

BRAVO 369 Flight Foundation

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Press Release

Michael O'Shea Joins BRAVO 369 Flight Foundation's Board of Directors

Experienced aviator and broadcast executive supports Flight for Education and scholarship programs.

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The BRAVO 369 Flight Foundation announced today that well known radio broadcaster Michael O'Shea has joined its Board of Directors. Vice President and General Manager of the Cascade Radio Group, which includes radio stations KGMI-AM; KAFE-FM; KISM-FM; KPUG & KBAI in Bellingham WA, O'Shea is a 30+ year radio veteran and may be best remembered to listeners from his days on legendary KLIF 1190 in Dallas during the 70's and KUBE 93, Seattle in the 80's. He is also an experienced aviator, with over 4,000 hours of flying experience in singles, twins and sea planes and a member of the Chuckanut Flying Club at Bellingham International Airport.

According to Jeff Geer, President of the BRAVO 369 Flight Foundation, "Michael O'Shea is a recognized radio industry leader, he has twice been named Billboard Magazine's Program Director of the Year, he's in the Texas Radio Hall of Fame, and he's actively involved in aviation. Not only does he bring tremendous experience as a pilot and aircraft owner to our organization, but Michael adds an exciting new dimension to our board as a businessman."

Michael O'Shea states: "I'm delighted to be invited to serve on the board of the BRAVO 369 Flight Foundation. It's my chance to put something back into the aviation industry and to fully support their educational efforts to young people."

A 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization, the BRAVO 369 Flight Foundation's mission is to provide full spectrum educational opportunities to schools and the public through a series of interactive aviation projects and to preserve aviation history and historic aircraft.

Currently underway is the Flight for Education project which will allow students and teachers everywhere to actively participate in a historic flight from Bellingham, Washington to Provideniya, Russia, using the WWII Lend-Lease Air Route. Utilizing a revolutionary new flight simulation interface with a historic 1943 Boeing Stearman open cockpit biplane, the project will bring the magic of flight into the home and classroom, providing an exciting “hands-on” learning environment where students can virtually fly along, having very similar views, in real time, just as if they are in the cockpit.

BRAVO 369 plans to begin its initial flight test program in the spring of 2011 in preparation for a cross-country flight to Great Falls, Montana. The purpose of this flight is to validate the new InFlightXT avionics interface which will allow anyone with a PC or Smartphone to follow our flight in real-time. Students will not see just a moving dot on a map but a full motion vision of the flight using readily available flight simulation software. What’s even better, is students are involved at the early stages of this project, having them be our test engineers and tell us what is working for them and what isn’t – it’s their program as much as it is ours.

In addition to STEM subjects, there will be lessons in history and geography as the flight travels along the WWII Lend-Lease route to Alaska. Very few people know that the development of the Lend-Lease Northern Aircraft Ferrying Route was an important part of the war effort and that it resulted in the development of the ALCAN Highway System – something that is rarely mentioned in the history books.

The BRAVO 369 Flight Foundation is seeking additional financial support for its Flight for Education program. Donors and corporate sponsors that are interested in supporting this program are encouraged to contact the foundation through its web site to learn how they can help. For more information about BRAVO 369 and the Flight for Education, please visit www.bravo369.org

BRAVO 369 Flight Foundation is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization. The main objective of the Flight for Education is to offer a unique educational opportunity for students and teachers everywhere to actively participate in a historic flight from Bellingham, Washington to Provideniya, Russia, using the WWII Lend-Lease Air Route, in a 1943 Boeing Stearman open cockpit biplane. The Foundation will also offer scholarship programs as well as additional educational flight projects and programs beyond the Flight for Education.

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