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

21st Annual WACO Vintage Fly-In

September 14-15, 2018, Troy, Ohio • WACO Air Museum

Experience the Golden Age of Aviation at historic WACO Field.
1865 S Co Rd 25A Troy OH 45373
Bi-Plane rides, family activities, food trucks & More!



See the WACO website at www.wacoairmuseum.org for schedule, times, admission, and more information, or call 937-335-9226.

Fundraising Event at Woodland Cemetery & Arboretum

Saturday, September 15, 2018 • 5:00 to 8:00 PM

Remembering Matilda ... Queen of the Gypsies

A Celebration of Gypsy culture and heritage

and the 140th Anniversary of the burial of Matilda Stanley

Matilda Stanley, Queen of the Gypsies, was buried at Woodland Cemetery in 1878. Thousands attended her funeral, and it attracted press coverage by the major newspapers of the country and was front page news. Many of the Stanley family and other gypsy clans are buried in Dayton.



Today, the grave site of Levi and Matilda Stanley is one of the most visited sites in the cemetery. September 15th of this year will mark the 140th anniversary of the burial of Matilda Stanley. In her memory, a special event will take place on this day to honor Matilda and bring attention to the beautiful monument.

The 20' granite column with the angel on top is in need of repair and restoration. Current conditions of the monument will lead to the dismantling of the structure out of safety concerns for our visitors. It is our hope that we can do the repairs to the monument while it is still standing and in place without removal from the grave site.

Tickets are available on line at: <http://bit.ly/WoodlandCemetery>. Tickets begin at just \$30 per person. The fundraising goal for this event is \$10,000.00. If you cannot attend, we hope you will consider making a donation. Sponsorship opportunities are available. For more information please contact Angie Hoschouer, manager of development and marketing, at 937-228-3221 ext. 111 or ahoschouer@woodlandcemetery.org.

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Exchange Students Visit Parachute Museum

A group of about 20 exchange students from Japan visited the Aviation Trail Visitor Center on July 27, 2018. Accompanied by some of their host family members, they were given a special guided tour of the Dave Gold Parachute Museum. The students thoroughly enjoyed the history and the hands-on features of the facility. The accompanying photos show some of their experiences in the Parachute Museum.



Learn more about the Parachute Museum at <http://www.aviationtrailinc.org/parachute-museum>



2018 World War I Dawn Patrol Rendezvous

September 22 & 23, 2018 at the National Museum of the United States Air Force



This two-day flying event of authentic and replica World War I aircraft is offered every other year by the museum and the Great War Aeroplanes Association. The event includes WWI living history re-enactors in a war encampment area, radio-controlled model aircraft, period vehicles, music and a collector's show of WWI era items. The event will include guest speakers on WWI topics as well as many family hands-on and educational activities.

For times, entrance, and parking information, see the NMUSAF website: www.nationalmuseum.af.mil/Upcoming/WWI-Dawn-Patrol/

Free admission and parking.

Commemorate the 100th anniversary of World War I with an event that will take you back in time.



Aviation Trail August Event at Woodland Cemetery

Thanks to the Woodland Cemetery staff and National Park Rangers for the tour of historic Woodland Cemetery in celebration of National Aviation Day, and Orville and Katherine Wright's birthdays.



Aviation Trail holds an annual event each August to celebrate the birthdays of Orville and Katherine Wright. Each were born on August 19, Orville in 1871 and Katherine in 1874. With 2018 being the 70th anniversary of Orville's burial, this year's Aviation Trail event was held at historic Woodland Cemetery and Arboretum. This free event also celebrated National Aviation Day.

The walking tour included the Wright Brothers grave site where attendees honored the Wright Brothers and their family. The tour visited the other notables in the same section as the Wright's including Paul Laurence Dunbar, the Mead Family, the Kiser Family, Preserved Smith and many more. The walk continued up to the Lookout and concluded with a walk back down to the Mausoleum.



Cheez-its were served at the grave site of Joseph Green, the inventor of the snack. At the Lookout pavillion there was a cake honoring the Wrights, and National Aviation Day, and wine was also served.



A slide show of photos from the event can be seen on the Aviation Trail website - <http://www.aviationtrailinc.org/august-2018-event>



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