

the Daily

Friday, March 6, 2020



The 31st Annual International Women in Aviation Conference

UPDATES

Alaska/Horizon Air Hiring Briefing on Saturday 1-1:45 p.m. in Coronado R has been cancelled.

Women in Corporate Aviation's Networking Event in Coronado F is Friday at 7:00 p.m. (tickets available at WCA booth 507)



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WAI 2020 Marks New Leadership on Board and Organization

The 2020 WAI membership meeting officially opened by WAI Board Chair Marci Veronie yesterday marked a milestone: the acknowledgement of WAI Founder Dr. Peggy Chabrian's retirement, the confirmation of a new Board Chair, Linda Markham, and the presentation of WAI's new CEO, Allison McKay.

Allison noted that WAI membership has crossed the 16,000 member mark, with 28 countries represented at the conference this week. The website is now translated into eight different languages. There are 138 Chapters in 20 countries, stretching from Guam and the People's Republic of China to New Mexico and Iceland.

Girls in Aviation Day (GIAD) is growing logarithmically. "I'm proud to announce the agreement between ERAU and WAI for an online course for GIAD participants," said Allison (see story on page 2).

WAI's board members and officers presented the organization's financial health, scholarship offerings, and more. The minutes from the 2019 meeting were approved and nominations for the Board were announced, Andrea Berry (as well as those board members up for re-election, Deborah Baugh and Brittney Miculka). Voting commenced, and the results were announced.

"We've given more than \$13 million in scholarships, many of which are corporately or individually sponsored, over more than 20 years," said Board member Deborah Hecker, American Airlines captain. "We are giving out \$114,000 in scholarships right here at this membership meeting!"

Marci Veronie, Board Chair, called her experience "life changing." She then introduced Linda Markham, Cape Air president, as the next WAI Board Chair. Linda told attendees she looks forward to working with Allison and sent her thanks to the board for all of their hard work.

Allison wrapped up the meeting, telling the members, "I hope you enjoy everything this conference has to offer. If you see me, please reach out and say hello. I want to hear your stories and meet you personally."

CEO Allison McKay, Board Chair Linda Markham and WAI Board officially opened WAI 2020 yesterday.



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Chapter Leadership Ignites in 2020

With 138 chapters in more than 20 different countries WAI Chapters are growing at an amazing rate and so are the resources and tools available to support them. The Chapter Leadership session sponsored by ConocoPhillips started off on an exciting note with the presentation of the WAI Achievement Awards by American Airlines Capt. Deborah Hecker, WAI board member.

A wide range of members attended, from chapter leadership to first time conference attendees from across the United States and international community as far away as Upper Canada, Uganda, Scandinavia, and Iceland. Attendees shared that they were eager for the opportunity to learn more about chapter resources and network with other chapters.

Molly Martin introduced the chapters support team comprised of Chrissy Culver and Chelsea Wendell, who are ready to guide chapter leaders with

new tools and expert direction. They debuted an updated chapter handbook, branding guide, new online Chapter Portal, and additional chapter resources. Training opportunities are available for these new tools via the Membership Booth during conference as well as via online videos and Facebook live sessions. Chapter leaders are encouraged to reach out to Molly, Chrissy, and Chelsea to help facilitate chapter growth and continuity.

Highlights from last year's Girls in Aviation Day inspired and excited the room for the 2020 events on September 26. Chapters shared some of their plans for this year including holding multiple events as well as fundraising success.

The session was anchored by a leadership development seminar from legacy chapter leader and leadership expert Dr. Janette McMurtrie.

—Leah Beato WAI 44875

Free Online Course for Youth

Calling all future aviation professionals! In celebration of Girls in Aviation Day, Embry Riddle Aeronautical University and Women in Aviation International are pleased to announce a new, self-paced Massive Open Online Course (MOOC) tailored to learners ages 8-17. The free course leverages ERAU expertise and instructional design to inspire the next generation of aviation professionals. Learners explore aviation terminology, identify the major parts of an airplane, describe the flight characteristics of a helicopter, and discuss the goals of space exploration. There are also engaging activities that take these topics to the next level. Learn how to make your own paper helicopter, test your knowledge in the module quizzes, and discover what kind of scientist you could be. Learners who complete the course can earn digital badges and a personalized electronic certificate. The course is offered several times throughout the year, enabling young learners around the globe the opportunity to learn about aviation.

