

Greetings ladies.

Herewith is the link for the Women Pilots 99s - Washington DC Chapter meeting.

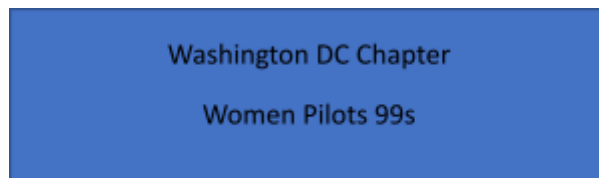
First Monday , February 5, 2024, 7 PM. Lucia Mencia is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Women Pilots 99s - Washington DC Chapter. Events past, present, future.

Time: This is a recurring meeting, first Monday, each month. **Join 99s Washington DC chapter, Zoom Meeting, 7:00 – 8:00 PM.**

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Meeting ID: 884 8740 4268; Passcode: zsu6ef.



AGENDA topics for meeting (s):

Persons in attendance: Lucy Mencia, xyz, zyx

Treasurer Report. Linda Litwin has agreed to continue to serve as Treasurer. Yearly chapter donation. Dues in the amount of \$20 were due by December 1, 2023. Please send in your contributions.

Venmo: @WashingtonDC-Ninety-Nines or, Address for Check: Linda Litwin, Washington DC Chapter Treasurer, 11509 Bedfordshire Ave, Potomac, MD 20854

Membership Report: Kathleen O’Niel will be taking over the Membership chair position. The Washington DC Chapter membership report as of today: The Wash DC Chapter has 43 members We will need to find out their level...student/ or not. We need ideas on how to get more of the “signed up Washington DC Chapter” members to attend our functions.

Continuing Education: Pat Manos has agreed to continue to serve in the Education chair position.

Awards : Debi Dryefuss Dare to be Different DDDD award. Kim has preliminarily promoted the award on the Face Book page. ortSdensopg1uM4 5e9h tf9 55r51N8uot7a4v800:1523taamb efmuaA5 · In the future, we will be planning how to best promote the award further to get the best candidates. It was mentioned at the Mid Atlantic section meeting. All submissions had to be from a Mid-Atlantic member, had to be about aviation, had to show cleverness or daring to be different. There are three judges that will convene and determine a winner. Winner is to be announced at the March 2024 meeting.

Other Scholarships Available: (from other aviation groups: from the 99s, Women in Aviation, and other groups). Make sure to look at our link to our **Washington DC 99s Facebook Page**. Remember ladies, there are many scholarships out there that need good homes. Are you in search of the perfect scholarship to meet your aviation goals? Check out our scholarship database, now live on the DC99s website. Thanks to @huberj8 for doing the research to put it together! And remember all junior birds, feel free to call on any of the senior birds of the Washington DC 99s chapter to help you read and edit your applications. Pat and Sandra, both past judges will be able to provide good advice.



<https://www.dc99s.com/scholarships>
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Our Raliene Banks, who was AF pilot, has alerted us to this new scholarship.
The Air Force holds a Flight Academy each summer for 16-18 year olds with an interest in flying. It's a competitive application process, but attendance is free for applicants who are selected.. Do our members know anyone who is interested in applying? If so, here's the link to more info:
https://www.recruiting.af.mil/Aim-High-Flight-Academy/?utm_source=ahfa&utm_medium=qr_code&utm_campaign=det1_promo

*******February 5, 2024 7:00 PM, zoom, this meeting, our own CDR La'Shanda Hawkins, Chief, Enlisted Evaluations for the USA Coast Guard will talk about her aviation experiences, how she did aviation training and some of the opportunities available at the Coast Guard and other military options. Looking forward to this**

Facebook page: Make sure to view our new <https://www.facebook.com/DC99s/>. **Kim Wood** has been doing a great job of uploading news and expanding the Washington DC chapter's social media presence. Please send her photos and a sentence or two about our flying adventures, new ratings, new news. Thanks.

We need photos of flying adventures. Photos of adventures and new ratings news please !!!

PAST ACTIVITIES : Women Pilots 99s - Washington DC Chapter winter events:
Holly Run to Tangier Island. The **Chesapeake Sports Pilots hosted their 14th Holly Run on Saturday Dec. 10, 2023.** This was sponsored and directed by Helen Woods, director/owner of Chesapeake Sports at Bay Bridge airport. It was from Bay Bridge Airport, Queen Anne's County, MD KW29 to KTGI. Tangier Airport.

