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PILOTS “FLYING ACROSS AMERICA” TO STOP IN HOUSTON
Schappert and Lambercy flying cross-country to promote general aviation

Houston, Texas- The Houston Hobby Airport will serve as temporary home to pilots Jason Schappert and Vincent Lambercy for two days in June while the pilots fly across the nation. The 1940 Air Terminal Museum will host Schappert and Lambercy June 24.

Schappert and Lambercy announced their intention to fly a Cessna 150, a single engine two-seater airplane, across America last year. The trip will take the pilots from Daytona Beach, Florida, to Catalina Island, California, and it will take Schappert and Lambercy approximately three weeks to complete. The trip’s purpose is to raise awareness of general aviation and the many values associated with it.

“General aviation serves the community and is a great activity for self-development and creates solidarity. It’s not reserved to the rich or the affluent, but rather it is much more accessible than most think,” said Lambercy.

Houston is the fifth stop in the schedule for the 4,000 nautical mile journey. Schappert, a Certified Flight Instructor, will offer introductory flights to the public for a fee of \$50 per half hour.

The raffle plane of the 1940 Air Terminal Museum will be on display as well. The museum is raffling this vintage 1958 Cessna 172 as a fundraiser. Raffle tickets for the new fundraising contest, available for \$50 each, went on sale on July 18, 2009. The winner will be drawn on July 17, 2010, and no more than 2,500 tickets will be sold.

About Flying Across America:

Jason Schappert, Ocala, Florida, and Vincent Lambercy, Germany, organized the Flying Across America trip, which is designed to spread the message and awareness of general aviation. The pilots will be making the coast-to-coast flight by flying visually and landing at small airfields and regional airports along the route. This 4,000 nautical mile trip will require approximately 70 hours of flight over three weeks to accomplish. For more information on the trip and the pilots, visit www.flyingacrossamerica.com.

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