Registration is now open at www.canvas.net/browse/erau/erau-coppa/courses/aviation-is-your-future. Enroll today and discover what a career in aviation entails!

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Chris Miller, expert volunteer photographer for the Capital Region Chapter, was awarded the Chapter Volunteer of the Year Award for his generous time and talents capturing images for the chapter, annual conference, WAI events at Sun 'n Fun and Oshkosh. His work has added color to numerous Aviation for Women and Aviation for Girls stories.

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10:45-11:45 a.m. • Durango 1

Luncheon
Noon-1:30 p.m. • Coronado Ballroom
(ticket required)

Young Professionals Forum & Reception
5-7 p.m. • Fiesta 6
(ticket required)

SATURDAY, MARCH 7
General Session
9-10:30 a.m. • Coronado Ballroom

Girls in Aviation Day Orlando Program
 For girls ages 8-17 and chaperones
9 a.m.-3 p.m. • Veracruz C
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WAI Pioneer Hall of Fame Ceremony & Celebration Dinner
6-8 p.m. • Coronado Ballroom
(ticket required)

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WAI MENTOR CONNECT

A Mentor Found, A Pilot Made

At 19 years old, I was worried. My college major was uninspiring; I had no idea what I wanted to do. My friends had their passions, and I just went to classes because it is what was expected. I simply hadn't found my niche; I had no idea where to start. My dad is a 757/767 Captain for FedEx, but I never imagined that it was something that I could do. It had never registered as an option. And yet, I still remember my first flight in an airliner. I remember grinning ear to ear when the thrust pushed me back into my seat, the weightlessness of the initial takeoff, and the pure wonder as we soared into the air. I remember unfiltered joy bubbling inside me, and being unable to contain my giggles as everyone around me seemed indifferent about this marvel of science and technology. Fast forward to my sophomore year of college, and by chance I signed up for an intro flight. All those feelings from a decade earlier came rushing back, except this time I was at the controls! My mind was racing with possibilities. I wanted to learn everything, and do everything I could to make sure I spend as much time in the sky as possible. I was hooked; there was no going back. The sky was now my home. That day I decided; I was going to do exactly as my dad has done: FedEx, my future employer.

My dad flew with a woman that heard of my journey to become a pilot and she recommended WAI for me, and my father relayed the message. And so, I joined. I noticed the Mentor Connect section, and one day I decided to see who I could find. I wanted to find a FedEx pilot, and Kandy Bernskoetter was the only one that met my entered criteria. I decided to send her an email, and I am forever grateful that I did.

I met her as a student pilot at the Reno international conference in 2018, and she was more than I could have ever

imagined. She fearlessly and fiercely defended female pilots in ways that dismissed fears rooted in my mind from many naysayers, and I was in awe.

Whenever I had doubts about my ability, she was only a text or a phone call away.

Flight training is no easy feat, and being the minority was a struggle that Kandy could understand in ways that my dad, while supportive, couldn't fathom. Having a mentor that understood my frustration was invaluable, and it inspired me to keep going, even when it seemed an insurmountable goal. I had an emergency landing as a newly-minted private pilot, and I wasn't sure I wanted to continue. The phone call I had with her single-handedly kept me in aviation.

When I experience sexism in aviation, she validates my feelings. When I reach my goals, she celebrates with me. Without Kandy, I am not sure where I would be.

This year, Kandy sponsored my entire trip to WAI 2020, and I didn't know how to thank her.

My hope to thank her is that this article encourages others to do as she has done for me, because everyone deserves someone like her.

I am now a commercial pilot, and within the month I plan on being a certified flight instructor; these are goals that seemed near impossible on some days. I hope I can become as excellent of a mentor to a young woman as Kandy was, and still is, for me.

Thank you, Kandy, this article still doesn't do what you have done for me justice.

—Amanda Melton, WAI 78363



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Mentoring Wonderland at #WAI20

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Minute Mentoring™ has become a hallmark of our yearly Women in Aviation International conference. If you haven't yet experienced it, well, you've got to try it! It's an immersive experience into the aviation field led by some truly amazing women in the industry as the mentors. There are 15 tables set up with 7 chairs each, with one mentor and six mentees per table. The way it works is there are 4 rounds with each being 15 minutes. The first two rounds are rotating clockwise with everyone starting at an assigned table. The last two rounds are the mentee's choice, so there is no need to worry about not being able to talk to a specific mentor.

