

HOMER HICKAM COMES HOME TO WEST VIRGINIA FOR THE RELEASE OF HIS NEW BOOK

~New York Times Best Selling author endows scholarships for WV students with his upcoming book 'Don't Blow Yourself Up'~

COALWOOD, WV, UNITED STATES, October 22, 2021 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Homer Hickam, the



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New York Times #1 bestselling author and NASA engineer made famous in the movie "October Sky," based on his book 'Rocket Boys', will release his new memoir DON'T BLOW YOURSELF UP on October 26th. The Coalwood, West Virginia native will kickstart his book release with a tour through West Virginia from October 23rd to October 28th.

Hickam's tour begins with a much anticipated virtual keynote appearance at the [West Virginia Book Festival](#)

Saturday morning, October 23rd, at 9 am as a featured speaker. On Monday, October 25th, Homer will participate in a book signing at 5 pm followed by an on-stage presentation of the "Rocket Boys Mini-Musical" at 7 pm at Tamarack in Beckley to benefit Theatre West Virginia. This will be followed by a series of school visits and book signings across the Mountain State. (Schedule included below)

When the Adams Hallmark stores chain asked him to come to their various locations in West Virginia and sign his latest memoir, Don't Blow Yourself Up, Hickam says it occurred to him that maybe it should be for a greater purpose. Homer serves on the board of the world-famous [Space Camp](#) in Huntsville, Alabama. It has bothered him over the years that not enough West Virginia students are afforded the opportunity to attend.

"There are several scholarships available for Space Camp," Hickam says, "but none that is just for West Virginia kids."

Homer approached the Adams Hallmark family with the idea of setting up a NASA Space Camp scholarship program for West Virginia students and was met with an enthusiastic response from Andrea and Paul Adams, siblings who recently took over the business after the passing of their

father and founder of the company, H. M. "Mike" Adams. The scholarship will be named the "Mike Adams Space Camp Scholarship."

A contribution will be made by Adams Hallmark to this important scholarship with every purchase of Hickam's new memoir, with Hickam also contributing to the scholarship fund for West Virginia students.

Also appearing at each of the in-person book signing events in Beckley, Morgantown, Bridgeport, Parkersburg, Charleston, and Huntington will be award-winning West Virginia-based authors Dreama Denver, wife of late Gilligan's Island star Bob Denver and Danny Boyd, the Charleston-based author, playwright, and filmmaker.

The schedule for Homer Hickam's West Virginia book release tour 'Don't Blow Yourself Up', a sequel to his New York Times #1 best-seller 'Rocket Boys/October Sky' is as follows:

Saturday, October 23rd

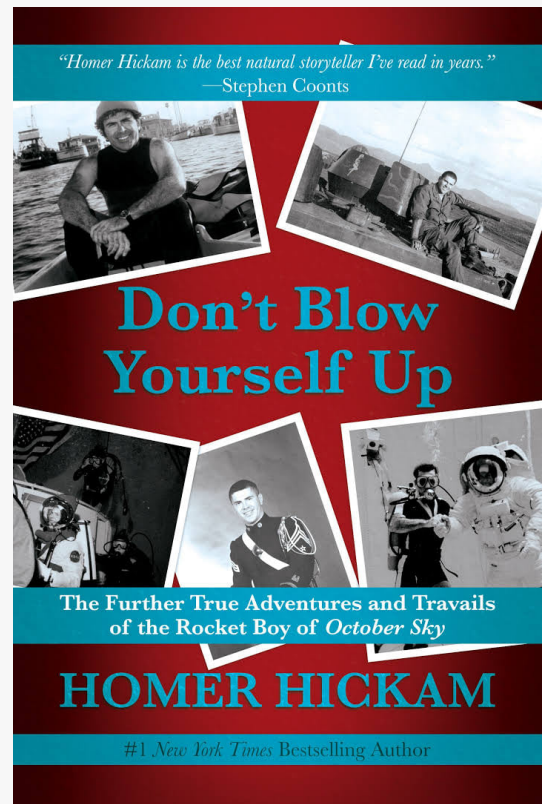
9 am West Virginia Book Festival keynote speaker
<http://wvbookfestival.org>

Monday, October 25th

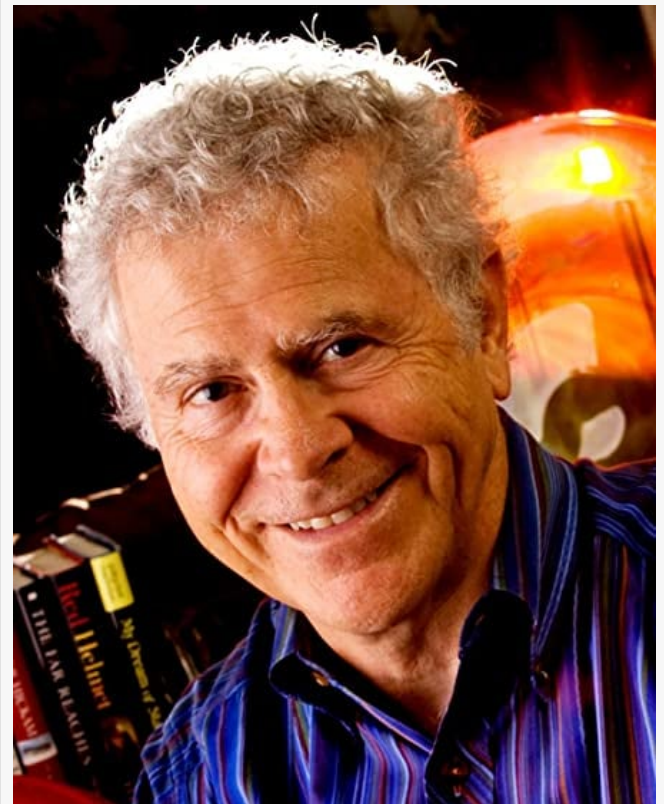
5 pm-7 pm - Tamarack - One Tamarack Park
Beckley, WV 25801
followed by Rocket Boys the Mini Musical in the theater, sponsored by
<http://theatrewestvirginia.org/>

Tuesday, October 26th

10 am - Mountaineer Middle School-2
Mountaineer Drive, Clarksburg, WV
1 pm - South Middle School-500 East Parkway
Drive, Morgantown, WV



Homer's new book releases October 26th



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Homer Hickam

4 pm-6 pm - Adams Hallmark Store - University Town Center, Morgantown, WV

□7 pm-9 pm - Adams Hallmark Store - Meadowbrook Mall, 2399 Meadowbrook Road Bridgeport, WV

□Wednesday, October 27th

1 pm-3 pm Adams Hallmark Store - 262 Grand Central Mall, Vienna, WV

□6 pm-8 pm Adams Hallmark Store -Dudley Farms Plaza, 202 RHL Blvd, Charleston, WV

Thursday, October 28th

□12:30 pm - Milton Middle School-1 Panther Trail, Milton, WV 25541

5 pm-7 pm - Adams Hallmark Store- Huntington Mall, 500 Mall Road 164, Barboursville, WV

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