WHAT IS SOARING?

Soaring is the adventure into the world of silent flight. Sailplanes, or gliders, are special aircraft which have no engines. Sailplanes are towed into the sky by a regular airplane and then released for a quiet glide back to the airport, or when conditions permit, sailplane pilots challenge gravity using natural currents in the air. An introductory flight generally lasts 20 minutes while an instructional flight, where pilot and student are working to gain altitude by riding rising thermal currents, may last for as long as two hours.



HOW CAN I GET A FLIGHT?

Freedom's Wings International operates its sailplanes primarily at Van Sant Airport in Bucks County, PA. Please contact us to schedule a flight. At that time you can discuss any special requirements for assistance on the ground or when transferring to the aircraft.

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WHAT IS FREEDOM'S WINGS INTERNATIONAL?

Freedom's Wings International is a non-profit, New Jersey-based organization run by and for people with physical disabilities. We provide the opportunity for those who are physically challenged to fly in specially adapted sailplanes, either as a passenger or as a member of the flight training program.

OBJECTIVES:

The purpose of Freedom's Wings International, is to bring the world of soaring to persons with disabilities by:

- Exposing persons with disabilities to the soaring experience.
- Teaching qualified persons with disabilities to soar.
- Offering facilities for soaring to those persons with disabilities able to soar.
- Providing training for instructors, ground crew, and flying students.
- Creating a non-profit educational and fraternal organization.
- Serving as a resource and model for other organizations with similar intent.

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RECREATIONAL PROGRAM
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UTILIZING GLIDERS









HOW CAN I HELP?

Freedom's Wings International is an all-volunteer organization utilizing the skills of both disabled and able-bodied members.

We welcome the participation of all interested, caring people.

- GLIDER PILOTS & CFIGS GROUND OPERATIONS
- COMMUNITY OUTREACH / EDUCATION SCHEDULING
 - FUNDRAISING VOLUNTEER RECRUITMENT

>> interested in volunteering?

call us at 215-884-1146

HOW CAN I LEARN TO FLY?

Flying sessions are scheduled seven days a week, weather permitting. Freedom's Wings International operates specially adapted sailplanes in its entry-level and graduate-level flying programs.

Potential students are screened by flight instructors certified by the Federal Aviation Administration and receive ground instruction using FAA approved curricula. The flying season runs from April 1st. to December 1st., each year. Students from coast to coast and other countries have participated in our program. In addition, a limited number of scholarships are available upon approval of the board of directors.

COULD FREEDOM'S WINGS VISIT US?

Our sailplanes can be partially disassembled for transport in a special trailer. Freedom's Wings demonstration team has visited the University of Illinois and given demonstrations at airports in New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Florida, New York and Canada. Contact us to explore the possibilities.



HOW IS FREEDOM'S WINGS FUNDED?

Freedom's Wings International relies on the generous contributions of its members and associates, both private and corporate. Special fund raising events provide funds for scholarships and equipment maintenance.

Freedom's Wings is a charitable 501(c)(3) organization. A complete financial statement can be obtained by contacting us.



HOW CAN I JOIN?

Membership is open to all applicants without regard to race, age, color, religion,

gender, sexual persuasion, national origin, handicap, or medical condition.

Membership is renewable

March 1st of each year.