

# **AERONOTES**

Our Mission: To interpret aviation, particularly that related to New York State, with exhibits and programs that educate, entertain and excite the public

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### DAN WILSON, IN MEMORIAM

The Empire State Aerosciences Museum is heartbroken to announce the death of its **Board of Trustees President Dan Wilson**.

Dan died in a plane crash at the Block Island, Rhode Island airport. He was a passenger in a small plane.

In a lifetime marked by purpose, adventurous curiosity, resourcefulness, and gentlemen's humility, Dan was passionate about aviation, veterans' causes, travel, and machines of many types.

Known for his industriousness and ingenuity in the pursuit of bringing big ideas to life for the greater good, Dan was involved in numerous civic initiatives that paid tribute to the past and that shall remain well beyond his life for the benefit of future generations. Notably, his most recent involvements included:



- Empire State Aerosciences Museum (ESAM) in Glenville, NY, where as a longtime member of the Board of Trustees and most recently as Museum President, he was instrumental in driving capital improvement projects, securing new equipment and assets, and building deeper community relationships. He loved searching the country and using his powers of persistent persuasion in obtaining the next great museum piece.
- Montgomery County Government is where Dan's foray into elected politics began as a Town of Florida councilman. He served on the board of the Montgomery County Industrial Development Agency and, most recently, represented District 5 for nine years as a Montgomery County Legislator. Dan was a dedicated and humble servant.

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#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear ESAM Members,

Today and in the days ahead, we honor and remember the life of our President, Dan Wilson. As many of us listened to the words of his family, friends, and co-workers, we came to realize that Dan was passionate about everything he did. He touched so many lives and furthered so many causes. ESAM is extremely fortunate to have been included as one of them.

Personally, I will always remember Dan for his optimism, his ability to create and really foster new relationships, and his willingness to try new things. Dan was ESAM's greatest advocate, but above all, he was a true friend. I want to thank our volunteers for their incredible outpouring of support to organize and prepare for Dan's memorial service in the GE Hangar. He would have been thrilled to see everyone banding together.

As I step into the role of President, my goal is to honor Dan's legacy by continuing the important work he began. I am committed to fostering the same sense of community that Dan championed, and to supporting the dedicated volunteers and members who make ESAM such a special organization. Together, we will continue to follow the principles and traditions that define ESAM, making sure it stays a welcoming place for all who share our passion.



Rich Bievenue

For the members that may not know my background, please let me take a moment to share a bit about myself and my experience with ESAM. I graduated from the Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake School District in 1989 and earned my B.S. in Mechanical Engineering from RPI. For the past thirty years, I have been employed at Precision Valve & Automation in Halfmoon, NY, where I've had the privilege of designing automated dispensing equipment for the automotive, industrial, and consumer electronics industries. I joined ESAM in 2015 as a volunteer in the Restoration Group, where I currently serve as the group supervisor. Since 2017, I have also been a member of the Board of Trustees and had the privilege of serving as the 1st Vice President throughout Dan's tenure.

Looking ahead, we will be holding elections for Board of Trustee members at our Annual Meeting this Fall. There remains an ongoing need for dedicated individuals to join the Board of Trustees, Advisory Board, Executive Committee, and numerous other committees. I encourage all members to help recruit potential candidates. Working together, we can ensure the continued success and growth of our museum.

Beginning in September, new admissions pricing will take effect. This pricing adjustment is necessary to address rising operating costs and to support the museum's continued growth, including the expansion into the GE Hangar. Additionally, the increase will help accommodate several new aircraft and exhibits that our volunteers have worked so hard to add to ESAM's collection.

There has been a lot of activity in our Air Park in August. In preparation for repaving the Air Park grounds, Restoration Group volunteers moved 16 aircraft, three aircraft engines, and ancillary equipment. Special credit is due to ESAM volunteer, **Glen Preece**, for undertaking the huge task of moving our F-102 Delta Dagger and installing the landing gear. Paving is scheduled to begin in October. We must thank Schenectady County for including us in their plans!

