

# Come, Watch, Ride

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Next to ROCHESTER AIRPORT  
Saturday - June 17, 2017

The Minnesota Wing of the Commemorative Air Force is

# Flying in 5 WWII Planes

For the Rochester Hangar Dance

Available to tour and/or ride 9:00am-4:00pm



Six man crew:  
Pilot, Co-pilot, Navigator/bombardier,  
Turret gunner/engineer,  
Radio operator/waist gunner, Tail gunner  
Maximum speed: 272 mph at 13,000 ft  
Range: 1,350 mi  
Service ceiling: 24,200'

## B-25 Mitchell Bomber named "Miss Mitchell"

The B-25 placed itself in WWII history books on April 18, 1942, when 16 of the medium-range bombers launched from the deck of the aircraft carrier USS Hornet in the Pacific Ocean and bombed mainland Japan. Led by Lt. Col. James "Jimmy" Doolittle, America had begun to turn the tables on the Japanese. "Miss Mitchell" served in the 310<sup>th</sup> Bomb Group, 57<sup>th</sup> Bomb Wing, of the 12<sup>th</sup> Air Force in North Africa and Italy, completing over 130 missions. Her legacy of no crew fatalities during any of her missions was a rare accomplishment. She was donated to the Minnesota Wing of the Commemorative Air Force in the 1980s. After a 12-year restoration, she took her first flight on April 18, 1992 - exactly 50 years to the day of the daring Doolittle raid. **History Flight \$450**



Ryan PT-22 "Recruit"

The Ryan PT-22 was the Army Air Corps' first purpose-built monoplane trainer. It was less forgiving and more demanding than other trainers. By 1942, the Army Air Force had taken possession of 1048 PT-22s. It is recognized as one of the most iconic aircraft designs of the 20<sup>th</sup> century.

**History Flight \$150**



Vultee BT-13 Valiant

The BT-13 was the basic trainer flown by most American pilots during WWII. It was used in the second phase of the three-phase pilot training program. It had a more powerful engine and was faster than the primary trainer. The pilots who flew it nicknamed it the "Vultee Vibrator."

**History Flight \$200**



Stinson L-5 Sentinel

The L-5, with its short field takeoff and landing capability, was used for reconnaissance, supply delivery, medical evacuation, message courier, VIP transport, and artillery spotting. It was used by all branches of the U.S. military and by the British Royal Air Force. It was affectionately known as the "Flying Jeep."

**History Flight \$95**



North American **SNJ** Texan

**(NEW THIS YEAR)**

An exceptionally well-conceived and well-built advanced trainer, the SNJ entered service before World War II and served into the 1950s. During WWII, it transitioned pilots from biplanes to monoplanes. Many pilots made their first carrier landings in a Texan.

**History Flight \$300**

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