



Colorado  
Ninety-Nines

# Crosswind Chatter

November/December  
2024

Newsletter of the Colorado Ninety-Nines  
International Organization of Women Pilots

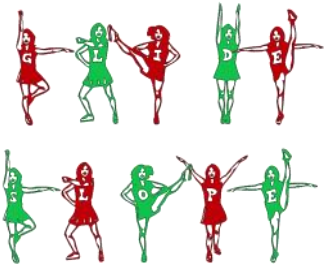
## Upcoming Events

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for details.

## 99s Meetings

**November 5  
Business  
Meeting  
Google Meet**

**November 9  
Brian Schiff**



# November Presentation

Brian Schiff



**Brian Schiff** will do his topic November 9 on  
“**Being Pilot in Command**”.

Start time: 10am

Pilots are taught about aerodynamics, meteorology, aircraft systems & handling, regulations, airspace, etc, but they are not given much on how to be a good pilot in command. This webinar will focus on aspects of aeronautical decision-making (ADM) and acting as a pilot in command.

A little about Brian: Gold Seal Flight Instructor - 39 years; NAFI Board member and lifetime member; Airline Captain - 36 years; Over 21,000 hours; Flown 96 types of aircraft; Flew all three crew seats on B-727.

This will be a virtual meeting. Information will be emailed before the date.



## Meeting Schedule for November/December

**November 5, Business Meeting  
Google Meet**



6:30PM

**Brian Schiff  
Virtual Meeting: Being Pilot in Command**



10:00AM





# Upcoming Events, Activities and Programs

First Saturday



[Join Wings Over the Rockies monthly fly-ins featuring planes, pilots and breakfast!](#)  
At the Boeing Blue Sky Aviation Gallery  
Centennial Airport (KAPA)



NOV 5



Business Meeting  
At 6:30 via Google Meet

NOV 9



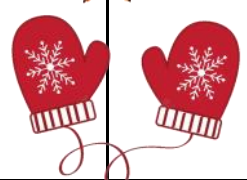
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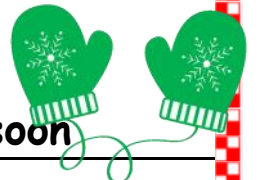


Happy Thanksgiving

DEC 14



Holiday Party  
Location: South Pohl  
Marylou Pohl's home  
Details will be emailed soon



DEC 25

Happy Holidays!

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MAR 27-30



Spring 2025 South Central  
Section Meeting  
Hosted by: Lake Charles Chapter



## There is Nothing Like The Ninety-Nines!



Welcome new members

Paige Carlson, Aubrey Deines,  
Sally Vy Mai and Nikole Powell





## Feature 297



Sue Osborne, Jan McKenzie and Terry Fiala at the Fall Section Meeting, Hosted by the Houston Chapter League City, Texas

## Feature 198



Amanda Willson and Alaina Bravo at the pumpkin drop.

## New Private Pilot



Congratulations **Anastasia McCune** (left) for earning her private pilot certificate! Hooray! **Kate Yorga** is on the right.



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## Moving?

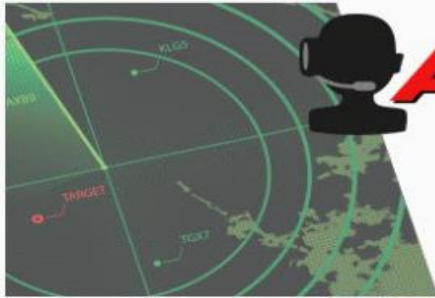


## Feature 148.5



Terry and Jason Fiala preparing for the pumpkin drop.





# **ACTION CALL**



**COLORADO**  
Department of Transportation  
Division of Aeronautics

## **Now Accepting Applications for 2025 Aviation Education Grant Program**

The Division of Aeronautics is excited to announce the launch of the 2025 Colorado Aviation Education Grant Program. Due to a change in the grant timeline, approved by the Colorado Aeronautical Board on Wednesday, October 16th, the application window is now open to eligible candidates with a [deadline of December 15th, 2024](#) for submission.