Finally, I hope you will consider attending our upcoming events for the Fall:

Cadillac & LaSalle Car Club meet, 10/16

Jack-O-Lanterns & Jets, 10/25

ESAM Member Picnic and Annual Meeting, 11/1 (Please RSVP to the ESAM office by 10/25)

Veteran's Recognition, 11/8

Christmas in the Air, 12/13

And don't forget the monthly Fly-In Breakfasts and presentations

Sincerely, Rich Bievenue President

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• The Town of Florida's Veterans Park, an outdoor park commemorating American war and veteran history that includes numerous historically significant military pieces and an exhibit of twisted steel from WTC Tower 2, which is movingly set against the backdrop of a farm silo.

Born in Saratoga Springs in 1948 to Robert David Wilson and Agnes Marion Monroe, Dan graduated from Mohonasen High School (1967) and was a veteran of the U.S. Army Reserve during the Vietnam War era. He began his career as a union carpenter and progressed into a variety of construction management roles with BBL, which brought him all over the country and facilitated many friendships and stories. He gave his all to his work endeavors as he did to all his involvements.

Dan is survived by a family who adored him, including his son, Daniel P. Wilson II of Houston, Texas; his daughter, Melinda J. Wilson of New York; and his granddaughter, Ava M. Wilson of Guilderland, NY. He is preceded in death by his cherished wife, Jill Jerry Wilson, and his youngest daughter, Aimee Dara ("Pookie") Wilson. His siblings include Joseph Wilson, George Wilson, Robert Wilson, Kathleen Smith, and Andrew Wilson. His three older sisters, Dianne Armstrong, Bonnie Marco, and Barbara Goodwin, preceded him in death. He is also survived by his wife's family, including the Mahars and Jerrys, as well as many loving cousins, nieces, and nephews.

Dan was a wonderful person and a wonderful President of the museum. ESAM is proud that his family decided to have Dan's Celebration of Life in the museum's Main Hangar. The celebration was overflowing with people who wanted to honor Dan with their presence. The reception line extended across the hangar. Dan's extended family was in attendance and members of the family delivered many tender reminiscences. Also in attendance were government dignitaries, representatives of the building trades in which Dan worked, ESAM members, and a host of others. The celebration ended with a flyover visible from the ramp where Dan's beloved C-130s are parked and with a water salute by the local fire department. Rest in Peace.

#### WHY IS THE AIR PARK EMPTY?

No, we didn't have a severe weather fly away!

At the request of Schenectady County, ESAM has moved all its planes that were in the Air Park to the tarmac behind the main hangar. The move facilitates the County's efforts to extend utilities to areas between the Air Park and the airfield. Because ESAM is located on county-owned property, the museum will benefit from the work being done and will be able to return its planes to the Air Park when the work is done. Kudos to the Restoration Crew who moved the airplanes. It wasn't an easy job, as many of the planes had not been moved in years.



ESAM volunteer Dave Tripp tows the Museum's F-101 Voodoo from the Air Park to the tarmac near the Main Hangar.

#### ESAM RECEIVES NYS STATE LEGISLATIVE GRANT FROM SENATOR FAHY

On Tuesday, July 8, 2025, State Senator Patricia Fahy {D—Albany}, Chair of the Schenectady County Legislature Gary Hughes, Glenville Town Supervisor Robert J. Kirkham .Jr., and members of the Schenectady County Legislature announced that the Empire State Aerosciences Museum (ESAM), will receive \$30,000 for youth programming through a legislative grant secured by Senator Fahy.

Currently, the museum's operations are supported primarily by admissions, gift shop sales, event revenue, and additional support from **Schenectady County**, along with grants, gifts, and donations. Each time the museum acquires a new exhibit, annual insurance costs rise. For example, within the last year, the museum added an F-15C jet fighter to its collection from a National Guard unit in Massachusetts. Like most of the museum's exhibited military aircraft, this plane is on 'permanent loan' from the US Air Force, with the museum required to insure the airplane at an amount determined by the US Air Force and to maintain the plane in a presentable condition.

