

Dear Airshow Organizer,

We are the committee that organizes and coordinates the civilian warbird side of the Navy's Legacy Flight program.

Unfortunately, due to huge budget cuts, the Navy has informed us that they will not be able to support us with any funds for 2010. The civilian side of Legacy Flight was a "volunteer" program for the first few years, then the Navy helped pick up the cost of fuel to fly to the shows, and a minimal amount to help cover maintenance and insurance. The civilian pilots have always volunteered their service in exchange for the pride of flying our civilian warbirds along side active duty Navy pilots, in support of the Navy's recruiting program.

While the Navy does not have funding for the civilian warbird side of Legacy Flight for 2010, they are fairly confident that funds will be available for us to again be partially funded for the Centennial of Naval Aviation in 2011, and have planned a busy airshow schedule for us two years from now.

For those that have applied for an F/A-18 Hornet TACDEMO for your show. We would ask that you also consider sponsoring a Navy Legacy Flight w. a Corsair, Bearcat, Skyraider, Fury, or Buckeye. For \$5,000, and fuel for the airshow, you will present your crowds an amazing demonstration of Naval Aviation history and help us keep the Navy Legacy Flight program alive. While deciding to sponsor a Legacy Flight will not guarantee you a TACDEMO Hornet demonstration, the Navy has always appreciated the additional recruiting power of a Legacy Flight ... and that is the primary reason for their aerial demonstration programs like the Blue Angels, Leapfrogs and Hornet TACDEMO. Also, if you consider sponsoring a Legacy Flight in 2010, we'll put you at the top of the list when our funding hopefully returns in 2011 for our Centennial of Naval Aviation Year!

If you would consider generously sponsoring a Legacy Flight at your airshow in 2010, please contact Alan Anders or Rich Sugden at the email addresses below with the name, date and contact info for your show, along with any warbird preference. We'll notify NAVCO (LT Allard) to add it to your DD-2535 application, and see that you get all the required information. If you have a requirement for a specific warbird, we will do everything we can to make it happen, though it may require some additional funding if the plane you are requesting is not based near your show.

We hope you will consider sponsoring us to fly for your show in 2010! Several of us will be at ICAS in Las Vegas Dec. 6-9 stop by our booth and tell us about your airshow.

Thanks for your support!

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