



# WAI Connect

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**May 2021**

## **WAI 2021 Spring Scholarship Applications Due May 18!**

Thanks to a \$250,000 grant from the Conrad N. Hilton Foundation, [new Spring 2021 scholarships](#) are being offered in a variety of aviation/aerospace career pursuits.

All active WAI members are encouraged to apply for these additional scholarships, even if you were awarded a WAI2021 scholarship.

Members can view details of each scholarship, application requirements, FAQs, plus tips for submitting a winning application at [wai.org/scholarships](http://wai.org/scholarships).

**Applications for the Spring 2021 scholarships are due May 18, 2021. Winners will be notified by July 1, 2021, with funds disbursed by August 1, 2021.**

Total WAI scholarships awarded in 2021 are valued at \$736,805, and nearly \$14.1 million since 1995.



*Congratulations to Kaylee H. Gallagher, Texas, one of four recipients of the WAI2021 Aerospace & Defense MBA Program Scholarship!*



## Honor The WASP This Month!

For the fourth year, WAI chapters, members, and friends will visit the graves of the trailblazing [Women Airforce Service Pilots \(WASP\)](#) and leave an appropriate flower, flag, or note during Memorial Day weekend, May 28-31, 2021.

This event is a wonderful WAI chapter activity and can involve family members and friends as your local COVID-19 restrictions allow in your community.

Post and share photos on social media using the hashtag **#HonorTheWASP**.

Access a database of WASP graves at cemeteries across the United States at [www.WAI.org/events/honor-wasp](http://www.WAI.org/events/honor-wasp).

[Print out the special WAI In Memoriam logo](#) for your gravesite remembrances.

If you have any updates or questions, email [Kelly Murphy](#), WAI director of communications.

Thank you for helping WAI remember these brave, pioneering women!



*Find WASP graves in your local area and remember their pioneering spirit this Memorial Day weekend.*



[Access the WASP Grave Database](#)





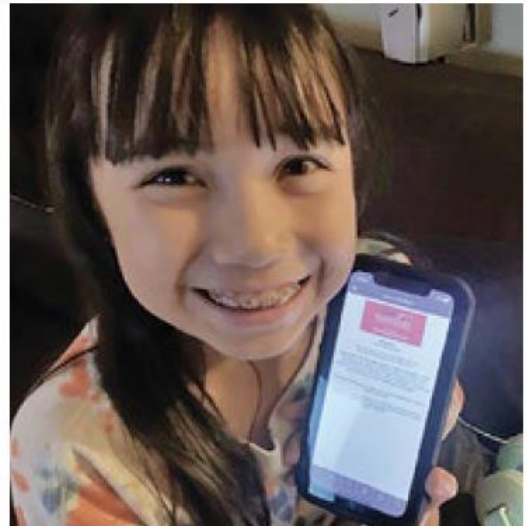
## Save The Date for Girls in Aviation Day 2021!

Plans are underway for the 7th Annual Girls in Aviation Day on September, 25, 2021. GIAD resources, activities, and tools are at [www.WAI.org/chapters/resources](http://www.WAI.org/chapters/resources) with more information coming soon. Interested in becoming a sponsor? [Contact Jennifer Thomas](#). [Girls in Aviation Day sponsorship](#) dollars are used to fund the distribution, including associated shipping and handling costs, of the 2021 merchandise kit for each participant around the world.

Learn about the content available on the Aviation for Girls App and how to download and access at [www.WAI.org/giad](http://www.WAI.org/giad).

Chapter leaders will receive more information about *How to Prepare an Outstanding GIAD Event* on **Tuesday, June 15, 2021**.

Thank you for helping WAI inspire the next generation of female aviators. Sharing your passion for this industry and all the career possibilities with our younger GIAD participants makes a difference!



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## Time To Submit Your Nomination For 2022 Pioneer Hall of Fame

Do you know an individual who has helped other women be successful in aviation or opened doors of opportunity for other women? WAI solicits nominations from members of women throughout the aviation/aerospace industry for induction into the [WAI Pioneer Hall of Fame](#).

Submit your potential candidate for the 2022 Pioneer Hall of Fame induction celebration by the deadline to [Hope Moore](#) using [this online form](#).

Since 1992, WAI has honored hundreds of women who have made significant contributions to our industry as record setters, trailblazers, or innovators.



[2022 Pioneer Hall of Fame Nomination Form](#)

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## Share Your Skills At WAI2022!

WAI members and friends further their dreams and goals by attending a variety of [education sessions](#) at the annual conference. Share your knowledge and talents at next year's annual conference in Nashville, Tennessee, March 17-19, 2022. Topics include: Career, Flying, History, Innovation, Maintenance/Tech Ops, Military, and Personal Development.

Complete the [Education Session Submission Form](#), attach an outline of your presentation and three learning objectives, and submit by July 1, 2021, to [presenters@wai.org](mailto:presenters@wai.org).



Dozens of [education sessions](#) are presented at the annual WAI conference to help attendees follow their interests.

[Education Session Submission Form for WAI2022](#)



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# Gear Up for Spring

Adjustable WAI  
polyester mask  
\$12.00

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mandala t-shirt  
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**Water Bottle**  
24 oz.  
**\$12**



**Baseball Hat**  
**\$16**



**Aviation Plush Throw**  
50"x 60" Custom design by AC Aviation Art  
**\$45**



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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](mailto:Outreach Director Molly Martin) to sign up.

### 2021

**July 28** - WAI Connect Breakfast at EAA AirVenture, Oshkosh, Wisconsin, during EAA AirVenture Oshkosh July 26-August 1 [www.EAA.org](http://www.EAA.org)

**September 25** - 7th Annual International Girls in Aviation Day [www.WAI.org/giad](http://www.WAI.org/giad)

**October 12-14** - NBAA-BACE, Las Vegas, Nevada [www.NBAA.org](http://www.NBAA.org)

### 2022

**March 17-19** - 33rd Annual International Women in Aviation Conference, Gaylord Opryland Resort & Convention Center, Nashville, Tennessee [www.WAI.org/22conference](http://www.WAI.org/22conference)

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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.

### Exclusive Discount Programs for Members

- **Avemco:** 5% discount on insurance
- **Aviation Medicine Advisory Service:** 5% discount on standard case fees
- **Enterprise and National Rental-A-Car:** special discount rates with promotion code
- **Flying magazine subscription:** annual \$8.00 rate for new subscribers
- **General Aviation News subscription:** free sample issues and 50% off subscription
- **King Schools:** free package of 5 King courses focused on Risk Management and 20% discount on all King Schools course
- **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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*"I'm so proud to follow in the WASP' footsteps and glad to know the public will get to hear their stories and finally get them the recognition that is long overdue."*

*-Linda K. McTeague, Brig. Gen. (ret), DC ANG*

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