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CNN analyst, former pilot & Air National Guard director to present '08 Jalonick Memorial Lecture on June 21st

Major General Donald W. Shepperd (USAF Ret.) is this year's George W. Jalonick III and Dorothy Cockrell Jalonick Memorial Distinguished Lecture Series speaker.

The free lecture will be held June 21, 2008 at 4 p.m. in McDermott Library Auditorium on the campus of The University of Texas at Dallas. The title of Gen. Shepperd's presentation is "Double, Double, Toil and Trouble - Implications of the Modern World (Especially the Mid-East) for Aviation." "It is an audio-visual tongue-in-cheek look at history in my lifetime and how it got us to where we are going. It promises to be a humorous, fun-filled afternoon," says Gen. Shepperd.

A reception will follow the lecture in the Special Collections Department where there will be an opportunity to meet General Shepperd who will participate in a booksigning. His latest book with co-author Rick Newman is *Bury Us Upside Down: The Misty Pilots and the Secret Battle for the Ho Chi Minh Trail*. Books will be available at the lecture from the UTD Bookstore.

For information please call
972-883-2570

Gen. Shepperd was the director of the Air National Guard at the The Pentagon. As director, he was responsible for formulating, developing, and coordinating all programs, policies, and plans affecting the almost 117,000 Air Guard members in more than 1,300 units throughout the United States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam and the Virgin Islands.

He graduated from the fourth class of the U.S. Air Force Academy in 1962. After receiving his wings, he was assigned to duty in West Germany and South Vietnam. He joined the Arizona Air National Guard in August 1974 where he held positions including squadron commander, group deputy commander for operations, and group vice commander.

In January 1987, he transferred to the Massachusetts ANG as the air commander of the 102d Fighter Interceptor Wing. In July 1989, he was appointed as deputy director, Air National Guard, National Guard Bureau. He is a command pilot,



Maj. Gen. Donald W. Shepperd (USAF Ret.)

having flown more than 5,000 hours, and flew 247 fighter combat missions in Southeast Asia. Gen. Shepperd retired from the military Sept. 14, 2000, and is currently a military analyst for CNN. He is heard regularly over ABC radio with commentary on Mid-East politics and the war on terror.



Doolittle Raiders Visit UTD

At left, Raiders Dick Cole, David Thatcher, Edwin Horton, Bill Bower and Thomas Griffin are in the James H. "Jimmy" Doolittle area of Special Collections.

At right, Griffin, Cole and Bower look at the Medal of Honor presented to Doolittle by President Franklin Roosevelt.



Capacity audience enjoys Doolittle Raiders UTD visit as guests of McDermott Library's Special Collections



In one of the most highly successful events organized by the History of Aviation Collection at McDermott Library in recent years, the Special Collections Department welcomed the Doolittle Tokyo Raiders Association members and guests during their 2008 annual gathering in Dallas on Saturday, April 19, 2008.

As a part of their 66th anniversary of the famous Doolittle raid on Japan in April 1942, five surviving Raiders, widows of other Raiders and family members visited the Jimmy Doolittle Archive in Special Collections on the third floor of McDermott Library.

They also attended an invitation only luncheon in their honor that featured keynote speaker Sam Johnson, U.S. House of Representatives.

In a free public forum, a capacity audience of 500 people jammed the UTD Conference Center. Richardson Mayor Steve

Mitchell read a city proclamation declaring April 19 as "Doolittle Raiders Day" in Richardson.

He was followed by Rep. Fred Hill, Texas House of Representatives, who presented Texas state flags that were flown over the Capitol in Austin on April 18, 2008 - the actual anniversary of the raid.

Larry Sall, Ph.D., Dean of Libraries at UTD, then described the events leading up to the Doolittle raid with a presentation titled "Prelude to the Raid."

Author C.V. Glines, historian for the Doolittle Raiders and a regular member of the Special Collections aviation volunteers, spoke about the Raiders Association and its history. He included a video presentation of the late Jimmy Doolittle who gave his personal perspective of the raid.

Raiders Richard E. Cole, William M. Bower, Thomas C. Griffin, Edward W. Horton, and David J. Thatcher began a

panel discussion about their remembrances of the raid. The audience had the opportunity to ask questions.

The Raiders and several authors then adjourned to an autograph room in the Conference Center to provide free autographs. The UTD Bookstore sold various books about the Raid, including several by Col. Glines. The Collectors Club of Dallas organized a special envelope featuring the Raiders patch along with a U.S. Postal Service pictorial cancellation that commemorated the day at UTD.

Other key functions during the four-day event, including a banquet and business meeting, were held at The Frontiers of Flight Museum at Love Field and a luncheon at the Cavanaugh Flight Museum in Addison, Texas. The Frontiers of Flight served as the primary host of the reunion. The 2008 Raiders reunion was sponsored in honor of Major John W. Herbert, U.S. Army Air Forces, World War II. UTD thanked Jan Collmer and Brinker International for support of the April 19th festivities.

The Doolittle collection at UTD features artifacts, papers, books, photographs and personal effects of the general.

This was the second consecutive meeting of the Raiders in Texas. In 2007 the Raiders gathered in San Antonio as guests of the Commemorative Air Force and the U.S. Air Force.

