



Aviation Trail, Inc.

Experience the Birthplace of Aviation!

A non-profit corporation in partnership with the National Park Service to promote Aviation Heritage in the Dayton region

Visit the historical sites that tell of man's conquest of the air.

News and Updates from "The Trail"

"The Flight Log" -

AVIATION TRAIL MAIL



"Preserving the Past & Promoting the Future"

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This "Flight Log" highlights some of the stories and events featured on the Aviation Trail website: www.AviationTrailInc.org

FigLeaf Pint Night Butler County Warbird Museum

May 7, 2024 - 4:00 PM to 9:30 PM

Join the BCW crew at Fig Leaf Brewing for Pints for a Purpose! Fig Leaf will generously donate \$1 per every pint sold on 5/7/24 to BCW! We will be there dressed in our finest '40's attire, selling raffle tickets to win a flight experience in our 1943 PT-19 Aircraft, as well as raffling some other goodies throughout the evening. ALL proceeds from this event will go towards our Betty Stagg Turner Memorial Scholarship, for females in aviation. The time is 4:00 pm to 9:30 pm.



Come out and enjoy some food, fun & drinks and check out a variety of items we will have on display from our museum.



Butler County Warbirds
Middletown Regional Airport (KMWO)
2351 Wedekind Drive Middletown, OH 45042
(513) 702-3062
<http://www.bcwarbirds.com>

Butler County Warbirds is Site #16 on the Aviation Trail



Champaign Air Museum Event

Paint & Sip in the Hangar - Wednesday, May 8, 6:00 PM



Enjoy an evening of painting and drinks in the CAM hangar! No art experience is needed as **Paint and Create with Sam** will guide you through the process of painting a unique artwork that you may take home with you at the end of the

class. Admission includes art instruction from Paint and Create with Sam, art supplies, and complimentary soft drinks.

Registration is required for this event! Please register by May 7th through our website or by calling the Museum at 937-652-4710. Cost of Admission: \$35 CAM Members or \$45 Non-member.



Champaign Aviation Museum
1652 N. Main St., Urbana, OH 43078
937-652-4710
ChampaignAviationMuseum.org

**Champaign Aviation Museum is Site #13
on the Aviation Trail**



31st Annual Fleurs de Fête at Carillon Park

Sunday, May 19, 2024 • 1:00-4:00pm



Now in its 31st year, the original "Party in the Park" has become one of the Midwest's finest food and wine celebrations.

Over 400 wines from all over the world will be available to sample; Live music will be provided by the Kim Kelly Orchestra, the Belgian Beer Garden will return; and various local eateries are slated for this year's event.

A silent auction will also be available with fabulous prizes from Dayton area businesses, as well as live painting from local artist, Bley Hack.

All proceeds benefit Dayton History's mission to inspire generations by connecting them with the unique people, places, and events that changed Dayton and the world.

Where: Carillon Historical Park behind Carillon Brewing Co. Rain or shine.

When: Sunday, May 19, 2024 • 1:00-4:00pm.

Tickets*: \$80 in advance, \$85 day-of. Purchase in-person at all Arrow Wine locations, Carillon Historical Park, or online.

*Must be 21 to attend.

<https://www.daytonhistory.org/events/special-events/fleurs-de-fete/>



Dayton History
1000 Carillon Blvd. • Dayton, OH 45409
<https://www.daytonhistory.org>

Carillon Historical Park is Site #4 on the Aviation Trail.



Tri-State Warbird Museum

Wings & Wheels

May 11, 2024 @ 9:00 am - 12:00 pm



TRI-STATE WARBIRD MUSEUM PRESENTS

WINGS & WHEELS

MAY 11, 2024

9 am to 12 pm

4021 BORMAN DR., BATAVIA 45103

Join us for a day of Family Fun! Come see vintage aircraft, automobiles & the chance to win a Warbird ride! Must be pre-registered to win.

Pre-Registration
Adult Admission: \$7
Vehicle Admission: \$25

Walk-Up
Adult Admission: \$10
Vehicle Admission: \$30



9am to 12pm

4021 BORMAN DR., BATAVIA 45103

JOIN US FOR A DAY OF FAMILY FUN!
FOOD TRUCK VENDOR ON-SITE

Come see vintage aircraft, automobiles & the chance to win a Warbird ride!
You must be pre-registered in order to win.

