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ONE “W” BIGGER: “WINGS AND WHEELS” ADDS “WAVES”

BCC’s annual “Wings and Wheels” celebration on the Judson A. Samuels South Campus in Pembroke has grown for 2007.

Now in its third year, the February 17 open house event at the Aviation Institute (Building 99), at 7200 Pines Boulevard, Pembroke Pines, is now “Wings, Wheels and Waves,” providing a fun-filled day of family entertainment and a showcase for careers in the aviation, automotive and marine industries.

The free day of activity includes displays of boats, aircraft, and automobiles, flight demonstrations and simulators, a rock wall for climbing, children’s activities, music and food.

The day’s events include:

- **10 a.m.:** Welcoming ceremonies, events open.
- **11 a.m., noon, 3 p.m.:** Tours of the Aviation Institute begin.
- **Noon:** The U.S. Coast Guard will present a search-and-rescue demonstration including an aerial drop and helicopter hoist.
- **1 p.m.:** The Delta Connection Academy, flight training provider for the Aviation Institute, unveils the new CIRRUS SR-20 planes, the most technologically advanced flight trainer aircraft in the world. CIRRUS SR-20 planes will be utilized in BCC’s aviation programs.
- **2 p.m.:** Dedication ceremonies for the Boeing 727 aircraft donated to the Aviation Institute by FedEx and facilitated by the International Society of Transport Aircraft Trading through the efforts of Commander Mike Metcalf.
- **2:30 p.m.:** Presentation of aviation scholarships. They include:
 - The **Michael Metcalf Memorial Scholarship**, named in memory of Michael Arthur Metcalf, of Fort Lauderdale, the former president of ISTAT and president and CEO of Flightplan International, which he founded in Fort Lauderdale in 1984. Metcalf was instrumental in the donation of the Boeing 727 from FedEx to BCC. He died of cancer in January 2006 and the scholarship in his memory was established by the ISTAT Foundation.

The **Billy Fast Memorial Merit Scholarship**, named in honor of William “Billy” Fast, a member and officer of the North Perry Chapter of the Florida Aero Club, who established the scholarship in his memory. Two \$1,000 scholarships are awarded from the fund annually – one for a student in the professional pilot training program, and one for a student enrolled in the aviation maintenance management program.

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The **Aviation Flight Scholarships** are three scholarships awarded annually for Professional Pilot Technology students who have completed a minimum of 12 hours at BCC. The scholarships are funded by the Emil Buehler Trust, the Sherri Poel Memorial Scholarship and the Paul Rose Memorial Scholarship.

Wings, Wheels & Waves is created through the efforts and support of Broward Community College, the Delta Connection Academy, ISTAT, the Florida Aero Club, Women in Aviation and the Federal Aviation Administration.

More than 500 visitors are expected to attend Wings, Wheels & Waves.

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