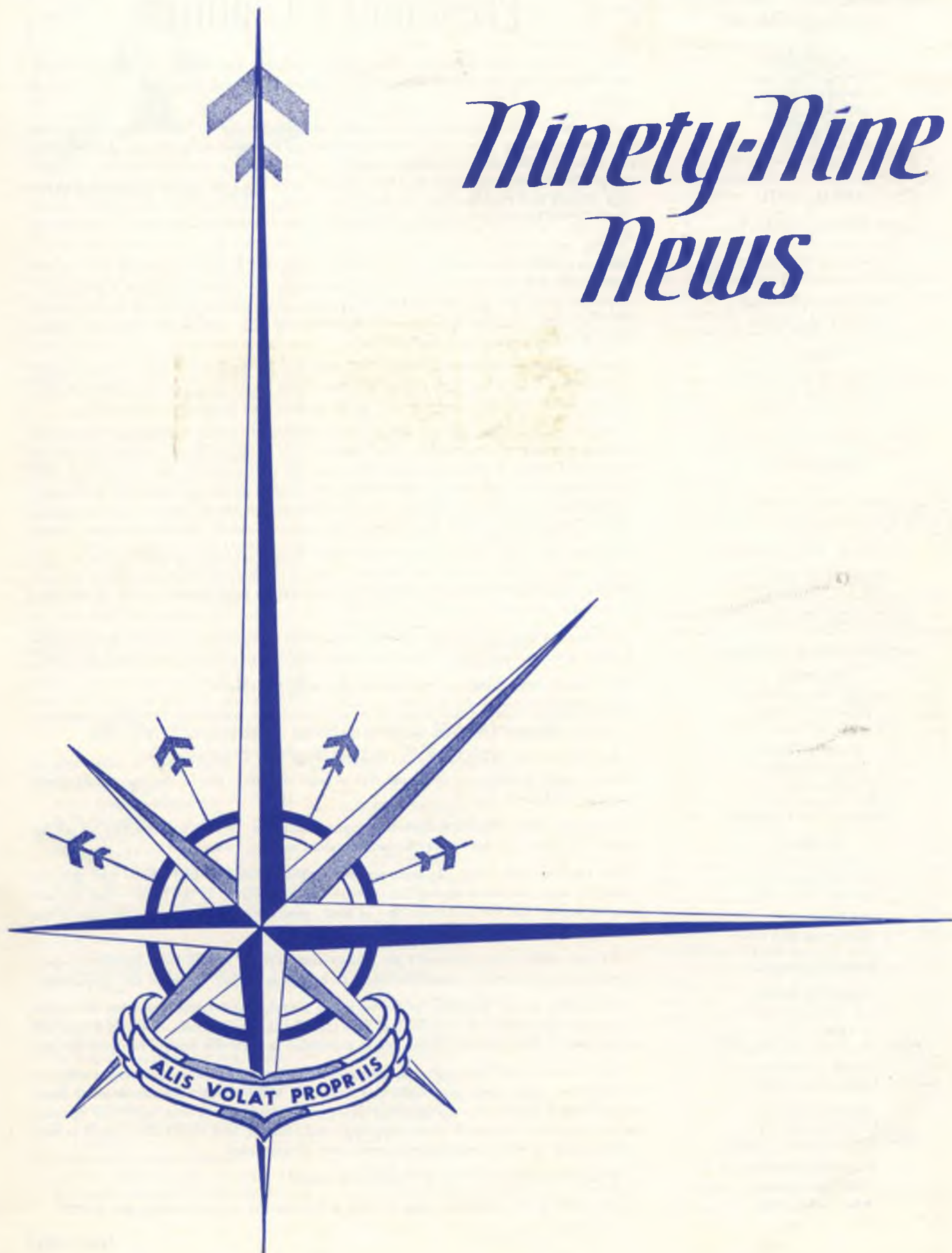


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## President's Column

It's moving up toward election time. Again, I hope, I DO HOPE, that people VOTE. The officers would like to think that the membership elected them, not just the active minority.

Oh, golly, I wish everybody got the thrill and quiet joy out of Ninety Nine membership that your incumbent Prez does. I don't care if we go to a meeting that's just chicken salad and chitchat—I'd rather be doing something exciting like an Altitude Chamber, or interesting like WACOA, or upgrading like an APT ride, but once in awhile just to feel the deep warmth and empathy and friendship that streams around us like the curling vortices of the 747—but with happiness, not hazard—that's enough to keep me in the Ninety Nines.

