## AAHS 2015 Annual Meeting A Day to Share Flying, Fun & History

**The American Aviation Historical Society** welcomes members and guests to the AAHS Annual Meeting, Saturday February 7<sup>th</sup> for the sharing of aviation history both personal and global. The day abounds with aviation experiences you'll not want to miss, including a fly-in, restoration workshop, a gourmet lunch speaker program and historic aircraft tour.

The Annual Meeting event starts with a vintage fly-in, in partnership with the Antique Aircraft Association and the International Stinson Club. Flabob's grass runway will afford many great photo opportunities of taildraggers landing on one of the few remaining grass strips in Southern California.

Sipping coffee and munching donuts, listen in to the experiences of several high school students completing the restoration of a historic Stinson 108, and meet John Underwood, author of 'The Stinsons' and several articles on the Stinson Aircraft Company.

Over a gourmet lunch, hear a close up and personal view of American aviation legend Jimmy Doolittle, as witnessed and recorded by Jonna Doolittle Hoppes, Jimmy's granddaughter. Jonna, an accomplished author and speaker, shares stories and history of her 'Granny and Gramps Doolittle' from her perspective, focusing not just on the many aviation firsts of Jimmy Doolittle's career, but also of the longtime partnership he shared with his wife, Joe. Jonna documents an extensive history of the Doolittles in her book, 'Calculated Risk,' on sale during the event.

Flabob historian and Wathen Center executive John Lyon will provide a tour of the many historic racer aircraft replicas built at Flabob and now on display, followed by a wine and cheese social in the evening.

## Wait, There's More!

Free raffles of rare aviation items, book sales, vintage aircraft ride opportunities, for just \$45 per member !(Nonmembers \$65). Join AAHS and receive \$20 off admission! Walk around one of the oldest still-operating

airports in California, that houses both EAA Chapter 1, and headquarters for the QuietBirdmen. Many antique aircraft such as the DC-3 'Flabob Express' and the Tom Wathen Aviation High School center all call Flabob home.

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