The grant will allow ESAM to devote more of its limited operating resources to support expanding its education programs, STEM camp activities, and other important work done at ESAM to educate, entertain, and excite the community about the important history of aviation in the Empire State. ESAM began in 1984 when four aviation enthusiasts, Carl Battaglia, Ernie Tetrault, James Delmonico and Steven Israel, banded together in their desire to create a museum with the purpose of inspiring and educating the public about the wonders of flight.

"I'm thrilled to be able to secure \$30,000 for the Empire State Aerosciences Museum," said Senator Fahy. "This funding will expand the Museum's ability to offer youth programming and educational programs that enrich our community and remind people about the importance of aeroscience in Upstate New York. I couldn't be more excited to see this grant get put to use in serving our community and visitors alike."

"The Empire State Aerosciences Museum sincerely appreciates Senator Fahy's generous support. This grant award and her ongoing engagement in our activities demonstrates that she understands and appreciates the important educational and economic impact that cultural institutions like ESAM have in our community", said **Tim Burke**, **ESAM Trustee**.

#### **CALLING ALL KIDS**

Boo! Join us for a visit to a haunted hangar! Wear your Halloween costume! Enjoy activities! Bring something to put your candy in! Invite your parents!

ESAM will present its second annual Jack-o'-Lanterns and Jets program on Saturday, October 25th from 4:30 to 7:30! Cost is \$1 per person and food will be available for sale. Tickets are available through the ESAM Facebook page.



#### CHRISTMAS IS IN THE AIR, AGAIN

Ho, ho, ho!

This year's Christmas is in the Air program is scheduled for December 13th. Santa and some of his elves will be there. More info about this event will be coming soon on ESAM's website and Facebook page.

#### STEM PROGRAM DRAWS ENTUSIASTIC YOUNG AVIATORS

ESAM's Annual Summer STEM Camp attracted so many young aviation enthusiasts that the class had to be expanded to meet demand. The 41 participants spent August 12th through 15th at ESAM learning about the History and Evolution of Aviation (**Kevin Millington** presenter), Schenectady County Community College's Aviation Program (**Barbara Jones** presenter), the Wright Brothers and Glen Curtiss (**Anum Sheikh** presenter), Forces of Flight (**Dave Roe** presenter), Naval Aviation Personal Equipment (**Larry McArthur** presenter), Aircraft Components (Dave Roe presenter), Aircraft Focus: C-130 and F-15 (Kevin Millington and Dave Roe presenters), the Space Program (**Katie Titus** presenter), Careers in Aviation (**Daniel Klick** presenter), and touring the Air Park and Hangar.

The highlight of the program was a flight in a small plane. Flights were conducted by **John Baldasaro** and flight instructors from **Five Star Flight Academy**.



**Preflight Briefing** 

#### YOUNGER AVIATOR SERIES LIFTS OFF

Thanks to our **Gift Shop Manager Patty Southworth** for bringing to life a Young
Aviators Summer Series. Patty developed
and presented the two sessions in this series.

The first presentation was tailored to youngsters Kindergarten to Second Grade. It was about Amelia Earhart. The second presentation was tailored to children Third through Sixth Grade. It was about the P-40 aircraft, and involved putting a model of the P-40 together.



Thanks to Patty for making this program a reality. She's planning more programs in the fall.

#### **OPERATION SONG COMES TO ESAM**

**Operation Song** came to ESAM on September 12th and 13th.

On the 12th, four songwriters from Nashville interviewed local military members and first responders, and/or their families. Then, overnight, the songwriters wrote songs based on the interviews.

On Saturday the 13th, they invited the interviewees to the stage set up in ESAM's hangar, and sang the songs they had written. It was a powerful and touching event, supplemented with a presentation of colors by the NYS Police, food, drink, a silent auction, speeches by local dignitaries and a band performance.

