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(For more information on all Museum Events listed below: 808-441-1007, or the number listed with the event. Discounted tickets are available online at *PacificAviationMuseum.org*)

## **Upcoming Events** **At Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor** **January 2017 – March 2017**

**January 3-4 – Astrophotography Workshop, 8:30 am – 3:30 pm.** The workshop is part of the Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory's Youth Capture the Colorful Cosmos III (YCCC III) program, offering students in grades 5-8 the opportunity to research, explore and photograph the cosmos using telescopes owned and maintained by the Harvard Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics. The goal of the program is to use hands-on exercises to teach youth how to control the Micro Observatory robotic telescopes over the Internet, and to take their own images of the universe. Cost is \$90 for Museum Members, \$99 for non-members.

**February 4 – Tuskegee Airmen Hangar Talk, 11 am.** The Museum will pay tribute to the Tuskegee Airmen and the vital role they played during World War II with special exhibits and presentations, guest appearances, and hands-on activities. Visitors can meet **WWII Tuskegee Airman Pilot Charles McGee**. Colonel McGee fought in WWII, Korea and Vietnam, and holds the record for the highest three-war total of fighter combat missions of any pilot in the U.S.

Air Force history. Colonel McGee began his military service as one of the Tuskegee Airmen in the 332<sup>nd</sup>, famed pioneers who fought racial prejudices to fly and fight for the country during WWII. During his military career, Colonel McGee was awarded the Legion of Merit with Cluster, three Distinguished Flying Crosses, the Bronze Star and the Air Medal (twenty-five times). The event is being held in conjunction with Black History Month. Free with Museum admission, free to Museum Members, and free day for Navy League members with I.D.

**March 4 – Open Cockpit Day, 10 am – 4pm.** Kids of all ages can climb into the cockpit of one of several of our historic aircraft and talk story with pilots. Flight suits and helmets provided. Visitors are encouraged to bring their cameras. Free with Museum admission and free to Museum Members.

**March 20—23 Explorers Club, 9am – 3:45pm daily.** A four-day STEM program for students in grades 3-5 with an aviation related theme. Students will be introduced to different aviation or aerospace topics culminating in a final open house for family and friends. Price is \$240 per student (\$216 Museum Members) and includes all program fees, lunches, snack, and a program T-Shirt.

Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor is located on Historic Ford Island, where bombs fell during the attack on Pearl Harbor, December 7, 1941. Visitors to the Museum can see remnants from that day of infamy, including the 158-foot tall, red and white iconic Ford Island Field Control Tower, Hangars 37 and 79, and bullet holes in Hangar 79. Through its preservation and restoration of World War II fighter planes and accompanying artifacts in the Museum's historic hangars, Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor shares the story of the vital role aviation played in America's winning of World War II, and its continuing role in maintaining America's freedom.

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;  
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