AWARDS

- Best of Show
- Best of Show, People's Choice
- Best of Classic Car
- Best Classic Truck
- Best Car - Modern
- Best Truck - Modern
- Best Throwback
(You must dress and play the part to match the time period of your car)

WINGS & WHEELS SCHEDULE

9:00 - 10:30	Arrival & Registration
10:00 - 11:30	Judging & Selection
10:30 - 11:30	Warbird Aerial Demo
11:30 - 12:00	Awards



Pre-Sale | \$7 Adult Admission | \$25 Car Registration
Walk-Up | \$10 Adult Admission | \$30 Car Registration
Kids 17 & Under FREE

Pre-Register →



Come see vintage aircraft, automobiles & the chance to win a Warbird ride!

Join us for the 3rd annual Wings & Wheels event! Come to see stunning vehicles interspersed with vintage aircraft.

This will be an experience that you won't want to miss! Enjoy food, vendors, cars, awards, and see an aerial demo!

Those who 18 & older who pre-register will be included in a raffle to win a ride in a warbird! You must be pre-registered in order to win.

Admission Pricing: (Tickets Available Soon) <https://www.tri-statewarbirdmuseum.org/event/wings-wheels-2024/>

Pre-Sale- \$7 Adult Admission | \$25 Car Registration • Kids FREE!

Day Of- \$10 Adult Admission | \$30 Car Registration • Kids FREE



Tri-State Warbird Museum
4021 BORMAN DR., BATAVIA, OH 45103
(513) 735-4500
<https://www.tri-statewarbirdmuseum.org>

Wright State University Libraries Special Collection and Archives

Special Collections Awarded \$75,000 Grant from National Aviation Heritage Alliance



A Posted on April 17, 2024 by specialcollections

We are thrilled to announce that Special Collections & Archives (SCA) has been awarded a \$75,000 grant from the National Aviation Heritage Alliance (NAHA)! The grant-funded project will upgrade SCA facilities, which will aid in the preservation and security of our collections and enhance the overall aesthetics of the reading room.

The overall estimated cost of the project is \$204,000. The additional money to round out project funds (and grant match) comes with the gracious support of the Wright State Friends of the Libraries Foundation, with the primary donor being the late Karen Pittman, who was a long-time SCA volunteer.

SCA is on the 4th floor of the Paul Laurence Dunbar Library, and our collections storage area is surrounded by windows, as well as an open atrium on one side, exposing the area to light damage and temperature and humidity fluctuations. This project will close in the collections storage area from the atrium with a glass wall; add UV filter film and window treatments to the new glass wall, as well as to existing windows and exhibit cases; and change fluorescent lighting to LED. These improvements will help to control environmental conditions that accelerate the deterioration of archival material.

In addition, the front entry door to SCA will receive an upgrade. The current wooden door has been in use for nearly 50 years. A new door with swipe card access will better control entry into the space, improving security.

Lastly, the furnishings in the reading room have been in use for nearly 25 years. In addition to being a reading room, the space serves as a classroom and a special event space for the University and the community. The space appears in advertisements, promotional videos, news stories, and documentaries; therefore, an upgrade to our furnishings will aid in our promotion and marketing. All these upgrades fit into the overall plan for renovating SCA.

We are so excited for all the positive changes on the horizon, and we hope you are too!

The "Out of the Box" blog of the Wright State University Libraries' Special Collections & Archives reported that Jane Wildermuth, head of SCA, was named Interim University Librarian. (Posted on March 7, 2024 by Lisa Rickey).

See the full post and story at
<https://blogs.libraries.wright.edu/news/outofthebox/2024/03/07/sca-head-jane-wildermuth-named-interim-university-librarian/>

Be sure to bookmark the "Out of the Box" blog to keep up with additional news from the WSU Special Collections and Archives Paul Laurence Dunbar Library.



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3640 Colonel Glenn Highway
Dayton, Ohio 45435
Special Collections and Archives
Paul Laurence Dunbar Library
(937) 775-2092
www.libraries.wright.edu/special/

*The Special Collections and Archives in the Paul Laurence Dunbar Library at
Wright State University is Site #10 on the Aviation Trail*



National Aviation Hall of Fame

2024 Enshrinement Tickets

WHEN: SEPTEMBER 14, 2024 • 6 PM – 10:00 PM
 WHERE: National Museum of the US Air Force
 1100 Spaatz St, Dayton, OH 45433



Honoring Aerospace Legenas to Inspire
 Future Leaders™

2024 Enshrinement tickets are LIVE!
 Don't miss this opportunity to secure your spot to witness what is sure to be a memorable evening!

