

The Crab Pot



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VOLUNTARY DUES REMINDER. Chapter dues (\$20 regular, \$10 for student pilots) to be paid before June 1st. These voluntary dues support chapter activities such as the Women in Aviation Day and additional supplies for compass rose painting.

Alice notes: Payment via Venmo is great, @Maryland99s, or Zelle, search phone number 404-984-0617

If anyone prefers check, can make check payable to Maryland chapter 99s; 9844 Middle Meadow Rd, Ellicott City, MD 21042

Thank you!!!

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Maryland Chapter Message

The section election has ended. The results will be reported to Jane Toskes as Election Committee Chair, and I will report them to our governor, Debi Dreyfuss. Debi then notifies the candidates of the results. The official announcement will be made at the section meeting--still scheduled for May 14.

There were several candidates from the Maryland Chapter. Thanks to each and every candidate who stepped forward to support the section by running for office. You are all appreciated.

Upcoming Chapter Events

Maryland 99s Chapter Meeting – June 11, 10AM at MTN Classroom 412

OR Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9739925140?pwd=NDIEekNXVXIncjJCcHROZDNPS2UxUT09>

Meeting ID: 973 992 5140

Passcode: Cessna150

Mid-Atlantic Section Meeting

Time: May 14, 2022 08:30 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)*

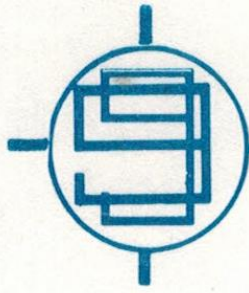
***Chapter Chairs Zoom at 9am, Members Zoom at 10am EDT**

Join Zoom Meeting

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Member Contributions

by Naomi Koehler

SAFE Educational Opportunity, March 23, 2022

I saw Safe Alternative Foundation for Education, Inc. (SAFE) on the news one morning and was intrigued. Van Brooks spoke of the uphill battle he faced in his life after a sports injury at the age of 16 that paralyzed him from the neck down, unable to talk, eat or feel. His dreams of playing football professionally were shattered. In spite of such a tragedy, he went on to graduate from Towson University with a Bachelor of Science in Mass Communications. Van developed the SAFE Program to inform students about the importance of obtaining an education as well as having an alternate career plan in anticipation for life's deviations. SAFE provides afterschool, weekend, and summer learning educational opportunities through vocational programs that provide real world application as well as exposing students to the world outside of their community.

I emailed Van and he asked if the Maryland 99's could speak during one of their Women Wednesdays in celebration of Women's History Month in March. After arranging a date and time with the SAFE Center Assistant, Sharone McRae, Lauren Brenneman and I agreed to present on the various aviation related jobs that women have and can pursue. We created a poster board displaying a few of the various jobs featuring women and we spoke to the children about the jobs. The children were the best part of the speaking engagement. These children, age 11-14, were so engaged and asked a million questions about both flying and non-flying type of careers. We handed out a few activities to do, including spelling your first name using the phonetic alphabet. Every single child in the room wanted to spell their name and every name they could think of with the phonetic alphabet. After the hour long discussion, we wrapped it up by asking if anyone was going to get into an aviation related career now. There were a few hands that excitedly went into the air professing their new love of the topic.

I emailed Sharone about the upcoming Glenn L. Martin Maryland Aviation Museum's Open Cockpit event on Saturday, April 9, 2022. She was excited to take the children out on a tour of the planes at the airport and arranged to let me know when they were there so we could touch base.

Martin State Airport Cockpit Day, April 9, 2022

We were asked by the Glenn L. Martin Maryland Aviation Museum to participate in the Open Cockpit event on April 9, 2022. We had some amazing volunteers that helped out during that day, including Lauren Brenneman, Christine Pullham, Donna Suwall, and Jane Toskes. We set up in the Gallery room next to the museum and had two tables set up with our display and handouts. We previously created a poster board featuring women in aviation for the canceled March 12th event and displayed toy planes generally provided by Donna Suwall for the event. It was an odd set up this time around since the safety briefings were held in that room every 15 minutes. A group would filter in the room and sit down, the safety briefing would take place and the people would then filter out. Some of the people did make use of their time to speak with us about our roles in aviation and how they could get started. We answered questions and chatted with people about aviation in general and spoke about the International 99s Organization and how they came to

be. Overall it was a great day to see all of the happy family faces excited to see the planes on the flight line at Martin State Airport. I think we may have made a few future pilots in the making.

Keep your calendars clear for the next Open Cockpit Day, scheduled for October 15, 2022!

Shannon O'Brien. Shannon took a mission flight to save 32 dogs with Pilots to the Rescue!

"It was an honor to fly alongside one of my best Delta Flight Attendant friends, Sabrina and Pilot Michael, to fly 2 mom dogs and 30 puppies with Pilots To The Rescue on their 20th mission of the year from Essex County Airport in New Jersey to Knoxville Downtown Island Airport in Tennessee! It was the most rewarding flight I've ever flown!"

To adopt, donate or fly visit pilotstotherescue.org and @AmazingMuttsPuppyRescue

Newsletter and live mission alerts: PilotsToTheRescue.org/Join

Pilots To The Rescue (PTTR) is a non-profit, volunteer-driven, 501c3 public benefit aviation organization. PTTR's mission is to transport domestic and endangered animals as well as people at risk. PTTR supports its network of trained volunteer pilots so they can focus on their missions and do the greater good. To learn more info how to adopt, donate or fly with PTTR visit pilotstotherescue.org

Such a great thing to do, Shannon!



Lauren Brenneman

Competed her airplane single engine sea add on at Jack Brown's Seaplane Base in Winterhaven, FL on 4/23!



Lauren, you rock!

ONE LAST THING: Naomi Koehler and Aish Shrestha sharing a flight—not enjoying it at all!



And a plug for Slack, our chat app—where you can let others know you’re flying and if you want to share costs as well as meet for lunch—if you’d like it, let Sophia Dengo know—