And we ARE doing things, too—exciting things. The Colombian Orchid Chapter has assisted with and presided at a beautiful tribute to our own Jerrie Cobb, who is doing such wonderful mercy flying in the Amazonian jungles—we have a new French Section almost in being—the Scandinavian Tour is taking shape and European Ninety Nines are looking forward to meeting those from the USA—

More and more chapters are having APT-days and our proficiency level is rising rapidly—"Crab Pot Intersection News" from Maryland tells about an Easter Egg Hunt for children of one of the State hospitals—a grand project even if it's not in the air!

There were three Ninety Nines at one of the dinner meetings of the National Association of Secondary School Principals—Lucy Shattuck, my Colorado Springs hostess, and Carol Greers of All-Ohio. Isn't it fun to run into other 99s in unexpected, far-away places! (We were in Houston.) Last week I was working with Joint Commission Surveyors at Barbour County Hospital in Eufala, Alabama, and Mrs. Everett, the Nurse-surveyor for the Extended Care Facility, turned out to be a former pilot, close friend of Mississippi's Janet Green!

Anybody for a job as an airline pilot? How Women's Lib-by are you? What do you think about the fact that we have Ninety Nines in many countries of the world who are flying as pilots and copilots on scheduled airlines, but no such situation exists in our own, theoretically modern, nation?

Is it time to make an issue of it? Shall we hammer on doors, take a definite stand, maybe do some writing, some *official* speaking, appear before congressional committees and stuff?

How many women have ever seriously tried to make the airlines?

Do you agree with me that many of us are completely competent, mentally, physically, psychologically, and professionally, to fly as airline pilots?

Shall we let our young, ambitious, hopeful pilots beat on those doors as individuals, or shall we make a concerted attack on this strange black-list, one of the few tightly-closed doors in the United States?

Do let me know what you think our course should be. (I didn't dream this up all by myself. It's been coming across the mail-counters for some time.)

But the comment about "do some writing" reminds me: We said awhile ago that we wished it were possible to have a "Letter to the Editor" column in the News—but that our present format, the cost and space and so forth, precluded such a column. The cost is the largest item of expense we have.

We are getting some comments on various controversial subjects from members—comments sent to the news—and there ought to be a way to "air" them to the membership.

Your editor doesn't have time to do the job of a professional editor—she has this much space and that much stuff, and she can NOT take the time to evaluate, edit, cut, if you will—she puts in what has been designated as acceptable and the rest usually just gets left out.

But I wish we could streamline the news, professionalize it, give the Editor real editorial prerogative—what would you think of a newsletter which contained features about interesting Ninety Nines; *very abbreviated* chapter news articles containing only truly exciting items, committee chairmen's timely reminders and columns, and some listings, such as new ratings, new members, reinstatements, etc., plus photographs?

Would you rather cut down the number of issues?

The truth of the matter is, dear friends, our ambitions are outrunning our income.





## HEADLINES from Hazel

In the SPECIAL FEATURES this month are two articles that are very important. The first has to do with the things you should *memorize about your airplane*. This is another in a continuing series on aviation safety and submitted by the Southwest Region Accident Prevention Specialist, Huard Norton. The second is very exciting news. The Southwest Region Accident Prevention Program and the South Central Section of the Ninety Nines are embarking on a concerted effort to cut down accidents. This is a test program and will be tried here and hopefully expanded later. Basically it is an outline on definite things that the Ninety Nines can do in supporting this program. To help kick this off, our Spring Sectional in San Antonio will be a safety program. Soon all Ninety Nines in the South Central Section *except* those in Nebraska, Colorado, and Kansas will receive a copy of this outline and we hope the program will get off to a "flying start." All of you throughout the country that are interested in the Aviation Safety Program, study this outline and see how it can fit in your area and also if you can spot ways to improve it. Let us hear from you. As you will note it fits hand in glove with our own APT

program and we will be working very closely with that.

Also to stave off any possible future irate letters, some of your copy will be cut in this issue. We have been having quite a time of it with the printer as the cost of printing the magazine is two to three times higher than anticipated. In order for him to continue at a minimal loss we are going to have to limit the news to 32 pages. This means simply that some of the reports will have to be cut. If you will recall the instructions have always been to keep the copy to two pages. We have been very lenient with everyone, but those days are gone forever. Roughly five pages of your copy will make one page of the news. If you make room for special announcements and pictures this cuts down the space available. I feel sure this will be discussed at convention once again as the News is a major item in the budget and as we all know the cost of things keep going up—up—up! Please try to put the items of primary interest first because the last portions are the ones that will be cut, if necessary.

We are off on a new adventure as Mrs. Roys C. Jones. We will be seeing some of you in New England and some of you in San Antonio and some of you at convention this summer. I am most anxious to show off my new 49½'er and have you all meet this wonderful man. Now before you all have a touch of the vapors over your love-struck editor, I shall practice what I preach and make this short.

Get APT—GET INVOLVED—TELL US ABOUT IT !!!!!

MEMBERSHIP  
COUNT  
3892

## 99 Participation in the FAA Southwest Accident Prevention Program

- I. Safety Meetings
  - A. Co-Sponsor with FAA
  - B. Participation
    1. Speaker
    2. Attend
    3. If CFI help with evaluation rides
  - C. Provide transportation as required
  - D. Publicity (Aid in obtaining)
    1. Newspaper
    2. Radio
    3. Posters—distribution or design
  - E. Hospitality as required
    1. Coffee
    2. Information
- II. Hazard Marking
  - A. Runway painting—numbers
  - B. Runway painting—town name
  - C. Pennants on hazardous wires
  - D. Pennants on other hard to see obstructions
  - E. Campaign for removal of known hazards
- III. Safety Improvement Reports
  - A. Have SIR's available in flight kit
  - B. Report on observed hazards in and around airports
- C. Suggest program improvements
- IV. Public Speaking
  - A. Safety meetings
  - B. Ground schools
  - C. Schools
    1. Elementary
    2. Secondary
    3. College
  - D. Service club
  - E. Talk shows
    1. TV
    2. Radio
- V. Personal Example
  - A. Become safety orientated
  - B. Demonstrate safe aviation practices
  - C. Sell safety
- VI. Safety Counselor
  - A. Participate in meetings
  - B. Sell safety
- VII. APT
  - A. Become APT
  - B. Encourage 99's to become APT
  - C. Encourage non-99's to have periodic evaluation rides

## Facts About Your Aircraft That Should Be Memorized

1. Maximum gross weight.
2. Empty weight.
3. Useful load.
4. Baggage compartment capacity.
5. Limit load factors (positive and negative).
6. Fuel: Usable capacity, normal consumption and specified octane.
7. Oil: Capacity and recommended specifications.
8. Maneuvering speed.
9. Power off stall speed in the landing configuration.
10. Landing gear operating speed.
11. Procedure for a minimum run take off.
12. Procedure for an obstacle clearance take off.
13. Speed for best angle of climb.
14. Speed for best rate of climb.
15. Best glide speed.
16. Recommended final approach speed for normal and short field landings.
17. Service ceiling.
18. All emergency procedures.

### PLUS THE FOLLOWING FOR LIGHT-TWINS

1. Minimum control speed.
2. Engine out best angle of climb speed.
3. Engine out best rate of climb speed.

## Attention 1971 AWTAR Pilots

The State Times-Morning Advocate Newspaper in Baton Rouge has pledged full cooperation to the Terminus Committee on publicity and promotion of the 1971 AWTAR, both before and during the race. The Terminus Committee requests that when you have official program photos printed that you have an extra copy made and send it to the Terminus Committee (properly identified) for use in the Baton Rouge newspapers. They will appear in June issues and copies will be saved for you.

The Terminus Committee also requests that if you survey the 1971 route before the race and would like advanced publicity for yourselves and/or your sponsors, that you contact a Terminus Committee member of your ETA and date for radio, TV and newspaper interviews upon your arrival in Baton Rouge, during the weeks preceding the race.

Terminus Committee Headquarters: The White House Inn, Room 501, 1575 N. 3rd St., BTR 70802 (504) 348-0111 (mail/messages).

Terminus Chairman Pat Ward: 12075 Palmer St., BTR 70811 (504) 775-9640.

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Dee Comeaux: 921-2974 or 348-0914

Ginger Edwins: 937-3573

Polly Baughman: 275-9443

A brief personal history accompanying photo will be helpful.

## BACKWARD GLANCE COLUMN

Retha McCulloh (Johnson) Crittenden  
Charter Member, Ninety-Nines, License #5260

### MY PATCH OF BLUE

To tell of my love of flying around in an open cockpit plane — high and alone except for a few high flying birds and low flying clouds, is impossible for me. Such things can only be felt, not easily described or talked about.

