Join us at our 4th “Biggest Little Airshow,” as it returns on August 20th and 21st. This year’s event, celebrating the Centennial of Naval Aviation, will be bigger and better than ever. Two full days of fighter jets, helicopters, dogfights, warbird reenactments, hands-on demonstrations, restored military vehicles, food, prizes, and fun for the whole family! In honor of the Centennial, we’ll have 100 aircraft on the tarmac (both actual and remote control models), candy bombings for the keiki, and free concerts.

Specialty acts to be performed by the Birds of Paradise Airshow Team include: Pattern, 3-D fixed wing and helicopter aerobatic flights, South Pacific battles, “Candy Bomber” drops, and a Skycam helicopter. We’ll have a variety of aircraft on display, including jets, helicopters, warbirds, B-17s, P-38s, Corsairs, OV-10s, and more.

You can also take free tours of Hangar 79, where you’ll get up close and personal with an F-14 Tomcat, F-15 Eagle, F-86 Sabre, P-40 Kittyhawk, MiG-15, and the Museum’s new “MiG Alley” Korean War exhibit. The best part is, admission to the Airshow and Hangar 79 is free! Simply drive to Ford Island, park at the Museum, or board our free shuttle from the Arizona Memorial/Pearl Harbor Visitor Center parking area. We hope to see you here!

SATURDAY, AUGUST 20 & SUNDAY, AUGUST 21
9:00 A.M.  
First free shuttle departs the Arizona Memorial parking area for Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor (shuttles run every 15 minutes throughout the event)
10:00 A.M.  
Color guard & military aircraft flyover open the airshow
11:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.  
Remote control air demonstrations
12:30 P.M.  
“Candy Bombers” flyover & candy drop for the keiki
12:30 P.M. – 2:00 P.M.  
Free concert
3:30 P.M.  
“Candy Bombers” flyover & candy drop for the keiki
4:00 P.M.  
Closing festivities
5:00 P.M.  
Last shuttle bus departs the Museum for Arizona Memorial/Pearl Harbor Visitor Center parking area
**T-Bird Lands at Ford Island**

It took over a year and an untold number of hours of behind-the-scenes work, but thanks to dozens of dedicated volunteers from the Museum, Hawaii Air National Guard, and Honolulu International Airport, it’s finally here. Our Lockheed T-33A Shooting Star s/n51-6533, also known as the T-Bird, arrived at the Museum in April.

The two-place T-Bird was designed for training pilots already qualified to fly propeller aircraft. It was developed from the single-seat P-80 fighter by lengthening the fuselage about three feet to accommodate a second cockpit.

The T-Bird made its first flight in 1948 and 6,557 T-Birds were built before production ceased in 1959. In addition to its use as a trainer, the T-Bird has been used for such tasks as drone director, target, and in some countries as a combat aircraft. The T-Bird is one of the world’s best-known aircraft, having served with the Air Forces of more than 20 different nations over several decades.

We welcome the T-Bird to our family of aircraft that call our Museum home.

We’ll help make your next party or special event “Take Flight”

Forget the balloons and streamers. We’ve got heroes and planes to serve as the backdrop for your next event. The Museum offers an event experience like no other. With over 100,000 square feet of indoor galleries and nearly unlimited outdoor space, the Museum can accommodate events of all sizes – from intimate meetings to military ceremonies, from birthday parties to wedding receptions and formal galas. Your guests will enjoy a special treat as they test their mettle in one of our combat flight simulators, a special add-on feature available for any event.

Our Special Events team is ready to help you begin planning your next spectacular event. Call (808) 441-1004, email SpecialEvents@PacificAviationMuseum.org, or visit us online at www.PacificAviationMuseum.org.
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT

The rusty Ford Island Control Tower’s time has come. We have said for three years that we needed to “Save the Tower.” That time is upon us and the long-awaited restoration has started.

Three years ago, we engaged Mason Architects to evaluate the tower and create a plan to stabilize the structure and stop its deterioration. Those plans were submitted to the Navy last November. Earlier this year, Kiewit Building Group was chosen as the contractor, and in April the work began.

