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*Official Newsletter of the National Warplane Museum*



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# National Warplane Museum Geneseo Airshow Announces 2025 Airshow Details Including Airshow Theme and Scheduled Military Demonstration Team

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE



Geneseo, NY – December 10, 2024 – The National Warplane Museum is proud to announce the dates, theme, and military demonstration teams for the highly anticipated **44th Annual Geneseo Airshow – The Greatest Show on Turf**. Set to take place on **July 12 & 13, 2025**, this year’s airshow will commemorate the **80th anniversary of VJ Day** with a gripping theme centered around the **Battles of the Pacific**.

The 2025 Geneseo Airshow will be an extraordinary tribute to the past and present of aviation, bringing history to life in a way no other airshow in North America can. Known for its hometown charm and rich history, this event offers an unparalleled experience for aviation enthusiasts, families, and all who seek to celebrate the legacy of flight.

One of the standout features of this year’s show will be the **first ever** appearance of the **USAF Air Combat Command F-35A Lightning II Demonstration Team in Geneseo**, a highlight that is sure to thrill the crowd. The airshow will



also showcase stunning recreations of pivotal World War II moments, with the **Tora Tora Tora** team bringing the infamous Pearl Harbor attack to life. With replica Zero fighters, Kate torpedo bombers, and Val dive bombers, this performance will be a breathtaking mix of pyrotechnics and narrative storytelling, transporting attendees back to that historic moment in time.

Other highlights include a **Doolittle Raid tribute** featuring an awe-inspiring formation of four B-25 bombers and the iconic C-47 "Whiskey 7" alongside two additional C-47s, soaring across the skies to symbolize the legendary **"Flying the Hump"** missions over the Himalayas. In a stunning aerial display, we will com-

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memorate the **Tokyo Bay Flyover**, marking the end of the war and celebrating the victory that changed the course of history.

Fans will also be treated to performances by four P-51 Mustangs, three Corsairs, the TBM Avenger, the Wildcat, and many more legendary aircraft. Returning for crowd-pleasing aerobatics, world aerobatic champion Rob Holland will once again mesmerize the audience with his breathtaking precision flying. Joining Rob will be beloved performers like Trevor Rafferty, Skipper Hyle, and more, promising an exciting lineup of thrilling demonstrations.

Whether you're an aviation enthusiast or looking for a fun, family-friendly experience, the 2025 Geneseo Airshow has something for everyone. The event offers a hands-on, up-close experience with the aircraft and pilots, and our turf runway provides an immersive vantage point unlike any other. This is an airshow you won't want to miss, where the history of aviation and the thrill of modern flying come together for a spectacular show.

We invite you to join us in **Geneseo, NY on July 12 & 13, 2025**, for an unforgettable weekend at **America's greatest grassroots airshow**. For more information, including performer announcements and ticket details, follow [National Warplane Museum - Geneseo Airshow](#) on Facebook or visit [www.nationalwarplanemuseum.com](http://www.nationalwarplanemuseum.com).



2024 National Warplane Museum ICAS Team front row left to right: Phil Hadlick, Craig Wadsworth, Martha Wadsworth, Tina Treichler, Pete Treichler and Don Nichols. In the back row are members of the Air Force F-35A Lightning II Demo Team, including their pilot, Captain Melanie “MACH” Kluesner.

## NWM Mascot “Duffy” Featured in New Children’s Picture Book

The National Warplane Museum has a new mascot - Duffy the Bear! This cuddly stuffed teddy bear decked out as an aviator is perfect for the younger set interested in flying.



But wait—there’s more! The Museum is publishing a series of children’s picture books featuring young Duffy. The first in the series is entitled **“Duffy’s First Plane Ride”** and is sure to delight young children. Volunteer Ruth Henry took the lead with this project assisted by volunteer Colleen Venturino. Both Ruth and Colleen are published children’s book authors so they were thrilled to collaboratively take on the challenge! All proceeds from the sale of this book benefit the Na-

tional Warplane Museum.