It was in Beaumont, Texas, in 1928 when I had my first ride in a plane. Like so many pioneers in aviation, this was the beginning. I wanted to fly. I felt that I must.

Times were not so good in 1928. Flying lessons were expensive and my teacher's salary was small. So, I paid \$20.00 per hour for instruction and the flying school paid me twenty dollars for the publicity of hav-

ing a woman student. Even my fifth grade arithmetic class figured this came out about right!

My instructor was Lt. C. C. Scott, just out of flight training at Kelly and/or Brooks Field in San Antonio. He was marvelous and I adored him. I flew a Waco-9 with an OX-5 motor.

There was, of course, much publicity in papers and magazines. Among them, the September 7, 1929 Liberty magazine which contained an article on women flyers by Alicia Patterson. There was a picture of me and pictures of other better known women — Blanche Noyes, Amelia Earhart, Louise

Thaden, Viola Gentry, Ruth Nichols, Lady Mary Heath, and others.

Among communications was an unexpected request from the school board. I appeared (trembling) before the elementary supervisor. The board, I learned, took a dim view of my unorthodox behavior and were concerned that it would cause unfavorable reaction among Beaumont citizens and tax payers. However, out of respect for my older sister who had been a teacher there for many years, and for fear of hurting her feelings — they relented and I continued to fly.

When I soloed (it has to be the greatest moment in the life of any pilot), it is true that other students sat on the fence betting on how many times I would bounce on landing. I learned later that it was standard procedure. Some money changed hands.

I met many famous people prominent in aviation circles. Art Goebel not long after his flight across the Pacific which had won for him the Dole Award; Wiley Post, the duPonts (brother and sister, I think) — gorgeous, tall blond people with bronzed skin — we had coffee and talked flying. Amelia Earhart came there once when I was ill and couldn't meet her.

Then came from Washington this dashing Department of Commerce Inspector, Paul F. Baer, to see if a woman could qualify for a private license. Some historians credit him with being the first American to shoot down an enemy plane in World War I. This was at age 19 while he was flying with the French Escadrille. His reputation preceded him and I was so eager to impress him I studied very hard. I made a perfect grade on the written examination but probably left some things to be desired on my flying test. (Aside from flying news — I read in a recent issue of OX-5 News that an air field has been named for Mr. Baer in his home town of Ft. Wayne, Ind.)

To build up time in my log book, I flew around over east Texas. I always had a map strapped to my knee... but often it was of no use. What good is a map if a pilot doesn't know where he is? Naturally there were no radios, radar, etc., or communication of any kind between a plane and the ground. Students would often dive down on the railroad stations in small towns, low enough to read the name, then correct the course accordingly. Personally, I preferred the railroad *track*. It always led *somewhere*!

About this time, the Ninety-Nines was organized and I was one of the fortunate ones to become Charter Members. I have several letters from Amelia Earhart and most of the early correspondence relating to the organization. They are prized possessions and are now in the care of my son, Bill Johnson, in Seattle. Bill is senior art director for a well known advertising agency and a new author. His book "AIR-SHOW" is to be out in April and is dedicated to me. It shows a flattering picture of a 22-year-old girl in flying regalia — a pioneer in the field he so enthusiastically photographs and records.



RETHA McCULLOH CRITTENDEN, Charter Member Ninety-Nines, License No. 5260. Picture made in 1928.



I hadn't flown for many years when someone during Ruth Deerman's presidency decided to locate the charter members and make us Life Members. Back in 1930 I had married a young flyer, Bill Johnson (a Q.B.) who was drowned a year later in a boat accident at Beaumont Yacht Club. Our son was born a few months after my husband's death and I quit flying to resume my teaching in Temple, Texas, and to care for my son.

As we were made Life Members and started receiving Ninety-Nine News, the volume of my mail increased and I began to feel the excitement of it all. I was asked to speak for the Zonta Club of San Antonio on Amelia Earhart Day, and was honored at a fly-in luncheon by the Austin, Texas Chapter. My husband, Crit, and I were also guests of Dr. and Mrs. Gregg for a lovely Christmas dinner given by the Ninety-Nine Chapter there.

