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#### JULY MEETING

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 2, at the Hangar. Social Hour at 6:00pm, dinner at 7:00 and the meeting at 8:00. For those of you who were fortunate enough to attend the Fish Fry at the last meeting, Chef/Col. Bob Miller has promised another gustatorial delight. This time it will be PORK. The type and method of cooking is still up in the air at this writing but whatever it is will be excellent, you can be assured. It is rumored that if the preparation is Hawaiian "Luau" style, Pat Kitchen will give us a demonstration of the hula. This is based on the additional rumor that Bill Kitchen was famous for giving hula lessons in a PB2Y back in 1943!!

## STAFF MEETING NEWS

At the last Staff Meeting we had a most cordial visit with Lou Nunno and his delightful daughter and business assistant, Cindy. As we are all aware, Lou and the Nunno Corporation have made the hangar and surrounding area available to us at a very nominal rate. They have also given us a pretty free rein with regard to what we have done around there which, on a couple of occasions, has caused them a bit of embarrassment with regard to their Conditional Use permit for the property, as viewed by the City Fathers.

The huge success of our last Fly-In, which was somewhat of a surprise to us as well, went a bit beyond a couple of guys fooling around with some older aircraft to the point where the Nunno group might have thought they had a tiger by the tail, hence the reason for the visit with us at the Staff Meeting.

We were asked for a very modest increase in rent for the hangar but at the same time we were made aware of their feelings about their contributions to us which have been substantial. In providing us with the hangar at a very reasonable rate they have obviously made a real dollar contribution to us which they could have easily recouped by renting to others. While we have certainly improved the property in many ways it has not necessarily been in such a

manner that is of any great value to the Nunno group.

In any event the meeting was, primarily, a clarification of the need for communication between all parties. The Nunno Corporation is, understandably, in business to make money and they also have a committment to the City to do certain things with the property. They are going to have to meet their obligations but at the same time they were good enough to ask us what we had in mind with regard to the property before they just went ahead and did whatever they wanted to do.

Obviously there are a number things we have to discuss as a group so please try to make it to the July meeting. It will be an important one!!

#### DUES

There are still a number of members who have not paid their dues for the year May 1, 1991/92. Please give this your attention. This is the only money we have for basic expenses and, to be perfectly frank about it, there are a number of members who are, literally, carrying the rest for a free ride. There are those who have made some serious voluntary additional contributions and there are others who have donated somewhat less but still in addition to their regular dues. ALL are appreciated and all are necessary to keep things going so please, don't let someone else pay your way. You can either pay at the meetings or checks can now be sent to Rosemary Netto, P.O. Box 88, San Miguel, CA 93451.

## TABLES

Speaking of donations we have been given plywood table tops, cut to size, with enough left over for shelving, by George and Rosemary Netto's daughter, Kathy. The only cost was a ride in the T28 after which it was reported that she wanted to contribute 100 more tops!!

Now we need six sets of folding legs. These are available from any good hardware store and they are available by mail order from a number of suppliers like Leichtung and others at a pretty fair price. How about it guys? A donation of a set of legs gets a free meal at the next THREE meetings and you can have the pleasure of putting your dimpled knees under your own contribution.

## IN APPRECIATION

We try to write a letter of appreciation to all those, especially non-members, who contribute in one way or another to our Squadron. Some of these contributions get pretty spectacular when you're talking lumber and hardware and



concrete and asphalt and there are those of us who may be completely unaware of some of these gifts. We thought, therefore, that we might start mentioning to the membership, over a period of time, the names of those who have contributed so generously so that we may, in turn, show our appreciation of them.

## Therefore, to Start With:

Pete Sanchez and crew for hauling the asphalt and providing the labor for both the apron in front of the hangar and the areas around the new pads. Also for providing the loader for all the leveling and ground work out front and for the water truck which keeps the whole area dust free during the fly-

We would not have the facilities we have today if it were not for the Sanchez crew and a lot of this work has been done at all hours of the day and night at some pretty inconvenient times for them.

They deserve our sincere thanks and support.

#### ADVERTISING

C'mon everybody, we need more. If you have a business or even just a card, send it in with \$30.00 and be enshrined on the ad page of our magnificent publication, read by millions, well...dozens, but all potential customers, buyers or, at least, messengers of good will. Thirty bucks buys stamps for the month or enough copy paper and labels to send out the rag for several months. Send a card and a check to Rosemary Netto at the address shown above and we will do the rest. Classified ads would be welcome as well. Do you have something you want to sell or swap or are you looking for that hidden Gauguin painted on the backside of a piece of fabric from a Curtis Pusher? Advertise in the Newsletter and the Lord knows what might happen!!

See you at the meeting. BE THERE!! It will be an important one.



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