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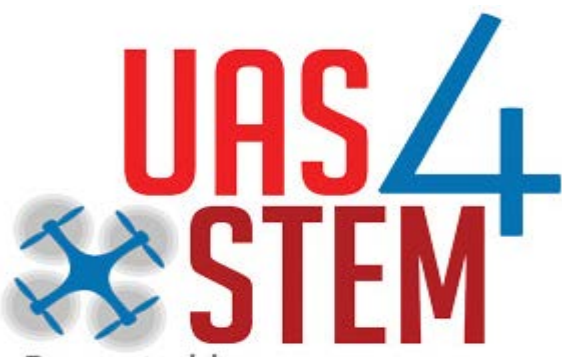
AMA and DJI partner to launch joint drone safety and training program

In a continued effort to promote safe and responsible flying by AMA members and the general public, AMA has partnered with DJI, the world's leading maker of unmanned aircraft systems (UAS), to launch a joint program to promote safe and responsible drone operations. The program will train public safety officers to use drones effectively, and support educational outreach efforts. The partnership will also allow AMA and DJI to explore joint activities to inspire youth and adults to become involved in model aviation and recreational drone flying.

The two organizations will work together to promote the [AMA Public Safety course](#), a hands-on training experience that teaches public safety employees how to safely use drone technology in their daily jobs. The course includes flight skills training and orientation management, and culminates in a series of flights that allow them to apply their skills in simulated public safety missions.

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First Generations of Flight story winner selected

Congratulations to John M. on being chosen as the January Story of the Month! John submitted his story as part of AMA's Generations of Flight campaign in January.

John's story: A friend gave me a model airplane kit when I was 10. It changed my life. From then on I was hooked. My goal was to become an aeronautical engineer. I graduated from Iowa State with that degree in 1955. The photo was of me and my Dad (my faithful pit man) while I was in high school in the late 1940s. I competed in U-control contests around Iowa. This is a couple of early speed models, one with a McCoy .49 and the other with an Ohlson .60. At 85 years young I'm still very active as an RC flier.

Submit your story to become February's story of the month!

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Check out the latest episode of AMA Air

In this episode of AMA Air, Erin and Chris talk with a Camp AMA participant, announce the theme of the July issue of *Model Aviation*, and discuss a drone light show!

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