

AUSTIN HILL COUNTRY NINETY-NINES

Newsletter

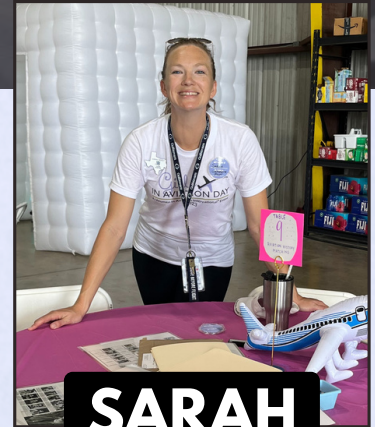
November 2023

Chairman's Report

BREAKING NEWS!

Our chapter has been presented with an amazing opportunity!

We have been offered a matching scholarship donation from local doner up to \$10,000! We are accepting this offer under the condition that we get chapter involvement.



SARAH
- CHAIRMAN -

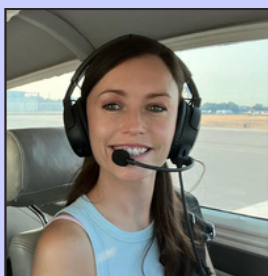
We will begin the fundraising campaign at the beginning of 2024. This award will be open to an aspiring female pilot in the local Austin Hill Country area. We will need a solid mentorship team who will be willing to stay on top of training progress, payments to the flight school, share experiences, and give advice. Email austinhillcoutry99s@gmail.com if you want to be a part of this life changing team!

BACK TO REGULARLY SCHEDULED PROGRAMMING

We need YOU. Please send your input for dates and chapter functions by email or our survey links. Planning is difficult when we only get 2 or 3 replies. It's also that time of year for me to hear what is on your minds. Click the link: [Feedback Survey](#) OR email austinhillcountry99@gmail.com.

To address the inconsistency of this newsletter. A lot has been put on my plate recently and I will do my best to get our chapter information out to you when I can. Thank you for understanding.

THE OFFICERS



DEZ
- VICE CHAIRMAN -



LISA
- MEMBERSHIP -



CAROL
- TREASURER -



LARISSA
- SECRETARY -

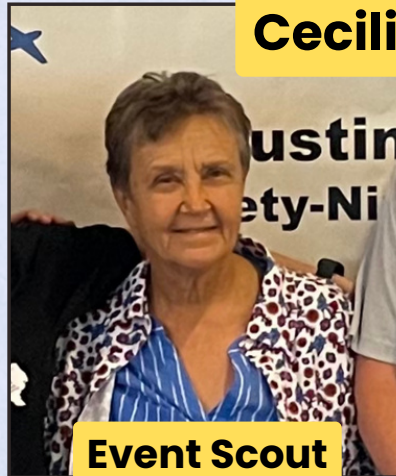
Our members rock!

A topic of discussion during the virtual meeting was how grateful I am for our members! See the beautiful faces below and the projects they are working on (in addition to the officer's shown on the first page.) Thank you all! If your photo is not on here, I still want to send a huge thank you for proving your support in other ways. Just showing up in-person or virtually means a lot!



