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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.

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"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

Super Soarin' Saturdays - Young Engineers

Tri-State Warbird Museum
February 3 @ 11:00 am - 1:00 pm



Come, imagine and discover with us!

Our next Super Soarin' Saturdays segment is Young Engineers.

Kids can learn about the engineering process and apply those concepts to build and experiment! Kids ages 4 – 11 can participate in Super Soarin' Saturdays. Super Soarin' Saturdays happens in the Kids Zone area between 11am – 1pm.

Kids will take part in fun, educational activities!

Super Soarin' Saturdays is included with museum admission and is always free to TSWM members.

Please note we have changed the time and reimagined the program. There is no need to register – just show up anytime between 11am and 1pm for a Super Soarin' time!

For membership info see:

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



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

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



Parachute Museum Theater

Parachuting Palletized Munitions Systems



10 in a series of videos featured on the Aviation Trail Parachute Museum Theater. A story on the modern parachute:

This video, presented by Air Force Research Labs illustrates testing of parachuting palletized cruise missiles using a modular deployment system.

"Rapid Dragon" Flight Tests

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2d-lQ5dUh8c>



Video Presented by AFResearchLab

See the Parachute Museum page for access to more Parachute Museum Theater videos:

https://www.aviationtrailinc.org/parachute-museum?utm_campaign=26971633-e5e8-42aa-b3c7-21a6f6efd291&utm_source=so&utm_medium=mail_lp



The Aviation Trail Parachute Museum
16 South Williams Street
Dayton, OH 45402
(937) 225-7705
<https://www.aviationtrailinc.org/parachute-museum>

The Aviation Trail Parachute Museum is Site #1b on the Aviation Trail



Air Force Museum Foundation Event

Feb. 10, 2024
Swing the Night Away - After Dark Event at the
National Museum of the U.S. Air Force™!



Put on your dancing shoes!

It's time to Swing the Night Away

Join us Saturday, Feb. 10 at 6 pm for the return of the Foundation's fan-favorite After Dark event, Swing the Night Away!

Try your hand (or should we say feet) at swing dancing on the wooden dance floor while you enjoy a special, adult-only evening at the National Museum of the U.S. Air Force™.

Kiss your sweetheart under the wings of history. No special one this year? No problem. Enjoy a beverage with your favorite aircraft and friends. (Please do not kiss the aircraft.)

We will also feature artifacts from the collection not normally on display, themed aircraft, trivia with prizes, games, food, and cash bars.

Tickets are \$40 per person. Ages 21+ only.

Get Tickets at:

<https://airforcemuseum.centeredgeonline.com/movie/buyticketswithdate/113>



Air Force Museum Events
Air Force Museum Foundation
WPAFB, OH 45433
<https://www.afmuseum.com>

The National Museum of the United States Air Force™
is site #5 on the Aviation Trail.



Butler County Warbird Museum

Museum Expansion and Betty Stagg-Turner Memorial Scholarship

Museum Expansion

Stop in and visit us to see what's new...we have expanded our museum to include a 4th room! This room will primarily be used to host events and will be our classroom & Officers Club for our Aviation Cadet Experience. This room is modeled after a WWII Nissen Hut or Quonset hut and we are so excited to put it to use! We completed it just in time for Cookies with Santa and it was a welcome addition to have a heated space to serve all those delicious cookies and hot cocoa. We are continuing to put the finishing touches on the room, by adding some period correct artifacts & decor. It will feel as though you have stepped back in time to 1943 when we are completely finished. While you are visiting, don't forget your Aviation Trail "Wilbear" passport brochure. You can collect your stamp for visiting us, and if we are your 8th or greater stamp, and you have met all other requirements, you can collect your bear!



Betty Stagg-Turner Memorial Scholarship

We are actively looking for sponsors and donors for our Betty Stagg-Turner Memorial Scholarship. This scholarship is for females in all aspects of aviation, not just aspiring pilots. Betty was a WASP, and she loved to fly the North American AT-6 Texan. We are working towards acquiring a T-6 of our own, which will be used to fund the scholarship through the sale of aircraft experiences. Our scholarship program is managed by the Middletown Community Foundation.

For more information, go to our website:
<http://www.bcwarbirds.com/scholarship-details.html>

You can also reach out to Tim, president of BCW and a personal friend of Betty's. Tim can be reached at tim@bcwarbirds.com and would love to talk more about the scholarship program & how you can be a part of it, and you have met all other requirements, you can collect your bear!



See the BC Warbird online store to donate & order the Betty Stagg Turner Memorial Scholarship challenge coin: <https://bcwarbirds.shop>



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



We Love Planes! -Tiny Soarers Tri-State Warbird Museum

February 8, 2024 - 10:30 am - 11:30 am



Register Here:

<https://form.jotform.com/TSWM/tiny-soarers-registration>

Bring your children to the Museum to enjoy stories, songs, art activities, and creative play. Each segment will delight and educate young museum visitors and their families.

Tiny Soarers is best suited for ages 3- 5. Registration is required for this program.

Student admission is \$5
This program is FREE to members
For Membership Info see:

<https://form.jotform.com/TSWM/tiny-soarers-registration>



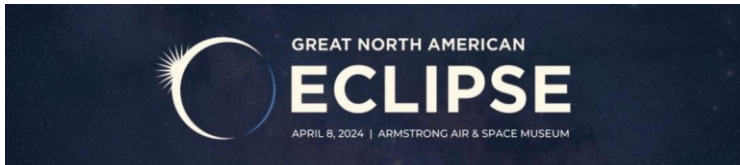
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Tri-State Warbird Museum is Site #15 on the Aviation Trail



Armstrong Air & Space Museum Eclipse Viewing

Great North American Solar Eclipse, April 8, 2024



Celebrate the 2024 Eclipse in Neil Armstrong's Hometown

On Monday, April 8, 2024, Ohio will be one of 13 states that experience a total solar eclipse, lasting approximately four minutes in some locations. Coincidentally, the line of totality will pass almost directly over the Armstrong Air & Space Museum in Wapakoneta, Ohio, the birthplace of Apollo 11 astronaut Neil Armstrong.

