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## Frontiers of Flight Museum Hosts Texas Premiere of *Doolittle's Raiders: A Final Toast*

## and Celebrates 100th Birthday of Mission's Co-Pilot

100-Year-Old Bomber Co-Pilot Marks Birthday During Movie Screening Event on Labor Day

DALLAS (September 2, 2015) – The Frontiers of Flight Museum, 6911 Lemmon Ave., invites the North Texas community for a special Labor Day celebration as it hosts the Texas film premiere of *Doolittle's Raiders: A Final Toast* on Monday, Sept. 7 at 6:30 p.m. The program is sponsored by UPS, The Perot Foundation and The Daughters of WWII. Tickets are \$20 and the event is free for all veterans. Registration is required at: <a href="http://www.flightmuseum.com/doolittle-raiders/">http://www.flightmuseum.com/doolittle-raiders/</a>.

The story of the April 18, 1942 Doolittle Raid focuses on **Lt. Col. Richard Cole, Jimmy Doolittle's co-pilot on the mission, who is one of the only two original Raiders still living.** Cole will celebrate his 100<sup>th</sup> birthday on Sept. 7, and the community is invited to attend this special event to honor him and pay tribute to the eighty men who also went on this historic bombing run aboard 16 B-25 planes during World War II.

"The new documentary emphasizes the Doolittle crew as individuals," says **Cheryl Sutterfield-Jones, CEO of the Frontiers of Flight Museum.** "It shows their courage and how their incredible, and at the time considered suicidal, mission in the early days of World War II impacted them and our country for the rest of their lives," she said.

The film includes the pilots' personal stories of that day and the days after their heroic flight. The Doolittle Raid changed an entire nation's morale following Pearl Harbor and the other early defeats of the United States at the hands of the Japanese in 1941-1942.

**Scott Murray, veteran NBC TV sports anchor and broadcast journalist** will emcee the event. The presentation will also feature **Tim Gray, national award-winning producer/writer/director of** *Doolittle's Raiders: A Final Toast.* 

Gray has produced and directed 15 documentary films to date on the personal stories of the World War II generation. All of Gray's films air nationally on American Public Television and also globally in such countries as China, Australia, France and England.

**James Roberts,** founder and president of the American Veterans Center the originator of the Doolittle documentary project, will also be on hand to address the audience.

The presenters will be joined by Col. Carrol V. Glines, (retired) author and official historian of the Doolittle Raiders, who will lead a guided conversation following the film.

Glines has written 36 books and more than 750 magazine articles on aviation and military subjects. He has authored three books about the 1942 Doolittle Raid on Japan and is co-author of General "Jimmy" Doolittle's autobiography, *I Could Never Be So Lucky Again*. He is also the Official Historian of the Doolittle Tokyo Raiders and also serves as the Curator for the Doolittle Library at the University of Texas at Dallas.

For more information about the Texas Premiere of the Doolittle's Raiders: A Final Toast at the Frontiers of Flight Museum visit: <a href="http://www.flightmuseum.com/doolittle-raiders/">http://www.flightmuseum.com/doolittle-raiders/</a> or call (214) 350-3600.

## **About the Frontiers of Flight Museum**

The Frontiers of Flight Museum is conveniently located just north of downtown on Lemmon Avenue at the southeast side of Dallas Love Field Airport, north of Mockingbird Lane. Housed in a modern 100,000- square-foot facility, the Museum provides a focal point to explore the history and progress of aviation, as mankind continues to pursue going higher, faster and farther. Hours of operation: Monday – Saturday: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Sunday: 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Admission: Adults \$10; Seniors (65+) \$8; Youths/Students (3-17) \$7 and children under 3 are free. For more information, visit <a href="http://www.flightmuseum.com/">http://www.flightmuseum.com/</a>.

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