Duffy the (stuffed) bears are already available in the Museum store. The books will be available beginning Wednesday, Dec. 18th, timely for holiday giving! Watch the NWM’s Facebook page for the latest news of its arrival to the store!

## Geneseo Central School Career Day

The Museum was happy to be a part of the Geneseo Central School Career Day event. Groups of middle school students were given a chance to learn about opportunities in Aviation from Museum Volunteer Craig Wadsworth. He spoke to them about the large field of diverse professions which make up the thousands of positions open in Aviation including pilots, technicians, agents, legal, and managerial positions. The topics included not only 'traditional' positions but the options in fast growing areas like drones and space tourism.

Craig encouraged the students to look to their school and family resources for help but also suggested a trip to the museum might help them explore the possibilities. "Encouraging our younger generations to get excited about career opportunities in aviation is key to the health of the industry and we are happy to do our part."





## SUNY Geneseo Tour

By Jay Jones

On the evening of 24 October, 31 students from SUNY Geneseo toured the National Warplane Museum. The students are part of the College's History of American Military class. Their instructor, Mr. Theodore "Ted" Sergeant, himself a retired Army Lieutenant Colonel, brings the class down to the museum each semester to reinforce what he's already taught. He remarked "it is a great place for the students to get hands on experience with what they've read and heard about".



The tours consisted of 3 stops, the museum itself, the large hangar and the static aircraft (C-119 and the C-130). The students were split into 3 groups of 10 and rotated through each stop every 20 minutes. Monica Kingston, this tours coordinator, kept everyone moving smoothly and on time. Thank you to tour guides Kevin House, Jay Jones, Ian Mistretta, Brian Trzaskos, Don McLean and Paul Gayton who manned the gift shop.

The National Warplane Museum is a committed supporter of ALL levels of educational tours here at the museum. As consistently noted on the last page of your newsletter, our mission statement declares that "We are dedicated to the preservation and display of significant historical and military aircraft and artifacts for the BENEFIT and EDUCATION of the public". If you know of a class or group who would like to book a tour please call the administration office at (585) 243-2100 and let's show-off what we have.

## National Warplane Museum Leads the Way at Village of Livonia Christmas Parade

By Jodi Beyer



On December 6, 2024, the National Warplane Museum brought a touch of history and holiday cheer to the Village of Livonia Christmas Parade. Showcasing a model of the Corsair F4U and accompanied by a 1945 Jeep Willys, the museum's float led the parade, captivating spectators and celebrating the community spirit of the season.

The preparations began at the museum around 4:00 p.m., where a small but dedicated group gathered to load the Corsair float and Jeep onto

separate vehicles. The convoy then made its way to the Village of Livonia, where the parade festivities kicked off at Bowen Park.

Starting at 6:45 p.m., the parade procession moved down Main Street before turning onto Commercial Street. Despite the brisk 22° weather, the event drew a large crowd, all bundled up and full of holiday cheer. The Corsair F4U model, leading the lineup, served as a highlight of the parade, symbolizing both the historical significance of the museum and the festive spirit of the evening.



The museum extends heartfelt gratitude to several key contributors: Bevin Lynn for gathering the reenactors for participation, Keith Auble for expertly driving the float, and Mark Wing for transporting and driving the Jeep Willys. Their efforts, along with the support of the Livonia community, made the event a memorable start to the holiday season.

Though the parade may have been short, it was packed with an all-star lineup and plenty of holiday magic. The National Warplane Museum is proud to have participated and looks forward to continuing its tradition of community engagement and celebration.

Happy holidays from all of us at the National Warplane Museum!!!



