



Millville Wall of Remembrance Mural

The **City of Millville's Wall of Remembrance Mural** — the vision of George M. Curio, WWII veteran B-24 gunner and community leader — was created by mural artist Samuel M. Donovan of Woodstown, NJ, who captured the essence of Millville's contribution to America's WWII aviation history on the three-story north wall of Millville City Hall at High and Main Streets (Rte. 49). The mural was dedicated in 1997 and completely restored during its 10th anniversary year in 2007.

Millville Army Air Field Museum and Historic District

The **Millville Army Air Field Museum (MAAFM)** preserves the history of the Millville Army Air Field, Millville, NJ, which was dedicated by the U.S. War Department in 1941 as "America's First Defense Airport." During its four-year existence, more than 10,000 men and women served here, with 1,500 pilots receiving advanced fighter training in P-47 Thunderbolt and P-40 Warhawk fighter planes. The Museum honors the memory of 14 pilots who died while training at Millville



Located in the original Base Headquarters Building, the Museum displays a large collection of WWII aviation artifacts of local and national interest. Programs and tours focus on educating the community about Millville's vital role in aviation history. Expanded displays include items of interest from the Korean and Vietnam Wars. Airshows and static displays of vintage aircraft are featured.



The Museum's historic district includes the **Henry E. Wyble Historic Research Library and Education Center** and the **Link Trainer Building**, both located in restored WWII air base buildings.

The Millville Army Air Field Museum is a federal non-profit 501(c)(3) organization which was incorporated by the State of New Jersey in 1988.

Information



Hours The MAAFM is open from 10 am to 4 pm Tuesday through Sunday; Mondays by appointment.

Tours Group tours are available for students and civic organizations. Call the Museum to schedule a visit.

Memberships Join us in our mission to preserve Millville Airport's important WWII aviation history, promote patriotism, honor veterans, and educate future generations. Memberships of all levels as well as corporate sponsorships are available and greatly appreciated. Be an MAAFM benefactor. We respectfully accept artifacts and welcome volunteers. Contact the Museum at (856) 327-2347 for more information.

Other information

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1941-1945



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Appreciate and enjoy United States aviation and military history in the original base headquarters of 'America's First Defense Airport.' Join us as we honor the vital role of the WWII P-47 Thunderbolt pursuit/fighter plane, salute our veterans, and move through the past and present and into the future of aviation with our unique displays and collections.



Education

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Programs that educate and enlighten are presented on a regular basis at the Museum. The annual **Veterans Appreciation Day** commemorative event allows students to dress in WWII-period garb and interact with area veterans as a prelude to Veterans Day. The memorial ceremony is a highlight for community officials, military families and those who served. The **Millville ACE Veterans History Project**, a partner project with the Millville School System, gives students the opportunity to interview WWII veterans and videotape their oral histories for archiving in the National Library of Congress. Numerous aviation and veteran groups hold meetings and/or enjoy tours of the Museum, allowing members and guests to network, offer information, and assist in expanding the Museum's assets.



Collections & Affiliations

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The MAAFM is home to the **Philadelphia Seaplane Base Museum**, founded by the Robert Mills family in 1915. This interesting collection of artifacts spans from the very beginnings of flight through present day. There is a strong focus on the history of the seaplane during WWI and WWII.



This extensive collection became part of the Museum in 2000. In addition, the **Aerospace Resource Center (ARC)** is part of the Millville Army Air Field Museum. This educational resource focuses on teaching students aviation science through model building—utilizing classes, displays and hands-on experience. The Museum also directs the **P-47 Thunderbolt Advocates**, an associate organization of the prestigious P-47 Pilots Association. This group keeps the history of the WWII Thunderbolt pursuit plane alive through a membership of enthusiasts who are devoted to preserving the proud history of this notable warbird.



Airshows & Displays

Millville Airshow and Warbird Displays

The Museum hosts the **Millville Wheels & Wings Airshow**, which is its signature fundraising event. The US Navy Blue Angels, US Air Force Thunderbirds, Canadian Forces Snowbirds, US Army Golden Knights Parachute Team, and hundreds of military and aerobatic planes have performed at Millville Airport. In addition, hundreds of WWII warbirds have flown or appeared in static displays! Tens of thousands of spectators of all ages come to Millville to be part of the excitement!



Link Trainer

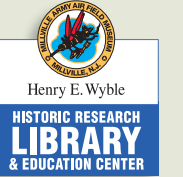
Link Trainer

The original **Millville Air Base Link Trainer Building** is part of the Museum's historic complex. It contains one of just five fully operational Link Trainers in the world. 'Link Trainer' is the name given to a series of flight simulators produced from the late 1920s through the early 1950s that were designed by Edwin Albert Link. The 'Link' was the only tool in its day to teach pilots to fly and land — and perform combat missions — in poor visibility.



Research Library

Henry E. Wyble Historic Research Library and Education Center



The **Henry E. Wyble Historic Research Library & Education Center** opened in April 2007 in one of Millville Airport's historic WWII buildings. It houses an extensive collection of books and documents dealing with WWII, along with WWI and the Vietnam, Korean, Middle East, and Persian Gulf Wars. Numerous volumes document all eras of aviation and military history. The library also contains a comprehensive video library, large-screen theater, and unique model collections. Students, educators and historians are invited



to use the library for in-depth research. The Wyble Library is open by appointment only. Access to the MAAFM library collection is available through the Millville Public Library's online catalog at MillvillePublicLibrary.org.

The library is also available for meetings of up to 50 people.

Historic District

Millville Airport's Historic District

There is no other airport in the country that boasts as many original WWII buildings as Millville — America's First Defense Airport. Of approximately 100 buildings in use during WWII, from 1941 through 1945, twenty-five (including two hangars) and a site known as the "parade grounds" were named to the New Jersey Historic Register in May 2010. We are very proud of this designation and that these buildings remaining from the Millville Army Air Field will continue to be testament to the important history that took place here at Millville Airport during WWII.

Commemorative Mural at Millville Airport

