



November and December issue

*Commemorative Air Force museum/ Covid safe - **One spot left** Nov 12th*



*Tovrea Castle / Covid safe - **Sold out** - Nov 20th*



Canceled Events

Hall of Flame Museum/HRSC _____ Sept 17th

AAC Kick-Off Luncheon _____ Sept 24th

Musical Instrument Museum _____ Oct 3rd

Negotiating Retirement/Canceled till 2021 _____ Oct 20th

Panama Canal Cruise/HRSC _____ Nov 10th

Christmas with Santa _____ Dec 10th

PXG Factory tour _____ Fall/TBD

Shamrock Farms _____ Fall/TBD





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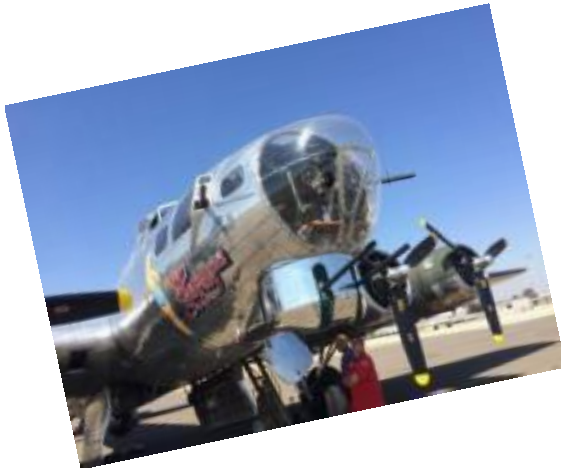
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Commemorative Air Force Museum

@ Air Base Arizona

Thursday November 12, 2020



One spot left

No need to pay until the day !

BUT reserve NOW !

Limited to ~~25~~ people.

Only 10

\$ 10 per person .

CASH ONLY !!

COVID-19 AWARE

- Mask required
- 6' Distancing



Where: 2017 N Greenfield Rd, Mesa, AZ 85215 (480 924 1940)

Time : Arrive 12:45 p.m. Tour starts : 1:00 p.m.

- Meet at front door
- Tour will last approximately 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours
- Free parking
- Limited scooters/wheel chairs

To reserve, please contact: Tom Leard : tomflyer12@hotmail.com



Tovrea Castle

Friday Nov 20th, 2020

Event is on with COVID Precautions



Sold out

“We will be taking every precaution to ensure the health and safety of our Guests and Staff. Everyone is required to wear a mask, will practice social distancing, with tour sizes broken into smaller groupings.”

Most of the tour is outside riding on Golf Carts.

This is a private tour for Aero, Honeywell, Garrett clubs. Tours are approximately 2 hours and include the historic Castle's main floor and basement, extensive grounds and cactus gardens surrounding the Castle. Most of the tour is outside riding a tram so dress warm. The tour starts at 10.00 am and the grounds are cool. The tour is wheel chair accessible but no electric scooters are allowed. There are seats inside the building to rest so it is not a strenuous tour.

Guests are greeted by Tovrea Carraro Society volunteers at the Visitor Center and taken through the Carraro Cactus Gardens on a tram with a docent. The tour winds through the beautiful 44 acres, viewing the outer buildings, before arriving at Tovrea Castle.

The Society has increased the price to \$20 and the club is adding \$2 per ticket for expenses for a total of \$22 each.

This will be our last tour for 12 months so please do not delay in booking the last tickets. We have had over 400 members visit on 16 different dates and the event is still popular.

If interested send the following to keith8411@cox.net

Name, number of tickets, club affiliation and cell phone number in case of last minute changes.



Another Tom Leard story

Starting in late 1979, Jary and Tom joined Sperry Flight Systems Flight Operations. They were the first part of the wave of changes that Ken Brown and Dave Tunheim had seen to start after Dave went to Flight Ops in 1978. Over the years Jary and Tom found themselves in a variety of situations. These provided the basis for stories.