# The NWM Flight Experiences Program

By Tina Treichler

Flight Experience Coordinator Lead



The NWM Flight Experiences program had a successful season in 2024, despite a few mechanical challenges. Due to waiting for some parts to arrive, our C-47 "Whiskey 7" wasn't able to make any flights until July. Even with the delay, we were able to fly around 360 passengers over the course of 7 events. Our typical Whiskey 7 flight takes passengers south to Letchworth State Park, where after a circle around the waterfalls, passengers then get to view Conesus Lake from above.

The Waco biplane also had an active season, allowing passengers to

experience the magic of an open cockpit aircraft. The L-16 even saw some action this season! The flight experience program is a true asset to NWM, bringing history alive and allowing passengers to take a step back in time. Volunteers in the flight experience program are often told how much the experience has impacted people's lives. The flight experience program welcomed two new volunteers this season: Katie Murphy and Emily Cooper, we are thrilled to have them join us! The 2025 season

will begin in June, flights will be available for booking on our website by April 2025. Gift certificates are available for purchase all year. The link is: <https://nationalwarplanemuseum.com/fareharbor/>

Questions about the flight experience program can be emailed to [tina.treichler@nationalwarplanemuseum.com](mailto:tina.treichler@nationalwarplanemuseum.com) or by calling the museum at (585) 243-2100, and selecting option 1.







By John Snyder

The National Warplane Museum in Geneseo is proud to announce that they are sponsoring the “Moving Wall,” the half scale replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, DC., the dates are September 25-29, 2025. The display will be on the grounds of the museum located at 3489 Big Tree Lane, Geneseo.



What makes this “Moving Wall” so special is that it was conceived and funded by Vietnam Veterans. No government funds were used. In 1984, John Devitt, Gary Haver and Norris Shears from San Jose, California decided that the Vietnam Veterans Memorial was so important to the citizens of this country, and to the memory of those that gave their lives for this country, that a portable wall needed to be built. Most families and friends of Vietnam Veterans, and the veterans themselves would never have a chance to go to Washington, D.C., to visit the memorial itself. Since its inception, the “Moving Wall” has visited over 1500 communities across the nation. The National Warplane Museum is honored to host this national treasure for the citizens of this area of Western New York.

Please mark your calendar for September 25-29, 2025, and be sure to tell your family, friends and neighbors about this very special event. It will be something you won't want to miss.

# BIRTHDAYS, BOY SCOUTS, AND PAPER AIRPLANES

By Jamieson R. Steele, Collections & Tours

We often host birthday parties and Scout groups for some history, airplanes, snacks, and fun.



We had two separate groups this fall, the first was a birthday party for Derek, 11, a young Scout. It was prearranged, and all went very well. They did something I have not seen done before; they made folded paper airplanes, and stood around W7 for a distance contest. Of course, several landed on the wings, but they really had a lot of fun.

They got the tour inside W7, but with so many, I kept the cockpit door closed. When it was just Derek and his Mom in the plane, I put him in the pilot seat for a photo op. Well, he waved to all the kids outside, and they all climbed back in to be a pilot for the day. They were very careful not to touch anything. Yes, there are still good kids out there!



Derek really likes airplanes, and wanted to return to do some volunteer work and indeed he did. His Mom brought him down one Saturday, and as luck would have it, another Scout troop was doing a visit, so he joined them for the tour and lunch. After lunch Derek was under the supervision of Tommy in the 1941 hangar, and helped power blow and scrape one of the mowers of caked on grass & gunk. He was provided with a face shield and did a very good job.

The Scout tour was mostly under the guidance of our USAF (Ret) Capt. Jay Jones. Yes, Jay flew the C-130 Herc, and does a super good job with tours and tales of his flying days. His flying currently is restricted to dragging the mock Corsair to various parades. I had brought in my Boy Scout sash with my Eagle patch and all the stuff from my last uniform stitched on both sides of it. The Scouts and leaders got a kick out of it.... maybe just because it was so darn old!!





