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## January 2020

### Message from WAI

The entire WAI team wishes our members and friends a wonderful and productive 2020 filled with opportunities. Your support throughout the year for #WomeninAviation activities and programs is appreciated!

As we launch into the New Year, we are also counting the days until we see many of you at the [31st Annual International Women in Aviation Conference](#), March 5-7, 2020 in Lake Buena Vista, Florida at Disney's Coronado Springs Resort.



*Happy New Year from #WomeninAviation!*

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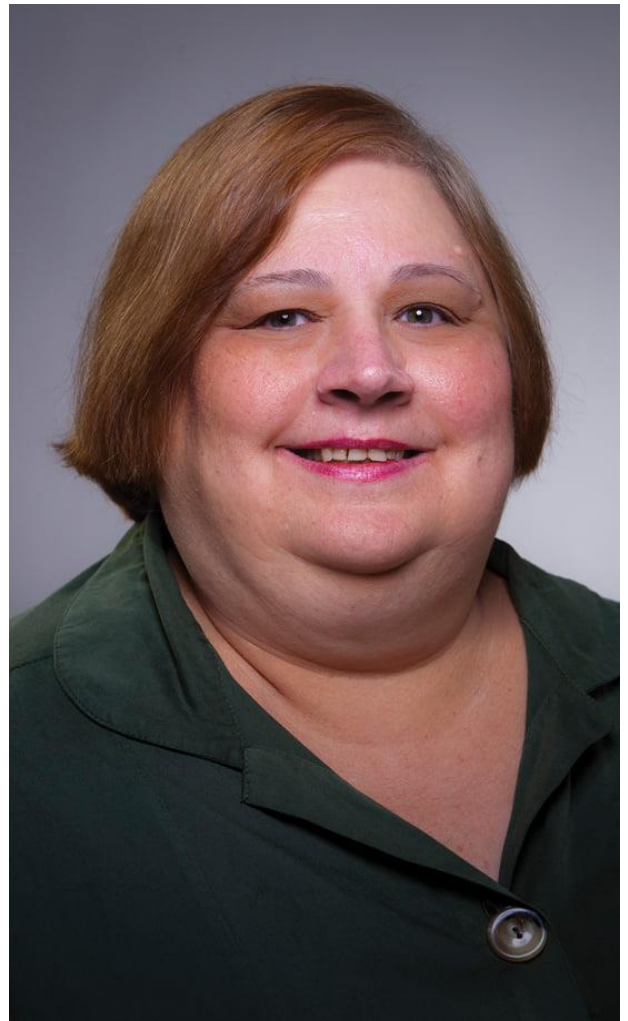
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## Pat Luebke Memorial Scholarship Applications Due January 10

Patricia Luebke, WAI 1954 and a regular and longtime contributor to *Aviation for Women* and *Aviation for Girls* magazines, passed away on November 22, 2019, after a brief illness. Pat was a proud member of Women in Aviation International and was the creative force behind many of the organization's key programs and events.

To continue Pat's legacy of candid and thorough aviation journalism, [Women in Aviation International announces a 2020 scholarship](#) in her honor to encourage WAI members to pursue their own best aviation-related personal development goal. **Applications must be received via email to Donna Wallace [dwallace@wai.org](mailto:dwallace@wai.org) no later than Friday, January 10, 2020, midnight EST.** **Requirements include:** an active WAI membership through March 2020, a WAI official scholarship application form, your résumé (no longer than 2 pages) and a 500-word essay explaining how you would use the scholarship to further your own aviation personal development goal. If any of Pat's stories inspired you, please include in your essay. The Pat Luebke Memorial Scholarship will be awarded at the 31<sup>st</sup> Annual International Women in Aviation Conference, March 5-7, 2020 in Orlando, Florida.



*WAI has established a Pat Luebke Memorial Scholarship to encourage members to pursue their own aviation personal development goals.*

[Donate to the Pat Luebke Memorial Scholarship](#)

## Save and Register for Conference by January 27

WAI guarantees a great time at [#WAI20](#) with [inspiring keynote speakers](#), [local tours](#), education and professional development sessions, and lots of opportunities to network and have fun. [Register early](#) and save with special pricing through January 27, 2020.



*Enjoy central Florida while attending WAI2020!*

Learn about [hotel reservations](#) at Disney's Coronado Springs Resort in Lake Buena Vista, Florida, and a [complimentary airport shuttle](#) on Disney's Magical Express Service.

