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A Letter From The President

BY SHANE VANDEVOORT (PELLA)

One of the highlights of my summer was spending some time at the state fair DOT Office of Aviation's booth. The partnership involved in setting up and staffing the booth is something I have come to expect of Aviation in Iowa. Although the booth was put together, funded and staffed by the Office of Aviation volunteers, all aspects of aviation worked in the booth. It was a collaborative effort of the Office of Aviation, State Aviation Associations, EAA members, airport managers, board and commission members, FBO's, aviation colleges, engineering firms, and a variety of other people involved in aviation in our state. I had the opportunity to spend a couple of shifts in the booth, as did many IPAA members. It's really encouraging to see these groups working for the same cause of promoting aviation. It was really fun to watch people's reaction to seeing an airplane at the state fair, and was a great chance to talk to the general public about aviation and our airports. I was encouraged that many of the people that I talked to had a positive

impression of aviation or of their local airport. I think that shows that IPAA members are doing a good job of being good ambassadors for aviation in their communities. Keep up the good work!

Partnerships like these help us promote aviation as one united voice rather than a bunch of small groups. I think this has been a big part of the success of IPAA and its ability and willingness to cooperate with other groups. One important partnership is with the DOT Office of Aviation for the Iowa Aviation Conference.

This year's Iowa Aviation Conference will take place November 3 & 4 at the University Park Holiday Inn in West Des Moines. Make plans to attend if you can. We all have busy schedules, but I have always found that my time spent at the conference has always paid off. We are excited to announce our keynote speaker, Rod Machado. Mr. Machado will be presenting his "Laugh and Learn" program during the conference as well as participating in the safety seminar in the evening. As always the planning committee has put together a great program based on input from previous conferences and current issues. The evaluations collected at the conference are carefully considered in the planning of next year's conference so please fill them out. This conference is a great asset to aviation in Iowa and we are hoping as many airports as possible can benefit from it.

As I sit here writing my last column as president it is hard to believe that a year has gone by already. I would like to take the chance to thank the IPAA membership for this opportunity to represent IPAA. I would also like to thank the board members, Association Insight, and the Office of Aviation for their help, kindness, and patience while working with me. I have been very grateful and honored to be involved in this association and look forward to continued involvement in the future. ➔



2004 IOWA AVIATION CONFERENCE

November 3-4, 2004

University Park Holiday Inn

I-35 (University Ave. Exit)

West Des Moines, Iowa

WEDNESDAY, November 3, 2004

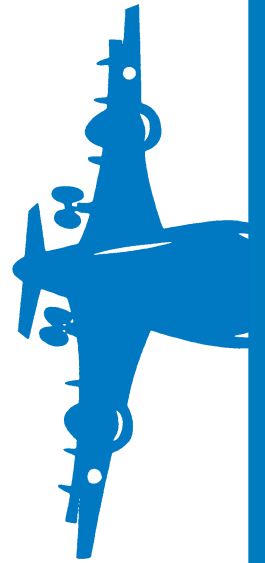
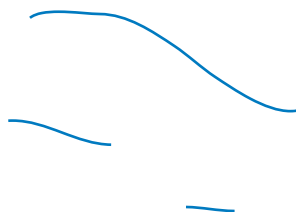


- 7:30 Registration opens
9:00 - 9:10 Opening Remarks
9:10 - 10:00 Laugh and Learn with Rod Machado
10:00 Break in Exhibit Hall
10:30 - 11:00 FAA Planning & Program Overview
11:00 - 11:30 TSA Update
11:30 - 12:30 Lunch in Exhibit Hall
12:30 - 1:15 Legislative Session
1:15 - 1:45 Break in Exhibit Hall
1:45 - 2:30 Pilot Start Ups / Sport Pilot Update
2:30 - 3:00 Break in Exhibit Hall
3:00 - 4:00 • State & Federal Grant Processes
• The FBO Insurance Crunch
• Environmental Issues
4:00 - 6:00 Reception in Exhibit Hall w/
Open Bar, Hors d'oeuvres
7:00 - 9:00 FSDO Safety Seminar with Rod Machado

Laugh and Learn With Rod Machado

Be prepared to laugh and learn as Rod Machado introduces you to the lighter side of aviation. In this presentation Rod will share some of the newest and craziest stories from his most recent, as well as his past, adventures. You will, for instance, learn how to drink coffee from your shoe at 10,500 feet and how Feng Shui can help you explain a crookedly parked airplane. Let Rod show you how much fun aviation really is, and in the process, you'll learn why aviation serves such an important function in the community.

THURSDAY, November 4, 2004



- 7:30 Registration opens
- 7:30 - 8:45 IAPG Meeting
- IABA Meeting
- IPAA Meeting
- 7:30 - 8:45 Exhibit Hall Opens
- 9:00 - 10:00 • State & Federal Grant Processes
- The FBO Insurance Crunch
- Environmental Issues
- 10:00 - 10:30 Break in Exhibit Hall
- 10:30 - 11:00 • Land Use
- Airport Events
- Wildlife Issues
- 11:00 - 11:15 Break in Exhibit Hall
- 11:15 - 12:00 • Commercial Service Airports Meeting
- Emergencies at an Airport
- General Aviation Security Update
- 12:00 - 1:15 Lunch in Exhibit Hall & Awards Ceremony
- 1:15 - 2:30 Office of Aviation Update
- Aviation System Plan

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2005 IPAA LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES SET

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The start of the 2005 Iowa Legislative Session is less than four months away, and the IPAA Board of Directors is already planning a proactive agenda for the association at the Statehouse.

Following a series of meetings, the Board of Directors has developed an aggressive four point legislative plan that will provide the needed funding for the state's aviation system. The plan also seeks to give airports a needed tool to get aviation dependent businesses to locate on airport grounds.

Here are the IPAA's 2005 Iowa Legislative Priorities:

#1 The creation of a dedicated fund for support of aviation in the state.

The IPAA is urging lawmakers to designate at least \$3 million a year for aviation projects and programs through the establishment of the new Aviation an Iowa Resource or AIR fund. The AIR fund would be funded through the anticipated increase in gaming revenues resulting from the expansion of gambling in the state.

#2 The continuation of Rebuild Iowa Infrastructure Fund appropriations for vertical infrastructure projects at both commercial and general aviation airports.

#3 The creation of Airport Development Zones. Many public airports in this state are not located within the corporate boundaries of a city. As a result, these locations

do not have the ability to attract aviation dependent businesses such as air freight. The creation of Airport Development Zones would allow an airport governing body or aviation authority the ability to create a tax increment financing district on the grounds controlled by an airport.

#4 Monitor any and all other legislative actions or initiatives that may affect the IPAA and its members.

For more information on these legislative priorities, please contact IPAA lobbyist Jim Obradovich at 515-554-1072.



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