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EAA Aviation Museum to begin 2025 with packed schedule of guest speakers and youth activities

Speaker Series and Winter Flight Fest headline early event schedule

EAA AVIATION CENTER, OSHKOSH, Wisconsin — (January 8, 2024) — Programming for the new year is in full swing at the EAA Aviation Museum with events ranging from guest speakers to hands-on activities for all ages. Most events are included with regular museum admission, while EAA Members can always attend free of charge.

The museum's monthly <u>Speaker Series</u> events return starting January 16 featuring a lineup of unique speakers across different sectors of aviation.

- **January 16:** F-14 Tomcat pilot Hermon C. Cook III will share his story of being one of two American F-14 Tomcats to engage two Libyan MiG-23s over the Gulf of Sidra in January 1989.
- **February 20:** Captain Richard Koehler will share his experiences of flying the A-6 Intruder, a Navy attack aircraft, during the Vietnam War.
- March 20: Anita Mack will share her story of what it was like to serve as a member of the first allfemale C-130 crew in combat.

All Speaker Series events begin at 7 p.m. and are free to attend for EAA members and \$5 for nonmembers. Speaker Series is sponsored by Alro Steel & Plastics, C.E. Doyle, Capital Credit Union, Community First Credit Union, Kwik Trip, Pilotsmith, Sargento, and The Taqueria.

<u>Winter Flight Fest</u> will take place on Saturday, February 8, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Activities will be set up across the museum demonstrating different aspects of aviation. The activities are for all ages and include a Wright Flyer simulator, rotorcrafting, and a pararescue challenge. Weather permitting, a skiplane fly-in is also scheduled. Attendees will be able to walk out to Pioneer Airport and get an up-close look at a unique sector of aviation. All activities are included with regular museum admission. Winter Flight Fest is sponsored by Alro Steel & Plastics, C.E. Doyle, Capital Credit Union, Community First Credit Union, Kwik Trip, Pilotsmith, Sargento, and The Taqueria.

Story Time continues in 2025 with a full slate of themes and activities. Taking place on select Thursdays from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., Story Time has children ages 3-5 explore aviation-related topics through a story read aloud by one of EAA's educators and an accompanying activity. The next event is scheduled for January 23 with a theme of flying animals and a paper bat activity. Story Time is included with regular museum admission, with children 5 and under being admitted for free.

More information about upcoming museum events can be found at EAA.org/Museum.

About EAA Aviation Museum

The EAA Aviation Museum is located just off Interstate 41 at the Highway 44 exit in Oshkosh. The museum is open daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. EAA members receive free museum admission year-round. For more information, call the EAA Aviation Museum at (920) 426-4818 or visit www.EAA.org/museum.