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Did you see the 747?

No? O.K.

You are now IFR

During the middle/late 1980's, the Avionics division (substitute your own division name as you remember it) was hard on the trail to market the newly developed electronic flight instrument (EFIS) product line. EFIS, along with the also new Primus II radio line was making very positive vibes in the market place. It was time to make hay, as they say. The flight demonstration schedule was definitely amped up to support this introduction. The Citation V was constantly on various tours all about the country. Jay Mesiti, field marketing, was at the helm of most of these hands on, with the customer, interface.

Early December of that year found Jary and Tom once again on the road. This tour was in the Southern California area. LAX and environs. Lots of air traffic. And being fall, afternoon fog, haze, and a low setting sun, were all part of the scene. As usual...

This day they started from LAX and powered their way on the short flight to Santa Barbara for a day of ground and flight demonstrations. As had been the case throughout the EFIS tours, the customers were most impressed by its ease of use, intrigued by the possibilities of now switching information on the display, at least some of it, to place what was needed, when it was needed, in plain sight. Santa Barbara, as always, was a delightful area to operate from great scenery, and of course good folks.

The early morning turned to noon; then afternoon. Finally in the late afternoon it was time to make the short hop back to LAX for the evening. The flight over followed visual rules (VFR). Our intrepid heroes decided to fly back the same way. It was a gorgeous day. So off they blasted for the big city.



Somewhere out over the small sliver of the Pacific on the way back to LAX, Jary checked in with COAST approach and, says ‘VFR inbound with the ATIS Oscar.’ Now if this was virtually any other very busy air operations complex in the entire country, we would have immediately been told to get some type of instrument clearance ---even to consider avoiding entering the traffic area. But it was not. It, after all, was LAX. So, the controller acknowledged the call, gave them the sequence to enter the pattern. Of course, there would be a pattern full of airliners from all over –or going all over. But again, it was LAX. They received a vector for downwind and were asked to ‘report the field in sight.’ About this time the coastline went under them and the afternoon haze was now every bit of ‘typical.’ A few minutes went by. Coast asked, ‘do you have the airport in sight ‘? Jary replied, ‘negative.’ The controller next said, ‘O.K. Let me know when you see the B 747 passing you on final.’ Again, after a minute or two, the controller said, ‘did you see the 747?’ Jary replied, ‘negative.’ The controller, without hesitation, then said, ‘O.K. You are now IFR, turn right heading 170 for vectors to the ILS RW 25L. ‘And so, they did. Just like that.

The rest of the short flight was uneventful. They landed and locked up for the night. The controllers who work at LAX, and indeed the approach control for it as well as the several other basin airports, once again demonstrated their easy-going approach in handling the unusual in among-st the lots of routine. That’s what

Another Zoom Meeting...



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TO TRAVEL OR NOT TO TRAVEL... That is the Question

With Barbara Rippstein

As much as most of us want to leave the house and go wherever we want without a mask, we also know that it isn't wise or healthy right now. But this quarantine will not last forever. Then what will we each plan to do? I miss seeing my family and friends. The telephone and email are not the same as face-to-face meetings. There are just so many email messages, face time and puzzles we can do. But, besides seeing family and friends, what do I miss? VACATIONS!

Because I have very few hobbies, planning vacations and cruises has always been my late-night interest. I would like to share my hobby and give you some hints about cruising and car trips that may interest you when you can travel.

It's no secret that the cruise industry got really hit when the corona-virus was found in a ship on a Japanese harbor. Beginning January 20, 2020, 567 out of 2,666 passengers were infected. By March 1st., all passengers had disembarked from the ship and on their way home. By then the reputation of all cruise ships was decreasing, followed by hotels and restaurants. That hasn't made traveling something we are ready to jump into for an extended period of time.

