdsburg

For additional photos of Del's 100th birthday celebration please go to page 6



Del Tiedeman Celebrating 100 years!

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#### **PCAM Education & New Opportunities**

by Charley Taylor

With the future of "in person" education gatherings uncertain, and precautions needed for those of us in the over 65 crowd, we are making changes to the Pacific Coast Air Museum educational curriculum. With Art Hayssen's recent experience converting his Santa Rosa Junior College classroom instruction to Zoom, he is doing the same for PCAM's Aviation Merit Badge Classes. The date for the postponed May class will be announced in the next few days with the classroom portion conducted on Zoom. Scout visits to PCAM and flights will be scheduled later. The Saturday, October 17th Merit Badge will also be conducted online.



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Art Hayssen with Boy Scouts Merit Badge Class at Pacific Coast Air Museum

The Education Committee also plans to prepare Aviation History and STEM classes for Zoom at local schools. This "Phase Two" effort involves creating video PCAM walk around and cockpit tours of our historic aircraft featuring our extremely knowledgeable Docents. Using Go-Pro cameras and aerial drone footage of our collection, we endeavor to create a library for use in continuing education programs, as well as posting on the PCAM Web site. PCAM Member's suggestions are strongly encouraged. Please contact Education Committee members with your inputs.  $\bigcirc$ 

A special Thank You to PCAM Volunteer Education Committee who share their love of aviation with all of the young people participating in PCAM's School Field Trip and Merit Badge program!

#### PCAM's Art Hayssen Receives FAA Award

by Charley Taylor



Art Hayssen receiving the 2020 the FAA FAASTeam Representative of the year award

Art Hayssen, PCAM's Master Instructor Emeritus and key Education Committee member recently received the 2020 FAA FAASTeam Representative of the year award. Extremely active in the North Bay aviation community, Art serves as 5<sup>th</sup> District Representative and Vice Chair on the Sonoma Airport Commission. He is also serving as member of the Sonoma County Airport Land Use Commission.

Art's devotion to teaching includes 42 years as an Instructor Pilot. He has been on the Santa Rosa Junior College faculty since 1980. He served there as Director of Aviation Technology including FAA Part 141 Instructor while that program was offered. He continues teaching Geography and Meteorology at SRJC.

Art's aviation related volunteer work includes regularly speaking and contributing to programs at the EAA, Civil Air Patrol, and the Santa Rosa and Marin chapters of the 99's. He also leads PCAM's education classes for Scouts Aviation Merit Badge, Mike Hauser Academy, Sonoma State University's EXCEL For Youth and he has made numerous visits to 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade classes throughout the county. Please click here to read PCAM Blog on Art's award article and additional photos. •

Congratulations Art, for receiving the FAA FAATeam Representive of the year award!



#### **PCAM HAPPENINGS**

PLEASE STAY TUNED and VISIT https://pacificcoastairmuseum.org/events/

# HOT DOG THURSDAY Stay tuned for more information

All Hot Dog Thursdays are postponed until further notice! Please check PCAM's website and watch for an E-blast for the Hot Dog Thursday announcement.

# Wheels and Wings Vintage Car Show: Stay tuned for more information

Sept. 26th, 8:00 am—2:00 pm at the Butler Hangar Indulge your love of vintage vehicles and aircraft all in one place! Come see some of the area's best examples of beautiful cars surrounded by impressive aircraft all while strolling around the museum grounds. Purchase and enjoy a grilled hot dog lunch, period music, roaring engines and share the fellowship of other engine enthusiasts! ❖

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Del's 100th birthday celebration

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#### Classified

WANTED: PCAM's Hot Dog Thursday is looking for a new or relatively new BBQ. If you have one you would like to donate, please contact Paul Heck, 1.707.479.4479

Hangar Sale: Date to be announced—be sure to bring your truck or trailer and find some great deals!

Del's 100th birthday celebration excited by the P-51 Red Dog fly over!

A special Thank You to Carol Lawson for arranging the flyover and to Lynn Hunt for flying Red Dog in celebration of Del Tiedeman's 100th birthday!