As for the mentors themselves, they are truly amazing women in the aviation field. There is a mentor for everyone, pilots, teachers, former military, WAI members, aviation transportation, officers, engineers, and accident investigators. The booklet given to each mentee at the start of the event has room for notes and a background with photos on each mentor. Some of the mentors present are talking about the culmination of their entire careers in aviation and are available to talk with. Dr. Peggy Chabrian, the WAI founder and former president, was also one of the mentors.

Some of the key things that mentors talked about is that you always need to keep learning. In the field of aviation there is so much to learn. If you find yourself not particularly interested in what you are doing currently, then change direction. You can move to something else that interests you without having to leave the aviation field, there is something for everyone. Also work together with people, don't know something? Reach out and talk to those that do! Also talk to other people at the conference, talk to people you sit by. They all have valuable experience to share.

—Genny Starren, WAI 91877

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There are also opportunities for CFIs who can present: the PPC runs Tech Talks about tools in the cockpit, specific proficiency in operational situations, weather scenarios and a broad range of topics that keep pilots sharp when flying everyday.

"We are not here to mint new pilots, but rather to help our existing community of pilots perfect their skills and keep their edge," says Rhonda Larence, Jeppesen Industry Relations manager. Boeing is one of a number of major sponsors for the PPC, which is an industry consortium project designed to promote ongoing training for the overall pilot population. "We believe that practicing challenging scenarios in a safe environment is the way to keep GA safe," Rhonda continues.



So come help the PPC meet a unique goal for 2020, to staff the entire center with women, from the greeters to the presenters to the CFIs, in an effort to showcase the contribution women make to aviation. Email WAI member Karen Kalishek at: kkalishek@yahoo.com for more information on the project and to learn how to participate.



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CAE Opens 2020 CAE Women in Flight scholarship with Southwest Airlines

Yesterday during #WAI20, CAE announced the opening of its second edition of the *CAE Women in Flight* scholarship program with its first airline partner in this edition: Southwest Airlines. The objective of this unique annual scholarship program is to inspire a new generation of professional pilots among women, as well as to encourage diversity in aviation. One outstanding candidate will be selected and awarded the scholarship to train with CAE. Other airline partners will be announced in the upcoming months.

Last year, for the first edition of the program, CAE awarded five scholarships to cadets starting their journey to become pilots with one of our global airline partners: American Airlines, Aeroméxico, AirAsia, Cityjet and easyJet.

CAE is creating role models for the next generation of professional pilots by awarding scholarships every year to its ab-initio training programs across its global training network. Each scholarship covers the entire cost of the ab-initio program, including accommodation and travel, and will be awarded to outstanding female ambassadors who will become role models to inspire more women to join the pilot profession.

"Gender diversity continues to be a high-profile topic in aviation and today; the industry is leaving half of its available pilot talent pool on the bench. We are committed to ensuring that our industry will make a difference and contin-

ue to offer these annual scholarships," said Nick Leontidis, CAE's Group President, Civil Aviation Training Solutions. "There is an exciting future that awaits a new generation of female pilots, and we are proud to officially launch the second edition of the *CAE Women in Flight* scholarship program with Southwest Airlines' Destination 225° program. The largest U.S. domestic carrier is looking for more than 700 new professional pilots over the next 10 years, and together we are tapping into a wider pool of talent and supporting gender diversity in the aviation industry."

"One of the reasons Southwest Airlines introduced our Destination 225° pathways is that we recognize for many, the barriers to entering this career field can be prohibitive," said Julie Weber, Vice President and Chief People Officer at Southwest Airlines. "It's exciting to leverage our partnership with CAE to remove one of those barriers and make it possible for aspiring female aviators to pursue their dream of a career at Southwest Airlines."

Upon successful completion of their ab-initio training program, the selected candidates will have the opportunity to begin building experience as flight instructors, with the intent to one day fly for Southwest Airlines, subject to certain conditions.

Check out details at cae.com/womeninflight. Follow @CAE_pilot on Instagram for the latest updates.

Hiring Briefings: Formal Meet and Greets with Your Prospective Employers

Hiring briefings allow companies to outline their basic application procedures, discuss current positions available and their requirements, as well as answer any frequently asked questions. These briefings will last 30-45 minutes and are scheduled on both Friday, and Saturday. The hiring briefings require a conference badge and are open seating. Check your conference app for any updates to companies, days, or locations.