## The Pennington P-51 'Lucy Gal' Tuskegee Flight Memorial (Part One)

*An effort to honor a local MIA Red Tail take-off, again*

By Austin Hancock

**July, 2004:** I stood in the middle of a scorching hot cornfield in Geneseo, NY, as a junior member of the 1941 Historical Aircraft Group. I had volunteered as a tour guide with our museum's newly formed Tuskegee History program. I had just completed my first group tour to a mass of students from the Rochester City School district (older than I, at the time.) They now sat in a tent and were listening to a presentation by local African American Historian Dr. David Anderson. With a booming voice, and excellent use of gestures and storytelling prowess, Dr. Anderson walked the visiting children through the complete story of the Tuskegee Airmen. He told of some of the earliest Black Aviators, Eugene Jacques Bullard and Bessie Coleman. The crowd was agape with wonder, they were hooked.



Leland Pennington, USAAF



Tuskegee Airman Charles Price

Next up, to deliver the "knockout punch," was Tuskegee Airman Charles Price, also a Rochester native. He told of his time as a Red Tail ground crew member, much to the awe of the students and teachers alike. This was already the perfect day, or was it? The oral history segment of the presentation concluded, but the fun was just getting started. Renowned Warbird Pilot John "Skipper" Hyle next strode up to the tent and asked the crowd if anyone had heard of the P-51 Mustang. A few of the teachers raised their hands, but to the kids, it was all gibberish. Well, that would soon change. A few short moments later, "Skipper" was counting the blades at the end of the V-1650 Merlin,

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and with a kick, the Mustang woke up. All of a sudden, history came alive to the attendees, the name “P-51 Mustang” now had meaning.

“Skipper” throttled the Mustang up, and after takeoff, continued to make a few passes over the flight line. The mouths of the kids and adults hung wide open (yours truly included.) In what seemed like a time warp, the Mustang soon alit, and “Skipper” walked back to the crowd that now stood still in shock. As he walked towards me, John could see the look in my eyes. “*You’re the next Mustang pilot, huh?*” I knew the answer (still “working on it”), I had from the age that the first words out of my mouth were “P-51 Mustang.” What I *didn’t* know, until that day, was how inspired I’d be to tell the story of the Tuskegee Airmen, on a personal level.

The Tuskegee History program would continue at our airshow over the years, enduring city school budget cuts, inclement weather, and a museum name change. Yet, like the Tuskegee Airmen themselves, the presentation never quit. That brave group of



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P-51 at the National Warplane Museum



NWM Tuskegee Program

African American pilots and support crew, who fought against racism and stacked odds all throughout World War II, we worked hard each year to keep a program afloat to tell their story. I would also stick with the effort, year after year, as my interest in the Red Tails only grew stronger. In 2010, I began to feel a sixth-sense connection with the Tuskegee Airmen. It felt as if someone was calling my name, calling for help. I took this as a cue to begin doing some research. I wanted to see if, in addition to Mr. Charles Price, there were any Red

Tails from the Western NY area who actually flew the P-51. At the time, I was just beginning college and flight school. I had access to a vast amount of free research resources, and I took advantage of them all.

With a little digging, I learned of the name of Leland Pennington, thanks to an article in the St. Louis Dispatch (of all places.) A Tuskegee Airman from Rochester, NY, Leland had gone MIA while flying a P-51 somewhere over Croatia. That was all I had found, nothing more, nothing less. Yet, I felt a calling of sorts. This story needed more

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attention, Leland was crying to be heard. Not only for his story, but the story of others like him. I reached out to the author of the article, asking for her sources and if she had any leads for me to pursue. I heard back within 24 hours, and I had the name of Leland's cousin, Al Fields, who was still living near me in Rochester. I had my next mission.

I wrote a letter to Mr. Fields, explaining my interest in his cousin and the service he gave as a Tuskegee Airman. I expressed my desire to learn more, and possibly turn this discovery into an effort to create a flying memorial to Leland. I wanted to take on a project like this and base it at the museum in Geneseo as the cornerstone of our annual Tuskegee History Program. The local connection would really leave a lasting impact on the program participants, I thought. The gears were turning in my head, I could envision my project taking flight (literally and figuratively.) Now, all I needed was to make that connection to Leland's family.

