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Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University alumna, Katie Pribyl will provide the Fall 2017 Graduation address at Embry-Riddle Prescott. Ms. Pribyl graduated from Embry-Riddle Prescott earning her Bachelor of Science Degree in Aeronautical Science in the Fall Semester of 2000. Katie was a member of the Golden Eagles Flight Team from 1997-2000 including the 1999 NIFA National Championship Team.

As leader of AOPA's aviation strategy and programs division, Katie is responsible for its You Can Fly program and the Air Safety Institute. Under the You Can Fly umbrella, Katie and her team are building initiatives designed to get lapsed pilots back in the

air, provide more affordable access to aviation through flying clubs, support best practices in flight training, and introduce high school students to aviation. The AOPA Air Safety Institute has been producing free programs with the goal of helping pilots fly safer for more than 60 years. From groundbreaking online courses, to popular live seminars and videos, ASI covers the spectrum of aviation safety education.

After earning her degree from Embry-Riddle, Katie flew the Canadair Regional Jet with Atlantic Coast Airlines/Independence Air before serving as the director of communications for the General Aviation Manufacturers Association.

Katie is also a CFI and rated seaplane pilot. Her idea of the perfect weekend involves flying her 1956 Cessna 180 Skywagon in her home state of Montana.