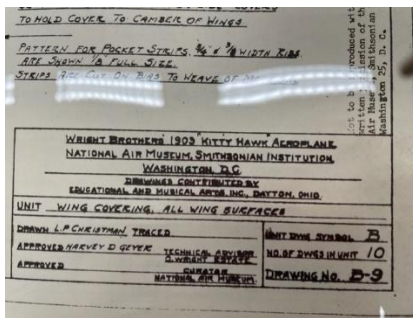
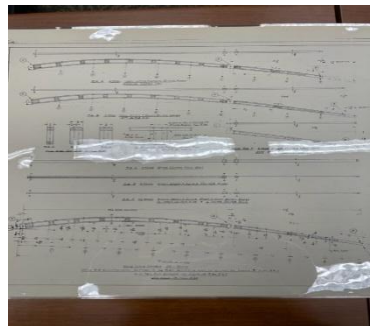
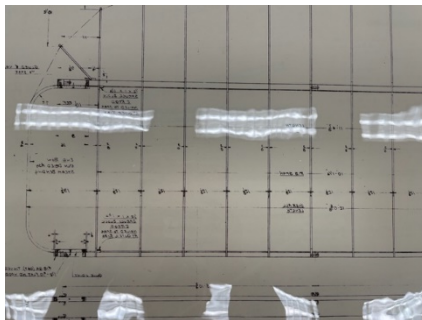
The Washington DC 99s made our annual pilgrimage to spread Christmas cheer on Tangier Island. This year there were about 20 airplanes from the area that converged at TGI and brought school supplies and holly.
<http://www.tangierhollyrun.com/>



Saturday, Jan 27, 2024, Young Eagles at College Park Aviation Museum's hangar.

There is a young aviator's program at College Park to expose 15-19 year olds to possible careers in aviation, whether it be as pilots, airplane builders, airplane mechanics, ATCs. There are mentoring opportunities to participate in "hands on learning". There are guest speakers, who are adults in these careers. General promotion of Aerospace awareness. Other mentors, are always welcome.

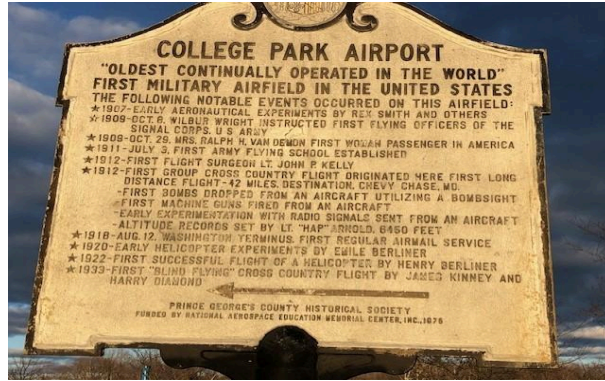
Youth Mentoring. On January 27, 2024 some of the Washington DC 99s mentors showed 32 local high school students about the theory of wings, rib construction. They saw the (copies) of the original Wright Brother's wing rib blueprints, showing the specific planning that went into the Wright Flyer.



Then they broke up into five sections, each building a rib. They got to compare it to the original Wright design.



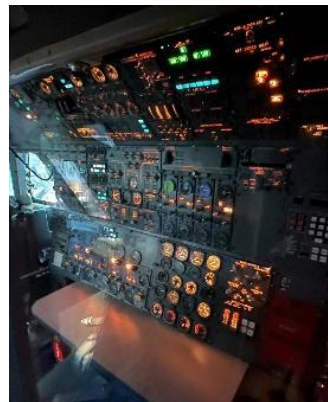
Then they went into the CPAM and saw (a different) Wright airplane.



Then they celebrated with a certificate of completion and a congratulatory donut.

Support for other 99s chapters:

Sister 99s. Old Dominion 99s, Laura Savino has written a very interesting book, Jet Boss about her experiences as Captain of B747s. It is available at the Air and Space Museum and at the College Park Aviation museum. Fabulous holiday gift book !



Jet Boss is available at bookstores.

B747 Flight Engineer Panel, behind glass

FUTURE : Women Pilots 99s - Washington DC Chapter winter events:

The Spring Section meeting will be on April 26-27 in Frederick (Sugarloaf Chapter, I think). They will be presenting. It is always fun to learn what things other 99s Chapters are doing since we often try to help out other 99s chapters with their events and projects.

Fall Section meeting (Wash DC chapter will host)—so we should start thinking about this.

The first two weekends in October are ok for planning. Either, October Friday 4-Sat 5 OR October Friday 11-Sat 12 are doable dates for MLM. Preferences? Vote.

Frankly, I am Smithsonian Udvar Hazy out-ed. While a WONDERFUL museum, it has been visited many times.



The downtown Smithsonian still does not have dates for a reopening of the East half of the museum. That is the side that contains the Amelia Earhart section, with her red Vega, her artifacts and the terrazzo compass rose.

So, after a choice of **either 1st or 2nd weekend in October is chosen**, I would like to see about arranging for a tour, with docent of the NTSB in Ashburn https://www.nts.gov/Training_Center/Pages/TrainingCenter.aspx

or the Garvey historic airplane restoration center, in Suitland, Maryland (across river from the National's baseball stadium). There are a lot of historic airplanes, and there is a tour of famous airplanes. <https://airandspace.si.edu/about/history/paul-e-garber-facility>