Within a week, much to my surprise, I received a phone call from Al Fields. He was most interested in my desire to learn more, and insisted that we soon meet to discuss Leland in detail. A short while later, we met up and talked about what we each knew of Leland



Leland Pennington Family (Al Fields, Left)

and his time as a Red Tail. We made an instant connection, and have remained best friends ever since. I had his full support. A short while later, after some digging (thanks to my genealogy savvy aunt), I would also have the support of Leland's daughter, Cyrillia. She, and other members of the Pennington lineage, reside in New Orleans. This was much to Al's surprise, as he hadn't known that this part of the family even existed (nor did Cyrillia!)

Needless to say, a "family reunion" occurred a short while later.

Once I had the family of Leland Pennington in the loop, my focus expanded to that of his friends. As people began to talk about my project, I soon learned that the Red Tail who participated in our annual program, Charlie Price, was actually best friends with Leland. Their comradery dated all the way back to early childhood. I contacted Charlie about setting up an interview, and he was elated at the chance to talk about he and his pal's

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capers. Charlie had an astigmatism, which prevented him from flying in the War. However, as a member of the Tuskegee Airmen, he served in the role of flight planner. Charlie was responsible for ensuring that each P-51 under his jurisdiction was properly loaded with fuel and ammunition, and also could make it to the target and back home to Ramitelli Airfield. No easy task, but he handled it with pride and ease.

As I interviewed Charlie, he told me about he and Leland's days as childhood friends, and also as rivals. Leland went to Monroe HS, and Charlie went to Madison HS. They

were best of friends most of the time, except when they were squared off in a football game (see photo.) Charlie told me that in addition to being quite the athlete, Leland was a skilled musician as well. He played the drums, and this is how he earned his nickname "*Sticky*." Charlie and Leland did what all typical boys did back in the early 1940s, had fun, and were the gad about town. Both eventually shipped off to War, and



Leland (#44), and Charlie Price (#10)  
playing high school football.

would occasionally see each other on base at Ramitelli. Charlie remembered the day Leland went missing quite vividly, and was in shock for the longest time at the loss of his friend. For the rest of his life, he wondered what exactly happened to Leland, "*where could he have wound up?*" I would maintain this friendship with Mr. Price (who was also the first African American Police Officer in the City of Rochester, NY) until his passing in 2021.

At the same time that I connected with Leland's family and his friend, I began to seek more specific information about Leland's service as a Red Tail P-51 Pilot. I submitted research requests to the National Archives, Smithsonian, and USAF Records at Maxwell AFB, seeking any and all info on Mr. Pennington. From here, the project really began to take-off.

*(to be continued...)*



## A Visit by Boy Scouts of America, Troop 356

By Jay Jones



On a very chilly Saturday morning, 9 November, Boy Scouts of America, Troop 356 of Irondequoit, New York came to tour the National Warplane Museum. The Troop, led by Scoutmaster Brett Miller, were camping overnight, (actually the whole cold weekend) just south of Letchworth State Park. In total, there were 13 scouts and four chaperones. The scouts were between ages 11 through 15.

Everyone was very impressed with the static airplanes, the museum and the large hangar, but it was the museum's own, Jamieson Steele who stole the show when he shared his personal jam-packed merit badge sash. Jamie himself is an Eagle Scout, earning the rank back in 1964 with Fayetteville, New York's Troop 51. As the day warmed up, the Troop enjoyed lunch beneath the C-130 before heading back to camp.



Thank you to Scoutmaster Miller and all of Troop 356 for their visit. The scouts were all attentive and asked great questions. We look forward to seeing them again.

