

# **Wisconsin Aviation Hall of Fame**



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### **Wisconsin Aviation Hall of Fame Names 2011 Scholarship Recipients Three aviation students to be honored at October banquet**

**OSHKOSH, WI. August 31, 2011** – The Wisconsin Aviation Hall of Fame has announced its 2011 scholarship recipients. Three students will receive \$2,000 in funds at a ceremony to be held this fall.

Chad Meyer of Beloit, Wisconsin, is the recipient of the \$1000 Carl Guell Memorial Scholarship. A student at Blackhawk Technical College (BTC) in the Aviation Maintenance program, Chad is working toward obtaining his Airframe and Powerplant Technician certificate. Concurrently, Chad is advancing in flight, working on his commercial pilot certificate.

“Receiving this scholarship is a great honor for me and gives me a sense of accomplishment,” said Chad. “The scholarship will give me the opportunity to reach my goal of obtaining my Airframe and Powerplant Technician certificate by not only helping with my tuition but will also the tools and supplies needed. It is because of organizations like the Wisconsin Aviation Hall of Fame that make it possible for students to excel in the field of aviation today and I am very proud to be the recipient of the Carl Guell Memorial Scholarship.”

Peter Waters, also of Beloit and an Aviation Maintenance student at BTC, will receive the \$500 Jerome Ripp Memorial Scholarship. Peter has been active in the school’s aviation club and student government, and has served as a funeral honor guard for VFW Post 2306. “Peter’s professionalism in the classroom, lab, and airport environment has proven his dedication to the aviation field,” says Blackhawk instructor Mario Flores.

Henry Schnell of Oshkosh, an Airframe and Powerplant student at Fox Valley Technical College, will receive \$500 from the Jerome Thiessen Financial Assistance Fund. “Avionics is said to be the future of all aviation, including general aviation,” said Henry. “I plan to pursue a career as an aircraft mechanic/avionics technician upon completing my coursework in 2012. By awarding me the Wisconsin Aviation Hall of Fame Scholarship, you have lightened my financial burden which allows me to focus more on the most important aspect of school—learning.”

The recipients will be honored at the annual Wisconsin Aviation Hall of Fame induction banquet on October 29, 2011, held at the EAA AirVenture Museum in Oshkosh.

The Wisconsin Aviation Hall of Fame has inducted more than 100 men and women since it organized in 1985. Its mission is to collect and preserve the history of aviation in Wisconsin, recognize those who made that history, inform others of it, and promote aviation education to future generations. The WAHF scholarship program began in 2002. Today, three scholarships totaling \$2000 are awarded annually. To date, 19 students have shared \$14,000 in scholarship awards. Learn more at [www.AviationHallofFameWisconsin.com](http://www.AviationHallofFameWisconsin.com).

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