

HISTORY



Roundtable est. 2017

{(usually) meets the 4th Thursday of every other month at 6:30pm at the Greenwood Public Library}

May's Topic: History of Aviation & Spaceflight

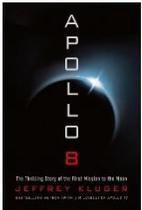
Meeting Date: Thursday, May 16th at 6:30pm

Register at www.greenwoodlibrary.us or by calling 317-885-5036.

More info and handout at www.greenwoodlibrary.us/historyroundtable.

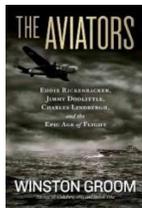
Read. Watch. Listen. Discuss. Read any non-fiction book, watch a documentary, and/or listen to a podcast pertaining to the history of aviation and spaceflight. Once you've read/watched/listened to the item, come to the roundtable prepared to summarize your book/video/podcast for all the participants. Possible resources include (but are not limited to) –

Books:



[Apollo 8: The Thrilling Story of the First Mission to the Moon](#) by Jeffrey Kluger – 629.454 KLU

Citing the space race, Cold War, and 1967 Apollo 1 tragedy, this riveting account of the harried mission to use an untested rocket to secure America's position as the first nation to reach the moon reveals the dangers endured by its crew and the ways the mission brought inspiration and renewal to an America ravaged by assassinations and war.



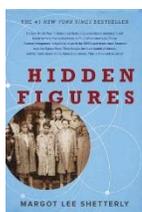
[The Aviators: Eddie Rickenbacker, Jimmy Doolittle, Charles Lindbergh, and the Epic Age of Flight](#) by Winston Groom – 629.13 GRO in print; eBook & eAudio on [eIndiana*](#); eAudio on [hoopla*](#)

Interweaving their high-flying, heart-stopping adventures during wartime and beyond, the author of *Forrest Gump* tells the epic stories of three remarkable aviators—Charles Lingbergh, Eddie Rickenbacker, and Jimmy Doolittle—who defined aviation during the great age of flight.



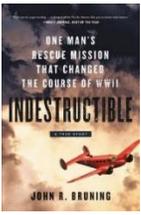
[The Flight: Charles Lindbergh's Daring and Immortal 1927 Transatlantic Crossing](#) by Dan Hampton – 629.13 HAM

A decorated fighter pilot and best-selling author provides a front-seat view of Charles Lindbergh's legendary, non-stop journey from New York to Paris in 1927 at the age of 25, despite never having flown over water before.



[Hidden Figures: The Untold Story of the African American Women Who Helped Win the Space Race](#) by Margot Lee Shetterly – 510.9252 in print, Large Pring, on CD; eBook & eAudio on [eIndiana*](#); eAudio on [hoopla*](#)

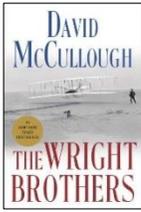
This account of the previously unheralded but pivotal contributions of NASA's African-American women mathematicians to America's space program describes how they were segregated from their white counterparts by Jim Crow laws in spite of their groundbreaking successes.



[Indestructible: One Man's Rescue Mission that Changed the Course of WWII](#) by John R.

Bruning – 940.54 BRU

Chronicles the story of a renegade American pilot consumed by his personal mission to rescue his family from the Japanese in World War II.

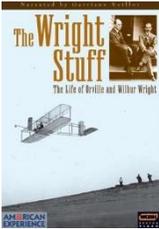


[The Wright Brothers](#) by David McCullough – 629.13 MCC in print, Large Print, on CD;

eAudio on [eIndiana](#)*

Chronicles the dramatic story-behind-the-story about the Wright brothers, sharing insights into the disadvantages that challenged their lives and their mechanical ingenuity. By the Pulitzer Prize and National Book Award winning author of *Truman*.

Videos:



[American Experience: The Wright Stuff](#) – available on [hoopla](#) (<http://tinyurl.com/y3ucvh9b>)*

This is a quintessential American story about two ordinary men, working alone, who reshaped the twentieth century. Garrison Keillor narrates.



[Earthrise: The Story of the First Image of Earth Captured from Space](#) – available on

[Kanopy](#) (<https://tinyurl.com/yxwvu9nk>)*

This documentary tells the story of the first image captured of the Earth from space in 1968. Told solely by the Apollo 8 astronauts, the film recounts their experiences and memories and explores the beauty, awe, and grandeur of the Earth against the blackness of space.



[Fight for Space](#) – available on [Kanopy](#) (<https://tinyurl.com/yvt8f4l3>)*

In 1962, spurred by the Cold War, President John F. Kennedy famously made the bold proclamation that NASA would send astronauts to the moon by the end of the decade. The Space Race inspired a generation to pursue careers in science and technology, but as the balance of world power shifted, interest in space exploration declined.



[NASA, The Complete Story: 40th Anniversary Collection](#) – DVD 629.4 NAS

Experience man's journey to the surface of the moon all over again, with this stellar collection of historical films and profiles of the men and women behind the scenes. It's one of the 20th century's greatest stories, and every moment—from the early ambitious concepts and Kennedy's bold promise to the incredible “giant leap for mankind”—is all here.

Podcasts:



[Aviatrice Lilian Bland](#) by Stuff You Missed in History Class – <http://tinyurl.com/y35gebma>

Miss Bland was a jockey, a sports photographer, a journalist, a car dealer, and a pioneer farmer. She also built Ireland's first powered airplane, entirely by hand, and successfully piloted it.

[Bessie Coleman: Daredevil Aviatrice](#) by Stuff You Missed in History Class – <http://tinyurl.com/y8ffa2t8>

Bessie Coleman knew that becoming a pilot was her dream. Because she was a black woman, no American flight schools would admit her. Despite the obstacles, Bessie managed to become the first African-American woman in the world to earn a pilot's license.

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