Upcoming Events

SP-ACE MEETINGS
9/7, 9/21, 10/5, 10/19
6:30 PM-9:00 PM
For youth in the 8th grade to 20 years old

FIRST SUNDAY
OCTOBER 7TH
Open car cruise to classics & customs
Special events
Free airplane rides for kids 8-18
September 7th
9:00 AM-2:00 PM

VISIT US
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Santa Paula, CA 93060
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WE LOVE VOLUNTEERS!
Do you want to be involved with the Aviation Museum of Santa Paula? We can use you! We need people in the gift shop, hosts answering questions in the main museum, people helping to set up and take down, as well as many other important tasks. If you have a love for aviation, Santa Paula or just like to be involved with a great organization, we would love to talk with you!

Stay in touch and keep up-to-date with all our latest news, events and fun aviation information.

Instagram: @aviation_museum_sp
Facebook: @aviationmuseumofsantapaula/
On Saturday, August 25, The Aviation Museum of Santa Paula hosted their second Starlight Balloon Glow fundraiser event, to benefit the many programs they provide to the community. This event planned was run by volunteers of The Museum and overseen by balloonist and AMSP board member, Peggy Watson.

Guests arrived and were able to choose a seat at a round table draped in a black tablecloth with handmade hot air balloon centerpieces. A vintage tractor pulled a trailer with hay bales to sit on, as people got a narrated tour of the Santa Paula Airport.

The bar was staffed by 4 volunteers who were serving Strey Cellars wine, Hangar 24 Beer and 4 specialty mixed drinks. The delicious main course was a salad with feta cheese and a raspberry vinaigrette, smoked tri-tip and chicken, macaroni and cheese and sautéed zucchini, all made by Cowboy John's Smokin' BBQ. Guests were served by students, professionally dressed in white shirts and black pants, of Santa Paula High School's KeyClub.

For dessert, patrons were able to choose 2 sweet bundtlets in flavors of Red Velvet, lemon or chocolate-chocolate chip, that were provided by Nothing Bundt Cakes in Ventura. As the food was enjoyed, music from The Butch Giles & White Band entertained the crowd.

Participants were able to bid on over 70 silent auction items. Some of our amazing items included: a day with the SWAT TEAM, a day trip to the islands, a handmade purse, a flight in a Super Decathlon, beautiful jewelry and art, tons of gift certificates and so much more! Many of these wonderful donations were collected by members of the SP-ACE Club (Santa Paula Aviation Career Explorers), just one of the many programs that the AMSP sponsors.

As darkness fell, guests gathered close to the runway to witness the burners filling up the balloons and the colorful glow shined brighter than the full moon that was in the sky. Unfortunately, the wind was not cooperating & it wasn't safe to take people up in tethered rides, but the glow from the 10 balloons couldn't be a more beautiful site.

Thank you to all of the people that contributed to this event, our sponsors, vendors, volunteers, donors, and of course, our supporters of the Santa Paula Aviation Museum. We couldn't have done it without you!