

North Iowa Air service expanding into Ames

JOHN SKIPPER john.skipper@globegazette.com Mar 2, 2017 Updated 15 hrs ago 0



CHRIS ZOELLER, The Globe Gazette

Bill Kyle, head of Charles City Aeronautics, recently celebrated his 50th ar

MASON CITY | North Iowa Air Service in Mason City, which also operates Charles City Aeronautics Inc., has announced it is expanding its operations into Ames, beginning April 1.

There will be no change in service in Mason City or Charles City, said Nicole Kyle, director of marketing for what will now be called Central Iowa Air Service.

She will be operations manager in Ames.

Bill Kyle, company president, said, "We look forward to bringing our experience and enthusiasm to the Ames market.

Nicole Kyle is Bill Kyle's daughter.

His son, Todd, is vice president and director of operations for the company.

The Kyles have a long history in Iowa aviation, representing three generations and, for Bill Kyle, more than 50 years in the business.

His father, Lyle, founded Charles City Aeronautics. Bill went to work for him in 1966, doing odd jobs around the airport. After attending North Iowa Area Community College and Hawkeye Institute of Technology, he returned to Charles City and worked as a mechanic at the airport while getting his pilot's license.

Get news headlines sent daily to your inbox

<input type="text" value="Email"/>	Sign Up!
------------------------------------	--------------------------

He took over as airport manager in 1982 and as president of the company when his father died in 1998.

In 2001, the company expanded its operations into Mason City with North Iowa Air Service with Todd becoming operations manager.

Bill Kyle says it is the only three-generation aviation family in Iowa.

The Ames operation will be similar to those in Charles City and Mason City, offering AV Gas and jet fuel services, charter operations, flight instruction, aircraft maintenance and aircraft sales rental and storage.