Our Mission
The Oregon Aviation Historical Society was incorporated in June 1983 through the efforts of a group of aviation enthusiasts who recognized the need to preserve Oregon’s rich aviation heritage for the benefit and enjoyment of future generations.

Its purposes are to collect, preserve, restore and exhibit aviation artifacts; to develop facilities for the restoration and preservation of artifacts, public viewing and exhibition of the collection; to establish and maintain an Oregon Aviation Hall of Fame; establish a resource center for Oregon aviation historical research and to disseminate information about Oregon aviation history.

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Come see the newest addition to the OAHS museum collection!
January 8th project manager Gary Ludeke (above, left) and Alan Wieder added the finishing touches to the RV3 now located in the OAHS hangar here at the Cottage Grove airport. This is a static display, but sports the paint scheme and decals to match Richard Van Grunsven’s original 1971 N17RV that debuted at the 1972 EAA Oshkosh convention. 2017 marked 10,000 registered RV’s in the US–more than any other kit build aircraft in aviation history. This RV3 is a mash up of 3 different donations, as well as support from Vans Aircraft directly. After the white base coat was applied in Creswell, they aircraft was reassembled right here at OAHS.

We are pleased to invite you to the RV3 dedication ceremony to be held Saturday, September 22, 2018 during the Great Oregon Home built festival. We encourage any and all RV pilots and owners (current or past) to join us for this event, so spread the word! We look forward to celebrating the RV and it’s impact on the world of home built aviation.
2018 Docents, Event Volunteers

WE NEED YOUR HELP!!
We have quite a few Saturday events going on in the 2018 season (see next page for full list) and are in need of volunteers to help run these events. We would love to see our members there!
There are many opportunities, from serving pancakes or directing aircraft parking, to cleanup and watching over the Minicoupe which we pull out for kids to experience!
We are also looking for volunteers to help docent on Saturdays, 2-3 hour shifts so that we can be open on non-event Saturdays through the summer.

Above: Nadine Kelly and Nick Squires serving breakfast at the Stearman Fly-In 2017
Left: Oct 2017 Pancake breakfast!

We will be hosting orientations for volunteers interested in docent opportunities! Please contact Cassandra directly for more information—541-613-0399 or email us: info@oregonaviation.org

BOARD NOMINATIONS
Looking to be a bit more involved than just volunteering? We are currently accepting nominations to the Board of Directors prior to Board elections in April. We currently have a great group of directors who are quite involved in different aspects of OAHS. Board meetings are held quarterly—Jan, April, July, Oct, and directors are asked to attend at least 3 of the four yearly meetings here in Cottage Grove. If you would like to join us or know someone who may be a good fit for the OAHS board we’d love to have you on our team. Please forward names and contact information to:

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Nominations must be received by March 1, 2018.

Right: Admin. Assistant Cassandra & Director Tim Talen in The Stinson SR5E
MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

Save this flyer to make sure you don’t miss any of the events at OAHS in 2018! Make copies and share with fellow aviation enthusiasts or check out our schedule online: oregonaviation.org or on Facebook - @oregonaviationhs

April 7: 1st Pancake Breakfast of 2018!

April 14: 2018 Annual Meeting

May 5: Pancake Breakfast – Beaverton Outlaws

$5 breakfast plate (Kids always FREE!) and a presentation on the history of the Beaverton Outlaws and how Oregon helped change the face of Experimental Aviation!

June 2: Pancake Breakfast – Tex Rankin!

June 3: Beaverton Outlaws @ Grants Pass EAA

June 23: 5th Annual Wings & Wheels

Vintage Aircraft, Automobiles, Motorcycles, bicycles, and things that go! Join us for BBQ, ice cream and stick around for People’s choice award ceremony at 3pm

July 7: Pancake Breakfast – Beaverton Outlaw Danny Grecco

July 13-16: Northwest Swift Fly-In

July 28: Antique Motorcycle Club of America Show n’ Shine & Pancake Breakfast

Aug 3-5: 40th Annual Jim Wright Memorial Stearman Fly-In

Join us for the 40th gathering of Stearman in the Grove! This weekend we will also honor the memory of Jim Wright and his impact on the world of aviation. Biplane rides to be confirmed.

