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## **Women Can Fly Event Will Introduce Flight to Girls and Women in Virginia**

*Women Can Fly*, a series of three special Saturday events scheduled for June of 2013, will introduce aviation to more girls and women in Virginia. While the number of women working in the aviation industry has steadily increased, they are still underrepresented in the workforce and the number of women pilots is only 6% of the total pilot population. *Women Can Fly* will be an enjoyable and educational event for girls and women of all ages. The event will provide a variety of experiences, including classroom presentations, simulation opportunities, and a flight in a general aviation aircraft for participating girls and women. The goal is to introduce them to aviation and provide information and opportunities in the aviation industry as well as experiencing the fun and camaraderie of general aviation.

*Women Can Fly* events will be held at Warrenton-Fauquier Airport on June 8, 2013; Hampton Roads Executive Airport on June 22, 2013; and Lynchburg Regional Airport on June 29, 2013.

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*Women Can Fly* is co-sponsored by the Ninety-Nines, Inc. (International Organization of Women Pilots); Liberty University; Freedom Aviation; Virginia Department of Aviation, and participating airports.

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