Boeing's First Engineer Wong Tsoo Honored for his Vision and Inspiration at the Museum of Flight

SEATTLE, April 28, 2008 -- Boeing [NYSE: BA] and the Museum of Flight (MoF) joined together on April 15 to honor the work of Wong Tsoo, the company's first engineer and an early aviation and aerospace pioneer. They were joined by a delegation of educational leaders from the National Cheng Kung University (NCKU) in Taiwan where Tsoo taught from 1955 to 1965.

The highlight of the event came when NCKU presented Boeing with a bound copy of Tsoo's recently re-discovered lecture notes from the university. A copy will reside in the company and the MoF's archives.

The ceremony featured four distinguished speakers who spoke about Wong Tsoo's notable significance to both engineering and flight in the U.S., China and to NCKU, one of the leading universities in Taiwan. Tsoo is known as the father of Boeing's Model C training seaplane, the company's first commercially successful airplane in the early 1900s.

Dr. Bonnie J. Dunbar, president and CEO of the Museum of Flight; Boeing's Fred Kiga, vice president of State and Local Government and Global Corporate Citizenship in the Northwest Region; NCKU Senior Executive Vice President Dr. Da Hsuan Feng; and Hank Queen, retired Boeing senior vice president of Engineering and an executive champion of the Boeing Association of Asian Pacific Americans; addressed the audience.

Here, (L-R) The Museum of Flight's Chairman of the Board Robert J. Genise, Kiga and Dr. Feng display a copy of Wong Tsoo's lecture notes.

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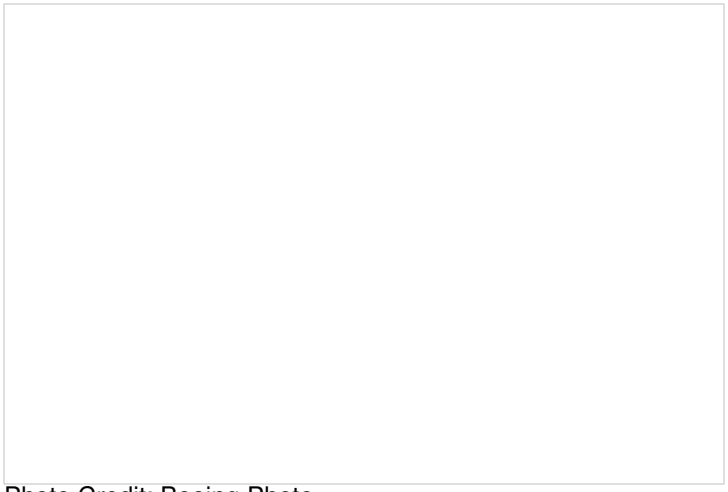


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