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Milwaukee Veterans Fly High in WWII Biplane June 23

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Milwaukee, Wis. – Decades after their first flight, area veterans are preparing for takeoff once again. Residents of local senior communities, these vets are set to soar over Waukesha County in a fully restored, 1940s-era Boeing-Stearman.

The biplane takes flight this Thursday, June 23rd, starting at 9:00AM from Waukesha County Airport, 2525 Aviation Rd., Waukesha, WI.

Sponsored by Milwaukee's own Direct Supply, these flights are offered to veterans through the nonprofit Ageless Aviation Dreams Foundation. Founded by Darryl Fisher, the organization seeks to honor the service of U.S. veterans living in Senior Living communities nationwide. The foundation has provided more than 2,000 flights since its founding in 2011 and regularly adds more to its nationwide schedule.

"This means so much more than just giving seniors a ride in an airplane," Fisher says. "This is a tribute to their service." Fisher's primary goal for these flights is "giving back to those who have given," he says.

Each veteran takes to the skies for a 15- to 20-minute trip over Waukesha County along with a trained pilot. The veterans are encouraged to fully participate in this unique experience, and some are even given the opportunity to maneuver the plane as it soars more than a thousand feet in the air.

"Supporting our aging community is so important to us," said Brad Klitsch, Senior Vice President of Market Development at Direct Supply. "Darryl puts in so much effort to ensure our older veterans are honored and inspired by these flights, and I'm thrilled that Direct Supply gets to aid his mission."

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