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Their Sites and Stories 
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PROGRAM

8:15 am - 9:00 am
REGISTRATION/Coffee & Doughnuts
LOBBY

9:00 am - 10:00 am
Introduction
Dawne Dewey, Chair, Symposium Planning Committee
Head of Special Collections & Archives,
Wright State University Libraries

10:00 am - 10:15 am
BREAK

10:15 am - 11:45 am
CONCURRENT SESSIONS (3 choices)

SESSION A
ROOM E156
INVENTING THE AEROPLANE: DAYTON & KITTY HAWK
Moderator Henry Narducci, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, OH
- The Immortal Legacy of the Wright Brothers at Kitty Hawk, 1900-1903
  Darrell Collins, Wright Brothers National Memorial, Kill Devil Hills, NC
- Over a Herd of Cattle: The Wright Brothers and the Pursuit of Flight at
  Huffman Prairie Flying Field
  Elizabeth Fraterrigo, Loyola University, Chicago, IL
- The Wright Stuff: The Mathematics of the Wright Brothers
  Robert N. McCullough, Ferris State University, Big Rapids, MI

SESSION B
ROOM E163
MILITARY AVIATION TAKES FLIGHT
Moderator Dawne Dewey, Wright State University, Dayton, OH
- Failure and Success at Ft. Myers, 1908-1909
  David Chenoweth, Air Force History and Museums Program, Washington, DC
- “Kept Alive by the Postman” – The Wright Brothers and 1” Lt. Benjamin D.
  Foulois at Fort Sam Houston in 1910
  Roger Miller, Air Force History and Museums Program, Washington, DC
SESSION C
MULTIPURPOSE ROOM
WITNESSING EARLY FLIGHT
Moderator Sheila Darrow, Central State University, Wilmington, OH
- Witnesses to Flight: Aviation Achievements of the Wrights Described in Recently Discovered Letters Written by Their Contemporaries
  Stan Kandebo, *Aviation Week & Space Technology*, New York, NY
- Rumors of Flight: The Photographic Record of the Wright Brothers in Flight
  Jeffrey Alan John, Wright State University, Dayton, OH
- The First Witness: Amos Root at Huffman Prairie
  James Tobin, Ann Arbor, MI

11:45 am - 1:00 pm
MULTIPURPOSE ROOM

12:30 pm – 1:00 pm
MULTIPURPOSE ROOM
Introduction
Dawne Dewey, Chair, Symposium Planning Committee

Lunch
Tom Crouch, National Air and Space Museum, Senior Curator of Division of Aeronautics
“The World’s First Airplane: After Kitty Hawk”

1:15 pm - 2:45 pm
CONCURRENT SESSIONS (2 choices)

SESSION D
ROOM E156
REDISCOVERING THE WRIGHT BROTHERS: THE ARCHAEOLOGICAL EVIDENCE
Moderator Jan Ferguson, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, OH
- From Wright Flyers to Aerial Thermography: The 1910 Wright Brothers’ Hangar at Huffman Prairie
  Michael Hargrave, U.S. Army Construction Engineering Research Laboratory, Champaign, IL
- The Wright Brothers’ Print Shop, Hoover Block, Dayton, Ohio
  John Brucksh, National Park Service, Harpers Ferry Center, Harpers Ferry, WV

SESSION E
ROOM E163
HOME AND MEMORY IN DAYTON
Moderator Nancy Horlacher, Carillon Historical Park, Dayton, OH
- Hawthorn Hill: The Wright Family Home
  Mary Oliver, Montgomery County Historical Society, Dayton, Ohio
  Bill Harlow, National Park Service, Midwest Regional Office, Omaha, NE
- Memorializing the Wrights in Dayton
  Ann Honious, Dayton Aviation Heritage National Historical Park, Dayton, OH
2:45 pm - 3:00 pm  BREAK

LOBBY

3:00 pm - 4:30 pm  CONCURRENT SESSIONS (2 choices)

SESSION F
ROOM E156
MARKETING THE AEROPLANE AT HOME AND ABROAD
Moderator Jane Widlemuth, Wright State University, Dayton, OH
- 1908-1909 - An Illustrious Year: The Wrights and France
  Renald Fortier, Canada Aviation Museum, Ottawa, Canada
- Memory Strengthened or Forgotten? Wilbur Wright’s Visits to Germany and the German Understanding of Aviation
  Guillaume de Syon, Albright College, Reading, PA
- The First Aerial Canoe: Wilbur Wright and the Hudson Fulton Flights
  John Sanford, Wright State University, Dayton, OH

SESSION G
ROOM E163
ESTABLISHING THE LEGACY IN DAYTON
Moderator Marjorie McLellan, Wright State University, Dayton, OH
- On the Aviation Trail in the Wright Brothers’ Neighborhood in Dayton, Ohio
  Mary Ann Johnson, Aviation Trail, Inc., Dayton, Ohio
- Main Street Program on West Third St.
  Becky Gaytko, Dayton Aviation Heritage Commission, Dayton, Ohio
- Cultural Tourism and the Revitalization of the Wright Brothers’ Neighborhood, Dayton, Ohio
  Laura Milsk, Loyola University, Chicago, IL

4:30 – 6:00 pm  CLOSING RECEPTION
PAUL LAURENCE DUNBAR LIBRARY
Fourth Floor
See the new 1903 Wright Flyer replica now hanging in the library atrium and view items from the renowned Wright Brothers Collection. Light refreshments will be served.

Following the Footsteps exhibit
Student Union Art Gallery
This exhibit is a cooperative venture generously supported by the Dayton Aviation Heritage Commission. It was created and installed by curators John Armstrong, recent graduate of the Wright State University Public History program, and Sarah Stasiak, graduate student in the Public History program.

Many of the papers presented at today’s symposium will be published online after October 31, 2001, on the Wright Brothers Symposium website:
http://www.libraries.wright.edu/special/symposium/

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