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# 4th Annual Holiday Party & Charity Drive!

## December 5, 6:30-10:30pm

AeroColorado Hangar at Centennial Airport (KAPA) Special Guest Speaker - Mike Melvill, SpaceShipOne Test Pilot Details on the website <u>www.mvcaba.org</u>

# **CABA-NBAA Scholarships**

We are currently accepting applications for the Schedulers and Dispatchers and the NBAA Leadership Conference Scholarships. These awards will be presented at the Holiday Party on December 5.

NBAA is also offering S & D scholarships. For more information and application instructions *visit the website* 

## Featured Member Profile - November 2014







# **Independence Aviation**

Established in 2007 by Bob Stedman and Chuck Gensler (left and right above), Independence Aviation was created to provide aviation training and management services to the general aviation community.

With their extensive experience in flight training (over 70 years of instructing combined), Bob and Chuck identified many elements that were lacking and created a business model to address those issues. First and foremost is the type of aircraft used in flight training. They believe that an airplane is best used for cross country excursions in furtherance of a business. To better meet this need they decided to use better maintained aircraft that were meant to go places, and established a strong relationship with Cirrus Aircraft as one of the nation's few Platinum Cirrus Training Centers.

In addition, they created a corps of instructors who were dedicated professional educators and aren't simply building time for an airline or

#### Helpful Links

Apply for CABA Membership Now!

**CABA** Website

Centennial Airport

Rocky Mountain
Metropolitan
Airport

Front Range Airport

Job Opportunities!

#### **Mission Statement**

The mission of the Colorado Aviation Business Association is to promote the value of business and general aviation across the state of Colorado.

Founded in 1994, CABA acts to collectively address and respond to issues impacting Colorado Airports including safety and operational effectiveness; to educate the general public about all aviation activities in the state; to preserve the state's airport related businesses as valuable economic assets to the community at large; and to provide for the training of future aviation professionals through its scholarship fund.

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corporate pilot position. Most IA instructors have "been there, done that" or are young CFIs interested in being educators and are learning from IA's experienced mentors.

This experience makes them uniquely qualified to provide instruction, mentoring, and proficiency training in high-performance aircraft from the turbo Cirrus SR22 FIKI to the Piper Malibu Mirage, TBM 900 and Cessna 300/400 series of light-twin aircraft. It is not unusual for someone to purchase a high-performance Cirrus aircraft and come to IA for their Private Pilot Certificate training in that aircraft. IA is one of the few flight schools that is capable of providing this primary training in the Cirrus.

The goal of IA is to provide a superior aviation experience. As a result, additional services are offered including aircraft and hangar management. IA manages not only their own fleet of rental aircraft, but many owner-operated Cirrus, King Air, Malibu and other types. In addition, they provide management and pilot services for Part 91 operations of turbine aircraft.

Always interested in helping pilots maintain proficiency and fly as professionals, IA hosts monthly safety seminars including a premier series of weather seminars taught by a professional meteorologist from Jeppesen. In addition, they host a monthly proficiency group called the IMC Club at IA.

Located in the Arapahoe Aero building at 12780 East Control Tower Road in Englewood, and a satellite office at 11855 Airport Way in Broomfield, IA is one of the best-kept secrets at the Centennial and Rocky Mountain Metropolitan Airports. Visit Independence Aviation at <a href="https://www.flywithia.com">www.flywithia.com</a>

Do you want to be the next featured member or company? Submit a relevant topic of 500 words or less to: <a href="mailto:newsletter@mycaba.org">newsletter@mycaba.org</a>

#### SUPPORT COLORADO AVIATION - SIGN THE PETITION!

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The Support Colorado Aviation Project is a collaborative effort by numerous Colorado Aviation Groups. The goal of the plate project is to raise awareness to the impact of aviation across the State of Colorado and how aviation impacts a multitude of Colorado industries.

Check out recent news articles supporting the License Plate Project: <u>AOPA, NBAA, Montrose Mirror (</u>After clicking the link, scroll to page 30), <u>General Aviation News, Aviation International News</u>

<u>Visit SupportColoradoAviation.com</u> for more info and to sign the petition.

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## Committees can use your help!

Serving on a committee is a great way to network with fellow aviation professionals in all areas. All of our volunteers are people just like yourself who put a little extra effort into doing the things that make CABA a better organization. Join the CABA action team and you *WILL* have a positive impact on the aviation community in Colorado.

Standing Committees are: Legislative, Educational Outreach, Membership, Regional Groups, Industry Groups, and Marketing/Communications. *They ALL welcome more participation!* 

# **VOLUNTEER**

Or contact: info@mycaba.org

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