Mr. Churchill, owner of Scott’s Bell 47 Inc., Scott’s Helicopter Services, & Texas Helicopter Co., is quite possibly the most experienced Bell 47 operator in the world today. With over 17,000 flight hours accumulated in the Bell 47, and with many of those being within 30 feet of the ground in the agricultural aerial applications business, he has an interesting perspective on the qualities of this venerable helicopter.

In 2009, Scott purchased the Type Certificates H-1, 2H1 & 2H3 for the Bell 47 series of helicopters from Bell Helicopter and took sole responsibility for supporting the hundreds of Bell 47 operators still in business around the world today. In 2013, Scott’s Bell 47 announced the re-introduction of a production 47 with their 47GT-6, a turbine-powered, glass-cockpit variant with composite main rotor blades – a long stretch from the original, Franklin-powered, steam-gauge, wood-bladed Bell 47 of the 1940s & 50s.

Scott will speak to some of his more colorful experiences during those 17,000 flight hours in a Bell 47, what it has been like to transition from an operator to being the TC holder of the first FAA-certified helicopter, and why he believes the 47 still deserves a place in the modern helicopter industry some 70 years after it was first conceived.

Location: Bell Helicopter
Lawrence D. Bell Employee Center
600 East Hurst Blvd
Hurst, TX 76053

Dinner Menu:
BBQ

6:00 PM
Speaker/Dinner 6:30 PM

Price: Members $25
Member Couples $45
Non-members $35

Dress: Business Casual

For additional information on the dinner meeting or AHS, please contact one of the following people:

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Please call or email Kyla Marshall to RSVP at kmarshal@bh.com or 817-280-4807 by noon, Thursday, May 1, 2014 if you plan to attend. Tickets are available by payroll deduction for Bell Helicopter Employees only.