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AIRVENTURE ATTENDEES GET THEIR HANDS ON HISTORY IN REDBIRD P-40 SIMULATOR

To commemorate the 75th anniversary of Pearl Harbor, Redbird has built a custom P-40 motion simulator.

Oshkosh, WI (July 25, 2016) – Redbird Flight has built a custom, full-motion simulator of a Curtiss P-40 Warhawk to commemorate the 75th anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor. The simulator, based on Redbird's MX2 platform, will be displayed during AirVenture at the Pacific Aviation Museum exhibit (Main Aircraft Display Space 445). Attendees can take part in history as they fly over Pearl Harbor. The project was a result of a partnership between Redbird Flight, A2A Simulations, FLYING, and the Pacific Aviation Museum.

While the P-40 squadrons based in Hawaii suffered crippling losses that day, several pilots did manage to get their Warhawks into the fight. Redbird used one of these aircraft, flown by Major George Welch, as the model for its one-of-a-kind simulator. Welch, who was a 2nd Lieutenant at the time, was one of the few pilots that managed to get a fighter airborne while under fire and shot down multiple Japanese aircraft. He was later awarded the Distinguished Service Cross for his notable actions.

"The Pacific Aviation Museum's theme for the 75th anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor is 'Honoring the Past, Inspiring the Future' and we're proud to be able to bring this simulator to AirVenture and do just that," said Redbird Flight CEO, Todd Willinger. "It is an honor to commemorate this event and help tell the story of this important date in world history."

This is not the first time Redbird has brought a custom simulator to AirVenture. In 2012, Redbird brought a yellow J-3 Piper Cub simulator to AirVenture to celebrate the 75th birthday of the aircraft. AirVenture 2013 saw Redbird develop a Yak-52 simulator for the Aerostar flight team and the 2014 edition of the annual airshow played host to a custom Dusty Crophopper that Redbird designed and built for Disney.

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About Redbird Flight Simulations, Inc.

Redbird Flight Simulations of Austin, TX was established in 2006 with the specific purpose of making aviation more accessible by using modern technology and careful engineering. Since its inception, Redbird has delivered innovative, reliable, and high-quality training devices to flight schools, colleges, universities and individual pilots around the world. With more than 1,500 devices in service worldwide, Redbird has quickly become the fastest growing and most innovative simulator provider in the industry. For more information, please visit www.redbirdflight.com.

About the Pacific Aviation Museum

The mission of Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor is to develop and maintain an internationally recognized aviation museum on Ford Island that educates young and old alike, honors aviators and their support personnel who defended freedom in the Pacific Region and preserves Pacific aviation history.