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Wisconsin DOT Recognizes Botterman & Winkler On "Wisconsin Day" At EAA

OSHKOSH, WIS. – The Wisconsin Department of Transportation, Bureau of Aeronautics, recognized Bruce Botterman, president of NewView Technologies of Oshkosh, Wis., by presenting him with the 2005 "Outstanding Achievement In Aviation Award" on "Wisconsin Day," July 29, during EAA AirVenture, Oshkosh, Wis. The award states: "In recognition of your distinguished leadership and contributions in shaping the vision, goals and achievements in the Wisconsin aviation community." Botterman is a board member of the Wisconsin Aviation Trades



(L/R) Bruce Botterman and Don Winkler.

Tom Thomas

Association (WATA), past president, and serves on both the Wisconsin Aviation Conference planning committee, and Wisconsin Bureau of Aeronautics industry advisory committee. His company, NewView Technologies, provides aircraft window restoration service and general

aviation aircraft maintenance at its facilities at Wittman Regional Airport in Oshkosh.

Also recognized was Don Winkler of Wisconsin Aviation, Inc., Madison, Wis. Winkler was presented the prestigious "Carl E. Guell Aviation Education Award" for having organized airport tours at Dane County Regional Airport for more than 1,000 children. He has also coordinated the television coverage of EAA AirVenture-Oshkosh by "KIDTV" – a Sun Prairie, Wis. based cable television program.

The award reads: "In recognition of your imagination, creativity and dedication in the use of aviation to inspire and challenge students to reach for their dreams."

The award is named in memory of long-time Wisconsin Bureau of Aeronautics Aerospace Education Specialist, Carl Guell, who worked with the high school aerospace program in the state and other youth group aerospace programs.

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Wisconsin Aviation Teams Up With Star Quarterback

MADISON, WIS. – Wisconsin Aviation, Madison, Wis., has teamed up with star NFL quarterback, Brett Favre of the Green Bay Packers and his wife, Deanna, to provide disaster relief for Favre's home state of Mississippi in lieu of the destruction left behind in the wake of Hurricane Katrina. Donations of chain saws, generators, ropes, and gloves were solicited and transported from Madison, Wis. to Biloxi, Miss., during the month of September. Madison-based Reynolds Trucking also supported the relief effort.

Deanna Favre started the Brett Favre Fourward Foundation 8 years ago to provide aid to disadvantaged



(L/R) Wisconsin Aviation vice president and general manager, Grant Goetsch, with Dave Thomason, coordinator of the "Brett Favre Hurricane Relief Effort."

AirVue Photo by Don Winkler

and disabled children in Wisconsin and Mississippi, and have since raised over \$1.5 million. Cash donations to the Brett Favre Fourward Mississippi

Relief Fund are still welcomed, and can be mailed to: Nicolet Bank, 111 N Washington, Green Bay, WI 54301. □

Robinson Helicopters Featured At Midwestern Helicopter Open House

KENOSHA, WIS. – Getting the cost of flying helicopters down so the common man can afford it, has been a challenge for the industry since the days of a Spaniard by the name of Juan de la Cierva, who began making his “windmill planes” in the early 1920s. By 1930, Cierva became involved with a Philadelphia financier and demonstrated his Autogiro on the lawn of the White House. Cierva died in 1936 when the airliner in which he was traveling crashed in fog on take-off near London. Other men such as Russian born U.S. citizen, Igor Sikorsky, perfected the helicopter.

Frank Robinson got his start in helicopters as an engineer with Bell and Hughes Helicopter before developing the Robinson R-22 in 1977. Within the first five years, the R-22 was in all 50 states and Canada, and Robinson has since added a four-place model – the R-44.

New to the Midwest is Robinson Helicopter dealer, “Midwestern Helicopter,” located at Kenosha Regional Airport, Kenosha, Wisconsin (ENW). The company was founded by John Parrish, president, with assistance from veteran Robinson pilot, Chris Lasky, formerly of Roto-Flite Helicopter of Frankfort, Illinois. The director of operations is Tim Johnson; Bill Coolbaugh is a CFI, A&P and IA; and Mark Ingles is a CFI.

Parrish comes from a real estate background, and bought a hangar at Kenosha as an investment. Through mutual friend, Jim Bryant, who knew that Parrish had an interest in helicopters, and that Chris Lasky was a helicopter instructor, the two met. Parrish is now learning to fly in the Robinson R-22.

In just seven months since Midwestern Helicopter opened its



(L/R) Tim Johnson, Bill Coolbaugh, John Parrish, and Mark Ingles. Chris Lasky is flying the Robinson R-22 overhead.

doors, the company has sold four helicopters and own and operate another four helicopters themselves.

In addition to aircraft sales,

Midwestern Helicopter prides itself in providing “professional, real-world” flight instruction, sightseeing flights, aerial photography, and aerial surveying. The company held an open house on August 14 to welcome the aviation community to its new facilities on the west end of Kenosha Regional Airport.

For additional information contact Tim Johnson at 262-657-7700 and visit their website at www.midwesternhelicopter.com. □

Wisconsin DOT/Aeronautics Seminars & Education Programs

Airport Land Use Seminar - October 11th
<http://www.dot.wisconsin.gov/news/events/air/landuse-seminar.htm>

Airport Operations & Management Seminar - October 12th
<http://www.dot.wisconsin.gov/news/events/air/operations-seminar.htm>

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