MAY 23–29, 2012

In partnership with the City of New York and the United States Navy, the Intrepid Museum will once again host the city’s Annual Fleet Week celebration. 2012 marks the 25th New York City Fleet Week, a week-long celebration honoring the men and women who serve our nation in the armed forces. This year’s Fleet Week celebration will also include tall ships, commemorating the Bicentennial of the War of 1812. Celebrate with Intrepid and enjoy special performances and help kick off our summer movie series on the Flight Deck. Watch the military battle it out in the famous tug of war, visit displays from various partners and more on Intrepid’s Pier 86. Join us for the annual Memorial Day Ceremony at Intrepid.

And don’t forget these important Fleet Week events:

- MEN IN BLACK 3 PREMIERE EVENT
- 50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION OF THE MERCURY/AURORA 7 MISSION
- FREE MOVIE SERIES ON THE FLIGHT DECK
- BROADWAY SHOWCASE, WITH A KICKOFF PERFORMANCE BY HOW TO SUCCEED... STAR NICK JONAS!!

This year’s Fleet Week partners include:

Visit www.intrepidmuseum.org to see the latest schedule of activities. All events are subject to change.

This Fleet Week, be part of an exclusive experience in celebration of the Columbia Pictures premiere of Men in Black 3 on May 23! Your ticket includes an advance screening of Men in Black 3 at the AMC Empire 25 Theater followed by the movie premiere after party on Intrepid’s Flight Deck complete with:

- Private Fireworks by Grucci
- Live musical performances and celebrity appearances
- Cocktail reception with hors d’oeuvres and open bar
- Tickets are available at $150.00 each, with a limited number of tickets available for members at $125.00
MESSAGE

from the President

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Dear Member,

What a remarkable time for the Museum and all our supporters! After a few weather delays, we were able to welcome the space shuttle Enterprise on April 27, 2012. She arrived in New York City in style, mounted atop a NASA 747 Shuttle Carrier Aircraft, flying up and down the Hudson River and landing at John F. Kennedy International Airport. Hundreds of museum members and invited guests joined us at an exciting welcome ceremony at JFK, and countless more across the globe tuned in to watch the historic touchdown.

In the upcoming weeks, Enterprise will be demated from the 747, barged up the Hudson River to the Intrepid Sea, Air & Space Museum and craned onto our Flight Deck. A pavilion will be built around her with an exhibit and experience inside, and will serve as her temporary home until a permanent facility is built. The Enterprise exhibit will be open to the public beginning July 19th, featuring innovative elements in an exciting and immersive experience for visitors.

We have also kicked off our Sponsor a Star campaign, the official fundraising drive for an exhibition space for Enterprise, which will celebrate the shuttle’s illustrious history and create a thriving center for science, technology, engineering and math education programs designed to inspire future scientists, engineers and researchers. Sponsors will have a star with their name prominently represented in Enterprise’s temporary pavilion as well as in her future permanent home.

We are looking forward to a very exciting Fleet Week, which kicks off May 23rd with the Parade of Sail along the Hudson River. Fan-favorite activities at the Intrepid Museum throughout the week include Broadway performances on the pier (including How to Succeed... star Nick Jonas), athletic competitions between groups of visiting members of the armed forces, military displays and demonstrations, our free summer movie series on the Flight Deck, a special Memorial Day ceremony, and more.

In honor of the Intrepid’s 30th anniversary as a museum, we are currently preparing to showcase two captivating new temporary exhibitions. Thirty Years of Excellence: An Intrepid Museum Celebration tells the extraordinary story of the Intrepid, from its days as an active duty Navy ship to its transformation and continued service as a premier museum and educational center. Thirty Years of Collecting: Treasures from Intrepid’s Collection showcases some of our favorite artifacts from the Intrepid, Growler, Concorde and Enterprise, and explores the fascinating human stories behind them. Be sure to stop by the Special Exhibition Gallery in Hangar 2 and the Welcome Center Gallery to view these unforgettable displays from July 27 through December 2, 2012.

Please visit our website for the most current information on upcoming events and activities, and connect with us on Facebook and Twitter for up-to-the-minute updates. We thank you for your continued support of the Intrepid Museum, and are thrilled to celebrate this exciting time with all of you.