The purpose and intent of this aviation education program is to support education programs, projects, and initiatives in Colorado that have direct application to the state's aviation and aerospace industry and to promote careers in aviation and aerospace among Colorado students. This program is geared specifically towards STEAM education efforts related to aviation and aerospace, aimed at supporting Science, Technology, Engineering, Aviation/Aerospace, and Math education opportunities.

To be eligible to apply for a grant under this program, the applicant must be an established and accredited public school, college, or university with an existing or proposed aviation or aerospace education program that meets the purpose and intent outlined in the paragraph above. Private entities are also eligible but must have been in operation for at least five years and carry a demonstrated track record of success in administering and providing education programs that meet the purpose and intent of the grant program.

For more detailed information, please review the [Aviation Education & Workforce Development Grant Program Manual](#).

**GRANT SUBMITTAL DEADLINE is December 15th, 2024**

For more information or questions about this application, please contact the Division's Aviation Education Specialist Hetty Carlson at [hetty.carlson@state.co.us](mailto:hetty.carlson@state.co.us).

[Click Here to Apply for a Colorado Aviation Education Grant](#)

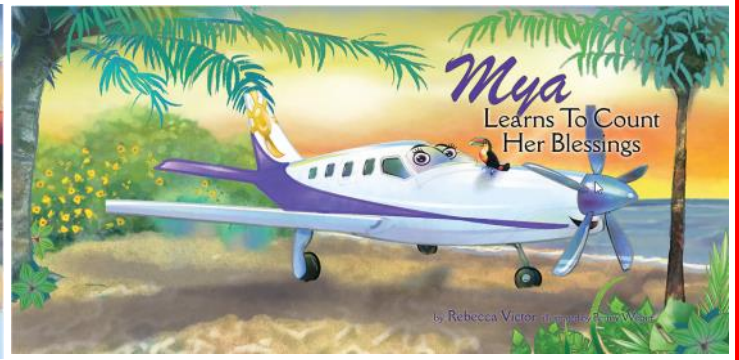


# Colorado Author

Do you know of a young budding aviatrix? If so, these wonderful books by author, **Rebecca Victor of Wiggins, CO** may be just the thing! Each of these three books are named after her children, andA enchantingly illustrated. They include Tessa the Air Tanker, Ellie the Crop Duster, and Mya the Island Hopper. To order, go to [rebeccavictorbooks.com](http://rebeccavictorbooks.com) or email her at [rebeccavictorbooks@gmail.com](mailto:rebeccavictorbooks@gmail.com).



These would make great holiday gifts!



# PPLI

## Professional Pilot Leadership Initiative

Not only do companies need women to step up as leaders, the worldwide aviation industry is slowly making strides to have more women in leading positions. As a professional pilot you can make a difference and can become a leader in your own right. Would you like to learn how to be an Aviation leader also?

The Professional Pilot Leadership Initiative (PPLI) is a mentoring program which will connect you with other supportive fellow Ninety-Nines.



It will help you to develop and enhance your leadership talents and qualities. And it will assist you to strengthen and advance your career progress.



# Deadline January 31, 2025



# Ian McBeth Brew n' Que

By Amanda Willson

Ian McBeth Brew n' Que in Wray, Colorado was attended by several Chapter members.



Amanda Willson and Alaina Bravo (Blonde Bombers), Terri Fiala and her husband, Jason Fiala (Whiskey and Wine), and Jane Link representing The Colorado 99s at a booth she set up. The airplane photo is Alaina and Amanda dropping the pumpkin.

