

The Crab Pot



2021-2022 Chapter Officers

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Upcoming Chapter Events

Maryland 99s February meeting –

Time: February 11, 2023 1000 AM Eastern Time.

At Martin State Airport, Room 412, Hangar 4.

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9739925140?pwd=NDIEekNXXVIncjJCcHROZDNPS2UxUT09>

Meeting ID: 973 992 5140, Passcode: Cessna150

The Mid-Atlantic Section Scholarship of the Ninety-Nines is now open for applicants.



Amount of Scholarship: Up to \$5,000.00
Application Receipt Deadline: **February 28, 2023**
Announcement Date: April 15, 2023

Our Instructors

Instructors for Primary Students who teach at a flight school (aircraft available)

Lauren Brenneman: Middle River Aviation, KMTN—CFII. Contact Middle River or (717-891-8200)

Meaghan Cohen: Brett Aviation at KMTN; CFI and is working on finishing up CFI-I. Please reach out for availability (443-799-5770).

Secondary Students/Student Owned Aircraft

Cathy Steele: CFI-I and Cirrus Certified Instructor out of KBWI, KMTN, KFME. Concentration is instrument students.

Jane Toskes: CFI-I, available for advice, consultation, and ground school (Part 107 signoff when you've successfully completed the testing)

Carol Christian: CFI-I (and astrophysicist) out of KMTN and surroundings. Concentration is tailwheel transition, Flight Review, intro instrument training. Also available for general advice, and consultation.

WELCOME ABOARD THE MD 99s

Alaya Dyson

Addie Erdman

Joanna Voss

Private Pilot Study Group – weekly on Sunday evenings: Contact Maria Esparraguera for information - 7326938595

Minutes from the 14 January meeting:

Attendees: Carol Christian, Jane Toskes, Sophia Dengo, Stephanie Baynes, Naomi Koehler, Monica Holliday, Cathy Steele, Alice Li, Joanna Voss, Alaya Dyson, Maria Esparraguera

We are currently at 53 members, although we have 3 up for renewal.

It was noted that an article about Stephanie Baynes' trip to Uganda to interest children in aviation is in the Ninety Nines International publication. Membership voted unanimously to reimburse Stephanie \$25 for the cost of educational materials.

In prior years, the MD chapter distributed \$25 gifts to other non-profit entities. This year it was decided to limit the gifts to 2 organizations, the Amelia Earhart Scholarship fund and the Glenn L. Martin Maryland Aviation Museum. The gifts to these organizations should be increased to \$100. This was also passed unanimously. (NOTE: Can we designate this to the Education Department?)

Miscellaneous Items: Looking for Chapter history records—will contact Ginny Carlin's daughter for them. Also, still need to give the previously authorized \$25 gift card to Jason, who helped us paint the KMTN compass rose. We also need to complete the compass rose by painting the date of survey and rate of change in a corner by the rose.

The Mid-Atlantic Section meeting is April 29. No location yet, but please save that date in your calendars.

MD Chapter elections will be conducted this spring. Ballots are due 1 April—please let us know if you are willing to run for any officer positions, and if you are an officer, whether you would like to be on the ballot again. The nominations must still be assigned.

The need to continue fundraising to continue the scholarship was discussed, with continuing merchandise sales and a hangar ball being the top ways of raising funds. Amazon Smile was discussed, but since the time of the meeting, Amazon has noted that they will discontinue Amazon Smile.

Naomi indicated that she cannot continue as the Ginny Carlin Scholarship chairperson. The chair may be appointed from the Chapter. For next month's meeting, we will discuss a scholarship reviewer and possible oversight by International.

We also discussed upcoming possible projects—updating and correcting laminated contact sheets for the 99s that are hung in many airports in MD (they need updated contact information and also QR codes if possible); a calendar of events for the upcoming year; a possible tour of A10s at MTN; schedule a meeting with another Chapter; or fly together to the Amelia Earhart museum in Atchison, Kansas. In addition, it was also suggested that one of our Chapter members who is part of a training program for the airlines give a talk.

Milestones

Treasurer Alice Li gave birth to a son, Alex on January 11th! A lot earlier than his due date, he weighed in at 6lbs 14oz. Amelia, his big sister, calls herself maomao (cat) and him gougou (dog), but his nickname is Apple!



As of Jan 21, 2023, Victoria Waller is an Instrument-Rated Pilot! She rocks that Piper Archer!



A Four-Year Dream Achieved
Shannon O'Brien Selected and Sworn in for Air Force Reserve Pilot Training
From Shannon:



I'm honored to have been selected for U.S. Air Force Reserve Pilot Training by the 757th Airlift Squadron based at Youngstown Air Reserve Station in Youngstown, Ohio. Training will consist of Officer Training School, SERE Survivor School, Undergraduate Pilot Training, **and C-130 Training.**

In mid-January, I conduct my oath with Major General Mari K. Eder, Army Retired, author of "The Girls Who Stepped Out of Line," and who came to speak to the Maryland Ninety Nines this past summer. She has been such a powerful source of inspiration and mentorship to me. High on my list of people I am grateful for, includes every woman I've met through the Ninety Nines. I joined as a student pilot when I was working towards my Private Pilot Certificate so I could apply to the Air Force Reserve. Everyone in our Maryland chapter become quick friends and role models to me. It's been truly special planning events and fundraisers, having the honor of winning the Ginny Carlin Checkride Scholarship, and building time flying together around MD, VA, and PA. Being born and raised in Maryland, my favorite part about our group is meeting women from all walks of life and career backgrounds from my home-state who share my passion for learning and admiration for aviation.

During the next two years while I am in training I will miss being an active member of our group and looking forward to seeing everyone as soon as I can. You all are considered my sisters and I constantly think of and pray for all of your adventures and successes in our communities and in the air. Thank you all for your encouragement along my journey!

V Waller noted that she used to take “road trips”—now these are the trips she takes:

