



# PLANES OF FAME AIR MUSEUM

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*Honoring*  
**Col. C.E. 'Bud' Anderson**  
*Legendary WWII Triple Ace  
Fighter Pilot*

*You are invited!*

8th ANNUAL

TASTE OF FLIGHT  
*Gala*

SATURDAY  
OCTOBER 25, 2014



- WINE TASTING
- BEER TASTING
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## 8TH ANNUAL 'TASTE OF FLIGHT' GALA FUND-RAISER

**'TASTE OF FLIGHT' GALA,  
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2014**

We are excited to announce Col. C.E. 'Bud' Anderson, Legendary WWII triple ace fighter pilot, will be this year's honored Guest Speaker at our 8th annual 'Taste of Flight' Gala fund-raiser!

The 'Taste of Flight' Gala, is a special evening event that includes; a silent auction of incredible items, special luxury packages, and aviation treasures, as well as wine tasting from key Paso Robles vintners, beer tasting from noted breweries, Chopin vodka tasting, delicious food from gourmet eateries, entertainment, access to our one-of-a-kind aviation museum, and other special guests like renowned artist Chris Demarest. Chris devotes his memorable art to painting intimate portraits of real World War II veterans in their prime, each accompanied with that veteran's story.

Funds raised at the 'Taste of Flight' Gala event benefit the Planes of Fame Air Museum's programs and activities, including the Aviation Discovery Center for children, as well as supports new displays and aircraft preservation, including the P-59 aircraft restoration project.

### More about our Keynote Speaker...

U.S.A.F. Colonel C.E. 'Bud' Anderson is a WWII Triple Ace fighter pilot and a veteran military experimental test pilot. During WWII he served two combat tours escorting heavy bombers over Europe in the P-51 Mustang. He flew 116 combat missions (480 hrs) and destroyed 16 and 1/4 enemy aircraft in aerial combat and another one on the ground.

Other assignments in Bud's 30 years of continuous military service include duty as: Commander of an F-86 Squadron in post-war Korea, Commander of

an F-105 Wing on Okinawa, and two assignments to the Pentagon as an advanced R&D staff planner and as Director of Operational Requirements. Further, he served in Southeast Asia where he was



**Colonel C.E. "Bud" Anderson through the years of his illustrious aviation career.**

Commander of the 355th Tactical Fighter Wing.

Col. Anderson was decorated 25 times. His awards include two Legion of Merits, five Distinguished Flying Crosses, the Bronze Star, 16 Air Medals, the French Legion of Honor and the French Croix de Guerre, as well as many campaign and service ribbons.

In 1990 Col. Anderson wrote an autobiography which has been described by the Historian of the Air Force as "the finest pilot memories of WWII". His book is titled "To Fly and Fight".

Tickets for the 8th annual 'Taste of Flight' Gala are **ON SALE NOW!** If you want to support the Planes of Fame Air Museum (a 501(c)(3) independent nonprofit organization), and want to enjoy a unique night of food, drink, fun and excitement, visit our web site, [www.planesoffame.org](http://www.planesoffame.org), to get you tickets today. Hurry! This event is expected to sell out quickly!

Sponsorships are still available! Benefits of sponsoring the event include an invitation to the VIP Reception for you and your guests and a table right up front for the presentation, as well as other special incentives. To become a 'Taste of Flight' sponsor, contact **Karen Hinton at (909) 597-4754, or [karen.hinton@planesoffame.org](mailto:karen.hinton@planesoffame.org).**

Help us "Keep 'em Flying" by joining us at the event or becoming a sponsor!

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# 2014 RENO AIR RACES HIGHLIGHTS



pic: Trent Colburn

Photo finish: one of the closest Unlimited Gold Race finishes in the history of the Reno Air Races.



pic: Frank Mormillo

And the winner by just the turn of a propeller prop: Steven Hinton flying the P-51 VooDoo.



pic: Frank Mormillo

Celebration! Steven Hinton shares the coveted Gold Race trophy with VooDoo Owners & Team.



pic: Ryan Coulter

2nd Place goes to... PoF friend Sherman Smoot (Bella Luna Winery) in the Yak-11, Czech Mate.



pic: Andrea Eldridge

Representing PoF: John Hinton, Rick McCoy, Steve Hinton, Chris Fahey, Cory O'Bryan, Kevin Eldridge

## PROUD PARENTS

Planes of Fame Air Museum President, Steve Hinton, and his wife, Founder Ed Malony's daughter, Karen Hinton, celebrate their son Steven Hinton's 6th straight Reno Air Races Gold win in the P-51 Mustang racer VooDoo.



Lft to Rt: Steve Hinton, Steven Hinton, Karen Hinton

pic: Frank Mormillo

## President's Message



Planes of Fame Air Museum President Steve Hinton with the F-86F Sabre.

The months since our "Salute to the Mighty Eighth" Airshow last May have been good for us at Planes of Fame. We continue to look forward to the future building the collection and improving the experience at Planes of Fame in Chino and Valle / Grand Canyon. Several milestones come to mind. One was the completion of a Swiss Pilatus trainer aircraft. Planes of Fame was able to acquire this aircraft through a generous donation from Mike Walton back in 2002. It remained in storage until Kent Holiday and Simon Driver took this aircraft on as a project in 2011. They trucked it cross country to Austin Texas, inspected it, assembled it and repaired it as necessary. They went through the lengthy steps with the FAA to certify it for flight and flew off the required test flights. Then Simon flew it 1500 miles to deliver it just in time for the Airshow last May. The Pilatus is a valuable asset to the flying collection.