Best wishes,

Susan Marenoff-Zausner
President
Curator’s Corner

Celebrating the Intrepid Museum’s 30th Anniversary

By Jessica Williams, Curator of History

We are well into the celebration of the Museum’s 30th anniversary year, which we kicked off in January. The official anniversary of the Museum’s opening day — August 3 — is rapidly approaching. To commemorate this milestone, we will present two special exhibitions that celebrate the rich history of the intrepid Museum. We encourage you as Museum members to visit these two exhibitions, which will offer an engaging look at the history and legacy of intrepid.

Thirty Years of Excellence: An Intrepid Museum Celebration

The story of the Intrepid Museum is one of ambition and innovation. The founders of the Intrepid Museum faced enormous obstacles in their quest to transform a rusting aircraft carrier into a world-class cultural institution. Thirty Years of Excellence showcases the fascinating history of the Intrepid Museum. Vintage posters and brochures, historic photographs, and media footage will guide you through intrepid’s journey from Navy ship to world-class museum.

The exhibition highlights the Intrepid Museum’s far-reaching impact. The Museum is a leader in preserving important historic artifacts, from the smallest medal in our collection to the vast ship intrepid herself. The Museum has been a vital participant in the sweeping transformation of New York’s Far West Side, formerly an industrial area that now is a thriving recreation destination. The impact of the Intrepid Museum goes far beyond its role as a cultural destination. Furthermore, the Museum is part of the Intrepid Family of Foundations, which provide much-needed support to military families.

Thirty Years of Excellence will be on view in the Welcome Center gallery — take the stairs or elevator to the second floor — from July 27 through December 2, 2012.

Thirty Years of Collecting: Treasures from Intrepid’s Collections

Our second exhibition, Thirty Years of Collecting, offers a behind-the-scenes glimpse at the Intrepid Museum’s rich collection of artifacts and archival materials. Our goal is to preserve the history of Intrepid, Growler, Concorde and Enterprise for future generations. We actively collect materials that help us tell the “humanity behind the hardware” of these machines. Like all museums, we cannot display every item in our collection. Thirty Years of Collecting allows us to highlight a few of our favorite artifacts, many of which have never before been exhibited.

In this exhibition, you’ll see whimsical cartoons drawn by one of Intrepid’s World War II aviators — images that were nearly lost during a kamikaze attack. A remarkable diary written by four pilots during the ship’s second tour of duty in Vietnam reveals daily life aboard the ship during this intense period. Did you know that the King of Thailand spent a day aboard Growler? You’ll find a souvenir from the royal visit. Concorde memorabilia hints at the passenger airliner’s impeccable service. Last but certainly not least, our growing collection of Enterprise artifacts highlights the fascinating history of our newest arrival.

Thirty Years of Collecting will be on view in the special exhibition gallery in Hangar 2 from July 27 through December 2, 2012.

The Intrepid Museum’s accomplishments over the past thirty years are remarkable — and the future promises to be equally exciting! Thirty Years of Excellence and Thirty Years of Collecting are only part of our 30th anniversary celebrations. Look for more information in future issues of the Intrepid Insider or on our website.

Questions? Call 646-381-5030.
On May 28, 2012, we will be inducting our third round of Seats of Honor recipients. You can honor an American military service person’s contribution to our nation through the Seats of Honor theater seat naming program. Create an enduring link to our nation’s proud military history of heroism and freedom by honoring a friend or family member who served.

Inscribed the name of a service person in one of the 243 seats in the Intrepid Museum’s Allison and Howard Lutnick Theater and assure that their part in securing our freedoms will live on for generations. Proceeds from the program will help the Intrepid continue its mission to honor our heroes, educate the public and inspire our youth.

This special opportunity is being offered to current and former members of the United States Military. Special pricing is available for former crew members of the USS Intrepid.

To reserve a seat or for more information on this program, please contact Carly Goettel at 646-381-5279 or cgoettel@intrepidmuseum.org.