There were seven teams total there is no knowledge of the winners or runners-up etc. It was



an exciting day to say the least with some pretty high crosswinds which made dropping extra challenging

## Attention Student Pilots!

The spring First Wings Award deadline is 1 April. If you are a student pilot who has been a member of The 99s since on or before 1 January 2025, and have logged at least five hours of flight training in the six months prior to the application deadline of April 1, you may qualify for an award of up to \$6000. See the First Wings Award description and instructions on the International 99s website, in the Members Area:

<https://www.ninety-nines.org/first-wings-award.htm>

An updated version of the application will be available on the international website on or about 1 February.

If you are preparing to apply here are some tips:

- Download the application before filling any fields – the online form does not save any information you enter. Read the instructions carefully. Where bullet points are part of the instructions, be sure to cover those points at minimum – a little bit extra will be fine too.
- If you need a mentor (any 99s member can help you!), contact Jane Link to help you find one.
- The 99s Recommendation and Certification pages (Part VII and VIII) are completed by the Chapter scholarship chairman, Jane Link, after the application is submitted.
- The Colorado Chapter is in the South Central Section.
- Necessary documents may be captured on a phone or scanner, but make sure they are complete, clean, **readable** and straight as possible.
- Email your application to the Chapter AEMFS chairman, Jane Link no later than 1 April.

Still have questions? Contact Jane Link, [aescholarship@colorado99s.org](mailto:aescholarship@colorado99s.org) or [jane@webzlink.com](mailto:jane@webzlink.com) for more information.



# The Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarship

Attention Certified Pilots!

January 1, 2025, is the deadline to submit your application for an Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarship. This scholarship provides funds for various aviation training and research opportunities, including:

- Additional pilot certificate or rating
- Advancement in an aviation or aerospace field
- Technical aviation training or certification
- Emergency Maneuvers Training

Members of the Ninety-Nines who joined on or before July 1 of 2024 and possess at least a Private Pilot Certificate, may apply (the exception is Emergency Maneuvers Training where one year of membership is not necessary). Other requirements such as flight and medical currency must be met to qualify for flight training. Read more about the scholarships and requirements on the international website.

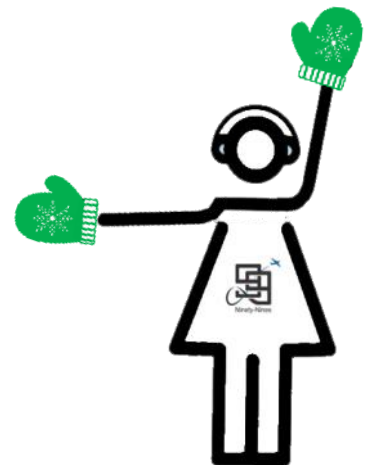
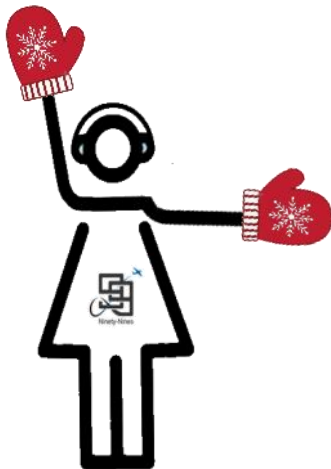
General requirements and instructions are now available in the Member section of the website. Use this link for more information and applications:

<https://www.ninety-nines.org/amelia-earhart-scholarships-awards.htm>

The latest application will be available soon.

Be sure to read “Tips for Strengthening Your Application” at the bottom of the page at the above link.

The deadline to submit applications to the chapter AEMSF chairman, Jane Link, is January 1st 2025. Contact Jane, [aescholarship@colorado99s.org](mailto:aescholarship@colorado99s.org) or [jane@webzlink.com](mailto:jane@webzlink.com), or 720-280-8885 now to start your next aviation journey.



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## **SOUTH CENTRAL MEETINGS**

**Spring Section Meeting**

**March 27-30th, 2025**

**Lake Charles-Sulphur, Louisiana**

**Hosted by Lake Charles Chapter**

**[International Conference](#)**

**July 10-13, 2025**

**Burlington, Vermont**

**Hosted by the New England Section**



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