FRIDAY, MARCH 6

Coronado C

9-9:45 a.m.
American Airlines

10-10:45 a.m.
Alaska Airlines/
Horizon Air

11-11:45 a.m.
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SkyWest Airlines

10-10:45 a.m.
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Envoy Air

Fiesta 6

10-10:45 a.m.
United Airlines

11-11:45 a.m.
Cape Air

Exhibit hall quotes: Why are you attending WAI?

I won the conference registration at the Sun-n-Fun WAI Luncheon last year!

—Marilyn Burysz

I'm part-owner in a helicopter AMO. I'm here enjoying an aviation mother-daughter event with my daughter who is a student pilot.

—Paula Przontka

This is my second year attending with my husband, who is an exhibitor. I'm an elementary school teacher and the sense of empowerment is something I want to encourage in my students.

—Stephanie Parish

I want to feel empowered in a male dominated industry and be unapologetic about it!

—Mercades Leacock (1st year attendee, student pilot - ready to take her check ride as soon as she returns home)

Volunteer quote:

This is my 12th year attending. I get a lot out of the conference, but I feel I can give back more and meet more people by volunteering

—Leah Hetzel

Compiled by volunteer Michelle Graves, WAI 45798



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10:30 a.m.-noon
1:30-5 p.m.

Veracruz Exhibit Hall
(closed for luncheon in Coronado Ballroom)

SATURDAY,
MARCH 7

10:30 a.m.-3 p.m.
Veracruz Exhibit Hall

Bid Online for the WAI2020 Silent Auction!

As the single largest fundraiser for WAI scholarship and educational projects, the online silent auction is available online for our entire membership. Visit www.32auctions.com/WAI2020 to join the auction, create your profile, and view the items. Bidding started Thursday, February 27, at 8 a.m. EST and ends Saturday, March 7, at 1 p.m. EST. With over 100 items to bid on, you'll find aviation memorabilia, airline tickets, two Come From Away Broadway tickets, jewelry, watches, luggage, flying gear, and more!

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Scholarships Really Do Make a Difference

Growing up, I knew I needed scholarships to afford college. I wasn't born into wealth. I came from a pretty average family that struggled to make ends meet. There was one thing I knew for sure, I didn't want to drown in student debt. My guidance counselor in high school suggested Air Force Reserve Officer Training (AFROTC) to pay for college. I ended up devoting my entire high school career to bettering myself physically and educationally to be competitive for a full ride AFROTC scholarship.

I eventually received the AFROTC scholarship and started my professional flight degree at the University of Nebraska Omaha. At the end of my freshman year of college, I was crushed when I was medically disqualified from AFROTC and lost my scholarship. I had no other scholarships to fall back on.

The first semester of school was suddenly a giant financial burden. I took out my first student loan and began working three jobs. I can proudly say that because of the scholarships I applied for and eventually began to receive, I never needed another loan to finish my degree.

When I first started applying for scholarships, I received but a few. I learned, however, that scholarship applications can be perfected with time. A big reason many people don't take the time to apply is because they don't think they will be chosen as a recipient. This is

only true if you never send in an application. There will always be a chance you can win a scholarship if you just apply. My biggest tip is to focus on the essay portion. This is the most prominent way to make your application stand out. Tell the scholarship committee why you are different from everyone else. My second biggest tip is to make sure you double, even triple, check that all of the requirements are being met in the application. With practice, anyone can master the art of applying for scholarships.

Scholarships such as the ones offered through Women in Aviation International (WAI) are essential for pilots in flight training. The financial strain of flight training can prevent very qualified people from ever accomplishing their dream of becoming a pilot. It is because of generous individuals, organizations, and companies who started scholarship funds that helped me reach aspirations that I never even thought I could accomplish. I am forever grateful to WAI and the many other individuals and entities who helped me get to where I am today.

—Nicole Lund, WAI 73631

Want to know more about how to apply for scholarships for education and aviation training? Find out from 3–4:00 p.m. today in Coronado F.

A Taste of WAI 2020 Tours



Kennedy Space Center Tour

Embraer Facility Tour



Disney's Business Behind the Magic

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WMA Flight Suit Social is ON!

