



Celebrate Gold

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Girls in Aviation

Raleigh McCollum-Harrold has been a girl member for 14 years in Troop 1995 in Service Unit 611. Raleigh currently attends the University of North Dakota and recently completed her freshman year, majoring in Commerical Aviation.

Raleigh's project focused on making aviation dreams a reality for girls of all ages. Aviation is currently a male dominated field, but through inspiration and opportunity, the tides can change. Raleigh hosted a meeting with a troop of Girl Scouts, hosted aviation days at the airport, and created a website with information on how to get a pilot's license.

If girls can see it, they can be it – and making career options in aviation more visible, Raleigh is hoping to change the future of this field. Young girls have so much potential as pilots and through mentorship and opportunities, like Raleigh has created, their dreams can take flight.

“Because of Girl Scouts, I have been able to be more outgoing and make new friends. Being in a safe and positive community allowed me to be confident in myself. I have learned how to be independent and strong on my own. Without Girl Scouts, I don’t think I would be able to be so far from home.”