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### **IAFP Announces 2008 Tim Hynes Award Winner**

The International Association of Flight Paramedics (IAFP) is pleased to announce Bill Milan as the 2008 recipient of the Tim Hynes Award. Bill is a Flight Paramedic with Air Methods - STATCARE in Louisville, Kentucky. The Tim Hynes Award recognizes exemplary abilities in leadership, education and safety within the paramedic profession. "Bill's proven leadership skills and involvement as an educator for both ground and air medical emergency care, make him extraordinarily deserving of this prestigious award," said Greg Winters, the Association President. "The IAFP Board of Directors was pleased to select Bill Milan as the 2008 Award recipient."

Bill began his career in the air medical field as a STATCARE outreach educator before being promoted to full-time flight paramedic. Today, Bill is well known and respected as a paramedic both locally and throughout the state. He was recently selected as the recipient of the Kentucky Ambulance Providers' Associations 2007 Above and Beyond Award.

Barren-Metcalf County Ambulance Service, director, Michael Swift, said, "I have always know Bill to be passionate and driven in improving his knowledge and skills in emergency medical care in order to deliver the very best care possible to his patients."

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As a dedicated and passionate educator, Bill works tirelessly to challenge others to further their education and patient care skills. He is an instructor for various training programs not only for his agency and staff, but for countless others including the general public, first responders, EMT's, paramedics and other health care professionals. Bill is currently working with local law enforcement agencies to establish a SWAT Medic program to provide emergency medical support for law enforcement agencies. Bill is a leader within his program, always willing to mentor others. He is also a leader on a state level, providing local representation as an IAFP State Delegate for the state of Kentucky, communicating the needs and current issues between the IAFP and its members.

Tim Hynes was one of the founding members of the IAFP and contributed endless amounts of time and effort promoting the paramedic profession. On January 11, 2998, Tim was killed when his air medical helicopter crashed while on a mission near Salt Lake City, Utah. The *Tim Hynes Award* recognizes paramedics who, like Tim, have made significant contributions to the critical care profession.

The Tim Hynes Award is sponsored by Bell Helicopter, a Textron Company. The award includes a check for \$500 and a certificate of recognition. The recipient also receives complimentary registrations to the CCTMC and FP-C Exam, as well as a one-year extension of IAFP membership. The award will be presented on Tuesday, April 1, 2008, during the Critical Care Transport Medicine Conference in San Antonio, Texas.

The IAFP is dedicated to providing advocacy, leadership development and educational opportunities for critical care paramedics. We strive to strengthen and unite all critical caregivers to enhance safe, efficient and quality patient care.

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