Interested in learning more about print and digital advertising opportunities at WAI2020? Check out the [2020 WAI Media Kit](#) for magazine, The Daily newsletter, and website positions. [Email Kelly Murphy](#) for details.



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## Chapter News

New tools and information are coming your way early in 2020...the first new tool that is cleared for takeoff is a series of 10-minute Facebook Live events where chapter leaders will be provided tools and resources to assist you in operation of your chapter...the Chapter Leadership Live Connect events!

Chapter Relations Specialist [Chrissi Culver](#) is leading the charge and wants your input and participation, email her at [cculver@wai.org](mailto:cculver@wai.org). The Chapter Leadership Live Connect events will be held on the third Monday of each month covering a different topic that is timely and useful. Guest speakers and chapter experts will be helping out along the way. The more chapters and leaders that participate, the



more interesting and dynamic the event will be!

During the 10-minute Facebook Live event, the WAI team will be on-hand to answer your questions. Each monthly Chapter Leadership Live Connect event will be archived on the WAI Chapter Leadership Facebook page and the WAI YouTube channel.

**January 20** - *The Magic of the Chapter Handbook*

**February 17** - *Opportunities for Chapters at the Annual WAI Conference*

**March 16** - *The 2020 WAI Chapter Annual Report Made Easy!*

**April 20** - *How to Participate in "Honor the WASP"*

*Kenya Chapter hosts Girls in Aviation Day 2019*



*Chapters are invited to participate in WAI's Honor the WASP program*

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## Member News

Shout out to 24-year-old twin sisters, [Lexie Hope Wilson](#), WAI 90179, and [Emily Hope Wilson](#), WAI 90290, for earning their private pilot certificates on December 7, 2019. Fourth generation aviators, the sisters will continue their flight training at ATP Flight School in Phoenix, Arizona.



*(L to R) Emily, DPE Capt. Tom Gregory, and Lexie at Austin's Bergstrom International Airport.*

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## Wanted: Female Pilots & Aviation Maintenance Technicians With 50+ Years of Experience!

The Wright Brothers and Charles Taylor Awards Program are looking for female pilots or aviation maintenance technicians with 50 years or more experience flying or maintaining aircraft.

At the upcoming Sun 'n Fun Aerospace Expo in Lakeland, Florida (April 2020) and EAA AirVenture in Oshkosh, Wisconsin (July 2020), the FAA Safety Team will honor women in aviation by awarding the [Wright Brothers Master Pilot](#) and [Charles Taylor Master Mechanic](#) Awards to a group of all-female recipients. [Click here for the Master Pilot Award application](#) and access the [Master Mechanic Award application here](#). Email completed application packages by January 31 to [ken.r.kelley@faa.gov](mailto:ken.r.kelley@faa.gov) or [fred.kaiser@faa.gov](mailto:fred.kaiser@faa.gov).

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## Industry News

Congratulations to [NASA astronaut Christina Koch](#) for her new place in the record books for the longest single spaceflight by a woman, eclipsing former NASA astronaut Peggy Whitson's record of 288 days. Christina and fellow NASA astronaut Jessica Meir conducted the [first all-woman spacewalk](#) on Friday, October 18, 2019.



NASA astronaut Christina Koch

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## Member Benefits

WAI members seek to inspire and stand for encouragement, continued education, and a whole lot of fun! We invite you to take advantage of exclusive discount programs, including many diverse benefits, available to our valued members. Are you a corporate member and want to offer WAI members a discount for your product or service? Email [Cassandra Bosco](#).

### Exclusive Discount Programs for Members

- **Avemco:** 5% discount on insurance
- **Aviation Medicine Advisory Service:** 5% discount on standard case fees
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- **MedJetAssist:** reduced annual and multi-year rates
- **SmithAmundsen:** free 30-minute consultation on legal services
- **Travelpro®:** exclusive 20% discount on all products

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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.*

### 2020

February 6-9 - [NGPA Winter Warm-Up\\*](#), Palm Springs California

February 25-28 - [AABI Winter Meeting](#), San Juan, Puerto Rico

March 5-7 - [31st Annual International Women in Aviation Conference](#), Disney's Coronado Springs Resort, Lake Buena Vista,

April 3 - WAI Connect Lunch (*sponsored by Piedmont Airlines*) during [Sun 'n Fun](#), March 31-April 5, in Lakeland, Florida

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*"A year from now you will wish you had started today."*

*--Karen Lamb*

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