

The Crab Pot



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Chapter Newsletter Input

✂ Send us your latest flying destinations, restaurant recommendations, or any new ratings/endorsements!

Upcoming Chapter Events

Maryland 99s Chapter Meeting – Feb 12, 10AM at MTN Classroom 42 (work on Scholarship rules)

OR Join Zoom Meeting

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

Meeting ID: 973 992 5140

Passcode: Cessna150

✂ Carol Christian has compiled a lists of a number of available scholarships, their links, amounts and due dates for submission. Thank you, Carol! Anyone who knows of other scholarships can send them to Carol or edit the sheet directly. Here is the link; please keep this within the Maryland 99s membership.

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1WezKj9sYq49NjnWsmC5WRBL6Oc8iru86BwhYZCvKeDE/edit?usp=sharing>

✂ If anyone needs help/wants a second set of eyes on a scholarship application, do not hesitate to ask Carol Christian carolc91@gmail.com (410-929-2359) or Maria Esparraguera mdesgirt@comcast.net (732) 693-8595.

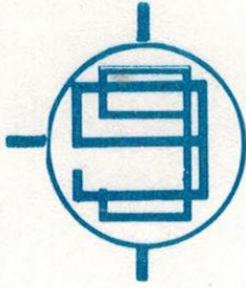
✂ MD 99s contact list: Carol Christian created a google sheet with the membership information. If we have new members please feel free to edit the list.

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1SlklswxjkbWoCi14HyaQzlkj3A-25ZY7NIqrO6NIA5k/edit?usp=sharing>

Sophia's instructions: Go to contacts.google.com; don't get distracted like I did and spend 20 minutes cleaning up your address book....or do whatever works for you! Click "create contact" in the upper left, and select "create multiple contacts." Import the .csv file attached to this email. Once the import has completed, select all the new contacts and give them the same label. I chose "Ninety-Nines Maryland" because that makes sense to me, but any label will do. Make sure you click "apply" or all is lost! This puts all these contacts in a group that you can then target.

NOTE: You can also do this during the import step -- at the top of the little popup it has a "label" field. Go back to Gmail and compose a new message. In the 'to' field, type your label. Gmail should find your newly create label and automatically populate the respective email addresses.





The Ninety-Nines, Inc.
Maryland Chapter, Inc.

January Maryland Chapter Meeting Notes

Attendees: In person: Jane Toskes, Dalila Hannibal, Cathy Steele, Aish Shrestha

Via Zoom: Sophia Dengo, Joanna Williams, Leslie, Lauren Brennerman, Alice Li, Joy, Stephanie Baynes, Anita Ammon, Carol Christian, Abby Awosanya

Reports:

Membership: We now have 49 members! A big welcome to Victoria Waller.

Treasurer: MD 99s made a \$100 Donation to W48 for use of their facility for the Social and meetings

Scholarships: Check with Carol Christian.

Events:

Compass Rose:

2W6—Joanna Williams presented to the St. Mary's County Airport (2W6) Board. They really liked the proposal and are looking forward to making it happen. Discussing dates for the event—possibility of May 12.

MTN— preliminary discussions on a compass rose

Section elections coming...need volunteers to run for office!

Study Groups: PPL—contact Maria Esparraguera (mdesgirt@comcast.net) and Dalila Hannibal (daliladaleyh@gmail.com) (Sundays at 5 PM); Instrument—Sophia Dengo (sdengo@gmail.com)

NOTE: Ever grateful to the MD 99s for the compass rose, 0W3 is inviting all MD 99s to their fly-in that will be held Saturday June 4th this year. We have also been extended an invite to have a display table to meet and greet about the 99s. Last year there were over 500 people at the event.

Sad News: Donna Suwall recently found out that our long-time MD Chapter member, Barbara Porter, died this past June a few days before her 95th birthday. Babs, as she preferred to be called, was the first woman pilot Donna met after starting flying lessons at Essex Skypark in 1969. Babs and one of her brothers had earned their Private Pilot Licenses at Essex Skypark several years before that. Earl Wilson was their flight instructor. Babs was born and raised in Baltimore. Her teaching career was spent at Garrison Forest School, an all-girls school for K-12 in Owings Mills. As a teacher, she used her Ground Instructor Rating to introduce students to the world of aviation, encouraging quite a few girls to pursue their pilot licenses. Upon retirement, she moved permanently to the family's second home in Jamestown, RI and traded flying for her second love, tennis. Barbara played tennis most days well into her late eighties, if not early nineties.

Donna send Barbara's family sympathy cards from the MD Chapter. Thank you, Donna, for this delightful recollection.

Member contributions—Victoria Waller

My Story: I'm still a student pilot coming up on my stage 2 check on the 18th (wish me luck) but I was able to fly my father with my instructor on my first cross country to Ocean City from Lee Annapolis (pictured below). The picture is my favorite because if it wasn't for my father I honestly wouldn't be here.



The second picture is of my favorite flights. My fiancé actually surprised me for my 30th birthday/our engagement this past October and rented a plane (and an instructor since I'm still a student) for me to fly down the Miami coastline! It's always been my dream to live in Miami and I remember literally staring at the orange building in the picture every time I visited thinking "one day I'm going to live here." So to be able to fly over it with my fiancé as my first unofficial passenger was incredible for me, plus it was an amazing view.

To be honest I never had a desire to fly, it was always my father's dream, until last year 2021 God just shifted my perspective and put it on my heart to learn. My dad & I signed up to learn together. (He later told me that he never intended to actually get his license; this was just his attempt to push me to start, and that he's flying through me because after his first flight he quit lol.) At that point I had come too far and grew an actual desire to pursue flying as a career. I realize now that learning to fly is bigger than just me.

I hope that through my journey I'm able to inspire a young girl and even a woman my age to take a leap of faith and explore aviation. I want to encourage women that becoming a pilot can be done, and is an option that is available to them! Ultimately my goal is to fly private/corporate jets & to inspire the next generation of female aviators.

Please also share that I'm always open to taking the comms or flight controls if anyone would like a flying buddy, just shoot me a text at 202-713-0301 =).

Lauren Brennerman Recently completed her tailwheel endorsement at OW3 on Jan 26! Her instructor is Rob Lewis, an American Airlines 787 captain (with over 25,000 hours) who also teaches tailwheel (and also flies his Christen Eagle). They also snagged some cool overhead pictures of our MD 99s compass rose!



SCHOLARSHIP NEWS: Stephanie Baynes received a scholarship from the Joyce Lin Memorial Foundation toward “education and training of certificated pilots to achieve advanced ratings for humanitarian and civic purposes.” Joyce Lin was a missionary pilot who earned two degrees in engineering from MIT followed by a decade-long career as an Air Force officer. She then joined the Mission Aviation Fellowship and while piloting a delivery flight in Papau, Indonesia, on 12 May 2020, lost her life when the plane went down. Stephanie will achieve her advanced ratings in honor of Joyce Lin. We are incredibly proud of this work and a continuing legacy.