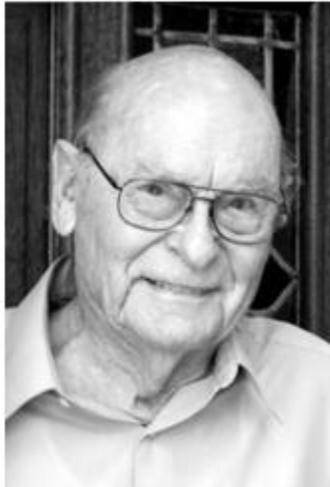


...the Wild Blue Yonder



In honor of **Veterans Day**, The Costa Mesa Historical Society presents its annual **salute to our veterans** with U.S. Army Air Force 1st Lieutenant **David K. Hayward** and author of "**A Young Man in the Wild Blue Yonder**" on **Sunday, November 19, 2017**.

David Hayward, a pilot in the U.S. Army Air Corps, takes us through his adventures and challenges as a young man serving his country in World War II. Would he "wash out" of flying school? Would he survive the dangers and fears of flying 53 combat missions as pilot of a B-25 medium bomber in the China-Burma-India Theater of operations? You will experience the thrill of his solo flight, the frightening day when a Japanese fighter plane flew alongside, an awesome flight over the highest mountains of

Tibet, searching for an enemy transmitter luring friendly cargo planes off course, attacking enemy supply lines in Burma and along the east coast of China, and the sorrow of losing close friends. David Hayward tells of serving at Air Force Headquarters in Washington, DC, transporting VIPs on their inspection tours, and as courier to Chief of Staff General George C. Marshall. Join Hayward in developing a veterans association and gathering at annual reunions, and making six return trips to China to relive the pleasant and the sorrowful. With 53 combat missions, David is the recipient of the Distinguished Flying Cross, Air Medal w/OLC, Asiatic-Pacific Theater Medal w/2 bronze stars, WWII Victory Medal and Burma Star Medal.

<https://www.amazon.com/Young-Man-Wild-Blue-Yonder/dp/0615885497>

Mr. Hayward belongs to the **Freedom Committee of Orange County** (<http://fc-oc.org>) whose members speak to high school students and civic groups to bring "living history" into the classroom and instill a sense of patriotism in future generations.

Bring a friend and join us to hear this exciting true story from the WWII!

Seating is limited, for RESERVATIONS call (949) 631-5918. Doors open at 2:00, program at 2:30. Free admission and refreshments. We are located at **1870 Anaheim Ave.** northwest corner of the Lions Park complex. Visit www.costamesahistory.org or go to **facebook/costa mesa historical society** for more information.

Note: Due to construction, entry to parking lot must be made from Anaheim Ave.

A YOUNG MAN IN THE WILD BLUE YONDER

THOUGHTS OF A B-25 PILOT IN WORLD WAR II



DAVID K. HAYWARD

Promoting and preserving Costa Mesa's history is our mission.