## WELCOME HOME, BROTHER

By Jamieson Steele

Earlier this fall, one of our members wearing his Viet Nam vet hat, met a visitor who also wore a similar hat. They shook hands, and each said; 'Welcome home, Brother'. I have heard of this tradition, but never had seen it in person. It is the welcome they give each other now, since they certainly didn't get warm greetings back when they did return from Viet Nam.

To me, it was very moving. I am of that era, and was in ROTC, until I found out chronic asthma prevents ability to serve in the military. We didn't have the magic asthma rescue inhalers back then. You just suffered. After graduating from SUNY College of Forestry, now ESF, I was a police officer for a few years. The rules were not as strict for that job, and, like now, it was a hard job to sell. I know that 'Brotherhood' feeling, and was emotional to see it between those two 'Brothers' of a different family.

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## SAVE THE DATE!

By Larry Jones

During the summer of 2022, the National Warplane Museum was privileged to present the sounds and music of The Glenn Miller Orchestra. We had over 450 in attendance to that event, a smashing success!



Not to be outdone, we have booked yet another great band of that era, The Tommy Dorsey Orchestra. Tommy Dorsey, "The Sentimental Gentleman", was unsurpassed as a bandleader during The Swing Era of American popular music. From 1935 to 1956 the Tommy Dorsey Orchestra was recognized as the greatest dance band, swinging with the best and beyond! Today's One and Only Tommy Dorsey Orchestra continues this great tradition for audiences worldwide, and fans of all ages. We have tentatively scheduled this great band for **Saturday,**

**September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025!** It will be an evening of music, dancing, and so much more! Times and details will follow. Keep watch and don't miss this great musical venue right here at your National Warplane Museum!



# The National Warplane Museum Featured At the George Eastman House Annual Gingerbread House Display

“Dozens of cleverly designed and deliciously decorated gingerbread houses fill the mansion. This beloved holiday tradition provides a visual and aromatic treat for visitors of all ages.”

All of the gingerbread creations are available in an online silent auction.”

<https://www.eastman.org/sweet-creations-gingerbread-display-0>

The National Warplane Museum wishes to applaud the Hidey Family for their creativity and thanks them for their support!



**(Editor’s Note:**  
The display will remain on view at the Eastman House through January 5, 2025





## Pictures from the Annual Christmas Party

The Annual National Warplane Museum Christmas Party was held at the Conesus Lake Sportsmen's Club in Lakeville on Saturday, December 14th. Around 80 volunteers/members were in attendance. The party was arranged and organized by Craig Wadsworth, Monica Kingston, Colleen Venturino, and Jodi Beyers, among others. The meal included steaks cooked to order, a potato dish, and tossed salad. A nice cake was available for desert.

The Museum wishes to thank all those who helped in any way. A special thanks goes out to the Conesus Lake Sportsmen's Club for their hospitality and for preparing such a delicious meal! A good time was had by all!



Jay Jones (L) and John Peckham set up their inflatable Christmas airplane displays



A nice assortment of raffle baskets were available



Steaks cooked to order



At the salad Bar

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("Pictures from the Annual Christmas Party" continued)



Volunteers/members enjoying a bit of the holiday spirit!



Jamie doing what he does best!



Bill Cooper holding court



A wonderful cake!