A great highlight in my memories was the 40th Anniversary Convention of Ninety-Nines held at the New York Waldorf Astoria in 1969. All Charter Members honored there were very famous (except me) but made me feel so welcome. I sat on Mrs. Muriel Earhart Morrissey's right at the Honors Night Banquet. She was charming and gracious. I became interested in her book about her sister, "Courage is the Price" and reviewed it for a study club shortly after I came home.

After being a widow for 20 years, I married Temple's most eligible bachelor and am now a happy, well adjusted housewife. I no longer fly except on commercial airlines, but read with interest my Ninety-Nine News and OX-5 News. The latter sent to me after Mrs. Melba Beard and Edna G. Whyte recommended me for membership.

So...this ends the flying career of the least colorful aviator of the charter group. I am grateful and happy to be among them.

## Ninety-Nines Tour of Scandinavia Gaining Momentum!

By **DARLENE GILMORE**  
International Flying Activities  
Chairman

I am pleased to report that we have received over 100 requests for additional information with regard to the Ninety-Nines group tour of the Scandinavian countries from May 18 through June 1, 1971. There is still time for YOU to get aboard Scandinavian Airlines departing from New York or Los Angeles (or even Seattle). Write to American Express Company, 1438 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44115, and they will rush the details of this exciting trip to you at once.

We have also received an invitation from the Governor of the new Ninety-Nines Finnish Section, **PIRKKO HELMINEN**, indicating that the red carpet is being readied for our arrival in Helsinki on May 24 through May 26. The Finnish Aviation Administration has also extended a warm invitation to our group while in Finland.

**YOU'LL BE SORRY IF YOU MISS**

**THIS WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY TO VISIT THE SCANDINAVIAN COUNTRIES, MEET WITH NINETY-NINES FROM THROUGHOUT THE WORLD, AND OF COURSE THE SENSATIONAL FLIGHT OVER THE POLAR ROUTE!**

### "ILLI-NINES AIR DERBY" ROUND ROBIN May 21-22-23

**MOLINE, ILLINOIS** is the place to be on May 21st as the flag comes down for the start of the Illi-Nines 3rd annual Air Derby.

The race committee is hard at work making preparations for the finest race in the mid-west which is open to all pilots, *male or female*, with a choice of 2 categories, *speed and proficiency*. Grand prize is transportation for 2 to Jamaica and an estimated \$1,000 in prize money with trophies to both pilot and co-pilot of the first 5 places.

For information and kit, send \$1.00 to Mrs. Marion Jayne, 1918 West Banbury Rd., Palatine, Ill. 60067.

**COME JOIN US IN MOLINE.**

## Coming Events

**April 10, 1971**

New England Sectional  
Hanscom Field  
Bedford, Mass.

**April 23-25, 1971**

South Central Sectional  
San Antonio, Texas

**May 7-9**

Southwest Sectional  
Santa Rosa, Calif.

**May 9**

5th Annual Poker Run  
First Canadian Chapter  
Heather Sifton, Chairman

**May 14-16**

North Central Sectional  
St. Paul, Minn.

**May 29**

Aviation Scholarship Ball  
St. Louis, Mo.

**May 28-30**

Southeast Sectional  
New Orleans, La.

**July 5-8**

**AWTAR**

**August 11-15**

International Convention  
Wichita, Kansas

**September 10-12**

Northwest Sectional  
Portland, Oregon

**September 24-26**

North Central Sectional  
Moline, Illinois

**July 12-15, 1972**

International Convention  
Park Plaza  
Toronto, Canada



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Tri-Cities

Monterey Bay  
Los Angeles  
Santa Barbara  
Shreveport  
Florida Goldcoast  
Kentucky Bluegrass  
Iowa

*Keep the Temperature Rising*

*Keep The Powder Puff Derby Flying*

**AWTAR WAYS and MEANS**

Helen Shropshire

P. O. BOX 534

**PACIFIC GROVE, CALIF. 93950**

### STENOYPIST WANTED

Bids for Stenotypist for the International Convention in Wichita, Kansas, August 11-15, 1971, are now being accepted by International Secretary, Joan Hrubec. Any 99 member interested in applying or who knows of a Stenotypist interested in applying, should contact Joan at 16902 Dartmouth Ave., Cleveland, Ohio 44111.

## Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarship Fund

By JEAN PEARSON, Chairman

By the time you read this the A.E. Scholarship Fund board of trustees will have held its spring meeting in Oklahoma at VELMA WOODWARD's woodsy retreat on the shores of the extensive Eufala Reservoir.

