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SHANE TERPSTRA EARNS NAFI MASTER INSTRUCTOR ACCREDITATION

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The National Association of Flight Instructors is proud to announce that NAFI member Shane Terpstra has earned accreditation as a NAFI Master Flight Instructor.

Terpstra started flying in 1992 at the age of 16. While pursuing a career in information technology, he stayed true to his passion for aviation by continuing to fly or



advancing his ratings over the past 20 years. Terpstra is a passionate aviation enthusiast, FAA FAASTeam Member, safety officer and board member of San Diego's Plus One Flyers, the largest flight club in the United States, as well as owner of a Piper Archer II and a Cirrus SR-22TN.

Terpstra is an active member of the Civil Air Patrol, and achieved 25 years of involvement last year. Within CAP Shane holds the ratings of incident commander, mission pilot, check pilot, and ground team leader.

Terpstra has helped locate dozens of missing aircraft over the years and uses these experiences to help ensure these incidents don't happen to others. He currently serves as CAP's California Wing director of emergency services. In his spare time, you'll probably find him in Santa Fe, New Mexico with his wife Sarah.

*The **NAFI Master Flight Instructor program** is the longest running and most prestigious FAA accredited master flight instructor program in the industry. The NAFI Master Instructor accreditation is earned by aviation educators based upon a system of*

advanced professional standards and peer review. The accreditation identifies and publicly recognizes those teachers of flight who demonstrate an ongoing commitment to excellence, professional growth, and service to the aviation community. The NAFI Master Instructor accreditation is for two years and may be used to renew an FAA flight instructor certificate. Applicants must have been a CFI for two years and have given 1,000 hours of flight instruction. In addition candidates must meet and document activity in four NAFI Master Instructor categories (Instructor, Educator, Service to the Aviation Community, and Professional Activity).

*The **National Association of Flight Instructors' (NAFI)** purpose is to establish and promote a high level of professionalism among aviation educators and to provide recognition for their contributions to aviation safety, education and training. NAFI members teach in 17 countries in flight schools, universities, FBOs, corporate flight departments, the military and as independent flight instructors. Founded in 1967, NAFI works with industry and government to help shape the direction of flight training and to serve as a voice for flight instruction. For more information about NAFI or the NAFI Master Instructor program call **866-806-6156** or visit www.NAFINet.org.*