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The Colorado Aviation Business Association (CABA) Says "Colorado Aviation Week" a Major Success

Denver, Colorado – July 10, 2012 – The Colorado Aviation Business Association (<u>CABA</u>) is reporting that, by every measure, "Colorado Aviation Week" was a huge success.

"We are very pleased with the turn-out of the events held during 'Colorado Aviation Week'," stated Brittany Davies, Chairwoman of CABA. "We achieved our goal of community outreach and exceeded our expectations with respect to money raised for scholarships."

CABA saw record attendance at the events held during the week and raised over \$27,000.00 for scholarships, which will be awarded through their own scholarship fund and through the Centennial Airport Foundation.

The week's events started June 7th with the arrival of *Aluminum Overcast*, a WWII-era B-17 bomber aircraft owned and operated by the <u>Experimental Aircraft Association</u> (<u>EAA</u>). Despite an unusual hail storm that caused damage to the rare war bird as well as several other aircraft and structures at Centennial on June 8th, the B-17 was fixed and back in the air by Friday and garnered record crowds over the weekend and following week.

Other events included a "State of Aviation" luncheon, in which retired Air Force pilot and author of *Sled Driver*, Brian Shul, addressed the crowd of 300+ people. Rounding out the week was CABA's annual golf tournament co-hosted by <u>Signature Flight Support</u> and a hangar dance co-hosted by <u>Wings Over the Rockies</u>.

CABA organized "Colorado Aviation Week" after Governor, John Hickenlooper, proclaimed June *General Aviation Appreciation Month* for the state due to the positive impact general aviation has had on the local economy. The association is already making plans for "Colorado Aviation Week" in 2013 because of this year's overwhelming success.

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Founded in 1994, the mission of the Colorado Aviation Business Association (CABA) is to foster and promote aviation and related business throughout Colorado; 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, and to preserve the state's airport related businesses as valuable economic assets to the community at large. For more information, visit www.mycaba.org.

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