Oklahoma was selected as the most central location for the five members of the board — IRIS CRITCHELL from California, ALICE ROBERTS from Phoenix, ALICE HAMMOND from New Jersey, JEAN PEARSON from Michigan and BRONETA EVANS from Mangum, Oklahoma. VELMA graciously offered, as she has in the past, to be hostess at her summer home. A fine landing strip nearby (with a telephone booth by the fence) serves as a roost for the friendly metal birds.

The meeting is always a wonderful mixture of hard but interesting work, a walk along the sandy beaches at sunset (weather-makers willing), good food, dancing fire in the fireplace and a gabfest to the wee hours.

But it is always work before pleasure and the agenda is heavy. First is a review of the finances to determine how many scholarships can be awarded. Hopefully, there will be four. But since deadline date in Texas for this column (being written in Michigan) falls on the same weekend as the meeting, we can't report a definite number until next month.

Next comes a review of the 35 applications received from the sections. This is the most difficult "soul-searching and cerebration"

part since surely all are worthy though only a handful can be passed on to the three honorary judges for the final selections of award winners.

The judges, all closely related to aviation but not members of our organization, receive the original application form with the picture attached and make their decisions independently.

Each judge receives the group of finalists' applications, goes over them and then lists them in the order of his choice. He returns the applications with his selection to the board. The applications are then sent on to the next judge for the same procedure. Finally, the chairman tallies the three votes to learn which applicants have been judged the winners. The board is then notified and the announcement is made at the Ninety-Nines annual convention.

Other business usually conducted at the trustee meeting includes consideration of: Ways to improve and streamline procedures; a report to the executive board of the Ninety-Nines and one to the membership at the annual international meeting; new ideas to improve the scholarship program; fund investment decisions, and other financial matters. Members of the board pay their own way to the meeting and all expenses related to their attendance.

Next month we plan to report on how many scholarships will be awarded and to announce the names of the honorary judges, with a biographical sketch on each.

## Powder Puff Derby

MARION ANDREWS, Reporter

Three hundred and sixty Race Entry Kits have gone out and requests are still coming in. How many will be returned as entries is the much speculated question. Looking back over the years, there has been no consistent pattern of percentage return as one might think. We can only say that requests have never run so high.

Last month we asked that co-pilots have their licenses before being included in an entry. We thought it went without saying that pilots must have their proper qualifications. However, we have been asked and the answer is "yes". First pilots must have a license plus one additional rating: Instructor, Instrument, Commercial Grade or higher, before sending in their entry.

We are happy to announce some of the personnel who are giving of their time and talents to the Powder Puff Derby this year. Chief Judge will be LOUISE THADEN; Chief Timer-Judge, JANET GREEN; Start Timer Chairman, HELEN KELTON; Chairman of Inspection at Calgary, LOU FREEMAN; Chairman of Inspection at Baton Rouge, JOAN BERTLES. In case you have forgotten, Chairman of the Start is ELEANOR BAILEY and the Palliser Hotel will be the official headquarters. Chairman of the Terminus is PAT WARD; Co-Chairman, MOLLY STOCKWELL; Official Headquarters at the Terminus, The White House Inn.

Press representatives of Japan have asked for permission to use the rules and regulations of the Powder Puff Derby for a race to be held in that country. Chairman KAY BRICK has spent much time advising representatives of the London-Vancouver race, who also have requested the rules and regulations of the AWTAR.

We all know dissenting is the trend of the times. It has been brought to our attention that the "aginers" have publicized their unhappiness over the race being sponsored by a cigarette company. Now if the "aginers" put the same amount of energy into raising funds for the Powder Puff Derby, this sponsorship would not be necessary. The 99s have firmly stated they do not want to chuck the race, it is obvious that the dissenters feel it might go up in smoke. SPECIAL APPEALS WERE MADE IN THIS COLUMN FOR THE "25TH ANNIVERSARY RACE". THESE APPEALS LANDED ON A GREAT MANY DEAF EARS: — 99 DONATIONS ACTUALLY DROPPED, WHICH LEFT THE FINANCING OF THE RACE, ALONG WITH THEIR MANY OTHER DUTIES, UP TO THE RACE BOARD. We certainly are cognizant of the "aginers" reasons for objecting and only wish that they could fully realize the circumstances under which we accepted this sponsorship. We have "signed no contract" for the cigarette company, and are under no obligation to push the smoking of cigarettes. As far as "endorsing the company's product", we feel that if

## National Intercollegiate Flying Association

GENE NORA JESSEN, Reporter

As this is written snow flurries are fighting a losing battle with sun flurries and the ground pounders are torn between the end of skiing and the beginning of golf. The more prosaic are dusting off their aeroplanes whether they be kites or flying machines.

