Updated: Earhart Flight Ends Thursday In Atchison

(KAIR)--An around the world flight comes to an end Thursday, as pilot Brian Lloyd wraps up his journey by landing in Atchison.

According to the website <u>ProjectAmeliaEarhart.com</u>, Lloyd's solo flight was undertaken to commemorate the 80th anniversary of the famous flight of Amelia Earhart, which began in 1937.

The two month flight, which began in Florida June 1, followed Earhart's route to circumnavigate the world at the equator.

On July 24, Lloyd's fixed wing, single-engine plane named Spirit, flew over Howland Island, where Earhart unsuccessfully attempted to land 80-years-ago.

As he passed over, Lloyd, in tribute to Earhart and her navigator, Fred Noonan, dropped two large flowers from his plane's window in tribute to the pair.

Now, the Atchison community is invited to welcome the end of Lloyd's journey.

According to an <u>invitation</u> posted to the Atchison Area Chamber of Commerce's Facebook page, Lloyd will land at Atchison's Amelia Earhart Airport around mid-day Thursday.

While an exact time can't be specified, it's estimated that Lloyd will arrive early Thursday evening, likely sometime after 6:00.

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