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HONORING the AMERICAN SPIRIT

Book a club outing with us!



Preserve - Educate - Inspire

Please join us at events. Your support is important to our success.

- ◆ Share our mission with your friends.
- ◆ Donate/volunteer when you can.
- ◆ Follow us on social media
- ◆ Remember us in your Estate Planning
- ◆ Join our Golfathon Team: Celebration DATE Sept 19
- ◆ VIP Christmas Gala Dec. 11th, 2021
- ◆ Veterans Coffee Club to Resume: June 17th, 10:am
- ◆ Veterans Coffee club 3rd Thursday 10:am to 11:30 am

The Lacey Lady will fly again to Honor the American Spirit.
A spirit we must preserve to educate and inspire generations.

Join the "Top Flight Challenge"! Participants needed!

Contact Fred Bremner: fbremner@comcast.net

**Celebration Date:
Sept. 19th, 2021**

**This Golfathon raised \$30,000 in 2020
Money raised establishes a fund to hire
a full time mechanic!**

General Aviation Fly-In McNary Airfield

**August 14th, Saturday
10:am to 4:00**

Fly-In/Drive-In for food/tours and the American Spirit!



Flights scheduled at AZCAF.org/tour
Ground tours-CAF & B-17 Alliance: 9 to 4 daily

Arrival Celebration: August 30: 11Am to 1:pm
Group/Student & Bus Tours call 971-803-2428

VIP Events Available

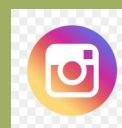
Veteran Appreciation Day – Sept. 2

Gate Admission \$15.00

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From the CEO

Jayson Scott is the Grandson of the late Art Lacey, the original pilot of the Gas Station Bomber. He grew up in the family business and alongside this B-17 Flying Fortress that is known around the world. It was his inspiration that convinced the family to look at this aircraft differently. It was more than a canopy for their gas station; it was a rare historical treasure that needed to be preserved for future generations.

The story of the Lacey Lady, like the war she represents, includes episodes of drama, narrow escapes, bravery, and even humor. My grandfather, Art Lacey, rescued this B-17G from the military scrap yard in Altus, Oklahoma and somehow managed to fly it to Oregon in 1947. Family lore suggests he did it for two reasons. First, he thought a bomber would make a great — if not eyebrow-raising — canopy for his gas station. Second, a friend bet him \$5.00 it couldn't be done. Suffice to say, my grandfather raised more than a few eyebrows and his friend lost the bet.

As a canopy, the plane did its job admirably. But after nearly 70 years of harsh Oregon winters and assaults from birds and vandals, the Lacey Lady was exhausted. One could almost hear her sigh of relief as she was dismantled and taken to a restoration hangar at Salem's McNary Field.

Restoring a 70-year-old plane to airworthy condition creates a unique set of challenges. There simply are no replacement parts available for a B-17 Bomber. Engineers, mechanics, and machinists work from Boeing's original blueprints to reconstruct many of the parts needed. Thanks to their time and effort many sections of this Flying Fortress are being restored.

While these accomplishment are encouraging it also reminds us of how much more there is to do. The B-17 is a massive aircraft. Its wingspan is more than 103 feet; its length exceeds 75 feet. The wing area alone is more than 1400 square feet. Before the Lacey Lady can be declared airworthy, every square inch must be disassembled, carefully inspected, and then repaired or restored to precise specifications. There is no room for error.

Community support is strong and growing. Crew members donated more than 11,000 hours in 2019. Crew leaders are evolving and teams are forming with a goal of a 5 day work week by year end. There are many areas of need. Your support makes a difference. Whether you donate, volunteer or share our mission, we welcome your help.

Please stay in touch and share your experience with others.

Jayson Scott—Chief Executive Officer

Your financial contributions will help Preserve American History.

Please send donation to B-17 Alliance Foundation:

3278 25th St. SE, Salem, OR. 97302

I want to see the Lacey Lady fly again! I will give

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