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Preservation of Original Columbus Airport Terminal Gets a Boost

Columbus, Ohio May 22, 2015

What:

The Columbus Regional Airport Authority has agreed to donate \$17,000 to the Original Columbus Airport Terminal Stabilization Project fund (OCATSP). This completes fundraising efforts of the OCATSP needed to earn a matching \$50,000 grant from the Columbus Foundation and begin preservation work on the building.

Why:

Opened in 1929 on a site chosen by aviator Charles Lindbergh, the building was the eastern terminal of the first trans- continental air/rail route and home of America's first commercial airline the TAT, later TWA. From its grand opening in the presence of Amelia Earhart, Harvey Firestone, and Henry and Edsel Ford, for almost 30 years, the brick terminal at 4920 E. Fifth Avenue served as the hub of innovation and connectedness, earning it a designation on the National Register of Historic Places. (for more info on the terminal visit www.columbushistory.org) This historic building has, in recent years, fallen into disrepair; a leaky roof and other deficiencies contribute to its rapid deterioration. In 2014 it garnered the #1 spot on the Columbus Landmarks Foundation list of the most-endangered buildings and appears again on the list in 2015.

Who:

The Original Columbus Airport Terminal Stabilization Project (OCATSP) was formed by a team of concerned individuals and corporations to take action to first stabilize the building and then restore the classic 1929 style, while locating a tenant who would provide a sustainable future for this historic landmark. Searching for a fiscal agent, OCATSP approached the Columbus Historical Society in fall of 2014. The Columbus Historical Society believed that the national significance of the terminal deserved preservation for future generations and assisted OCATSP in creating a non-profit LLC: allowing the CHS to craft a fiscal sponsor agreement between the two organizations. A fund was established through the Columbus Foundation and an agreement was reached with the Columbus Regional Airport Authority for the repairs to the building.

What Now:

An Evening of Aviation History on June 24th at Hanger One by the Original Airport Terminal will bring awareness to this project. To find out more please see below or visit our website [here](#)



Join the Columbus Historical Society
and the
Preservation of Original Columbus Airport Terminal Committee
For an
Evening of Aviation History
Wednesday, June 24, 2015

Hangar One
The original hanger at Port Columbus
619 North Hamilton Road.

5:00-6:00 Arrival, beer and wine bar, viewing of Ford Tri-Motor.

6:00-7:00 Dinner.

7:30-8:30 Presentation.

8:30 Ford Tri-Motor departs with flyover and photo op.

9:00 Evening closes.

SPECIAL GUEST: Robert Kirk

author of

FLYING THE LINDBERGH LINE-THEN AND NOW

will discuss the historic the events of July 7, 8, & 9, 1929:

Forty Eight Hours from Coast to Coast.

The CITY of WICHITA Ford Tri-Motor plane is the only

remaining TAT Ford Tri-Motor

and the plane Charles Lindbergh used

during the historic event in 1929.

It will be on display

in front of Hangar One.

Reservations

Columbus Historical Society-members-

\$75.00

Nonmembers of CHS

(price includes one year CHS membership)-

\$95.00

Limited supply of:

FLYING THE LINDBERGH LINE-THEN AND NOW

Available for pre-order with reservations- \$25.00

Please visit www.columbushistory.org

to make reservations.

All Sides with Ann Fisher

WEEKDAYS 10AM TO NOON ON 89.7 NPR NEWS

Thursday June 4th

Topic- **Aviation in Ohio**

during the 11-12 P.M hour

Featuring-

Dick Barrett-CHS board member, author "Aviation in Columbus", and curator of CHS current exhibit "Reaching for the Sky: History of Columbus Aviation"
Robert Kirk author "Flying the Lindbergh Line: Then & Now: (Transcontinental Air Transport's Historic Aviation Vision)"

and

David McCullough, Pulitzer Prize winning author of the new book "The Wright Brothers"

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Restaurants Surprising Role in Columbus History.



Long before Columbus became known as a foodie haven, history was being written in the restaurants of our town. Across politics, business, romance and sports, legends were born and legacies were created and the stories they spawned and have lingered longer over the breaking of bread. Featuring historian and CHS Board Member and Past President **Doug Motz**, restaurant critic **Steve Stover**, **David Meyers**, author of Kahiki Supper Club and host, **Richard Terapak**.

27 May 2015

12:00 PM - 1:15 PM

Athletic Club of Columbus, 136 E. Broad Street

Support from **Charles Y. and Frances N. Lazarus Legacy Fund**

In partnership with: **Columbus Historical Society**

Columbus Historical Society Members receive a discounted ticket when registering.

Click [here](#) to register

Discount Code- History

The Columbus Metropolitan Club was founded in 1976 with the mission to connect people and ideas through community conversation.

**THE
BIG
GIVE.**

**May 12,
10 a.m.**

**24-Hour Online
Giving Party**

Show your spirit! #BigGiveTCF

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Thank you from the CHS to everyone that gave during The Columbus Foundation's Big Give.

With your support we were able to raise \$4,800.

Thank you again for helping CHS soar

Save the Date.

The CHS Annual Meeting is July 1st



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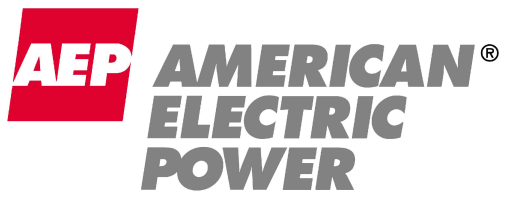
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