Aug 18: Animal House Fly-In

Cottage Grove will be celebrating the 40th anniversary of “Animal House” with the “world’s largest Toga Party” and events throughout the day, come join OAHS and the city of Cottage Grove for this family friendly party!

Aug 31– Sept 3: Great Oregon Home Built Fly-In

Celebrate Oregon’s home built history with this three day festival of fun! Saturday will kickoff with the dedication of our RV3 followed by Outlaw Day on Sunday where the Pietenpol will be on featured display! We invite any and all experimental pilots and enthusiast to join us for this event– tell your friends!

Oct 6: Pancake Breakfast – Dorothy Hester
Restoration Corner:

Progress is being made on nearly all fronts, and we can’t go wrong with that. The top photo is Tim Talen (left) and Mark Baxter, measuring and fitting the existing cables for the baby fleet. Since this photo was taken, Mark has finished the cables and we are working on installation. Of course only once everyone gets over being sick or out of town for holidays, which is only half bad. What this photograph doesn’t show you (though maybe the bottom does) is the enthusiasm that is drummed up in these work sessions.

The stories of outlaws, of prewar aircraft and how they influenced post war aircraft (the Story Specials and the Fly Baby for example), and how bringing these aircraft back to life is so much more than fabric and paint. It’s a passion for keeping the history and the stories alive, of knowing the roots of aviation, especially here in Oregon, and of passing on the skill of fabric restoration to the next generation. I (Cassandra) would not trade these chilly Fridays for gold. Although you can see Larry to the left trying to light our newest propane heater, which works wonders!

The Springfield Cadet (Baby Fleet) will be on display in the main hangar just as soon as we can move the Stinson (do you know anyone who would like to buy a Stinson??). We are also finishing up varnishing the ailerons on the Wimpy and moving on to the wings, as well as preparing to extend the fuselage to it’s original proportions. Stay tuned for more!!
RANDOM FLIGHT

Hello and Happy New Year to you all. I hope you’re as excited about this coming year as I am. We are planning a very active and fun 2018 and rather than fill up this column with a list, please check our web site for all the upcoming events. Our restoration crew are busy at work and we should have some new aircraft to display this year.

If you are aware of Oregon’s history you will know that the Oregon Department of Aviation will be One Hundred Years Young in just four short years!! We are putting in motion ideas to celebrate this momentous milestone. Please don’t hesitate to offer your own ideas to help with the celebration.

I want to take a moment here to thank you all in advance for your continued membership and support for the Society. Also the folks that donate their time and energy to serve on the board and the restoration volunteers. Without you, none of this would be possible.  THANK YOU !!!

Doug Kindred, President

Check us out on eBay!

We’ve got plenty of new inventory listed on our ebay sales page!  
www.ebay.com/usr/oregonaviation
Including several Ernest Gann 1st editions, kindly donated by Lee Borchers! Also listed are aircraft parts and pieces that have been donated as fundraisers. You never know what we will have listed, so keep an eye out!

We also have a new gift shop section to our website.
oregonaviation.org/gift-shop/
It’s a great spot to find unique gifts for the aviation enthusiast in your life. OAHS tshirts, books, and Tex Rankin posters and shirts (a portion of which goes to the restoration of the Great Lakes!). So hop on over to either site and check out how you can help OAHS today, and walk away with some cool swag to boot!
You can always visit the gift shop in person as well, Mon-Friday 10am-4pm!
Join us for 2018 Events!!

Do you have a passion for aviation or history? Would you like to be more involved in your Cottage Grove or aviation Community?

Volunteer at OAHS in 2018 and make a difference today!

See our list of events inside!

Contact our office or Stop by!
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