



# Aviation Trail, Inc.

News and Updates from "The Trail"

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"The Flight Log" -

**AVIATION TRAIL MAIL**

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This "Flight Log" highlights some of the stories and events featured on the Aviation Trail website: [www.AviationTrailInc.org](http://www.AviationTrailInc.org)

## Santa Fly-in at Butler County Warbirds

December 4, 2021 at 1:00 PM • Cookies with Santa



Bring the family! Have cookies and hot chocolate with Jolly Old ST NICK himself at the Butler County Warbirds Museum at the Middletown Regional Airport. Santa flies in at 1PM and will be available until 3pm to hear all your Christmas wishes!

This **FREE COMMUNITY EVENT** is open to everyone and is presented by Butler County Warbirds with the kind assistance of Middletown Regional Flight Training and Start Skydiving.

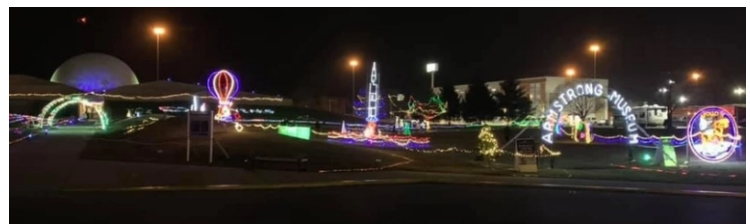
Butler County Warbirds  
2351 Wedekind Road, Middletown, Ohio 45042  
[www.bcwarbirds.com](http://www.bcwarbirds.com) • 513-702-3062

Butler County Warbirds is Site #16 on the Aviation Trail



## Armstrong Air & Space Museum Holiday Lights & Grand Illumination

Friday November 26, 2021 - January 02, 2022



For ten years now, the Armstrong Air & Space Museum has been inaugurating the holiday season by illuminating their grounds with a vast array of festive and colorful lights known as the Holiday Lights Display. The overall exhibition contains a multitude of space-themed displays made from tens of thousands of lights, with prominent works including a twenty-foot-tall Saturn V rocket and a giant Apollo-era astronaut saluting the American flag.

The Display officially kicks-on at 7:00 p.m. on November 26th, when the lights are turned on for the first time during the "Grand Illumination" event. The museum itself will be open as part of the event for guests to shop or visit from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

The lights will be on for guests to enjoy from dusk until dawn every night until the end of the year. Holiday lights will be spread periodically throughout the museum grounds to allow guests to social distance if they so choose. Guests are asked to refrain from touching lights, sculptures, or cords. If you take any pictures of the lights throughout the holiday season please post them using #AASMLights.

Donations will be accepted on-site and online at <https://www.armstrongmuseum.org/join-support/donations>. The guestbook can also be found on our website at <https://armstrongmuseum.org/events/armstrong-event/armstrong-air-space-museum-annual-holiday-lights-display>. Please leave your comments and let us know what you think!

The Holiday Lights Display is weather permitting. The store and restrooms are not regularly open, and there is no food or beverage available.

**Armstrong Air & Space Museum**  
500 Apollo Drive  
Wapakoneta, OH 45895  
(419) 738-8811 or (800) 860-0142  
<https://www.armstrongmuseum.org>

Armstrong Air & Space Museum is Site #12 on the Aviation Trail



## Tri-State Warbird Museum December Events

- Super Soarin' Saturdays, Dec. 4
- Pearl Harbor Chats, Dec. 7

### 1) Super Soarin' Saturdays – Santa Fly-in December 4 @ 9:30 am - 11:00 am



Super Soarin' Saturdays is our children's program! This program is targeted to children ages 5 to 11.

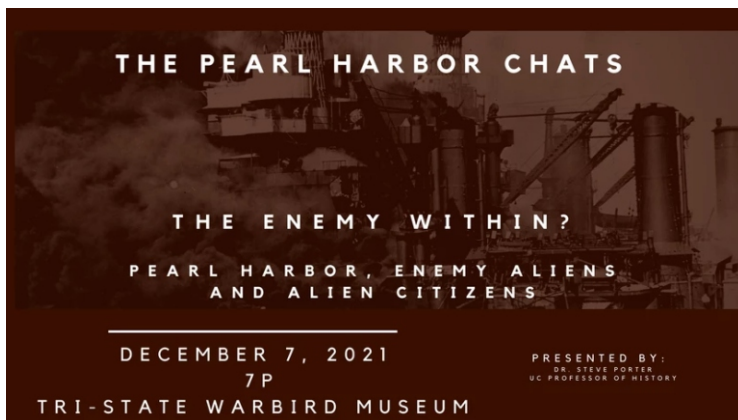
Cookies, hot chocolate, activities and crafts are happening as we await the arrival of Santa! Santa will fly-in our Stearman plane! Once Santa arrives he will meet and greet with the kids until 11:00 AM.

