

The Crab Pot



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VOTE Now - Mid-Atlantic Section Election

- ✂ Emails were sent 3/19 from **Mid-Atlantic Ninety-Nines Inc** (invitations@mail.electionbuddy.com)
- ✂ Voting is an Online Election System with a one-time unique access key sent to each member.
- ✂ Deadline is May 18th at 6:30 P.M. EST

UPDATE: Mid-Atlantic Spring Section Meeting

- ✂ Due to the COVID-19 Restrictions currently in place, the Mid-Atlantic Spring Section Meeting has been **CANCELLED** at this time.
- ✂ We hope to reschedule this event (Same Agenda) later in the Fall.

Upcoming Chapter Events

- ✂ **April 11th** – Details TBD.

We are hoping to get together for a luncheon (assuming COVID-19 restrictions have been lifted).



Upcoming Regional Events

Mark your calendars for the upcoming events:

- ✂ **Tentative May 5–June 10-** SUN 'n FUN – Lakeland, FL
→ Visit <https://www.flysnf.org/> for most current information
- ✂ **July 8-12, 2020** – International Conference and Business Meeting. Long Beach, CA
- ✂ **July 20–26, 2020** – EAA Air Venture Oshkosh, WI
→ Boeing is sponsoring **FREE** admission for Kids 18 and under for the next 2 years!

Upcoming Safety / Training Opportunities



Medical Certification Q&A

Wednesday, March 25 at 7 p.m. CST

Presenters: Tom Charpentier / Dr. Stephen Leonard

Cylinder Work: Risky Business

Wednesday, April 1 at 7 p.m. CST

Presenter: Mike Busch

You Just Got Your Pilot Certificate – Now What?

Wednesday, April 8 at 7 p.m. CST

Presenters: Jim Bourke / Marianne Fox

Healthy Pilot Technology

Wednesday, April 15 at 7 p.m. CST

Presenter: Phil Lightstone

Five Weather Planning Tips to Get Ready for Summertime Flying

Wednesday, April 22 at 7 p.m. CST

Presenter: Scott Dennstaedt

2020 Paul & Fran Burger \$40,000 WINGS Sweepstakes

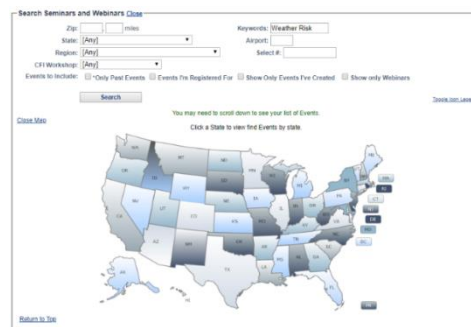
- ✈ Promotes awareness of and participation in the FAA Team WINGS Pilot Proficiency Program.
- ➔ Visit <https://www.mywingsinitiative.org/> for more details.



FAA Safety Webinars

Search online:

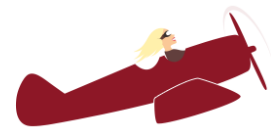
<https://www.faasafety.gov/>



All Above Courses Listings Qualify for FAA Wings credit.

Scholarship Opportunities

BLONDS IN AVIATION



For a **GREAT** Aviation Scholarship Calendar, see: <https://www.blondsinaaviation.com/aviation-scholarship-calendar/>

- ✈ This website has a great Aviation Scholarship calendar. Results can be filtered by ratings, limitations, etc.

As always, please contact Carol Christian (carolc91@gmail.com) for any Scholarship help or questions.

Monthly Feature – Pilot Proficiency and WINGS

Submitted by General Aviation Joint Steering Committee (GAJSC) Loss of Control (LOC) Work Group

Pilot Proficiency Training Recommendations

Loss of Control is the most lethal GA accident precursor.

More than 90% of inadvertent continued VFR into IMC result in fatalities.

Accidents also can occur when pilots are distracted by something on the ground or in the airplane.

The term “Moose Stall” is familiar to Alaskan pilots. More than a few Alaskan aviators have lost control while maneuvering for a better view of a moose on the ground.

Low altitude maneuvering for aerial photography is another activity that presents opportunities for loss of control due to distractions.

Proficiency Training and Flying can reduce the chances that control will be lost.

Lack of – or rusty aircraft handling skill has contributed to loss of control in crosswind operations.

Inadequate Risk Management has led pilots into situations where they lacked the skills to cope.

Proficiency Training and Education are foundational to most professional endeavors.

This means you must execute plays and procedures perfectly in practice if you expect to be perfect in the big game, or - in the case of pilots - in flight.

Each pilot should establish personal minimums which may be (and often are) above FAA legal minimums for a VFR or IFR flight.