Craig doing the honors

# 2025 Calendar of Events



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EVENT	Date	CONTACT
MARS Sport Launch	1/1	<a href="http://www.marsclub.org">www.marsclub.org</a>
Safety Down Day	4/26	(585)243-2100
ROTC Commission	TBD	(585)243-2100
Flying Objects (Kids Day)	5/17	Ruth Henry
WNY Free Flight - Spring Opener	5/23-5/25	Mark C. Rzdca (wnyffs@gmail.com)
Memorial Day Observance-Fly over	TBD	(585)243-2100
Wargames Among Warbirds	6/7	wargamesw@yahoo.com
Empire State Champion Free Flight	6/20-6/22	Ruth Bane (585)765-9363
MARS Sport Launch	6/28-6/29	<a href="http://www.marsclub.org">www.marsclub.org</a>
Airshow Flightline Training	TBD	(585)243-2100
MARS Sport Launch	Possibly 7/4 weekend	<a href="http://www.marsclub.org">www.marsclub.org</a>
Whiskey 7 Independence Day Fly Overs	TBD	(585)243-2100
<b>*GENESEO AIR SHOW</b>	7/11-7/13	(585)243-2100
Flying Aces Event	7/16-7/19	David Mitchell(202)744-9345
MARS Sport Launch	7/26-7/27	<a href="http://www.marsclub.org">www.marsclub.org</a>
MARS Sport Launch	8/9-8/10	<a href="http://www.marsclub.org">www.marsclub.org</a>
WNY Free Flight-Yankee Air Pirate Challenge	8/15-8/17	Mark C. Rzdca (wnyffs@gmail.com)
Geneseo VFW Picnic	8/30	Tony Gurak (585)489-1698
Pancake Breakfast	9/1	(585)243-2100
WNY Free Flight - Great Grape Gathering	9/5-9/7	Roy Smith aeronut.kos.net
Volunteer Pot Luck	9/13	(585)243-2100
Wargames Among Warbirds	9/13	wargamesw@yahoo.com
MARS Sport Launch	9/13-9/14	<a href="http://www.marsclub.org">www.marsclub.org</a>
Tommy Dorsey Concert Dance	9/20	(585)243-2100
Moving Wall (Vietnam)	9/25-9/29	John Snyder
MARS Sport Launch	10/11-10/12	<a href="http://www.marsclub.org">www.marsclub.org</a>
Moog Flight Event	10/18	(585)243-2100
MARS Sport Launch	11/8-11/9	<a href="http://www.marsclub.org">www.marsclub.org</a>
Veterans Day Observance	11/11	(585)243-2100

Dates Subject To Change --Updated 12/14/2024





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**Museum Hours:**  
November 1 through April 30  
Wed, and Sat. 10 a.m.—3 p.m.  
May 1 through October 31  
Wed.—Sun. 10 a.m.—3 p.m.

The National Warplane Museum is a not-for-profit 501 (c) (3) public corporation with a Provisional Museum Charter issued by the New York State Board of Regents. We are dedicated to the preservation and display of significant historical and military aircraft and artifacts for the benefit and education of the public. We honor all Veterans for their service and sacrifice.

The facilities and 5,000-foot grass runway are located adjacent to the picturesque village of Geneseo, NY. Founded in the 1980s, the Museum continues to promote and encourage the appreciation of military and civilian aviation, aeronautics and aviation history. It serves the community with flying events, museum displays, social functions and educational opportunities associated with these aircraft and their history. To date, we have twenty historic aircraft owned by or associated with the Museum. We are operating profitably and have increased the attendance to our annual Geneseo Airshow in each of the last five years. Plans for the future include expanded facilities and additional aircraft.

**A P P L I C A T I O N F O R  
M E M B E R S H I P ( O R R E N E W A L )**

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Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Membership entitles you to free admission to the airshow and museum, a 10% discount at the museum store, one-year e-Mailed subscription to *Hangar Tales*, a window sticker for your car, and a membership card which is required for admissions and benefits.

Membership fees (Reflects changes as of January):

Please check if New Membership   
or Renewal

- \_\_\_\_\_ Individual (18-59 yrs) \$ 50.00
- \_\_\_\_\_ Senior (age 60 and up) \$ 45.00
- \_\_\_\_\_ Student (22 and under) \$ 20.00
- \_\_\_\_\_ Family (2 Adults and children under 18. Please provide names & dates of juniors) \$100.00
- \_\_\_\_\_ Lifetime \$600.00
- \_\_\_\_\_ Check here if you need a new decal for your car

Mail this application with your check or money order to the address above