Thanks to **Schenectady County** for providing the stage, to **Armory Studios** for providing the chairs, and to the many ESAM volunteers who set up for the performance.



**Backstage at Operation Song** 

2025 ESAM
MEMBER PICNIC
AND
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NOVEMBER 1, 2025

FREE PICNIC IN ESAM'S
COMMUNITY ROOM
12:00 NOON
RSVP to 518-377-2191 by OCTOBER 25

ESAM ANNUAL MEETING AND GUEST SPEAK-ER 1:00 PM

GUEST SPEAKER: JOE BULMER,
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Changes in Aviation over the Last 50 Years
from a Pilot's Perspective

AT THE EMPIRE STATE AEROSCIENCES MUSEUM 250 Rudy Chase Drive, Glenville, NY

**Spouses and Significant Others** are welcome

### Proxy Form for Annual Meeting

Dear ESAM Member,

The purpose of the Annual Meeting of the Empire State Aerosciences Museum (to be held on November 1, 2025) shall be to elect Trustees of the Corporation, to report on all significant activities of the Corporation during the preceding fiscal year and to conduct such other business as may properly come before the meeting. The Record Date for eligibility to vote at this meeting has been fixed at October 15, 2025. Every member as of October 15, 2025 is entitled to vote and may authorize another person to act for such member by written proxy. To insure a quorum at the Annual Meeting, please date, sign and return the Proxy Form below. The ESAM Board Secretary will be custodian of proxies. Every proxy shall be revocable at the pleasure of the member executing it. These signed proxies will be available at the Annual Meeting, and may be retrieved by those members who will be voting in person that night.

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#### **AeroNotes**

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#### WINTER HOURS HAVE BEGUN

ESAM is now on Winter Hours. The museum is open for general visiting on Fridays through Sundays, from 10:00 am to 4 pm.

#### **NEW PRICING EFFECTIVE FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2025**

The Empire State Aerosciences Museum Executive Board has approved new pricing for Admissions in order to address rising operating costs and to support the museum's continued growth The new pricing, outlined below, is effective starting Friday, September 5, 2025.

#### New Pricing - Effective starting Friday, Sept. 5, 2025

Adults: \$13.00

Seniors / Military: \$11.00 Children 5 - 16: \$9.00 Children 4 and Under Free SRV Ride (per person): \$5.00

C-130 Tour\*\*: \$2.00

\*\*When available. C-130 tours are generally available on Saturdays when volunteer staff is on hand.

## ESAM'S FLY IN/DRIVE IN BREAKFAST PRESENTATIONS CONTINUE

Thanks yet again to Trustee **Mike Collins** for arranging interesting educational presentations in association with ESAM's monthly breakfasts on the third Saturdays of the month. In September, **Paul Quantock** spoke on Army Aviation "Hunter Killer" teams, followed by a tour of ESAM's helicopters.

#### October:

Fanquan Yu and George Dalakos will speak on Aircraft Propulsion and Fuel Developments

November:

John Coulthart, will speak on the History of Mohawk Airlines

December: A month off.

Please Note: All programs are subject to change.
Please check with the ESAM office closer to the event.



Model of a Mohawk Airlines Fairchild Hiller FH-227, donated to ESAM by ESAM's President Emeritus Ralph Rosenthal

## LETTERS, POSTS AND EMAILS LIKE THESE WE LIKE TO RECEIVE

July 29, 2025

Dear Chad,

We are so very grateful for your in-kind silent auction donation of a complimentary family pass in support of Living Resources. Your generosity will help us support and empower individuals with disabilities or other life-changing conditions to live with dignity, independence, and happiness.

We will feature your gift at one of our upcoming events: our 4th Annual "a tribute to Transforming Lives" on August 18, 2025, at the 1863 Club in Saratoga Springs, or our 16th Annual Golf Tournament on September 19, 2025 at the Colonie Golf and Country Club.