# July 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		2 PAC 10+ Mtg. 12:00- 1:00 POST- PONED TIL FURTHER NOTICE	1 PCAM Zoom Board Mtg. 5:00—6:00	2	3	4 Independ- ence Day
5	<b>6</b> Educa- tion Cmte. Mtg. 5:30 - 6:30 Virtual	7 PAC 10+ Mtg. 12:00- 1:00 POST- PONED TIL FURTHER NOTICE	8 Museum Is Open10:00 am to 4:00!! WedThurs. Outdoor Ex- hibits Only	9	10	11
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19 Gift Shop 10 + 10 Sale!	20	21PAC 10+ Mtg. 12:00- 1:00 POST- PONED TIL FURTHER NOTICE	22	23	24	25
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#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Your Museum really needs your help! We know you have an interest in the success of the Museum, so please come on out and join us for some fun. We have opportunities for everyone with every skill level. We are looking for volunteers in the following areas:

- Administrative with data processing skills & MS Office knowledge
- Carpentry Skills
- Newsletter Editor with MS Publisher knowledge
- Gift Shop
- Docents for Museum Tours and Parties
- Yard Maintenance
- Events (of which there are many!)
- Hot Dog Thursday
- Help with our move
- And, many more!

Please remember, if the Museum sponsors you for your AOA badge, part of your responsibility is to donate a bit of your time as a volunteer. Please feel free to call the office—575-7900 and we will make every attempt to match you up with your interests. •

#### POSTPONED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE



#### The Pacific Coast Air Museum's Platinum Sponsors

The Pacific Coast Air Museum thanks its Platinum Level Sponsors, whose contributions help make our museum the thriving community resource it is! If you would like to find out about sponsorship opportunities with the Pacific Coast Air Museum, contact Doug Clay, PCAM Development Chair, 925-997-2774 or dougclay@gmail.com. &



























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**July 2020** 

#### The Pacific Coast Air Museum

#### Location

One Air Museum Way, Santa Rosa, CA, 95403 <a href="https://www.pacificcoastairmuseum.org">www.pacificcoastairmuseum.org</a> 707-575-7900

At the Charles M. Schulz-Sonoma County Airport, north of Santa Rosa. Hwy 101 north to Airport Blvd. and go west. Turn left on North Laughlin Rd, right on Becker Blvd. then right on Air Museum Way.



#### **Hours**

Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday. 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Closed on major holidays.

#### Open Cockpit Weekends

One or more aircraft are open for close examination the third weekend of each month (weather permitting) and you can even climb aboard some of them! For more info phone 707-575-7900 or visit <a href="https://www.pacificcoastairmuseum.org">www.pacificcoastairmuseum.org</a>.

#### Member Meetings—Postponed until further notice.

#### "Straight Scoop" Newsletter

The museum newsletter, "Straight Scoop" is published monthly and is available online on the museum's web site <a href="https://www.pacificcoastairmuseum.org">www.pacificcoastairmuseum.org</a>. Members are encouraged to submit articles for possible publication. Deadline: the 26th of the month prior to publication. All articles in the newsletter are covered by copyright. If you wish to submit an article or use any of the content, please call 575-7900.

#### Membership Renewals

\$50 per year individual; \$100 per year for families. You can renew your membership on-line at <a href="https://www.pacificcoastairmuseum.org">www.pacificcoastairmuseum.org</a> or send renewals to the museum.

One Museum Way, Santa Rosa, Ca 95403

#### **Contact Information Corrections**

Please be sure to advise the Museum of any updates to your contact information, either by calling 575-7900 or email:

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#### **SAVE THE DATE:**

#### **STAY TUNED!**

# ALL EVENTS, THE GIFT SHOP SALE AND THE GENERAL MEMBER MEETING POSTPONED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

Open Cockpit Weekend
Gift Shop 10% Plus 10% Sale

Hot Dog Thursday

**GENERAL MEMBER MEETING** 

# Stay tuned for the Full 2020 Calendar of Events

The Pacific Coast Air Museum hosts many family-friendly and child-friendly events all year 'round. We host an annual Santa Fly-In around Christmastime, monthly Member Meetings, monthly Hot Dog Thursday lunches from April through October, and special events like car shows, guest lecturers, and more!

Most events focus on aviation and our collection of over 35 historic aircraft including military jets, helicopters, and other classic airplanes. •

THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS, SPONSORS
AND DONORS!
WE COULDN'T DO IT WITHOUT YOU!