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“For Love of Country, Pass it On!” – Gala at Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor Honored Pearl Harbor And World War II Survivors and Veterans

Honolulu, HI, Saturday, December 3, 2016—“Remember Pearl Harbor,” once a call to arms, tonight served as a reminder of resilience, hope and a commitment to peace and friendship as 1,400 guests attended Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor’s gala, 6 to 10p.m. Themed “*For Love of Country - Pass It On,*” the evening paid honor to the WWII and Pearl Harbor veterans and survivors who were invited as honored guests. It also raised much-needed funds for the Museum’s Education and Restoration projects.

Music, dining, auctions, special guests including actor Gary Sinise, Jim Nabors, and Gold Medal recipient Col. Bud Anderson, plus an atmosphere and entertainment that took one back in time, turned the Museum’s 89,000 sq. ft. WWII Hangar 79—its windows still riddled with bullet holes from the attack on December 7, 1941—into a ballroom. Janice and Marc Mondavi of Mondavi Winery opened the evening with an Aloha toast with Mondavi’s Purple Heart vintage.

Gathering on the hallowed grounds of Ford Island where the first bombs fell at Pearl Harbor, guests and sponsors helped support the vision to restore, steward, and protect this historic site as both a tribute to the past and a source of inspiration for the future.

Museum Executive Director Kenneth DeHoff said, “This year’s gala was like no other as we not only marked our Museum’s 10th anniversary, but the 75th anniversary of the bombing of Pearl Harbor. It was an evening of tribute and gratitude.”

Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Its mission is to develop and maintain an internationally recognized aviation museum on Historic Ford Island that educates young and old alike, honors aviators and their support personnel who defended freedom in The Pacific Region, and to preserve Pacific aviation history. Contact 808-441-1000; *PacificAviationMuseum.org*.

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