Your generous silent auction donation will be highlighted at the event through a standing frame show-casing the details of your gift. It will feature your logo and will highlight Empire State Aerosciences Museum.

You will also be thanked on our Webpage, event page, and social media pages.

Thank you again for your support of our mission.

Very sincerely,

Catherine Butryn Development Coordinator

Jack's Place 17 Rosa Road Schenectady, NY 12308

We want to thank you for donating a family pass to your museum, for us to use in our raffle, at our annual golf outing fundraiser.

The event was a huge success and thanks to people like you, Jack's Place will continue to serve families in need. Jack's Place can host up to 8 families at a time, and we average 6 families a night, so we are definitely filling a need.

We have been open for over 8 years now, and we have served many families, at no charge to them, so they can be there, for their children being treated.

Please go to our web page: jackfalvoiiifoundation.com to check out our house.

Thanks again, your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Jeff Countermine Donations

#### **NEW BOARD OF TRUSTEES NOMINEES**

**Trustee Tim Burke** of the ESAM Nominating Committee is pleased to announce the names of three nominees to the ESAM Board of Trustees. The nominees are

Joe Hathaway Bill O'Brien John Panoski Jr.

These individuals will be placed into nomination at the ESAM Annual Meeting on November 1, 2025 at the museum.

#### RECENT ACQUISITIONS

- Anton Solomon donated aviation picture cards and merchant vessel signal cards.
- **Richmor Aviation** donated a Gulfstream G-1159A.
- **Robert Estes** donated two framed pictures of B-17 aircraft: "Seweinfurt 1943" by Francis Dartois, and "Bloody Hundredth" by Keith Hill.
- Ross Armstrong donated issues of Aviation News, Aviation International News and Airport Voice.
- Mark Rahn donated various aviation publications.

## ESAM RECEIVES SABIR EQUIPMENT ON LOAN FROM THE 109TH AIRLIFT WING

ESAM thanks the **109th Airlift Wing** for the long-term loan of the following SABIR equipment: AS-4 SABIR Multi Mission Pod, AS-6 SABIR Scanner Door, AS-7 SABIR Strut Arm and AS-20 SABIR Avionics Rack. SABIR is an acronym for Special Airborne Mission Installation and Response.

With SABIR, the C-130, for a small fraction of the cost of a new purpose-built aircraft, can be transformed into a sophisticated C4ISR platform while often not losing any significant capacity as a basic cargo aircraft.

SABIR, developed by the **Airdyne Aerospace Inc.** is a mounting system for the C-130 Hercules family consisting of a modified paratroop door and articulating strut for quick roll-on/no scar aircraft configuration. The system, which can be installed or uninstalled by 2 people, provides a 400 pound payload capacity and multi-mission payload pod using a standard BRU-12 interface. The system is also provided with a carry-on operator console for mission equipment mounted in the payload pod. By the end of 2012, SABIR was in use with the US Special Operations Command, Air National Guard, and Marine Corps.

Airdyne pods are modular and scalable to accommodate a multitude of sensors on the market ranging from radars, EO/IR sensors, multi and hyperspectral, LIDAR, CBRNE, reconnaissance cameras, antennas from HF to microwave, atmospheric sampling and more.



SABIR on a C-130 Aircraft (from Military+Aerospace Electronics)

## **OUR SUPPORTERS**

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#### PRESTON VAN PATTON, IN MEMORIAM

The Empire State Aerosciences Museum is saddened to announce the passing of **Preston Van Patton** on July 14, 2025.

Preston grew up in Glenville and became an aircraft mechanic and pilot. Following his graduation from Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake High School, he continued his education at The Academy of Aeronautics-School of Aviation in Queens, NY completing his associate's degree. He served in the US Army and then worked as a corporate pilot, amassing more than 10,000 hours of flight time. He earned the **Charles Taylor Master Mechanic Award** for his exemplary 50 years of service in aviation.

