



## Women In Defense Chesapeake Bay Chapter

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### What are the Benefits of being a WID Member?

- A framework for networking and introductions that makes it easier to meet fellow **defense and national security professionals** at the national and local levels
- Educational and professional development opportunities that are designed with the time constraints of busy professionals in mind
- **A list of your WID peers** in the Membership Directory and a **WID member pin** to distinguish your affiliation
- **Membership in the National Defense Industrial Association (NDIA)**—a \$40 value; includes a subscription to the monthly magazine *National Defense*
- **Member rates** at events of WID plus NDIA and Affiliates that will quickly save you more than the price of WID membership dues
- A way to **give back** to the profession through developing educational/networking events, mentoring, and community service activities
- A source for **scholarships**
- A discounted rate for **job vacancy postings** through our Monster Career Services Portal— <http://ndia.monster.com> —helps you find qualified applicants. Professionals have free access to the job opportunities listings.

### Upcoming Events (some events/locations are tentative at this time):

**March 25<sup>th</sup>** @ 4:30 pm at the Patuxent Naval Air Museum– Celebrating Women’s History Month “Weaving the Stories of Women’s Lives” features panel discussion

with Tracy Barkhimer (Director, Navy & Marine Corps Programs, Lone Star Analysis); Karen Dahut (Executive Vice President, Booz Allen Hamilton); and Helen Wernecke (Executive Director, Leadership Southern MD)

**May/June** – Spring Vendor Night: Let us know if you are interested in being a vendor

**May 14<sup>th</sup>** – Scholarship presentation @ 4 pm at Leonardtown High School

**June** – Wine & Design

**August** – Bowling Tournament (start selecting your winning team now!)

**November 14<sup>th</sup>** – 5K Run/Walk in St. Mary’s City (our largest fundraising event)

**Our Chapter Focus during the Upcoming Year:**

Career	Family
<p>Our chapter president, Chris Chase, recently attended the WID National Conference in Arlington, VA. The theme, "Leading Through Change," describes a landscape in which defense professionals identify, address, and deliver in an evolving environment, both professionally and personally.</p> <p>The speaker at the annual dinner was Lt Gen Ellen Pawlikowski, USAF, Military Deputy, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition. She shared the four Cs of a great leader:</p>	<p>WID strongly supports STEM and STEM outreach for our local students. We believe that parents and educators are a critical key to the success of their students. WID will be developing a STEM information package to equip parents/educators with facts and resources to help them navigate opportunities in STEM with their student.</p> <p>WID would love to hear from you regarding what you would like to see in the information packages. Please contact</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Courage – to do the right thing, always</li> <li>• Competence – to have the experience and expertise to lead staff</li> <li>• Commitment – to be dedicated to the mission</li> <li>• Compassion – to show care and concern toward your team</li> </ul>	<p>us at <a href="mailto:widchesapeakebay@gmail.com">widchesapeakebay@gmail.com</a> to provide your ideas. Comments and ideas provided by April 3<sup>rd</sup> will be considered for our 2015 package.</p> <p>WID is also constantly looking for ways to be involved in STEM outreach activities. We would love to hear about community STEM activities that we can be involved with.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Community</i></p> <p>Our board members volunteer in several organizations such as SMAWL, Tiara/Royal Troopers, Wreaths Over America, and STEM-ING.</p> <p>Tell us what organization is close to your heart. We’d love to share it with our members.</p> <p>Did you know that our chapter has committed to giving out one \$1,000 scholarship this year to a young woman interested in a STEM career? Applications will soon be in from the BECA scholarship; would you like to be on the selection committee? If so, please let us know.</p> <p><b><u>Our Current Board:</u></b>          President – Chris Chase          Vice President – Linda Czarzasty          Treasurer – Tracy Medford</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Self</i></p> <p>Have you ever thought about trying a martial arts class with some like-minded women? Please let us know!</p> <p>Would you like to find a mentor? Do you feel you have some skills to share with a mentee? We are thinking about trying a “Speed Mentoring” event. Let us know if you are interested. Do you have any ideas for this? We’d love to hear them!</p> <p>What do you like to do in your free time? Do you have an interesting hobby to share with us? We’d like to feature it in our next newsletter.</p> <p>Do you enjoy spending an evening with friends, creating a keepsake, and sharing some beverages? We’d like to hold an evening with Wine &amp; Design in Leonardtown. Are you interested?</p>

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<p>Secretary - Melinda Brown Events Coordinator - Katie Sanchez PR/Graphics/Social Media - Adrienne Derby STEM - Cam Donohue Membership/Scholarship - Melinda Brown</p>	<p>Do you have a special skill? We'd love to have you on our board. Openings include Sponsorship and Historian, just to name a few.</p>
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