Practice does not
make perfect. Only
perfect practice makes
perfect.

Vince Lombardi

Good coaching can make it possible for pilots to fly at high levels of proficiency but regular training and practice are necessary to keep skill levels high.

While we all have a favorite destination for the \$100 Hamburger, this is not an ideal proficiency flight.

Proficiency flying involves less frequently practiced evolutions such as stalls, slow flight, ground reference maneuvers, takeoffs and landings, and instrument flying. This is very helpful with a coach.

Proficiency can be maintained and enhanced while flying solo, but not all practice hours are equal. Below are some suggestions to make your practice hours the most worthwhile.

Have a plan that lists what maneuvers and evolutions you will fly.

Have documented acceptable performance standards for each item.

Write your plan and standards on paper and take it with you on the flight.

Check off each maneuver completed and whether or not you met the standard.

Back on the ground, document your results. This will allow you to see progress and document your baseline performance which will feed into your personal minimums.

FAA's WINGS Pilot Proficiency Program is an excellent way to document your training. Wings knowledge and flight activities are designed to address common general aviation accident precursors and your flight activities can be further customized to fit your operations and experience.

References:

FAA Safety Team <https://www.faasafety.gov/>

Risk Management Handbook- Appendix A Personal Assessment and Minimums

https://www.faa.gov/regulations_policies/handbooks_manuals/aviation/media/risk_management_hb_change_1.pdf

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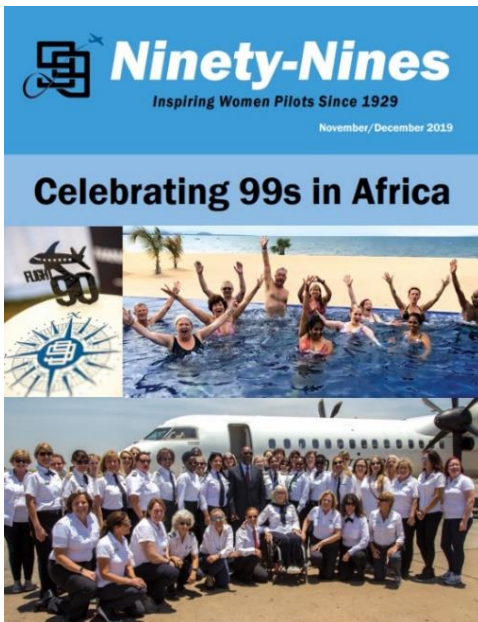
The following ladies were in attendance for the March meeting at MTN:

Mary Beth Andersen, Maria Esparraguera (and her mother), Ginny Carlin, Lauren Brenneman, Cathy Steele, Sophia Dengo, Reagan (Ana) Buzzard (and her father), Jane Toskes

- ✂ **Mid-Atlantic Conference POSTPONED:** After a lengthy discussion of the current coronavirus situation, a motion was made by Sophia and seconded by Ginny that we cancel/postpone the spring section meeting scheduled April 24-26, and it passed unanimously.
- ✂ **Conference Cancellations:** Hotel and museum – Jane. A10 National Guard visit – Donna. Air Force Speakers – Maria. Section Governor, Debi Dryfuss Notification – Jane (email sent 3/14)
- ✂ **Reimbursements:** It was suggested that any 99 who had spent money in preparation for the section meeting have the opportunity to request reimbursement from the chapter for those expenses, and everyone agreed this was a good idea. Please submit your requests to Jane Toskes, chair, before April 11th.
- ✂ **Conference Refunds:** There are about ten people already registered for the meeting. Sophia will cancel the Eventbrite registration site. Any snail mail registrations go to Meaghan, and can be returned to the sender. Meaghan, Sophia, and Alice will monitor to make sure all payments are refunded.
- ✂ **Member Suggestions:** Maria suggested that we consider having the Air Force women pilots speak in the near future, and invite other women interested in aviation such as CAP and students at CCBC aviation program.
- ✂ **Nominating Committee:** Ginny and Cathy are leading the Nomination Committee. They will present a slate of candidates at the April Meeting.
- ✂ **By Laws:** Maria and Jane will begin working on these again. If any other members are interested in helping, please reach out to Jane for more details.
- ✂ **Next meeting:** Currently scheduled for April 11th. Details are TBD based on what is going on with COVID-19.

Thank you to EVERYONE for all the effort and work put into the Spring Section meeting! We are hoping to reschedule this – potentially in the Fall.

Publications



<https://www.ninety-nines.org/pdf/newsmagazine/20191112.pdf>

Do you have an idea for a story to be featured in our Monthly Newsletter?

Pictures, articles, etc. are Welcomed!

Please email Meaghan83@gmail.com with your article or photos!