We are pleased that Preston and his family designated ESAM to receive memorial funds in Preston's memory. We thank the following people who have donated a total of \$500.00 to Preston's Memorial Fund:

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#### HOW MUCH DO YOU WEIGH ON THE MOON?

Would you like to know how much you would weigh on the Moon? Just find the scales (shown below) in ESAM's Gallery II. They will let you know how much you weigh on Earth and on the Moon.



#### SCHENECTADY COUNTY RUN THE RUNWAY

On Saturday, September 13th, ESAM helped host Schenectady County's 5K Run the Runway. ESAM is pleased to have hosted the starting line, the finishing line and free admission to the museum after the race.



Runners congregate at ESAM for the 5K Run the Runway

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#### DANIEL WILSON MEMORIAL FUND

At the request of Dan Wilson's family, the Empire State Aerosciences Museum has set up the **Daniel Wilson Memorial Fund**. The museum is grateful to Dan's family for suggesting that people wishing to honor Dan contribute to the Memorial Fund. To date, the fund has received donations valued at \$2,275 from the following people:

Todd Alhart Alfonzo DiBlasio James Macnary William McLeod Elizabeth Zasada Erin Beaulac Tom Lafforthun Meghan Manion Joseph Palko Albin Zielaskowski Amanda Bradlinski Albert Macica Christine McDonald Larry Sukackas Jonathan DeForest Kim Mackey Scott McKay Robert Vickers

If you wish to donate to Dan's Memorial Fund, you may access the opportunity using the QR code to the right, or you may send a check to:

**ESAM** 

Attn: Daniel Wilson Memorial Fund

250 Rudy Chase Drive Glenville, NY 12302



#### ADDITIONAL DONATIONS

ESAM is pleased to have received the following donations:

Additional donations of \$1,450 to the **John Panoski Memorial Fund** from the following people:

Jean M. Cramer Mark DiMartino Raymond Davis Joseph Palko Patricia Smith Alfonzo DiBlasio Jessica Panoski

Donations of \$1,225 to the General Fund from the following people:

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### HAPPENINGS AT ESAM

#### **MUSEUM HOURS**

Summer Hours: (Father's Day through Labor Day) Open Tuesday through Sunday 10 AM to 4 PM. Closed Monday

Winter Hours (Labor Day through Father's Day) Open Friday through Sunday 10 AM to 4 PM. Closed Monday through Thursday

Closed on New Year's Eve, New Year's Day, Easter, Memorial Day, July 4th, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve, Christmas

For all other federal holidays or school breaks, contact the museum in advance to confirm.

General Museum Admission – \$13 per adult; \$11 per senior and military; \$9 age 6-16; under 6 free when accompanied by an adult

C-130 Tour (when available) – \$2

Simulated Reality Vehicle (SRV) – Ride: \$5

**Jansz Vander Veer Research Center/Library Hours** – Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday 9 AM to 12 noon, by appointment only

October 16, Thursday - Cadillac & LaSalle Car Club: 8:30-11:00 AM

October 18, Saturday - Pancake Breakfast: 8:30-10:30 AM. All you can eat: \$12 for ages 15 and older, \$8 for children 6-14, free for children under 6. Menu varies with pancakes, French toast, sausage, eggs, applesauce, juice and coffee/tea. The public is invited to attend.

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November 1, Saturday - ESAM Annual Meeting: 1:00 PM. At ESAM, following the Member Picnic. Guest speaker Joe Bulmer: Changes in Aviation over the Last 50 Years from a Pilot's Perspective

November 8, Saturday - Rotary Veterans Recognition: 7 PM

November 15, Saturday - Pancake Breakfast: 8:30-10:30 AM. All you can eat: \$12 for ages 15 and older, \$8 for children 6-14, free for children under 6. Menu varies with pancakes, French toast, sausage, eggs, applesauce, juice and coffee/tea. The public is invited to attend.

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November 17, Monday - Board of Trustees Meeting: 7 PM. ESAM Community Room

December 13, Saturday - Christmas is in the Air: 11 AM-4 PM