Juli

Social Media



Cecilia

Event Scout



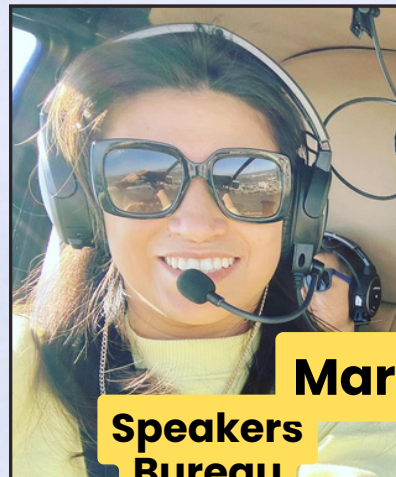
Meagan

**Social Media/
Chapter Merch**



Morghan

Social Media



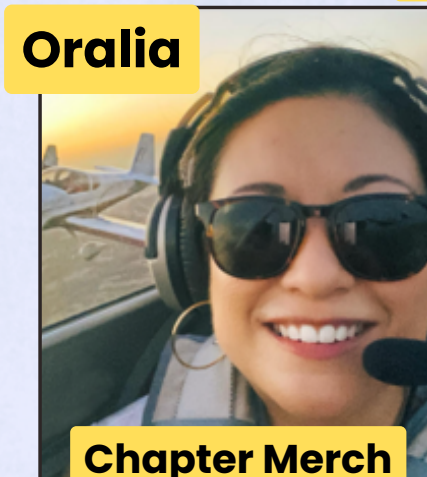
Marian

**Speakers
Bureau**



Becky

Historian



Oralia

Chapter Merch



Greta

99s Magazine

September Business Meeting Recap

- T82 Fly-in/Drive-in and wine shuttle was voted to be postponed during cooler months.
- Voted and approved as a chapter to donate \$250 to GIAD
- Chapter hosting two booths. 1) 99s organization and gauge interest in Let's Fly Now. 2) Activity booth: women's aviation history.
- Discussed proposal for a chapter scholarship
- Discussed finances.
 - \$1,100.76 in the bank account.
 - Chapter money must go toward the community - i.e. education, scholarship, etc. Using it for social activities goes against the 501c3
- Discussed Let's Fly Now for the chapter
 - Date best in Spring 2024.
 - 2 planes/pilots and multiple ground crew already willing to volunteer - need more.
- Discussed airmarking
 - KERV postponed until after eclipse events
 - KTXK hosted by the section on 11/11 rain date 11/18
- Discussed ideas to honor Devyn Reily's memory
 - Plaque display - potential option
 - 99s HQ brick in memory of Devyn - potential option
- Section meeting (September 28th - October 1st)
- International Conference (October 27th - November 2nd)
- Dez reserved 99s booth for Bluebonnet Airshow (March 16th, 2024)
- Membership - 56 Members on the roster (as of 09/10/23) - 2 in Standby - 14 Student Pilots (wow!)
- Speaker's Bureau - discussed options and topics where the chapters interest lie - women pilot focused
- Send your social post updates to - Juli, Meagan, or Morghan
- Chapter Merch - Alpha Iron Press for screenprinting. Design in progress.
- Historian - Scrapbook digitizing project - Everything scanned, working on a program for flipbooks. Member bios - in progress
- Bylaws and Standing Rules will be sent out in email for review and commentary with a deadline. To be voted on after.



WAI - Austin GIAD 2023

What an event! WAI - Austin Chapter hit a home run with the help of many dedicated volunteers including our Austin Hill Country members.

The stats for this year were 70 youth, 60 volunteers, 40 parents in attendance. About 3 times the size

of last year's event! What said it all, were the smiles and compliments from attendees and volunteers. Many already making a commitment for next year.

Our chapter members not only represented the 99s and WAI, they represented NATCA, Texas A&M, ALPA, and Texas ANG as volunteers at those booths as well. So proud of our amazingly diverse and involved group of women pilots here in the Austin Hil Country.

Interest in LFN!

We had 21 sign-ups interested Let's Fly Now discovery flights! Let's make this happen!

What we need:

- Date
- Best Airport
- Volunteers with airplanes
- Ground volunteers



Volunteers and attendees gathered for the WAI - Austin GIAD 2023 group photo



2023 Fall Section Meeting Fort Worth

Greta was our chapter representative and Dez attended virtually.

Read about Greta's experience below:

The South Central Section Fall Meeting was hosted by the Fort Worth Chapter in Lake Worth, TX from Sept 28th - Oct 1st.

We had a great turn out with 54 attendees.

The Ft. Worth Chapter had a hat designing class on Friday afternoon where you could buy a hat and put all the accoutrements you wanted on it. It was fun picking out feathers, bands and bling. That evening there was a gathering at the Truckyard Alliance for food and fun.

The membership meeting kicked off Saturday morning at the Vintage Flying Museum down by the Stockyards followed by seminars in the afternoon. The evening event was a BBQ banquet at the museum hangar with guest speaker, Dr. Jeanette McMurtie. The highlight of the evening came when a C-47 pulled up right next to the hangar. Everyone ran out and we got a group photo by the aircraft. All in all, it was a nice weekend and many thanks to the Fort Worth Chapter for hosting.



New AHC Mommy Pilots

Shout out to our newest and soon-to-be mommy pilots in the chapter!

- Melissa and Ken just welcomed baby Amelia into the world!
- Morghan and Triston are expecting baby boy, Nova.
- Sara and Gianni are expecting also!

We can't wait for the day when you all get to share the gift of flight with your little ones!!

If you need support or advice from other 99s pilot moms follow this link [99s Mommy Pilots](#).



Member Spotlight

Megan Hennessey is both a Ninety-Nine and a WAI member. Many of our members tuned in to her first virtual "Learn with Megan" session on Airspace and Checkride Prep on Nov. 1st.

This was a great briefing and there will be more to come on a monthly basis. Topics of interest and sending questions in advance are requested for future sessions. Keep an eye on your mailbox and social media interested in tuning in and learning more!

LEARN WITH MEGAN!

Megan will host Zoom sessions to teach various aviation topics in preparation for her journey to become a CFI!

