The 2nd Annual Pocono Mountains Flight Fest Will Be Held On August 9th

By Paul Morgan

POCONO MOUNTAINS - The 2nd Annual Pocono Mountains Flight Fest will be held on August 9th from 11:00 am to 5:00 pm at the Pocono Mountains Regional Airport. The event will include Touch-A-Truck; airplane and antique car displays; a children's area with hayrides, bouncy house and a candy drop; food trucks where guests can purchase food and drink; music and paid airplane and helicopter rides benefitting the Vern Moyer Aviation Fund. Parking is \$10 per car.

The Vern Moyer Aviation Fund was established in memory of aviation advocate and mentor in the Mid-Atlantic region – Vern Moyer. Paul Morgan of Moyer Aviation, comments, "We established the event last year in memory of Vern to raise money to provide scholarships for students interested in pursuing a career in aviation whether it be flying or mechanics. We raised over \$30,000 for the Fund and have selected it again for 2025 to be the primary beneficiary."

Morgan continues, "Vern loved bringing the community into the airport to get them involved with aviation. We have created the day to include kids activities, an area to purchase from food truck vendors, displays of trucks, antique cars, and aircraft, and the opportunity to see the Pocono Mountains from the sky with helicopter and airplane rides."

The Vern Moyer Aviation Scholarship Fund has been established to support the development, educational opportunities, and preservation of aviation across Pennsylvania. It seeks to elevate public awareness and inspire individuals to pursue careers in aviation, offer scholarships to individuals pursuing a career in aviation, provide resources and technology to support learning in aviation, endeavors that safeguard aviation heritage, and promote advancements in aviation technology.

Sponsors of the event include Papillon & Moyer Construction, Moyer Aviation, Hi-Tech Helicopters, Kalahari Resorts, Besko Outdoor, Pocono Manor Investors, Pocono Kanga Roof, and TreeTrails Ad-

ventures. The event will be staged on the north side of the airport located on Rt. 611 at Hangar Lane, Tobyhanna, PA. For information, vendor applications, sponsorship information, and the schedule for the day, go to PoconoFlightFest.com or call 570-839-7161.



PA Lands Largest Investment in History—A \$20 Billion Deal



By Rick Siger / Secretary PA Department of Community and Economic Development

This week, Governor Josh Shapiro announced that Amazon will invest at least \$20 billion to build high-tech AI and cloud computing campuses across the Commonwealth — the largest private sector investment in Pennsylvania's history.

This game-changing project will create at least 1,250 high-paying tech jobs, thousands of construction and supply chain jobs, and open doors for even more growth across the state. Salem Township in Luzerne County and Falls Township in Bucks County are the first confirmed locations for Amazon's new tech campuses, with additional sites under active consideration.

This is more than a headline. It's a blueprint for how Pennsylvania competes — and wins.

It took a true team effort to bring this home. Local leaders, regional partners, community colleges, workforce and labor organizations, utilities, and economic developers all played a role. Your collaboration and persistence helped send a clear signal to the world: Pennsylvania Gets It Done.

PA's Strategy Is Working

This project is also a major investment in our people. Amazon will partner with Pennsylvania's

workforce organizations and educational institutions to create STEM programs, career pathways, and workforce training opportunities across the Commonwealth. In parallel, the Shapiro Administration□

And while we celebrate this win, we know it's not luck — it's the result of hard work and a clear strategy. Under Governor Shapiro's leadership, Pennsylvania has: Cut red tape and reformed permitting to move at the speed of business,

Launched the first economic development strategy in 20 years, and

Secured more than \$25.2 billion in private sector investment and nearly 11,000 jobs since January 2023.

This is what it looks like when we align our assets, modernize our approach, and stay laser-focused on outcomes. Pennsylvania is not just open for business — we're closing deals.

And this is just one of the BusinessPA wins we'll see this month. Stay tuned — more exciting announcements are on the way.

GETS IT DONE