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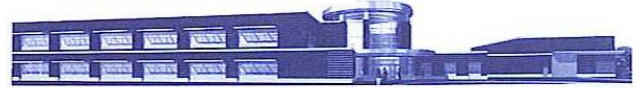
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**PRESS RELEASE  
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On 07/22/24 at 12:50 pm, the Winnebago County Sheriff's Office along with the City of Oshkosh Fire Department, Nekimi Fire Department and First Responders, Van Dyne Fire Department, Wisconsin State Patrol, and members of the NTSB responded to a farm field in the area of Old Knapp Rd and Nekimi Av in the Town of Nekimi for a plane crash. This area is about two miles south of the EAA Airventure event and was first reported by ATC in the Wittman Airport tower.

Upon arrival, responders discovered that the plane was fully engulfed in fire.

At this time, we can confirm that there were two occupants in the plane, and that they are both deceased.

The names of the deceased occupants and all other plane identifiers are being withheld at this time pending notification to the family.

The cause of the crash remains under investigation by NTSB.

Further questions can be directed to EAA Director of Communications Dick Knapinski at 920-379-1730 or [dknapinski@eaa.org](mailto:dknapinski@eaa.org).

We were further assisted by the County Coroner's Office, Winnebago County Emergency Management, and ThedaStar.

Our deepest condolences are with the family and friends of the deceased occupants.

No further information will be released at this time.

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