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**The High Desert Fly-In Committee Presents the  
2018 High-Desert Fly-In and Gala at the Winslow-Lindbergh Regional Airport  
October 13, 2018, in Winslow, Arizona**

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: (Winslow, AZ) – The 2018 High-Desert Fly-In and Fly Back in Time Gala will take place at the Winslow-Lindbergh Regional Airport, 701 Airport Road, on Saturday, October 13. Admission is free to the High-Desert Fly-In, which takes place that morning from 8 am to 12 noon.

Tickets to the Fly Back in Time Gala, which takes place that evening from 6 to 9 pm, are available at the Winslow Visitors Center, Airport, online from the High Desert Fly-In Website, and at the door the night of the event.

In conjunction with the Fly-In, the Old Trails Museum offers its Fall History Highlight on Thursday, October 11, at 5 pm at the Winslow Visitors Center/Hubbell Trading Post, 523 West Second Street. The Verde Valley Archaeology Center's Executive Director, Kenneth Zoll, will give a free presentation of *Arizona's First Meteorite Man: H.H. Nininger*, who in 1946 founded the American Meteorite Museum in the former Meteor Crater Observatory and conducted fieldwork at the nearby crater.

In a first-time partnership with Winslow Head Start, the High Desert Fly-In invites attendees to become "Fly-In Angels" by donating new or gently-used winter outerwear (coats and jackets) and accessories (hats, gloves, and scarves) for 4-to-6-year-old children. Simply bring whatever you are donating to the Fly-In or Gala, or bring cash for "Angel Bucks" that will be used to buy more clothing.

On Saturday morning, attendees can take a Winslow Senior Center shuttle from the free parking along Airport Road to the historic hangar. The Winslow Rotary Club will host a pancake breakfast from 8 to 10 am for \$6 per person. Visiting pilots will enjoy complimentary breakfast, gift bags, fuel discounts, and an FAA Safety Seminar.

Attendees will be allowed on the tarmac to view some of the Just Cruis'n Car Club's vintage automobiles as well as general aviation, special-use, and historical aircraft. The latter will include medical transport aircraft, Arizona Game and Fish's Cessna 185, a restored 1956 T-34 Mentor, and a restored 1948 Warbird.

The EAA's Young Eagles program will provide complimentary plane rides to young people ages 8 to 17. The rides will be first-come/first-served from 8 to 11 am, and a parental waiver will be required. Inside the hangar, the Flying Fun Kids Area will include hands-on activities provided by the Winslow Public Library and an interactive United States Travel Map.

Also in the hangar, the Flying Through History Area will include the Old Trails Museum's *Flying through History: The Winslow-Lindbergh Regional Airport* and *The Swamp Ghost and World War II* exhibits. Historian Erik Berg and the Western New Mexico Aviation Heritage Museum in Grants will share displays and talk with attendees about early aviation in the Southwest.



Attendees to both the Fly-In and Fly Back in Time Gala can bid in the High Desert Silent Auction, which includes items donated by local businesses and individuals. The Auction will continue until 8 pm that night during the Gala, when bidding will close and winners can take their items. Parking for the Gala is free on the tarmac behind the hangar.

Guests will enter on the west side of the hangar – beautifully decorated by Linda and Bruce Lazzarini – and be greeted with door-prize tickets by members of the Cherry Bombs, a nonprofit women’s group. They can begin their evening with free retro treats from the Candy Terminal provided by the Winslow Chamber of Commerce, as well as with free photos by Deborah Allen Photography (available online after the Gala).

Attendees will enjoy a catered buffet dinner by Creations in Cuisine at 6:30 pm, followed by dancing to the nostalgic sounds of the Big Band Connection from Flagstaff. They are also invited to travel back in time by dressing in period attire and trying for a prize in the Vintage Threads Costume Contest.

The High Desert Fly-In Committee thanks Pro 5 Design of Peoria, Arizona, for their Business Patron sponsorship this year. For all the latest updates, find us on Facebook or go to High Desert Fly-In Website at [www.highdesertflyin.org](http://www.highdesertflyin.org), where you can check out Venuti Film’s videos of the 2016 and 2017 Fly Back in Time Galas. We hope to see you there!

**About the High Desert Fly-In**  
**[www.highdesertflyin.org](http://www.highdesertflyin.org)**

The High Desert Fly-In Committee is a nonprofit partnership between the City of Winslow, Wiseman Aviation, the Just Cruis’n Car Club, the Old Trails Museum, the Cherry Bombs, the Winslow Airport Commission, the Winslow Chamber of Commerce, the Winslow Historic Preservation Commission, the Winslow Public Library, and the Winslow Rotary Club. The committee works throughout the year planning this exciting annual event and welcomes participation by individuals and organizations in and around Winslow.

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