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**AIRCRAFT OWNERS AND PILOTS ASSOCIATION AIR SAFETY FOUNDATION
PRESIDENT BRUCE LANDSBERG ON TAP AS MAY 25TH WICHITA AERO CLUB
LUNCHEON SPEAKER**

Wichita, KS—May 10, 2010—Bruce Landsberg, President of the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association Air Safety Foundation will address the Wichita Aero Club at its monthly luncheon at noon on Tuesday, May 25th at the Wichita Airport Hilton. Tickets can be obtained online at www.wichitaaeroclub.org or by calling the Wichita Aero Club at 316.641.5962.

“Bruce was, for a very brief time, my instrument flight instructor,” noted WAC Executive Director Dave Franson. That was over 30 years ago and it may well have been what prompted him to dedicate himself to doing whatever he could to make the skies as safe as possible. He started by recommending that I confine my flying to a desk! Seriously, Bruce is one of the industry’s ranking experts on safety and he has an encyclopedic knowledge of the air traffic control system and the things we can do and have done to make it safer. He started his career in Wichita and has a lot of friends and colleagues here and we’re looking forward to his presentation.”

Landsberg has led the AOPA Air Safety Foundation since May 1992. During his tenure, it has become the leading general aviation safety organization in the world and has been recognized with numerous awards on safety program excellence. He writes the monthly “Safety Pilot” column in *AOPA Pilot* magazine, a popular weekly blog in AOPA ePilot, and is a periodic contributor to *AOPA Flight Training* magazine. He represents general aviation safety interests before the FAA, NTSB, National Weather Service, and various industry and international groups. ASF conducts free educational seminars all over the country and recertifies thousands of flight instructors annually. Additionally, it offers a world class website with more than 30,000 online course completions monthly.

Prior to joining ASF, Landsberg had careers with FlightSafety International in Wichita, Kansas, and Cessna Aircraft Company in marketing, safety education and business development.

A former U.S. Air Force officer, he holds a bachelor’s degree in psychology and a master’s degree in industrial technology from the University of Maryland. He has logged more than 6,000 hours and holds airline transport pilot (ATP), single-engine, multiengine, and instrument flight instructor certificates, and has been an AOPA member for more than 35 years.

The Wichita Aero Club was founded in October of 2008 to foster and promote interest in aviation, provide a forum focused on the industry’s issues and achievements and bring together those with a passion for flight.

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