Student admission is \$7

This program is FREE to members

Yearly family memberships are \$50

### 2) Lecture Series – The Pearl Harbor Chats December 7 @ 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm



The newest segment in our Lecture Series. Please join us for our inaugural Pearl Harbor Chat presented by UC Professor Steve Porter. Every year on Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day we will discuss a topic related to Pearl Harbor. This year, Dr. Porter will be discussing "The Enemy Within? Pearl Harbor, Enemy Aliens, and Alien Citizens" the US government's approach after Pearl Harbor to policing the three main populations in the United States affiliated with the Axis Powers: those of German, Italian, and Japanese ancestry, citizen and alien.

Presenter: UC Professor Dr. Steve Porter

For information contact:

Tri-State Warbird Museum

4021 BORMAN DR, BATAVIA, OH 45103

(513) 735-4500

<https://www.tri-statewarbirdmuseum.org>



## A Carillon Christmas

Nov. 23 - Dec. 30, 2021



### Spend a magical Christmas with us at Carillon Park!

Closed Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Eve & Christmas Day

### A Carillon Christmas

Nov. 23–Dec. 30

Sun.–Thurs.: 5–9 p.m.

Fri. & Sat.: 5–10 p.m.



Click this link for prices and tickets:

<https://www.daytonhistory.org/events/special-events/a-carillon-christmas/>

Dayton History • 1000 Carillon Blvd. • Dayton, OH 45409

<https://www.daytonhistory.org>

Carillon Historical Park is Site #4 on the Aviation Trail



## Champaign Aviation Museum Holiday in the Hanger

Saturday, December 18 • 1pm to 3pm

Come enjoy a festive afternoon at the Museum with hot chocolate and cookies, kids crafts, and a special visit from Mr. and Mrs. Claus!



(The Museum will be closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday on Thursday Nov. 25 and Friday Nov. 26)

Champaign Aviation Museum

<https://www.champaignaviationmuseum.org>

1652 N Main Street Urbana, OH 43078 • (937) 652-4710

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



Tri-State Warbird Museum is Site #15 on the Aviation Trail



## Aviation Trail Gift Shop

See the GIFT SHOP menu item on the Aviation Trail website at: <https://www.aviationtrailinc.org/>



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.

## Trail Sites Opening Status

*Updated Status of Aviation Trail sites regarding visitors during the COVID-19 precautions*

Most of the Aviation Trail sites are now open, with COVID precautions in place, and some with limited hours. Since conditions at each venue can change quickly, it is suggested that visitors check each site's current status by using the [TRAIL SITES](#) page on the Aviation Trail website to find the contact information (website and phone) of each respective site.

A list of the status of sites on the Aviation Trail is also posted on the the "Aviation Blog" page of the Aviation Trail website. It is updated as changes occur:

<https://www.aviationtrailinc.org/post/covid-19-closure-updates-1>. Before traveling to a site on the Aviation Trail, please verify that site's status by contacting that site (see above). For sites that are open, refer to their individual websites for days and hours.



## 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.*

Aviation Trail remains committed to upholding our mission of aviation awareness, education, preservation and restoration in our region. We need your support in order to be more than "The Birthplace of Aviation," but also the premier locale in the country to "Experience the Birthplace of Aviation." Your membership and donation support is critical in helping maintain that mission. Thanks for your support! Memberships and donations can be made on-line through secure payment on PayPal, or a Membership/Donor form can be downloaded from the Membership Page for mailing.

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





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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**

Members and donors receive an online subscription to the Aviation Trail newsletter, *Flight Log*, and advance invitations to Aviation Trail events and programs.

**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 click the membership logo on the right >**



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*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.*

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