SESSION #1:
Airspace & Check Ride Prep

DATE: Wednesday, Nov. 1st

TIME: 7pm CT

LOCATION: Zoom link will be emailed to all current WAI Austin Chapter Members.



This is a member exclusive event. If you would like to join our chapter, please email wai.austx@gmail.com

AHC 99s Calendar of Events

DECEMBER 16TH

Holiday Potluck & Cookie Boxing

5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Location: TBD

[RSVP](#)

[Food/ Cookie Sign-up](#)

DECEMBER 17TH

**Cookies for
Controllers Delivery
Day**

Time varies per
airport must RSVP

[RSVP](#)

[Airport Sign-up](#)

JANUARY 27TH

EAA 1088 Meeting & 99s Business Meeting

EAA 8:00 AM
AHC 99s 10:00 AM

Gillespie County Airport
Fredericksburg, TX 78624

TENTATIVE

EVERY MONTH

Our friends in EAA 1088 (T82) and 958 (KHYI) hold their chapter meetings every 3rd Saturday and EAA 1607 (KRYW) every 4th Saturday.

Lockhart (50R) Flying Club hosts breakfast every 1st Saturday.

AIRMARKING PROJECTS

As previously noted, we are still in the planning process of KERV airmarking. The date is postponed until after the solar eclipse events. The plan will be to mark sometime after April 2024.

The Section is airmarking at KTXK was cancelled/postponed due to weather. The goal is to have this as a multi-chapter project to bring members of the section together. Please, keep an eye out for more details for a reschedule.

Kenedy Regional Airport (2R9) would like to get airmarked as well date TBD.

INSPIRE THE FUTURE GENERATION

We have been contacted by Vinson, an AHC 99's son, and student of the Liberal Arts and Science Academy (LASA), an Austin ISD Magnet High School.

He is helping to organize their annual Culture Fest. This is a unique, 3-hour event where students will attend and participate in lectures, performances, and panel discussions.

Because of our focus on women's aviation history and promotion of women pilots, we have been requested to participate.

Tentative date: Thursday, February 22, 2024

- Session 1 - 12:35-1:35 PM;
- Session 2 - 1:45-2:45 PM; and
- Session 3 - 2:55-3:55 PM

Please send an email to austinhillcountry99s@gmail.com if you would like to participate in this event.

FLYING OPPORTUNITIES



Looking to find your sea legs? Exciting news from TacAero:

We are thrilled to introduce TacAero's latest initiative: the unveiling of our brand-new Floatplane program. At this time, we are in the process of outfitting one of our CubCrafters Top Cubs with a

set of Wipline 2100 Amphibious floats. Our operational base will be at T82, and our flights will take off from picturesque locations such as Buchanan Lake, Inks Lake, LBJ, Lake Travis, and more. We are delighted to offer a comprehensive 3-day program for pilots looking to earn their initial SES ratings. Reservations will be open for booking starting from January 1st, 2024.

Ian Waghorn, TacAero Director.

www.tacaero.com

MORE FLYING OPPORTUNITIES



Welcome Young Eagles

Free Flights for Youths 8 to 17



December 2, 2023 (Saturday)

Young Eagles Mini-Rally

EAA Chapter 187

8:30 AM to 10:30 AM

Georgetown Municipal Airport
500 Terminal Drive, Georgetown, Texas

Contact: Michael Garel - (512) 289-4031

December 2, 2023 (Saturday)

Young Eagles Day

EAA Chapter 958

8:45 am - 12:30 pm

San Marcos Regional Airport
1841 Airport Dr., San Marcos, TX 78666

Contact: Dave Falleur - (512) 393-9178

VIRTUAL LEARNING



Pro-Tips for Pilots Series by the FAASTeam

Dec 13, 2023 07:00 PM

ForeFlight Workshops

This is a 90-minute interactive workshop on using ForeFlight led by Captain Brian Schiff. IT WILL BE RECORDED and continues on the **first Monday of each month**.

The workshop will offer comprehensive hands-on training on using ForeFlight for flight planning, weather, and in-flight navigation. Pose questions and contribute your tips and tricks. The workshop will allow you to benefit from other pilots' collective knowledge of ForeFlight.

FREE GIVEAWAYS during every workshop!

- Nov 6, 2023 07:00 PM
- Dec 4, 2023 07:00 PM
- Jan 8, 2024 07:00 PM
- Feb 5, 2024 07:00 PM
- Mar 4, 2024 07:00 PM
- Apr 1, 2024 07:00 PM
- May 6, 2024 07:00 PM
- Jun 3, 2024 07:00 PM

[ForeFlight Workshops Registration Link](#)



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