But projecting to the time of its reading, this NIFA report will reach you just as the college kids are going after it tooth and toenail, trying to prove themselves the top college pilot or the outstanding flying team. We Ninety-Nines have boosted them mightily by giving both of ourselves and of our treasure. But at the same time we have let them down.

Last year your generosity was unprecedented and we told NIFA "the 99's will do it again". But at this point, two months

before the annual national meet, we are still far short of our promised goal. Three chapters' generosity has jumped us closer to that goal: SANTA CLARA VALLEY \$100, GREATER NEW YORK \$80 AND LONG ISLAND \$50. But do not think that your small chapter's proportionately small assist is not needed. All the ten and twenty dollar bills add up fast.

IT IS NOT TOO LATE TO SUPPORT NIFA. Even though the meet is going on now, we would still like to meet our commitment. And should we go over, monies into the sustaining fund not only support next year's meet but also the following one and the one after that.

PLEASE INCLUDE THE INTERCOLLEGIATE FLIERS AS ONE OF YOUR PROJECTS OF SUPPORT.

**WANTED:** Information about any 99 or woman pilot utilizing the airplane or helicopter in missionary work. Please write:

Ilovene Potter  
12705 Shorewood Drive S. W.  
Seattle, Washington 98146



anyone smokes and has not been able to or does not plan to kick the habit, in other words, if they are smoking anyway, they might as well smoke "Virginia Slims". Many chapters have donated generously, for which we are most grateful, BUT WITH THE CONTINUED LACK OF FINANCIAL SUPPORT FROM THE 99S, we must obtain cooperating outside sponsors as other sporting events do and who may not have unanimous appeal.

At this writing, we need leg prizes, especially along the northern section of the route, and monies for special awards. With the additional coverage "Virginia Slims" will give the race you may know some interested company or group. If so, contact AWTAR Headquarters, Teterboro Airport, Teterboro, New Jersey 07608.



## APT PROGRAM

CHARLOTTE GRAHAM, Chairman

April Showers — May Flowers — Spring is here! Let every Chapter bloom forth with each active member wearing their 1970-71 Apt pin on their lapel like a daisy, tulip, cactus rose or whatever flower that is budding in your area.

APT clinics vary in their size and operation though the general procedure remains the same. We attended a successful one that included families with a picnic pot luck luncheon (set up for a few hours so every one can eat sooner or later!). It was held at an airport that has little or no traffic but did have a large hangar for repairs and painting. The owner let them use the facilities, food set up in one office, FAA safety movies operating continuously in another darkened room and the use of the phone. They had only one instructor so not too many got APT that day, but another one was scheduled.

In planning the Clinic, we must keep in mind a check ride should last over an hour or more, an instructor needs to eat, so at the most we can plan only 6 rides for each instructor for a full day, which will also allow for signing and checking the application and talking to the 99 about the ride. Sign up the instructors, planes, and APT applicants in advance. Then the planning is easy. Thoughts to remember—do you need a one-day clinic—a week end clinic—recruit more instructors—two one-day sessions—a week or more apart—schedule the girls at a specific time or more casually by morning or afternoon, etc.? In some areas the fixed base operator will assist with reduced rates for planes and/or instructors. Chambers of Commerce and other civic and social groups will sponsor

boxed lunches. Get others active in the APT program and even use some of your own funds from your treasury to keep your own Chapter current (eventually we will need funds for mailing and pins and hope this program will be self sustaining). Notify your Flying Activities Chairman, and send all publicity to the Scrap Book Chairman. One Governor is awarding a trophy to the first Chapter to get their members 100% APT, another plans a revolving award.

Remember, Clinics are one way, but to be sure... you can always check out individually, and this would also apply to upgrading your own APT ratings, then send the form to your APT Chapter Chairman and she will give you a pin. All the APT records are kept, so if you get APT on a Private check ride but hold other ratings just continue your checks... (only one pin!) and have the new rides signed off and forwarded.

Safe Flying and Much Fun in 1971.