What is the Flight Suit Social? It sounds like a party, or no, maybe a meeting? In fact it's a gathering of female aviators from all branches of the US military, including the Air Force, Navy, Marine Corps, Army, Coast Guard and now Space Force!

When and how did it start? Trish Beckman, our own WMA two-term past President, WAI Hall of Fame recipient (2010), USN Flight Test Engineer, currently Boeing Flight Test Engineer came up with the name of the event "Flight Suit Social" in conjunction with the WAI conferences. She even paid for the parties herself. Today we are carrying on her "Flight Suit Social" tradition, because, well, it's a great one.

Tonight, March 6, courtesy of our sponsor, Lockheed Martin, all new and current members and guests of WMA should attend this year's Flight Suit Social. Come to hear the stories told, to get some mentoring, and come for the fun; the new friends you'll make, from Generals to astronauts, they will all be here. And of course, come for all you can learn about female aviators' careers.

—Barb Garwood Captain, WAI 15135, American Airlines (Ret) Former USAF/USAFR Pilot One of the founders of WMA



JOHN RIEDEL

WAI Community Outreach: Educating Tomorrow's Aviators

Yesterday WAI held its annual Aviation Educators Workshop. The seminar provides local educators with hands on aviation knowledge anywhere WAI holds its conference. This year attendees, all teachers from local K-12 schools, participated in a fun quiz, the Sectional Scavenger Hunt. Participants also got to fly a Red-bird simulator! Attendees were provided with resources to help them find free STEM teaching resources and find avenues to fund classrooms.

—Kathy Wisniewski, WAI 23427



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	Coronado C	Coronado F	Durango 1	Fiesta 4	Fiesta 5	Fiesta 7	Fiesta 9	Monterrey 1
1:45-2:45 p.m.	From Imagination to Reality: What is Business Aviation?	Don't "Drone" Out: Make a Difference	Yes, You Can Be an Airline Pilot!	Money and Relationships: A Flight Plan for Financial Harmony	Perception vs. Perspective: You Didn't Hear What I Said I Meant	The Road to Air Force Wings	Dream Take Flight: Why You Should Build an Airplane	Mentorship: Pro Tips for Mentors and Mentees
3-4 p.m.	WAI 2020 Diversity and Inclusion Workshop: WAI, Let's Do it Together!	Using Scholarships and Local Resources to Get Your Aviation Training	Striking a Balance	What is Dispatch?	An Aviation Marriage	Military to Airline Pilot Transition – For Helo, Non-Current and Current FW Pilots	We Can Do It! Increasing the Number of Women in Aviation and Identifying the Greatest Gender Gaps	Career Opportunities in the Business/Corporate Aviation Industry
4:15-5:15 p.m.		Transparency in Leadership: Sign of Weakness or Authenticity	Strategies for Work-Life Balance as an Airline Pilot	Commercialization of Human Space Flight	Developing True Grit	Visiting Greatness: Interviews with American Fliers	Let Your Career Take Flight through Coaching	The Importance of Allies in the LGBTQ and Women Communities
SATURDAY MARCH 7								
	Coronado C	Coronado F	Durango 1	Fiesta 4	Fiesta 5	Fiesta 7	Fiesta 9	Monterrey 1
1:45-2:45 p.m.	From 500ft to FL450: Lessons Learned Along the Way	Checkride-itis; How to Overcome Fear and Anxiety	Understanding How Human Factors Impact Aviation Maintenance	Influential Women in Aviation and Aerospace History	History of the WASP	General Aviation Aircraft Accident Investigation: An Industry Perspective	Aviation Leadership Communication: A Philosophy Change and Safety Net for Getting It Right	Women in Combat Operations
3-4 p.m.	Finding Your Voice	Women in Leadership Inspiring Leadership	Careers in the Helicopter Industry: We Need You Now!	Managing Cockpit Automation	Enduring Values – Education and the Pursuit of Scholarships	Developing Your Authentic Presence and Influential Communication	Wheels Up Wellness!™	To Space and Beyond: Launching Humans into Space

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Veracruz C

FRIDAY, MARCH 6

8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

(closed during luncheon)

SATURDAY, MARCH 7

8 a.m.-1 p.m.

Yoga

THURSDAY, MARCH 5

Fiesta 9

7-8 a.m.