Seventy-three raiders survived the raid. Eleven Raiders are still living.



C.V. Glines, historian for the Raiders and curator of the Doolittle Archives at UTD, signs a copy of his book about the Doolittle Raid.



Raider Richard Cole studies documents in the Doolittle Archives as his daughter, Cindy, shows an item to a U.S. Air Force attendant.



Col. John P. Doolittle, son of Gen. James H. Doolittle, enjoys the festivities.

New Blog eases the task of viewing HAC photos

In an effort to expand service to patrons who cannot come into Special Collections to do research, the department has created a Blog to display images requested by remote researchers.

Previously, researchers had to rely on the staff to describe photos they might be interested in using. Since we charge \$8 per scan plus shipping and handling, charges often mount up. Special Collections staff worked on a solution for this long-time problem.

Paul Oelkrug, Coordinator for Special Collections, approached Joan Aquatero, McDermott Library Information Technology Supervisor, about the issue. Paul believed a secure webpage could be set up that would be password accessible and where staff could load low resolution images for patrons to review before placing an order. Joan suggested setting up a blog. It is fast and easy to set up, and is password protected.

The Blog is now in place and has been used successfully on several occasions. Staff scan high resolution images and makes a low resolution copy to load on the blog. The patron is emailed the user and password information needed to access the Blog. The images are kept on the Blog for 24 hours. After that time, access given to the patron is rescinded.

One advantage is that Special Collections has a high resolution scan that can be used for display on web pages, or used for displays in the department. The image is also available for other patrons.

So, thanks to Joan Aquatero, the Special Collections Department offers a new and valuable service to our patrons.

HAC images on display in two notable museums

By **Thomas Allen, Curator**

This year the History of Aviation Collection has had the opportunity to participate in exhibits at the National Air and Space Museum in Washington, D.C. and the Victoria and Albert Museum in London, England.

One of the commonly requested sets of images from our collections are photographs and color slides of Braniff Airways



This Braniff flight attendant is shown quickly changing her older uniform into a bright new outfit in one of the company's publicity collages from the 1960s. Special Collections is home to Braniff Public Relations archives.

hostesses in their futuristic, stylish Pucchi uniforms. These uniforms represent an artifact of their time period, combining the pop sensibility of the swinging 1960s with the romance and glamour of air travel. Both museums have chosen to feature images of Braniff hostess uniforms in their collections, but in different types of exhibits.

The National Air and Space Museum's exhibit is called "America by Air." It traces the development of commercial aviation, and the role it has played in American History, from the pioneer days of early air mail routes to the high tech jumbo jets of today. Located in the museum's Washington Mall building, the exhibit is currently open. There is a companion website to the exhibit that features a host of information and interactive activities available at <http://www.nasm.si.edu/americanbyair/>.

The Victoria and Albert Museum, an important collection of artifacts from all periods of British history, is focusing on what the Braniff hostess uniforms meant in a slightly different context. Their forthcoming exhibit is called "The Fashion of Fear: Clothing and the Cold War." It will examine fashion as another weapon in the war of ideologies between the West and the Soviet Union, which dominated much of the second half of the 20th Century.

The History of Aviation Collection is proud to have had the opportunity to display reproductions of our images in both of these exhibits. They will enhance the

reputation of the HAC and provide exposure to an international audience.

Doolittle Raiders envelopes raise \$475 for archive

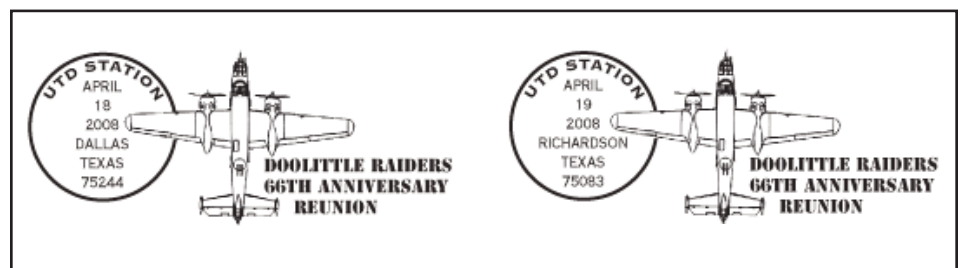
Despite an oversight by the U.S. Postal Service, the Collectors Club of Dallas raised \$475 from the Doolittle Tokyo Raiders cachet sales on April 19 that was donated to the Jimmy Doolittle Archives in Special Collections.

The Collectors Club has long been affiliated with the Wineburgh Philatelic Research Library in Special Collections.

The donation could have been more. UTD had requested the USPS to be set up by 1 p.m. and to expect business through 4 p.m. The USPS clerk arrived an hour late at 2 p.m. The clerk had a few stamps and none of the required special cancellation devices to commemorate the Raiders visit!

So Collectors Club members Bob Benner and Jim Doolin took subscriptions for people who wanted the cachet and cancellations – even those who went through the long line for autographs put up their money and autographed covers with Bob and Jim for cancelling later.

The line stretched all the way from the signing room on the south of the building across the wide lobby to the back of the northeast corner Conference Center near the dock. The cachets were made by premier Texas cachet printer Norman Cohen.



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