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Governor Abercrombie, Dignitaries to Attend “Touching the Tigers” Presentation by Madame Li Xiaolin Honoring Flying Tiger Lt. Glen Beneda

Honolulu, HI—Madame Li Xiaolin, president of the Chinese People’s Association for Friendship with Foreign Countries, and daughter of former Chinese President Li Xiannian, will present her new documentary, *Touching the Tigers*, at Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor Monday, January 30, 2012, from 4:30 to 7pm.

The public is invited to attend the evening, which will take place in front of “The Flying Tigers” exhibit in Hangar 79, includes a lion dance, music, and a pupu reception.

Touching the Tigers, a 15-minute documentary, is the story of American Flying Tigers pilot Lt. Glen Beneda, who was shot down in his fighter jet and wounded while defending China from Japanese forces during World War II on his 81st mission with the 14th Air Force. Beneda was rescued by Chinese farmers and soldiers and escorted to a U.S. air base where he received aid and an unforgettable attachment to the Chinese people. Mr. Beneda’s family will be in attendance at the Museum event.

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The China Children's Choir of Beijing will perform. A lion dance and a pupu reception will be a part of the festivities. Pacific Aviation Museum Board Chairman Admiral Ronald Hays, USN (Ret.), Hawaii Governor Neil Abercrombie, and General Gary North, USAF, will be in attendance and will speak.

The price for the event is \$25 for Museum members and \$35 for non-members. Tickets are available online at PacificAviationMuseum.org. The Ford Island shuttle will be extended for the evening so guests may park at the Arizona Memorial parking lot and take the shuttle to and from the Museum. No bags are allowed on the shuttle. Baggage storage at the Arizona Memorial will be open for the event.

Reservations are required by Sunday, January 29. Please call the Museum at 441-1007 or email [SpecialEvents @PacificAviationMuseum.org](mailto:SpecialEvents@PacificAviationMuseum.org).

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