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Patty Wagstaff to Appear at Build A Plane's Teachers' Day

April 17th, 2014, Los Angeles--Three-time national aerobatic champion and International Aerospace Hall of Famer Patty Wagstaff will speak at Build A Plane's 2014 Teachers' Day event on Tuesday, July 29th at EAA's AirVenture in Oshkosh, WI. The annual event brings teachers together from across the nation to examine ways to use aviation to motivate kids to learn science, math, engineering and technology.

"We cannot tell you how excited we are to have the first lady of aviation come to our program and share her experiences with teachers from all across the United States," Build A Plane's executive director Debbie Phillips said.

Wagstaff is a six-time member of the US Aerobatic Team and the first woman to ever become the national aerobatics champion. Her airplane now hangs in the Smithsonian Museum in the Pioneers of Flight Gallery. Patty also donates a tremendous amount of her time to charitable endeavors, including travel to East Africa to train pilots for the Kenya Wildlife Service (KWS) who protect Kenya's elephants, rhino and other natural resources from poachers.

Now in its fifth year, Build A Plane's Teachers' Day provides teachers with ideas and insight to use aviation as a way to motivate America's youth to learn subjects such as science, technology, engineering and math. Teachers will hear a series of presentations from a variety of aviation alphabets, including AOPA, EAA, GAMA, FAA as well as from the National Air & Space Museum, Honeywell, Aviation Explorers and more.

"Teachers' Day is free and open to any teacher who'd like to participate," Phillips continued. Participants can register at BuildAPlane.org. By participating in the event, teachers get free admittance to AirVenture compliments of EAA as well as a free lunch and free parking.

Build A Plane is a non-profit organization that gives kids a chance to build real airplanes in school, placing more than 200 general aviation aircraft into schools across the United States since 2003.

For more information on Teachers' Day or Build A Plane, contact Debbie Phillips at 505-980-5915 or by clicking BuildAPlane.org.