How soon can we go out to eat at a restaurant? Good question. It depends on how safe you feel, your own health risk, and how much you trust state and federal officials trying to make decisions about your health. People in southern California are eating at restaurant tables set outside in parking lots and some streets. All are spaced to federal standards. We will watch how that works out. It could be a good start in Arizona as soon as the weather cooperates. Each of us has to make that personal decision alone. I try to stay abreast of what is going on around the country. It may be some time before we go to a sit down restaurant. In the meantime, my husband and I will continue with our Saturday date night take out for a while longer. Cruises are more difficult. There are hundreds of cruise ships around the world belonging to multiple cruise lines.

I am more familiar with three of those lines - Princess, Royal Caribbean, and Celebrity. I will concentrate on ships that dock in the United States or carry US passengers. The CDC (Center for Disease Control) typically posts travel health notices for countries and other international destinations. The U.S. government is currently advising U.S. travelers to defer all cruise travel at this time; however, many major lines are booking cruises for Christmas and thereafter. Security and health changes are being made on cruise ships, restaurants, and hotels. I will discuss these changes in future months.

If you have any questions or suggestions:

Please contact me by phone at: 623-566-1572 or Email me at: rippy60@yahoo.com



Honeywell Clubs Fix-It Guys Program

Sponsored by Honeywell, Garrett and Aero Activities Clubs

We help Honeywell retirees or surviving spouses with fix-it jobs around the house. This program is designed to keep the job from being a budget buster for you. Call our Coordinator **Gary Kains, Gary at 480-835-6060** to schedule a trip to your home. If you reach voice mail, leave a clear message giving job information, your name, telephone number and nearest cross streets. We will get back with you to schedule a visit.



Are **YOU** Handy?

Your Clubs really need your help!



We're hiring!!!

You don't have to be a contractor level kind of handyman – just generally handy around the house.

Some of you may have special skills (Computer/Plumbing/Electrical/Drywall?) that can significantly help our members in need. Why not try it? Call Warren (480-510-9304).

We would love to talk with you!

The table below lists our current Fix-It Guys Team.

Thanks guys – for all that you do.

East Valley			
Bob Davenport	Frank Holman	Stu Mitnik	
North Valley			
Bob Farney	Lee Rippstein	Dan Schott	Paul Wiley



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Jump on board



Looking for new board members

The Aero Activities Club currently has 11 Board members working to keep the Club going. As the Club gets older so do we.

Several of these members have been on the board for many years. If anything was to happen to them or they resign from the Board, the Aero Activities Club could be in jeopardy. To keep AAC from being at risk we need more Board members.

If you can spare a little time and like to work with others, please contact any one of the Board Members on page 2. What do you get for doing this? The same as us, the pleasure of knowing you are keeping a legend going.

Our Present & Past Activities

Sept Kick-off Luncheon

Verde Canyon Railroad Trip

Tovrea Castle

Palo Verde Nuclear Plant

The Sanderson Village and Museum

The Orpheum

AZ Broadway Dinner Theater

Southwest Airlines Tour

Day at the Races

Christmas Dinner Dance

Coco Cola Bottling Facility Tour

Lake Pleasant Cruise

Amazon Fulfillment tour

AZ Science Museum

Musical Instrument Museum

Cerreta Candy Company Factory Tour

Butterfly Wonderland

University of Phoenix Stadium Tour

Dolly Steamboat Tour

Cruises

Penske Racing Museum Tour

Ping & PXG Factory Tour

The AZ Highways Collection

Barry Goldwater's Photography

Rio Salado Audubon

Commemorative Air Force Museum



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New Member Renewal Dues are \$5 Annually Date _____

Full Name _____ Spouse/Partner _____

Address _____ Cell# _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____ Home # _____

Check #: _____ Amount: _____

Personal Email Address: _____

*Checks are payable to: Aero Activities Club & mail to:
Joyce Colella, 11128 W Mirandy Ct. Sun City, AZ 85351 or call #623-363-2969*

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