Today, surrounded by scaffolding and hidden behind a white containment cover, you can no longer see that old red and white tower. Work is progressing quickly, with rusted steel and hazardous materials being removed, followed by sand blasting and a new coat of red & white paint. Our goal is to be ready for our 5th anniversary dinner on December 1st and the 70th anniversary of Pearl Harbor.

The refurbishment of the Ford Island Control Tower, a historical monument to Hawaii, will be preserved for all of our visitors to enjoy.

Thanks to our architects, contractor, and all the people who are working to “Save the Tower.” And, thank you for your continued support in making this project possible.

Mahalo
Ken DeHoff

MUSEUM STORE OFFERS 10% DISCOUNT, FUN NEW ITEMS

Museum members, get 10% off your gift store purchases! If it’s been a while since you last visited our store, we have some great adult t-shirt designs, including the iconic Control Tower, a Flying Tiger, and Rosie the Riveter. Pick up two t-shirts for just $30.

Going a bit retro, we now have military aircraft Shrinky Dinks in stock. What a great project for you and an aspiring aviator to build your own planes! And while you’re at it, why not dress the part by donning a pair of aviator goggles, hat, and scarf?

If “Top Gun” is more your style, check out our aviator sunglasses from Eagle Eyes, the only sunglasses certified by the Space Foundation. Speaking of space, Neapolitan flavored astronaut ice cream and vanilla ice cream sandwiches are now just three for $10. Yum! Stop by the store, or shop online.
2011 Year to Date Contributions (As of March 2011)

**Individual**

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- Merlin Anderson
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**Mahalo to Our Volunteers!**

Did you know we have over 120 dedicated volunteers who guide guests through the Museum, assist in restoration projects, and support the administrative staff? To recognize these amazing volunteers, we held a Volunteer Appreciation Dinner on April 29th with 90 in attendance.

During the event, Maripaul Cosper was announced as the Volunteer of the Year. Since Maripaul recently relocated to California, we set up a Skype connection to award her plaque over a video monitor. As guests and fellow volunteers waited patiently for Maripaul to appear on the monitor, she surprised us all by walking in to accept her award in person! There were cheers and tears to see our devoted volunteer once again show her dedication for the family and friends of our Museum.

**Sign up for our e-Newsletter at**
Celebrating Our 4th Anniversary

Our 4th anniversary dinner was held last December on a beautiful, balmy night, silhouetted by vintage airplanes and themed by 1940’s musical entertainment by The Hot Club of Hulaville. Guests were delighted with the Asian fusion cuisine and fine wines provided by Chef Chai of Chai’s Island Bistro. Highlights of the evening included Jim Nabors receiving his Honorary Naval Wings, and the excitement of prizes to be won in the Windsock Challenge. Thank you to the following sponsors for their generous support:

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Lights, Camera, TV!

These past few months, we’ve had two major syndicated television programs research and film their productions at our Museum.

PBS’s History Detectives filmed the first episode of its ninth season on the story of the Ni‘ihau incident and did much of its investigative filming and reporting from our Museum. PBS also ventured to the island of Ni‘ihau and filmed interviews there. This season–opening episode will air on June 21st at 8:00 p.m. on PBS.

The very popular television show Ghost Hunters filmed and recorded using TAPS (The Atlantic Paranormal Society) equipment over the course of seven nights at our Museum for their seventh season. Spoiler alert:

Yes, they did record evidence of paranormal activity, but those of us who work here already knew that! The episode aired in a one-hour special on June 1st on the SyFy channel. You can also watch full episodes on hulu.com. Stay tuned, there is more to come!
CALendar of UpcoMing Events

June 18, 2011
Hangar Talk

July 4, 2011
Home of the Brave Quilt Project

July 16, 2011
Hangar Talk

August 20 & 21, 2011
Biggest Little Airshow on Ford Island

September 5, 2011
Home of the Brave Quilt Project

September 17, 2011
Hangar Talk

October 15, 2011
Hangar Talk

November 11, 2011
Home of the Brave Quilt Project

November 19, 2011
Hangar Talk

December 1, 2011
5th Anniversary Gala

December 7, 2011
Home of the Brave Quilt Project
Holland American Legion Band
70th Anniversary of the Attack
on Pearl Harbor

Please see the website calendar for more dates and information.