The space shuttle Enterprise was flown from Washington, D.C. to JFK International Airport by ferry-flight aboard a 747 NASA Shuttle Carrier Aircraft on April 27th. On June 4th she begins her two-day journey by barge up the Hudson River to the Intrepid Museum Complex, where she’ll be craned up onto our Flight Deck. Construction of the new Space Shuttle Pavilion is set to begin on June 7th, with the Pavilion slated to open July 19th.

You can learn more about the Enterprise, and watch her journey to the Intrepid Museum at intrepidmuseum.org, and become an Intrepid fan on Facebook or follow us on Twitter @IntrepidMuseum #IntrepidShuttle.

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**Upcoming Events at Intrepid!**

**FLEET WEEK**
May 23-29

**ARMY BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION**
June 14-16

**FATHER'S DAY**
June 17

**FIREFIGHTER APPRECIATION WEEKEND**
July 14-15

**SPACE SHUTTLE PAVILION OPENS**
July 19

**SPACE CELEBRATION**
July 20-22

**INTREPID MUSEUM’S 30TH ANNIVERSARY CEREMONY**
August 3

**COAST GUARD APPRECIATION DAY**
August 5

**USS INTREPID BIRTHDAY CEREMONY**
August 16

**AIR FORCE WEEK**
August 19-21

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**OPERATION SLUMBER — JULY 28 & AUGUST 4**
Sleep aboard Intrepid and experience what it was like to serve on this aircraft carrier. Available for the special member price of $99 per person. Contact Group Sales at groupsales@intrepidmuseum.org or call 646-381-5010 to reserve your space.

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**INTREPID SUMMER MOVIE SERIES**
**HEROES OF THE BIG SCREEN**

- Enjoy a FREE feature film under the stars on the Flight Deck!
- See our website for details: intrepidmuseum.org

**MAY**
- May 25
- July 13
- July 20

**JULY**
- July 27
- August 3
- August 17

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Visit intrepidmuseum.org today.
DISCOVERY DECK

Spend this Summer at Camp INTREPID 2012

Looking for a unique and exciting way to spend your summer? Your search is over. Come aboard Camp Intrepid and join us for as many weeks as you can. Camp Intrepid offers you 10 weeks of themed programming, highlighting the sea during the weeks of Set Sail, Ship Shape and A Pirate’s Life for boys and girls age 5-13.

Find out what it was like to be a crew member during Reporting for Duty and learn how exhibits are created during Creative Curators – maybe you’ll help design one of your own!

We’ll explore the land, sea and air during Intrepid Explorers and see how good a spy we would make during Intrepid Undercover. Our weekly ride aboard Circle Line’s “Beast” boat is not to be missed! Sign up for incredible savings when you sign up for multiple weeks. Don’t forget Museum family members and siblings receive a 10% discount. Hurry and don’t miss the boat.

Camp Hours: 9 AM - 5 PM
Location: Intrepid Sea, Air & Space Museum, Pier 86, West 46th Street & 12th Avenue, New York


ACCESS PROGRAMMING

For Families with Children with Developmental or Learning Disabilities:

These two-hour programs based on rotating themes include a tour of the Museum and an art-making activity intended to engage the entire family.

Intrepid Behind the Scenes
Sunday, May 20th from 11 AM - 1 PM

On May 20th, families explore aircraft to discover how the staff keeps the airplanes in top shape.

Perform Center Stage at the Intrepid Museum Complex

The Intrepid has a long history of staging great performances, and yours could be next! Band, choral and dance performances are open to the public and advertised near the Museum entrance for maximum audience exposure. Here is a list of performances coming up this May -July:

- May 16 - Saugatuck High School Concert Band
- May 24 - Arrhythmia Dance Company
  Yvonne’s School of Dance
- May 25 - Pine Oak MS Choir
  Alexandria Youth Orchestra
  Fine Arts Academy
- May 26 - Madeline’s Dance School
  Performing Arts Ensemble
  Chittenango High School Choir & Chorale
  Miss MaryAnn’s School of Dance
  New England Civic Ballet
- June 6 - Shell Lake High School Jazz Band
  Marion High School Choir
- June 8 - Alana B. Sheppard High School Band
- June 9 - Warrenton Auburn Middle School Orchestra
- June 14 - Clear Lake High School Band
- July 24 - Viva Performing Arts Center

For more information about how your group can perform on the Intrepid, please contact groupsales@intrepidmuseum.org or 646-381-5010.

