

**Press Release
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Special Program Event: Author Presentation/Book Signing for “Mayday Over Wichita” – Sunday, Oct. 13th 2-3 P.M. - Free and Open to the Public – Museum Auditorium

Topeka historian and former U.S. Air Force Airman D.W. Carter has written a book about the worst non-natural disaster in the state's history which occurred in Wichita on January 16, 1965. A fully loaded Air Force KC-135 tanker crashed into a north Wichita neighborhood killing 23 people on the ground as well as the plane's seven crew members.

Carter first learned of the crash when he arrived at McConnell Air Force base as an airman in 2003. The book examines the events leading up to the crash and attempts to dispel commonly held misconceptions about its cause. "Our job as historians is to tell the story; an objective truth about what happened".

The program is sponsored in part by Watermark Books & Café who will be offering the book for sale at the event.

Admission is free during this Final Friday special event.

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Regular Museum Hours: Tues. – Fri. 11:00 am to 4:00 pm; Sat. & Sun. 1:00 to 5:00 pm.

Regular Admission Charge: Adults \$ 5.00, Children under 12 years \$ 2.00; under 6 free

The Museum is supported in part through funding by the City of Wichita and Sedgwick County.

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