



# STALLION 51

## WINTER 2016 NEWSLETTER



### **P-51 Fun Fact**

In 1944, the Truman Senate War Investigating Committee labeled the Mustang as "the most aerodynamically perfect pursuit plane in existence."

### **Gift Certificates Available!**

Stallion 51 Gift Certificates are a unique gift idea for the aviation enthusiast! Contact Stallion 51 for more information.

### **Stallion 51 on Facebook**

 Over 11,000 people have chosen to Like Us on facebook! You can link to our Facebook page on the home page of [www.Stallion51.com](http://www.Stallion51.com).

### **Robert Tomczak Joins Stallion 51 Corporation**

Robert J (Zak) Tomczak has joined Stallion 51's Team as Safety Officer consultant for its flight operations relating to the T-6 Texan and P-51 Mustang.

Mr. Tomczak is the President of Peregrine Defense Solutions, LLC, an independent aviation safety consulting company that offers program management to a select list of corporations involved in unique flight operations.

Zak, as he is known, has an impressive background as a retired USAF colonel, retired Director of International Business Development for Lockheed Martin, and seasoned pilot. To read more about Zak, visit <http://www.stallion51.com/about/about-tomczak.shtml>.

### **2016 Air Show Season Comes to an End, SUN 'n FUN 2017 Planning Begins**

Air show season traditionally starts and ends in Florida. The first shows of the year start in March and are a preamble to SUN 'n FUN. Then the shows and aircraft migrate north for the summer before winding down to finish up in Florida in November. Lee flew his last air show of the season at the Wings Over Homestead Air Show November 5th and 6th. Lee performed his signature, solo Mustang demonstration routine to the "Empire of the Sun" movie sound track. His graceful and effortless moves betray the "g's" that he pulls throughout his 10 minute routine. You can see Lee's air show routine from his point of view from inside the cockpit of "Crazy Horse 2" by watching this video.

SUN 'n FUN 2017 will be April 4th -9th in Lakeland, Florida. Stallion 51 will be there as usual, but this year we will be celebrating our 30th Anniversary! Stay tuned into our Facebook page and website for more information on what we have planned to celebrate three decades of making Mustang Memories and fulfilling flying fantasies! You can bet we will be celebrating "stallion style"!

If you've already started to plan your trip, check in with [www.experiencekissimmee.com](http://www.experiencekissimmee.com) for great hotel deals for the whole family to come for not only the Ultimate Aviation Vacation but also all the family friendly attractions in Kissimmee.

### **Stallion 51 Chief Pilot, Lee Lauderback, Accepted into the Society of Experimental Test Pilots**

Lee Lauderback has been the chief flight instructor for Stallion 51 Corp. since he founded the flight operation three decades ago. In that time he has amassed over 21,000 flight hours in all types of aircraft, including over 9,000 hours in the Mustang. His expertise and vast experience has earned him the distinction of being an FAA Experimental Aircraft Examiner, and he is often called upon to flight-test various vintage planes, helicopters and turbojets before they are accepted. Lee has expanded his aviation knowledge and experience to include flying the F-15 Eagle, F-16 Viper and F/A-18 Hornet, and he has test-flown the Hawker Beechcraft T-6 Texan II and also instructed students at the Navy Test Pilot School in Patuxent River, Maryland.

Lee's extensive aviation background and experience led him to be accepted as a member of the Society of Experimental Test Pilots at the 60th Annual Symposium on September 22-25, 2016. To read more about Lee's recognition by SETP, visit <http://www.stallion51.com/news.php?i=47>.

### **P-51 Mustang Story Inspires Local Hospital Leaders**

Florida Hospital's Senior Executive Officer, Bradley, has not only been fascinated by the style and performance of the P-51 Mustang, but also inspired by those who designed and built the Mustang in record time. Ken Bradley wanted to share this story with his hospital leaders and directors to demonstrate what can be accomplished when everyone aims for the same goal.

Ken brought 30 of his senior staff to Stallion 51 for lunch and a discussion about the dedication that not only developed and built the Mustang, but also helped win WWII.

Ken and his staff were inspired by the stories of America's ultimate team during WWII and felt that the team building field trip "exceeded his expectations and his mission was accomplished." The hospital team also had the opportunity to learn more about the Mustang and the technology that keeps Stallion 51's Mustangs flying 75 years later.

To read more about their team building exercise, visit <http://www.stallion51.com/news.php?i=45>.