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Upcoming Events

- Nov 4 - Meeting - Jay Smyth - Southwest Rail Corridor Coalition
- Dec 14 - Holiday Luncheon

Frank Holman, President, welcomed members and guests to the meeting on Oct. 7, 2009. **Frank** personally led the Pledge of Allegiance.

It's dues time, and, for those of you not yet paid, please use the envelopes supplied to submit your dues. The information you provide on these envelopes allows us to update our records. As a minimum, we need your name and the date.

Frank announced that the Board has revised and updated the Club Operating Guidelines. You received a copy with this newsletter. The Guidelines will be effective as of November 4, presuming an affirmative vote by the attending members at that meeting.

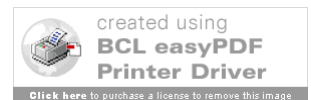
If you have interesting photos that you would like to share with the membership as a 'mini preso' during the social hour, please contact **Ed Taschner**. CD, DVD, or Flash Drives are all acceptable formats. Thanks to **Dave Pearson** and **Al Finkelstein** for providing photos for this meeting.

Al Stimac spoke to the memory of **Jack Davis, Ed Strain, Lee Matsch, 'Spud' Peterson, Les Wills, Aldo Romanin** and **Karl Pfladderjohn**.

Our featured speaker, Sheriff Joe Arpaio, was unable to attend. **Don Schneidmiller**, Deputy Chief, Human Resources Bureau, spoke on various topics of interest to the attendees. He noted that Maricopa County has the 3rd largest sheriff's department in the country behind Cook County (IL) and LA County. He indicated that Sheriff Joe's use of the media is his way of maintaining contact with the electorate.

The Pink Underwear (as courageously modeled by Dick Dippold!) was introduced to the jails as a way to counter ex-cons who, upon release, would wear prison underwear with the name of the prison displayed as a way to gain 'street cred'. All moneys from sales of the Pink Underwear supports the Posse.

The meal size at the jails has been reduced over time because it was observed that inmates were gaining weight af-



ter incarceration. The cost of the reduced calorie meals is \$.40/day per inmate. Chief Schneidmiller called our attention to **TECHNO-COPS**, a feature at www.mcso.org. This site allows the public to seek information on deadbeat parents and open warrants. Its purpose is to allow the public to amplify and assist the reach of the Sheriff's Department. I checked and I have no outstanding warrants.

Next month's speaker will be our own **Jay Smyth**. His topic will be future rail travel opportunities for Arizona and beyond.

This month's charity donations were sent to **The Arizona Children's Organization** and **The Salvation Army**. A Thank You note was received from **Habitat for Humanity**. The 50/50 raffle winners were **Sam Kitaguchi** and **Linda MacDonald**.

A list of the charities from which the board chooses monthly donations is posted on the website. If you have a favorite charity you would like the club to consider for donations, please bring it to our attention.

We have lost track of the whereabouts of the following members -

Bob Rhodes

Bill & Leanna Bader

If you have any info, please contact **Diane Bennett**.

We are looking for volunteers to call members to remind them of upcoming meetings.

If willing to help, please contact **Diane Bennett**.

We welcome any member who wishes to speak to the meeting on a topic of general interest. To do so, please contact any Board Member immediately prior to the start of the meeting.

The Club issues new membership rosters each year. We ask you to properly destroy (shred) old rosters. This information is provided so that our members may stay in touch with good friends. We do not wish this information to fall into the hands of solicitation organizations or worse.

Please remember to wear your badge to meetings and functions. It sure helps in remembering names. If you have lost your badge, **Diane Bennett** can make you a new one for a \$2.00 charge.

Reminder - we no longer charge dues for the spouse of couples who are both retirees from AiResearch/ Garrett/ AlliedSignal/ Honeywell.

We are looking for **volunteers** to bring some of our non-driving West Side members to and from the meetings. If you are willing to help, please contact Al 480-218-7199.

Our monthly meetings are held at the **Scottsdale Senior Center, 1700 N. Granite Reef**, (just north of McDowell). The meetings are held on the first Wednesday of every month, September - May, except for December - our Holiday Luncheon. Our

social hour begins at **1:00 pm**, club business is conducted at **1:45 pm**, the presentation starts at **2:00 pm** and adjournment is at **3:00 pm**.

A board meeting is held prior to the regular meeting and all members are invited to attend.

We welcome any input and please send the editor any items that may be of interest to our members.

HELP EACH OTHER

If you need some assistance, e-mail s.mitnik@worldnet.att.net with your need and contact information.

AiResearch/Garrett Historical Information - **Ed Gammill**, Historian, asks that if you send /give him photos, please write on the back the names of everyone in the photo. Ed's contact info is on page 1.

The Club periodically receives information about employment opportunities that may be of interest to our members. We put notices in the newsletter and post them on the website when new opportunities become available.

NEWS YOU CAN USE

From **Mike Cryer** -

Marion Bustamante is planning a Golf outing to remember Raul and benefit the American Cancer Society. The event will be **December 5th** at **San Marcos Golf Course**.

Registration starts at 7AM with an 8AM Shotgun start for a 4 person scramble.

The \$95 fee includes Continental breakfast and lunch.

Tee sponsorships are \$150 and Raffle Prizes would be appreciated.

Individuals or groups can reach Mike at 480-897-1267 or cryerjm@yahoo.com.

From the Scottsdale Police-
Scottsdale is sponsoring **document shredding** events Oct. 31 at Sunflower Market (Miller and Camelback) and Nov. 7 at Target (Frank Lloyd Wright and the Loop 101).

