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Message from WAI

Deadline in 30 Days to Apply for New Scholarships

WAI members current through June 2019 are encouraged to apply for one of five new training scholarships valued at \$21,000. Details of each scholarship are available [here](#).

[Apply online](#) and submit [via email to Donna Wallace](#). Your application must be received by **Friday, May 31, 2019**.



WAI scholarships change lives! Congratulations to Kathryn Benhoff, WAI 70739, for winning the \$1,000 2019 Chuck Yeager Foundation Scholarship!

[Watch the NEW WAI Scholarship Video](#)

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Register for WAI Connect Breakfast at EAA AirVenture Oshkosh

[Purchase your advance tickets](#) for the annual WAI Connect Breakfast, co-sponsored by Avemco and United Airlines, on Wednesday, July 24 at 8 a.m. to kick-off a day of WomenVenture activities at EAA AirVenture! The event, featuring Capt. Tammie Jo Shults, will be held at the Paul H. Poberezny Conference Center (PHP Tent) located just outside the admission gate. [Purchase tickets online](#) for \$17 each until July 21, and \$20 at the WAI booth, Hangar B-2041.

A free limited-edition purple EAA WomenVenture t-shirt is available to all women who participate in the annual photo gathering on the Boeing Plaza at 11 a.m. NEW in 2019, you must register for your T-shirt in advance to ensure the correct size at EAA.org/womenventure.



Southwest Airlines Capt. Tammie Jo Shults will speak to WAI Connect Breakfast attendees



Get your purple EAA WomenVenture t-shirt, and bring your smile for the annual group photo at Boeing Plaza



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Long Beach Conference Soars!

See photos and read highlights of our Long Beach conference in the [May/June 19 issue of Aviation for Women](#). Thanks to generous sponsors and volunteers, #WAI19 was a huge success with over 4,500 attendees and 170 exhibitors.

Save the dates for our 2020 conference, March 5-7, at Disney's Coronado Springs Resort. Start planning your trip with [this information](#).



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Boeing's Heidi Capozzi enjoyed visiting Girls in Aviation Day Long Beach



Are you interested in sharing your expertise and passion as a WAI2020 presenter? Proposals are due July 1, 2019. [For more details visit here](#).

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Honor The WASP on Memorial Day Weekend

For the second year, WAI members and friends will visit the graves of Women Airforce Service Pilots (WASP) and leave an appropriate flower, flag, or note during Memorial Day weekend, May 25-27, 2019.

This [#HonorTheWASP project](#) is a wonderful WAI chapter activity that pays tributes to these pioneering women. More information and a detailed database of WASP grave locations at cemeteries across the United States can be [accessed here](#).



WAI members and friends are invited to Honor The WASP this Memorial Day weekend.

Member News

Shout out to [Lucy Young](#), WAI 764 and an American Airlines B-767 captain, who plans to research the history of the WASP during her retirement.

[Carlee Cramer](#), WAI 62764 and an Arizona State University student, shares her story about WAI chapters and an upcoming United Airlines internship.

Best of luck to many #WomeninAviation members as they prepare for the [43rd Annual Air Race Classic](#) next month!

Starting in Jackson, Tennessee, #ARC19 teams will make several stops from June 18-21, and will finish in Welland, Ontario, Canada.



Longtime WAI member Lucy Young

Chapter News

Time to Prepare for Girls in Aviation Day 2019!

WAI chapters and corporate members are encouraged to submit plans for Girls in Aviation Day 2019. This year's event on October 5, 2019, is estimated to host approximately 20,000 girls, ages 8-17.

Chapters, please tell us about your GIAD 2019 plans [here](#).

Corporate Members, please tell us about your GIAD 2019 plans [here](#).

The GIAD Host Kit is live [here](#).

Annual Reports Are Due!

WAI Chapters, it's not too late to submit your 2018-2019 Annual Report (which was due for all Chapters on April 30). It's easy - fill out the report forms [here](#). And don't forget that your Annual Administrative fee of \$135 was also due on April 30. You can use funds from your Chapter Rebate Account to pay for all or part of your fee. Questions? Contact Molly at mmartin@wai.org!



The fifth international Girls in Aviation Day will be held October 5, 2019, all around the world



Get ready for lots of smiles at #GIAD19

Passages

[Geraldyn "Jerrie" Cobb](#) passed away on March 18 in Florida at age 88. A trailblazing pilot, she was selected in 1959 as the first woman to undergo astronaut selection tests as member of the Mercury 13.

A [2000 WAI Pioneer Hall of Fame inductee](#), Jerrie became a professional pilot at age 18 and dedicated her life to fly humanitarian aid missions in the Amazon jungle.



Jerrie Cobb at the WAI 2000 Conference signing her book [Solo Pilot](#) at the Author's Corner

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Upcoming Events

*The calendar of events is a source of information about industry/organization events. Events marked with * are WAI events that we sponsor, exhibit, or partner.*

Interested in volunteering to help at events where WAI is participating? [Email Outreach Director Molly Martin](#) to sign up.

2019

May 10-11 - [*AOPA Fly-In](#), Frederick, Maryland

May 21-23 - [EBACE](#), Geneva, Switzerland

May 25-27 - [*Honor The WASP event](#) for WAI members and friends to visit the graves of Women Airforce Service Pilots (WASP) during Memorial Day weekend across the U.S.

July 24 - [WAI Connect Breakfast in Oshkosh](#), Wisconsin, during [*EAA AirVenture, July 22-28](#).

October 5 - WAI fifth international [*Girls in Aviation Day](#)

*"People will forget what you said, people will forget what you did,
but people will never forget how you made them feel."*

--Maya Angelou

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