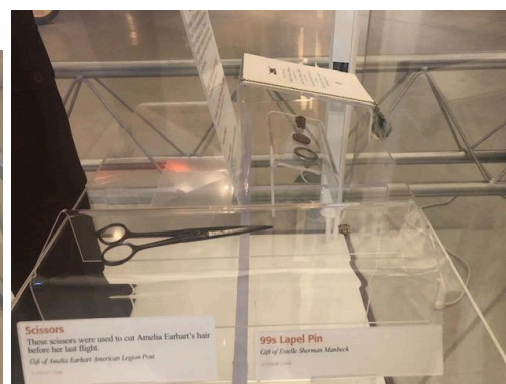
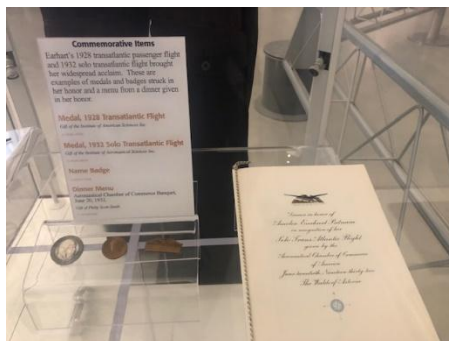
or, other aviation related interesting to view. Ideas?

Future Events (details TBD) :

***** March 7, 2024. Thursday 7:00 PM Lecture, at College Park FBO Operations Building, Second floor, – talk by our own Washington DC chapter 99, Jing Suo, about her adventures flying in the Denali Alaska National Park. Bush plane flying.** She has also recently graduated from the Patty Wagstaff Aerobatics School in St Augustine Florida. Welcome back Jing ! Looking forward to it.

Cooperation with 99s Headquarters to add to Amelia Earhart artifacts that are presently exhibited at the Smithsonian Air and Space Udvar Hazy Museum. There are too few. Now, we have a 99s button, her hair cutting scissors, a dinner invitation (dinner invitation in her honor).

That is very slim pickings, inconsequential and WE CAN DO BETTER ! This is NOT a good, adequate, or appropriate way to honor her legacy. Ideas..... ?



Compass rose painting at Gaithersburg Airport. Pat Manos has graciously volunteered to coordinate the There are surveyors to be scheduled, a paint scheme needs to be approved, talks with the airport manager as to where the compass rose will be and promise that the area can be secured while the paint dries. A design needs to be selected. The compass rose design, size and selection must be approved by the 99s. There is the purchase/donation/delivery of highway paint selection of white and blue, rollers/paint brushes/tarps/trays/trash bags. Volunteers need to be organized and volunteered. 49 1/2s are welcome. Pat may need help on any/ all of these organization tasks. Date TBD by Pat.

Future Events/ Meetings

To be as inclusive as possible, and to promote all women pilots and student pilots, we will extend a flyout invitation to the sister Sugarloaf 99s and to the Bravo Flight School should they want to join the fly outs. I reached out to Lin Caywood, Sugarloaf Chairman and she was in support of joint fly outs. TBD.

FLYOUTS and aviation events schedules:

November 2022 fly out was cancelled due to high winds and inappropriate weather conditions. (in December we had a lovely Holiday get together at the College Park Aviation Museum).

December 8 2022 fly out was to Georgetown, DL, KGED:

January 23 2023 fly out was Sunday to Hagerstown, MD – KESN; **Feb 12** fly out was Saturday to Lancaster, PA – KLNS; **March 27** fly out was to Easton, MD; **April 10** – fly out from Montgomery Park to Ocean City, Md - OXB; **April 30** was a fly out with the EAA-4 Young Eagles at Tipton, MD; **April 30** was also a girl/boy scout aviation badge day at Bay Bridge, MD; **May 28** – wine tasting event. Cancelled due to scheduling conflicts; **May 28?** - fly out to Ocean city Delaware; **June 21-24**– was the Women’s Air Race Classic. This is the race that was organized by Amelia Earhart and was called the Powder Puff race. Our own Debi Dreyfuss lead Team #20. **July** – was originally organized to Shannon but was moved to Hagerstown, Maryland due to weather; **August 20**,- Flying Circus, Bealton, Virginia; **Sept.** – was originally organized to Redding, but was cancelled due to weather; **Oct 2022**– Mid Atlantic meeting; **November** – Holiday party; **December 10** – Holly Run and toy drop to Tangier Island KTGI

January 13, 2024 – flyout to Hagerstown, MD with the Smokehouse Pilot (about 10 airplanes).

February 2024. – TBD.

Other options for future fly outs:

- a) **Williamsburg, VA** (historically interesting) (option submitted by Lin Caywood).
- b) **Penn’s Cave** (KN74) at 1130am and head to the Penn’s Cave Park for a cavern tour (\$21). Please email WashDC99s@gmail.com if you’d like to attend To Penn’s Landing. Lower Brush Valley Rd, Centre Hall, PA 16828, United States. We will need to coordinate for possible boat tours in the caverns. A 45-50 minute fully guided tour of the all-water cavern, given entirely by boat! The cave tour is not handicapped accessible – there are 48 steep concrete steps that lead to the dock entrance where the tour boats are boarded. the water is only 3 to 5 feet deep.
- c) What other near-by favorite, hidden gems airports are of interest? **Vote.**

Next Washington DC Chapter Meeting:

First Monday of March 4, 2022 on Zoom at 7 PM.

The end of agenda.
