



## ATW Director Abe Weber wins best airport partner

(Appleton, Wis.) March 5, 2025— Appleton International Airport (ATW) Director Abe Weber was named the best airport partner by The Cranky Flier. Weber was nominated by airline representatives in North and South America as the best air service and development leader in the industry. The award was presented at the annual Cranky Network Awards in Phoenix on February 27, 2025. In winning the award, multiple airlines acknowledged Weber’s creativity in marketing.

The Cranky Flier is an online platform that covers airline industry issues, news, and produces podcasts for news and commentary on the airline business. In addition to individual awards, airlines were awarded best new routes, best destinations in the Americas and globally, and other commendations.

“To have the airlines recognize what we’ve all known for so long is a big accomplishment,” said Outagamie County Executive Thomas Nelson. “Abe’s ability to build positive relationships with the carriers is one of the reasons why we’ve been experiencing the continued expansion at the airport.”

Each time an airline announces a new route or expands an existing route, Weber and the staff at Appleton International Airport create an event to celebrate. “When we announced American’s daily nonstop route to Dallas, we went all out,” Weber said. “We produced a video with horses trotting down College Avenue, hosted the horses in the terminal, broke out the cowboy hats, and celebrated with our team and travelers.”

More information on the Cranky Flier may be [found at this link](#).

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Pictured L-R, Brett Snyder founder of Cranky Flier, Abe Weber, Courtney Miller founder Visual Approach Analytics



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[Appleton International Airport](#) connects our community to the world through American Airlines, Delta Air Lines, United Airlines, and Allegiant Air. In addition to offering nonstop service to 19 destinations, Appleton Airport connects to 13 major international airport hubs from which travelers can fly to almost anywhere in the world. Using Appleton Airport, travelers can safely and more conveniently get to their destination and home again, leaving them more time for what really matters. Appleton International Airport is the third largest airport in Wisconsin according to arrivals and departures. Visit [atwairport.com](http://atwairport.com) to learn more.