



China's Wings

Presented by: Nick DiNapoli

Two Wednesday's: October 2nd & 9th 2013
1:30 p.m. to 4:30 pm

Maravilla Club Room
5486 Calle Real, Goleta

We are going to paint a picture for you of China in the mid 1930's. William Bond ran **China National Airlines**, and his boss, Juan Trippe, was the president of Pan American Airways. Running airlines in the 1930's was immensely difficult anywhere; but doing business in China was even more difficult because of the fractured government, graft at all levels, plus the daily threat of the Japanese invasion. These were the problems that William Bond had to deal with in China proper while Juan Trippe was building the world's first trans-ocean airline that would reach China from San Francisco.



October 2nd: The first presentation will be on William Bond's **China National Airlines** from 1931 to 1941.



October 9th: The second presentation will be on the fabulous and romantic **China Clippers**, Juan Trippe's flying boats that could reach China in six days.

ENROLLMENT FORM: **China's Wings October 2 & 9, 2013**

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BIOGRAPHY: Nick DiNapli is a California boy who grew up loving history. He received his master's degree from Stanford University, and joined the General Motors Design Staff. After being involved in all phases of product design with various companies for 30 years, he began teaching at the College of Engineering at UCSB. He retired from UCSB about 6 years ago and now spends his time working on consulting projects, studying history, and writing the occasional paper



Suggested Reading: *China's Wings, War, Intrigue, Romance, and Adventure in the Middle Kingdom During the Golden Age of Flight* by Greg Crouch
Wings to the Orient: Pan American Clipper Planes, 1935-1945 - A Pictorial History by Stan Cohen

VISTAS Calendar			
Seminar/Event	Inclusive Dates	Time	Venue
Documentary Club	3rd Thursday each mo	2:00pm	Maravilla Theater
China's Wings	October 2nd & 9th	1:30 pm	Maravilla Club Room
Movers & Shakers	October	TBD	
Polish Your Apple	November 7th & 14th	1:00 - 3:00	Vista del Monte
Disasters	December	TBD	
American South	January	TBD	Maravilla Theater



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