(preregistration required)

Volunteer Sign Up/Check-in Information Center

Lost and Found

South Registration

Media Center

Yucatan 3

Hiring Briefings

FRIDAY, MARCH 6

Coronado C, Fiesta 5, 6, 7

9-11:45 a.m.

SATURDAY, MARCH 7

Coronado N, Coronado R

9 a.m.-1:45 p.m.

Exhibits

Veracruz Exhibit Hall

Exhibit Hall Hours

FRIDAY, MARCH 6

10:30 a.m.-noon

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1:30-5 p.m.

SATURDAY, MARCH 7

10:30 a.m.-3 p.m.

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CHAPTER EVENTS

How to Start a WAI Chapter

FRIDAY, MARCH 6

10:45-11:45 a.m.

Coronado G

Presenter: Molly Martin

Are you considering starting a WAI chapter in your area? Attend this session to learn the necessary steps to form a chapter, the different stages of becoming a chapter, and to understand all the tools that are available to help you form your chapter and to manage it successfully over the long term. All WAI members are welcome!



Fast 40s

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FRIDAY, MARCH 6

NEW THIS YEAR: Fast 40s are no longer in the Exhibit Hall; they take place in Coronado G.

You asked. We listened. WAI presents seven relevant topics for this year's Fast 40s sessions. Each presentation will provide valuable information and resources to help you organize a fun and productive WAI chapter.

Coronado G

FRIDAY, MARCH 6 Member Engagement and Retention

1:45-2:25 p.m.

Coronado G

Use the Chapter Handbook

3-3:40 p.m.

Coronado G

Honor the WASP

4:15-4:55 p.m.

Coronado G

Plan and Host an Outstanding Girls in Aviation Day Event

FRIDAY, MARCH 6

10:45-11:45 a.m.

Durango 1

Presenter: Chrissi Culver & Panel

Would you like to learn about ways you can improve your Girls in Aviation Day event? Are you thinking of holding your chapter's or company's first Girls in Aviation Day? Then this session is for you! A group of chapter leaders, led by Chrissi Culver, will share their best practices, ideas, and experiences for holding an outstanding Girls in Aviation Day event. Whether you're planning a small, medium or huge Girls in Aviation Day event this September 26—this session will be helpful for you.

FRIDAY, MARCH 6

Chapter Showcase Schedule

WAI Membership Booth
Veracruz Exhibit Hall

	Chapter	Contact
10:30-11:30 a.m.	Great Lakes, Chapter 110	Helen Hagg 502-472-0579 waigreatlakes@gmail.com
2-3:00 p.m.	Central Florida Chapter 54	Laura Spolar 407-493-1730 Spolar197@gmail.com
3-4:00 p.m.	Central Florida Chapter 54	Laura Spolar 407-493-1730 Spolar197@gmail.com
4-5:00 p.m.	Southeastern Virginia Chapter 195P	Annelise Overturf anneliseoverturf@gmail.com



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Or email Amy Laboda (amylmarz@gmail.com).

There is one more issue of *The Daily*: Saturday (deadline noon on Friday).

Media Center Hours Yucatan 3

FRIDAY, MARCH 6

8 a.m.-5 p.m.

SATURDAY, MARCH 7

8 a.m.-noon

Industry Partner Events 2020

(alphabetical order by partner name)

Please note that these events are by invitation or open only to current members of a particular group.

When in doubt, check with a representative of that group or company.

ALPA Coffee & Conversation

FRIDAY, MARCH 6

10:30-11:30 a.m.

Monterrey 1

ATP Flight School Alumni Reception

FRIDAY, MARCH 6

6:30-9 p.m.

Coronado N

AWAM Tech Ops Social

FRIDAY, MARCH 6

7-11 p.m.

Monterrey 1

Boeing Employee Networking Breakfast

FRIDAY, MARCH 6

7-8:30 p.m.

Fiesta 6

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University Alumni Networking Reception

FRIDAY, MARCH 6

6:30-8 p.m.

Coronado R

ISA+21 Social

FRIDAY, MARCH 6

7-10 p.m.

Durango 1

The 99s PPLI Reception

FRIDAY, MARCH 6

5-6:30 p.m.

Acapulco

University of North Dakota Alumni & Industry Reception

FRIDAY, MARCH 6

6-8 p.m.

Cancun

Women Military Aviators Flight Suit Social

FRIDAY, MARCH 6

6:30-11 p.m.

Coronado C

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