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What: Young Eagles Flight Rally Honors Military

Who: Youth ages 8 – 17

When: Saturday, Nov. 11 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Where: Albert Whitted Park, downtown St. Petersburg

Cost: FREE

Young Eagles Flight Rally Salutes the Military and Gives Free Plane Rides to Kids

Families are invited to celebrate Veterans Day 2017 at a special Young Eagles Flight Rally on Saturday, Nov. 11 from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. at scenic Albert Whitted Park, located on Bay Shore Drive adjacent to the Salvador Dali Museum in downtown St. Petersburg.

Inspired by our nation's heroes, licensed volunteer pilots will offer free plane rides and education for kids ages 8-17. The salute to our military aviators will include a static aircraft display.

Sponsored by the Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA), Young Eagles Flight Rally programs aim to inspire future aviation professionals with an early passion for science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM). Participants receive official *Young Eagles* log books and instructions to complete free online ground school. Since launching in 1992, EAA's *Young Eagles* program has flown more than 2 million children in 90 countries.

The Young Eagles Flight Rallies in St. Petersburg are hosted by local EAA Chapter 47, based at Albert Whitted Airport where passengers enjoy breathtaking views of Ft. Desoto, the Sunshine Skyway Bridge, and historic St. Pete – the birthplace of commercial aviation.

Young Eagles flights are offered at no charge on a first-come, first-served basis. Junior flight candidates should wear comfortable clothing, be in good health, and be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian for completion of mandatory paperwork. Groups of five or more participants are requested to call at least *in advance* of the event.

Event partners include Sheltair, Pilot Bank, and St. Pete Air.

For more information on the Young Eagles Flight Rally & Military Salute, visit www.AWAPS.org or call (727) 822-1532.