Saturdays and Sundays
at 11 AM - 1 PM
and 2 PM - 4 PM

Families are invited to drop by the Discovery Deck in the Exploreum for arts, crafts and experiments designed around the four Exploreum themes: sea, air, space and life at sea.

SUBmerged
Sunday, June 10th, 11 AM - 1 PM

On June 10th, after discussing the Growler submarine, families experiment with making submerged boats.

For Families Affected by Autism:
Saturday, June 23rd, 9 AM - 11 AM

The Museum opens its doors one hour early for families affected by autism. Educators lead storytelling, art-making activities and demonstrations.

These programs are free, but space is limited. To register, please contact access@intrepidmuseum.org or 646 381 5163.
FLY ZONE

By Eric Boehm
Curator, Aviation and Aircraft Restoration

Now that’s a New York City winter I can live with! I don’t know about where you live but here in the city we enjoyed a very mild winter with just a day or two of snow. This was rather welcome after the beating we took last year when it seemed like we had snow piling up weekly for months. This respite from Old Man Winter made it possible to work in the Flight Deck tent pretty much nonstop. I mentioned the Demon and the damaged nose cone in the last issue. Peter, Aircraft Restoration and Interpretation Specialist, has done an amazing job of fabricating a mold for a replacement. By the time you read this the new nose should be ready for installation.

The March Salute to Women “Meet the Pilots Day” program was fantastic. We hosted four very accomplished women aviators for a panel discussion and one-on-one sessions with our visitors. Bernice “Bee” Haydu related some wonderful stories of her time as a Women’s Airforce Service Pilot (WASP) during World War II. Along with Bee we had USAF Colonel Kim Corcoran who flew the E-3 AWACS during Desert Storm and US Navy Rear Admiral Wendi Carpenter who flew special operations missions in the EC-130 Hercules. Rounding out the panel was civilian airline pilot Lesley Watkins. Lesley described an aviation career path that is vastly different than the military experiences of her cohorts on the panel. The audience was full of Girl Scouts, and I’m sure they were inspired by these accomplished pilots. If you missed it, don’t worry. We intend to do these programs more often. In fact, we have tentative plans for another “Meet the Pilots” in the fall. This one may be all Navy Top Gun instructors...how cool will that be?

This issue will not be complete without mention of the space shuttle Enterprise arrival. For our part in the Aircraft Department the preparations centered on making room on our Flight Deck for this rather large new arrival. We have made some major changes in the Flight Deck layout. Almost every airplane had to be shifted, shuffled, or placed in an entire new location on the deck. But more drastic measures had to be made as well. Three aircraft had to be transferred off site. A lot of thought went in to this decision and the factors included size, relation to Intrepid’s mission, method of transportation, and likelihood of finding a new home. The British Royal Navy Scimitar, the USMC Douglass F3D Skyknight, and the North Korean MiG-15 were selected and will be well cared for in their new home at the Empire State Aerosciences Museum near Schenectady, New York. Stop in on this wonderful museum as they have a great collection which is now enhanced with these three additions.

Do you have a question or comment about the airplanes or the space shuttle Enterprise? I would love to hear it. Please call or write me at:

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and don’t forget to visit us at www.facebook.com/intrepidaircraftcollection.

The restoration crew had to build a mold and make a new nose radome for the F3H Demon from scratch.
The Mig-15 flies overhead as it is lowered from the Flight Deck, while on the pier the Skyknight and Scimitar stand ready for their transfer to the barge that will carry them to their new home.

Panel members Bee Haydu, RAdm. Wendi Carpenter, Col. Kim Corcoran, and Leslie Watkins relate stories of their careers in aviation during the latest “Meet the Pilots” event.

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The Flight Deck is sporting a new layout. Aircraft had to be relocated in order to make room for Enterprise.
TOUCHDOWN IN NYC
THE ARRIVAL OF ENTERPRISE

On April 27th, the Intrepid Museum proudly welcomed the newest member of our family, space shuttle Enterprise, to New York City. Enterprise was greeted at JFK Airport by the press, local politicians and a host of VIPs, including members, some of her biggest (little!) fans.