The rare natural phenomenon is expected to bring in thousands of visitors from the surrounding region and states. Wapakoneta officials are currently underway on formulating exciting plans and activities for the event.

The next total solar eclipse to pass over Ohio until 2099, so don't miss out on this once in a lifetime experience.

See a schedule of events at <https://www.armstrongmuseum.org/great-north-american-solar-eclipse>

Events are constantly being added and are subject to change.

Some outdoor events are weather permitting.



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



Woodland Cemetery & Arboretum

Upcoming Tours & Events



Feb10 • 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm • Black History Mausoleum Tour
Feb24 • 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm • Black History Mausoleum Tour
Mar16 • 9:00 am - 11:00 am • End of Winter Bird Walk

Woodland Historical Tour

Enjoy a stroll through one of the oldest rural cemeteries in the United States. Visit the final resting place of the Wright Brothers, Paul Laurence Dunbar, Erma Bombeck and many other famous Daytonians. Check the events calendar for scheduled dates and register online to save your spot. Meet at the Eichelberger Plaza located at the main gate. Please contact the office at 937-228-3221 or email info@woodlandcemetery.org for more information. Reservations required and weather permitting.

More Tours

See <https://woodlandcemetery.org/tours-and-events/> for descriptions of additional Woodland tours with date listings.

A calendar of the tour events is at <https://woodlandcemetery.org/events/>



Woodland Cemetery and Arboretum
118 Woodland Avenue
Dayton, Ohio 45409
www.woodlandcemetery.org

Woodland Cemetery and Arboretum is Site #8 on the Aviation Trail



Grimes Flying Lab Museum Events



Events for the 2024 season:

Schedule for The Grimes Flying Lab Museum is April - October months with hours of 10am- 1pm

April 8 for the solar eclipse the museum will be open to the public. Snacks and drinks will be for sale . The public is welcome to bring a lawn chair.

Aircraft will attend:

- Columbus air show June 14-16 (not confirmed yet)
- Dayton Air Show June 22-23
- Urbana , Ohio July 4th celebration (aircraft will fly at dusk)

September Labor Day weekend
Red Stewart Airfield Waynesville , Ohio -August 31
Ring of Fire Event Indian Lake Russels Point , Ohio
September 21- Bucyrus Ohio airport fly in event
September 28- Zanesville Airport Zanesville , Ohio EAA Chapter Event

Mark calendars now ! In 2025 will be the 50th anniversary of when our original pilot Earl Bennett took the Grimes Flying Lab Beech 18 to Paris , France for the Paris Air show . More details will be coming at a future date .



Grimes Flying Lab Foundation
1636 N. Main St. Urbana, Ohio 43078
<https://n8640e.wixsite.com/grimesflyinglab> or
www.facebook.com/GrimesFlyingLab
Grimes Flying Lab Foundation is a 501(c)(3) organization.

Grimes Flying Lab is Site #14 on the Aviation Trail



Dayton History Carillon Historical Park

Patterson Homestead Open Houses



Join Dayton History for an open house at the Patterson Homestead. Learn about the Patterson family and how they influenced the Dayton region!

For more information, please call 937-293-2841 ext. 127 or e-mail education1@daytonhistory.org.

2024 PATTERSON HOMESTEAD OPEN HOUSE DATES

February 24 • March 23 • April 20 • July 13 • September 14 • October 5 • November 2

(For other times, call 937-293-2841 ext. 127 to arrange special tours. Two week advance notice required).

<https://www.daytonhistory.org/visit/dayton-history-sites/patterson-homestead/>

PURCHASE TICKETS at:

<https://shop.daytonhistory.org/SelectEvent.aspx?eventid=1000078>

Constructed in three major components between 1816–1850, this legendary home raised three generations of Pattersons, including legendary industrialist John H. Patterson who founded his National Cash Register enterprise on the family's land—roughly a half-mile northwest of Patterson Homestead.

Originally the home of Revolutionary War soldier and Lexington, Kentucky, and Cincinnati, Ohio, founder, Colonel Robert Patterson, this Federal-style historic house museum tells the story of Dayton's influential Patterson family. Colonel Patterson first settled here in 1804, and upon his death in 1827, Rubicon Farm (the name of his land) covered 2,038 acres.

In 1953, John H. Patterson's nephew Jefferson Patterson donated Patterson Homestead to the City of Dayton—its six period rooms showcased 18th and 19th century antiques and Patterson family artifacts. Over time, more family-related artifacts have been added to the collection, and an exhibit gallery was included to tell NCR's groundbreaking story.

Location: 1815 Brown St., Dayton, Ohio 45409. For more information call 937-293-2841.

<https://www.daytonhistory.org/visit/dayton-history-sites/patterson-homestead/>



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

Carillon Historical Park is Site #4 on the Aviation Trail



Aviation Trail Gift Shop



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

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.



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.

Membership Reminder:

All levels of Aviation Trail memberships, except for Life Membership, are annual and are **subject to renewal, at the desired level, by each January**. Aviation Trail is now accepting memberships and renewal orders for 2024.

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