GET TICKETS at:

<https://my.onecause.com/event/organizations/sf-001C000001jzKYYIA2/events/vevt:f13740f1-458a-40e4-aba7-b3bf95344e1c/home/story>

ABOUT ENSHRINEMENT

Since 1962 the National Aviation Hall of Fame has inducted over 250 of the nation's premier air and space pioneers into the organization. Our Enshrinees are the who's who in the world of aviation including Bessie Coleman, Charles Lindbergh, Kelly Johnson, William Boeing, Joe Engle, and Sally Ride.

At our annual Enshrinement, you can be among some of the heroes already recognized and celebrate with us the heroes yet to come. Join us for this exclusive and exciting evening widely known as the 'Oscar Night of Aviation.'

The Class of 2024:



Don Bateman

Inventor of the Ground Proximity Warning System (GPWS), one of a series of innovations he developed to dramatically improve aircraft safety. Bateman spent most of his career as chief engineer of flight safety avionics at Honeywell before retiring in July 2016.



Katherine Johnson

A pioneering mathematician at NASA, Ms. Johnson's precise calculations were integral to trajectory analysis and orbital mechanics, ensuring the safe and accurate execution of missions like the first manned spaceflight by an American.



Gary Burrell & Dr. Min Kao

Garmin's founders advanced the broad use of GPS, developed the first IFR-certified GPS, and revolutionized flight deck systems. This culture of innovation and safety was rewarded with the Collier Trophy in 2020.



Joseph (Joe) Sutter

Credited as the "Father of the 747" combined with a lifelong career at The Boeing Company whose technical leadership and management skills were instrumental in the development of three generations of advanced transports which contributed significantly to U.S. preeminence in civil aeronautics.



Frederick Gregory

NASA's first African American deputy administrator following his career as an astronaut, during which he spent more than 455 hours in space, as pilot for the Orbiter Challenger and as a spacecraft commander aboard Discovery and Atlantis.



Dr. Peggy Chabrian

Founder of Women in Aviation International and retired WAI president. Dr. Chabrian grew the organization from its first conference attended by 150 people in 1990 to an organization representing thousands of women in all aspects of aviation.



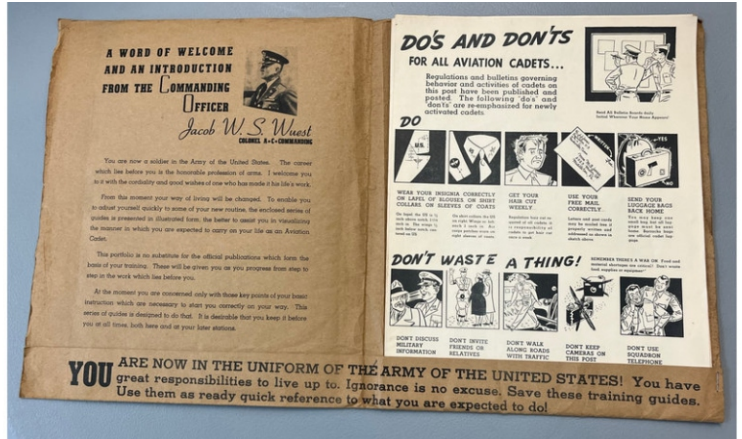
National Aviation Hall of Fame
 1100 Spaatz St., Dayton, OH 45433
 (937) 256-0944
www.nationalaviation.org

Butler County Warbird Museum News

Museum Receives Donation of WWII Items



We recently received a very generous donation to the museum of many items from the collection of Roy E. Norris Jr, including this Aviation Cadet Welcome and Introduction packet from his training during WWII. We have many more items that we will be displaying very soon! Come by and see them!



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Aviation Trail Memberships & Donations

Join or Renew Now to Help Support Aviation Trail, Inc. and the Aviation Trail Parachute Museum



Membership

- Join
 - Renew
 - Donate
- Help keep the Dayton area in the forefront of the world's aviation history, leadership and preservation.

See the **JOIN/DONATE** menu item on the Aviation Trail website to join, renew, or donate: <https://www.aviationtrailinc.org>

Online credit card payments may be made from our website. Secure payments are made through PayPal. See the **JOIN/DONATE** menu item on the Aviation Trail website to join, renew, or donate: <https://www.aviationtrailinc.org/> or go directly to the **Join/Donate** page at: <https://www.aviationtrailinc.org/copy-of-membership-donations-reserv-1> or use the QR code at the right.



