



*The Santa Clara County Historical
and Genealogical Society presents:*

Captain Tom Spink



Moffett Field:

A Bay Area Historical Treasure

From Lighter Than Air to Faster Than the Speed of Sound

Tuesday, May 21, 2019

6:30 pm – 8:30 pm

The history of Moffett Field covers nearly a century of dedication and innovation by soldiers, sailors, airmen, and civilians – in peace and during wartime, starting with the USS Macon, a lighter-than-air dirigible housed inside Hangar One. The U.S. Army Air Corps trained here until the outbreak of World War II and then the addition of hundreds of blimps patrolling the west coast during WWII expanded the importance of this location. Moffett is now home to The California Air National Guard and a NASA Ames Research Center facility as well as the Moffett Field Museum, preserving and displaying artifacts from decades of service by all the men and women who have served out of Moffett over the past almost 100 years.

Captain Tom Spink flew patrol missions throughout the Pacific and later became an instructor in VP-31 at Moffett. He received his Naval Flight Officer Wings of Gold in 1970. Captain Spink is now the C.O. of the San Francisco Bay Area Squadron of the Association of Naval Aviation and serves on the Board of the Moffett Field Historical Society and Museum. He is also the Editor of the Sparrowhawk Newsletter.

Refreshments and Conversation: 6:30 pm
Business Meeting and Program: 6:45 pm

Redwood Room – 1st floor
Santa Clara Central Park Library
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