The **Oak Street Gleaners** are looking for a few more volunteers to perform service activity on the last **Wednesday** of every month. Contact **Al Stimac** 480-218-7199 for more info.

Honeywell Health and Wellness Center memberships are available for retirees and their spouses at just \$10 per month per person. Get together with some of your buddies! Call them! Phoenix 602 -231-7920, Tempe 480-592-1389. **Wellness Center** info is also posted on our website.

**2009 Activity Calendar
Honeywell Retirees of
Arizona (Honeywell North):**

- Nov TBD Tent City
- Dec 3 Christmas Dinner and Dance
- Dec 7 Fall Golf Tournament. Download applications at their website.

More info at WWW.HRCAZ.ORG

Other Stuff

A lawyer boarded an airplane in New Orleans with a box of frozen crabs and asked a blonde stewardess to take care of them for him.

She took the box and promised to put it in the crew's refrigerator. He advised her that he was holding her personally responsible for them staying frozen, mentioning in a very haughty manner that he was a lawyer, and proceeded to rant at her about what would happen if she let them thaw out.

Needless to say, she was annoyed by his behavior.

Shortly before landing in New York, she used the intercom to announce to the entire cabin, "Would the gentleman who gave me the crabs in New Orleans, please raise your hand?"

Not one hand went up ...

So she took them home and ate them.

I was having trouble with my computer, so I called Jaden, the 9 year old next door whose bedroom looks like Mission Control, and asked him to come over.

Jaden clicked a couple of buttons and solved the problem.

As he was walking away, I called after him, 'So, what was wrong? '

He replied, 'It was an ID Ten T error.'

I didn't want to appear stupid, but nonetheless inquired, 'An, ID Ten T error? What's that in case I need to fix it again?'

Jaden grinned. 'Haven't you ever heard of an ID Ten T error before?'

No,' I replied.

'Write it down,' he said, 'and I think you'll figure it out.'

So I wrote down: I D 1 0 T
I used to like the little s**t.

An elderly couple was having dinner one evening when the husband reached across the table, took his wife's hand in his and said, "Martha, soon we will be married 50 years, and there's something I have to know. In all of these 50 years, have you ever been unfaithful to me?"

Martha replied, "Well Henry, I have to be honest with you. Yes, I've been unfaithful to you three times during these 50 years, but always for a good reason."

Henry was obviously hurt by his wife's confession, but said, "I never suspected. Can you tell me what you mean by 'good reasons'?"

Martha said, "The first time was shortly after we were married, and we were about to lose our little house because we couldn't pay the mortgage. Do you remember that one evening I went to see the banker and the next day he notified you that the loan would be extended?"

Henry recalled the visit to the banker and said, "I can forgive you for that. You saved our home, but what about the second time?"

Martha asked, "And do you remember when you were so sick, but we didn't have the money to pay for the heart surgery you needed? Well, I went to see your doctor one night and, if you recall, he did the surgery at no charge."

"I recall that," said Henry, 'and you did it to save my life, so of course I can forgive you for that. Now tell me about the third time."

"All right," Martha said. "So do you remember when you ran for president of your golf club, and you needed 73 more votes?"

An elderly Italian man who lived on the outskirts of Montecassino went to the local church for confession. When the priest slid open the panel in the confessional, the man said, 'Father, during World War II, a beautiful Jewish woman from our neighborhood knocked urgently on my door and asked me to hide her from the Nazis. So I hid her in my attic.'

The priest replied, 'That was a wonderful thing you did, my son! And you have no need to confess that.'

'There is more to tell, Father. She started to repay me with sexual favors. This happened several times a week, and sometimes twice on Sundays.'

The priest said, 'By doing that, you placed yourselves in great danger. However, two people under those circumstances can easily succumb to the weakness of the flesh. However, if you are truly sorry for your

actions, you are indeed forgiven.'

'Thank you, Father. That's a great load off my mind. But I do have one more question.'

'And what is that, my son?' asked the priest.

'Should I tell her the war is over?'

Aviation Axioms

Never let an airplane take you somewhere your brain didn't get to five minutes earlier.

Hovering is for pilots who love to fly but have no place to go.

The only time you have too much fuel is when you're on fire.

Flying is the second greatest thrill known to man. Landing is the first!

Everyone already knows the definition of a 'good' landing is one from which you can walk away. But very few know the definition of a 'great' landing. It's one after which you can use the airplane another time.

The probability of survival is equal to the angle of arrival.

You know you've landed with the wheels up when it takes full power to taxi.

Things which do you no good in aviation: altitude above you; runway behind you; fuel in the truck; half a second ago; approach plates in the car; or the airspeed you don't have.

Flying is not dangerous; crashing is dangerous.

A good simulator check ride is like successful surgery on a corpse.

Asking what a pilot thinks about the FAA is like asking a tree what it thinks about dogs.

Good judgment comes from experience and experience comes from bad judgment.

Being an airline pilot would be great if you didn't have to go on all those trips.

Aviation is not so much a profession as it is a disease.

It's a good landing if you can still get the doors open.

Takeoffs are optional. Landings are mandatory.

In Memory of our departed friends and co-workers

- EDWARD CARR**
- GEORGE DALLEY**
- RICHARD DROBISH**
- ROBERT HEMPEL**
- E. LADWIG**
- FLOYD MCQUILLEN**
- ROBERT SHUPP**
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