To print a mail-in membership/donation form use this link: file:///E:/Documents/ATI/Membership/membership%20print%20form_c.pdf

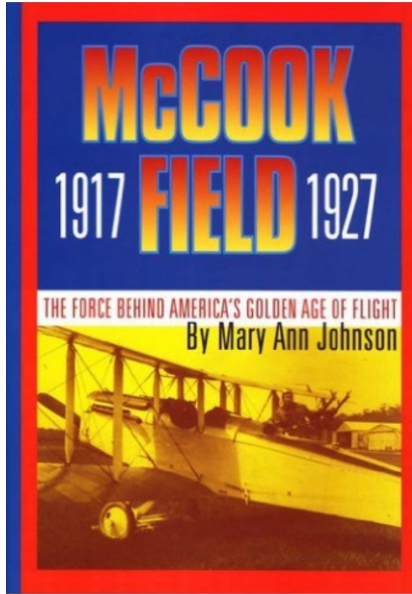
Donations to Aviation Trail, Inc., a 501(c)3 organization, in partnership with the National Park Service to promote Aviation Heritage in the Dayton region, are fully tax deductible.

The National Aviation Hall of Fame is Site #6 on the Aviation Trail

Aviation Trail Gift Shop

Now available on the Aviation Trail Gift Shop page:

McCook Field 1917-1927 The Force Behind America's Golden Age of Flight by the late Mary Ann Johnson covers the fascinating decade of Dayton's McCook Field and its extensive contributions to aviation technology.



Visit the Aviation Trail online gift shop!

Your purchase of Aviation Trail merchandise helps us to uphold our mission of promoting awareness of the Dayton area's aviation heritage, and supporting education, preservation and restoration of that heritage.

An assortment of Aviation Trail and Parachute Museum souvenir items is shown below:

Shirts



Collectable Art Prints



Caps



Tumblers

The author, who passed away in 2015 at the age of 93, was a founding member of Aviation Trail, Inc. which was formed in 1981 to promote Dayton's aviation heritage and continues to promote the various trail sites in the area that have unique and significant importance in this rich aviation heritage. This book is a definitive source of information on an historic site on the Aviation Trail.

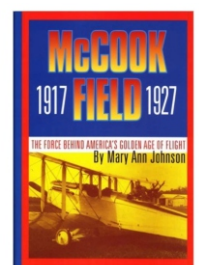
Magnets



Pins



Note Cards & Envelopes



McCook Field Book

See details on gift shop page.

All transactions will be purchased from, processed by, and fulfilled by Dayton History, and can either be shipped to the purchaser or held for pick-up at Carillon Historical Park Museum Store at 1000 Carillon Historical Park, Dayton, OH 45409, (937) 293-2841. The products are in stock at the Carillon Historical Park Museum Store.

See the GIFT SHOP menu item on the ATI website at: <https://www.aviationtrailinc.org/> or click or scan the QR code.





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Yes! I want to support Aviation Trail, Inc.

Mr., Mrs., Miss, Ms. _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone (H) _____ (W) _____ (C) _____

E-mail Address (to receive online newsletter) _____

(Name to be used for recognition if different than above) _____

All levels of Aviation Trail memberships, except for Life Membership, are annual and are subject to renewal, at the desired level, by each January.

Membership Levels

I / We wish to remain anonymous.

_____ \$25.00 Senior (age 60+)

_____ \$75 Contributing

_____ \$1000 Patron

_____ \$30 Individual

_____ \$150 Supporting

_____ Other- I am a life member and would like to make an additional contribution

_____ \$40 Family

_____ \$1500 Individual Life Member*

(*May be paid in three annual payments of \$500 per year, mail in only)

_____ Donation - I would like to support Aviation Trail with a **DONATION** of \$ _____ to Aviation Trail

Please apply my donation to:

Membership Fund

Preservation Fund*

Wilbear Fund**

* Donations will be designated to promote and preserve historical aviation sites in the Dayton Region.

** Donations will be designated to promote and preserve the "Wilbear Wright" teddy bear program that promotes the Aviation Trail and its partner sites.

Check enclosed. Make payable to: Aviation Trail, Inc.

Mail to Aviation Trail, Inc. / PO Box 633 / Wright Brothers Station / Dayton, OH 45409

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- **Donate**

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