After literally thousands of volunteer hours and a generous contribution from Planes of Fame member Robert Nishimura, our staff successfully had a preview opening of our new library. This library will officially open November 15 and continue to grow as time goes on. This will be a valuable source of information for our members and volunteers.

Our upcoming "Taste of Flight" on October 25th will feature Col. Bud Anderson as guest speaker. Bud Anderson is famous for his accomplishments as a pilot in the Army Air Corps and USAF. Bud was a triple ace and test pilot for more than 25 years. We are all very honored and excited that Bud has agreed to tell us his story during this special evening event.

Our B-17, DC3, Navion, P-59, ME109 and 0-47 restorations continue to progress. Our Zero is undergoing an overhaul as well. We originally restored the Zero to fly 35 years ago and now is the time to look it over and update this priceless piece of history. The P-38 and Corsair took a mini airshow tour to Seattle to be part of Paul Allen's annual Airfest then to Sacramento, Santa Rosa, Redding and now they are back home. This mini tour allowed thousands of people to watch our Planes of Fame machines at work.

September also brought us the 51st Reno Air Races. For the last 21 years I have flown the Planes of Fame T-33 as the pace/safety plane for the Unlimited class event. On Sunday for the Gold Race, after I released the racers at 475 mph and announced "Gentlemen you have a race," I watched with great amazement and respect to see our own Steven Hinton win his 6th unlimited championship in the modified P-51 Voodoo. Stevo dominated the event again and made it look easy.

In closing, I want to continue to thank all our sponsors, members, volunteers, staff and visitors for making Planes of Fame a special experience.

**Keep 'em flying!**

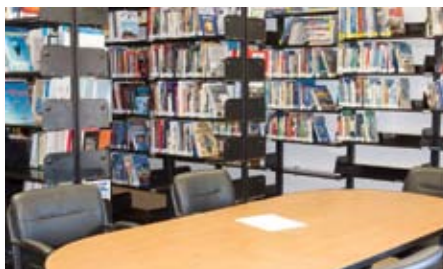
**Steve Hinton**  
President





## GRAND OPENING OF PLANES OF FAME RESEARCH LIBRARY

It is with great pleasure that Planes of Fame announces the Grand Opening of the Planes of Fame Research Library is scheduled for Saturday, November 15, 2014. Last November 162 dedicated volunteers catalogued 7,500 books during "ArchivaPalooza" which gave us a jump start on cataloguing our large book



Lisa Collinsworth, Planes of Fame Archive and Collections Manager enjoying a book in the new Research Library.

collection. Now, after a tremendous amount of work from our volunteers who have labeled and

organized those books onto shelves since ArchivaPalooza, we are ready to open the Research Library. The Grand Opening festivities will include a ribbon cutting, library tours and Book Fair. Please join us as we celebrate this huge accomplishment and wonderful resource.

By: Karen Hinton

### 2014 YEAR-END APPEAL

Thank you for your support of Planes of Fame Air Museum! Thanks to your generosity, so much is happening at the Museum. Museum attendance is way up. New displays are up for the FB-5, P-26, N9M and P-12. The Wright Brothers display is coming along nicely and should be finished by the end of the year. Progress has also been made on a new 91st Bomb Group display. And the new donor recognition display should be up in the Biedebach lobby by year's end.

Over 300 students visited Planes of Fame in May as Audra Mesa, our Education Coordinator, rolled out new modules that meet with Common Core standards. Our volunteers

are shelving the newly catalogued books and the Reading Room grand opening is set for November 15th. We partnered once again with the folks at Disney for the opening of "Planes: Fire and Rescue" at the El Capitan theater for the run of the film there.

Airshow 2014 featured the aircraft and veterans of the Mighty 8th and was a tremendous success. We broke the prior attendance record, welcoming 30,000 aviation enthusiasts to the show. The P-59 B-17, Navion, Me-109 and O-47 restoration projects are progressing well. All this is possible because of your support, thank you!

We have an amazing group of

volunteers working on these and more programs at Planes of Fame. Will you help us again by giving a year end contribution? Your gift will allow Planes of Fame Air Museum to honor the sacrifices of our veterans by keeping the aircraft, very visible memorials, on display and flying. Museums are the repository of our nation's history and with your support, we will be able to continue the improvement of displays at the Museum for the benefit of all our visitors, keeping that history alive.

I hope you will be able to visit the Museum soon to see the results of your generosity. The very best to you and your family throughout the upcoming holiday season and into the New Year!

## NEWEST A/C ADDITION TO PLANES OF FAME AIR MUSEUM

Introducing the Pilatus P-2. There are only two Pilatus P-2 aircraft in the United States, and the one at Planes of Fame Air Museum is the only one flying in all of North and South America.

The Pilatus P-2 was donated by Mr. Mike Walton. It was restored to flying condition by Kent Holiday and Simon Diver in Georgetown, Texas.

The Pilatus P-2 was flown out to the Planes of Fame earlier this year and flown in the Planes of Fame Airshow, May 3rd and 4th, 2014.

This aircraft is rather unique in that it has the cockpit (and other parts as well) of a German Messerschmitt BF-109 E, "E MI1" fighter aircraft.



pic: Frank Mormillo



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