Get APT... Be APT... Stay APT

We have had some successful APT Clinics and our first bouquet goes to the Santa Clara Valley Chapter, who really had nearly 100% turnout. (The others are catching up individually!)

Our mailing to all the Chairmen has been completed and pins mailed. We expect every Chapter and Section to have named their APT Chairman by now. Only going into the grass roots of the Ninety-Nines can we succeed. This is your program, designed for you. By being current you will be safe and have fun.

Please hold the phone calls and letters. To quell the rumors, fictitious information and all, let us "tell you like it is!" The committee has checked in depth and as of this date there is no insurance company that ever did or has agreed to, give a discount for airplane insurance if the Ninety-Nine had a current APT form completed. If and when any do come forth with such an offer it will be announced in this column and your APT Chairman will be advised immediately. We are sorry if you have been inconvenienced with wrong information.

Speaking of insurance, please be advised that when you have your APT Clinics, or even if you plan to allow another girl to use your plane with the instructor, please check with your own agent regarding your personal coverage. If you participate in a large clinic and your plane is being used for the day or week end, we would recommend the APT Chairman in charge of the event get releases for the plane similar to those used in the air races. Something simple but enough to release your Chapter and Section.

Next issue we will give a status report of the Chapters and Sections who are blasting off toward the 100% goal of APT members. Safe flying and much fun in 1971!

Idea for the month: How about an APT night flight session and become APT in night landings?

Get APT BE APT STAY APT



## DEADLINES FOR NINETY-NINE NEWS

DEADLINES	FOR ISSUE
September 20, 1970	October Issue
October 20, 1970	November Issue
November 20, 1970	December Issue

### NO DECEMBER DEADLINE

*January 10, 1971	January-February Issue
February 20, 1971	March Issue
March 20, 1971	April Issue
April 20, 1971	May Issue
May 20, 1971	June Issue

### NO JUNE DEADLINE

July 20, 1971	July-August Issue
August 20, 1971	September Issue

\*The Executive Board has decided to let the Editor and the reporters off the hook for the December deadline. This is the worst deadline of the year because of the Christmas Holiday activities. Please note however, that the January deadline is moved up to the 10th. This is an *absolute* deadline. This gives adequate time for the nominations and so forth and the news must be in the hands of the chapters by February 1st.

### REMEMBER 4 THINGS:

1. No report due in June and no report due in December.
2. The January report is due in my hands by January 10th.
3. The other reports are due in my hands by the 20th of the month.
4. Report!!!!!!

### NEXT ISSUE

Deadline

April 20, 1971

MAIL TO:

Box 38499

Dallas, Tex. 75238

The temperature is rising so slowly, that AWTAR is in a stew.

We're four thousand strong,

So, ladies, what's wrong?

Help! Save them from this to-do!

The only way the Powder Puff Derby flies is on the contributions from us all.

Has your chapter helped the temperature rise?

If not, why don't you answer the call.



## CONVENTION NEWS



### "FUN IN '71" AIR RACE TO INTERNATIONAL 99'S CONVENTION IN WICHITA, KANSAS

Plan to fly the "Fun in '71" Air Race to the International 99's Convention in Wichita, Kansas, August 11th through 15th, 1971!

This is a loose race with tight rules — MANY PRIZES AND TROPHIES.

Race starts August 10th. TWO STARTING POINTS — WEST start at Albuquerque, New Mexico. EAST start at Indianapolis, Indiana.

RACE KITS AVAILABLE APRIL 1, 1971. Send 50¢ to:

Dottie Young  
6512 N.W. 20th Street Drive  
Bethany, Oklahoma 73008

Fill up your airplane with passengers! Fun for everyone aboard!



"Fun in '71" Air Race Committee: Front row left to right: SUSIE SEWELL and DOTTIE YOUNG, Oklahoma Chapter. Back row left to right: EDNA PAULSON, ELEANOR KNOTT and CHARLOTTE PARKER of the Kansas Chapter.



### ARKANSAS CHAPTER MARGUERITE NIELSEN, Reporter

Arkansas Chapter met at the home of RAMONIA SLOAT with five members attending; due to adverse weather, four members met in Little Rock and business was discussed by telephone. Business discussed was the AWTAR which starts in Calgary, Alberta July 5 terminating in Baton Rouge with a MUST STOP in Little Rock. RAMONIA SLOAT and CHARLENE POE will be flying a Comanche 260 in the race. VELMA HITE and MARGUERITE NIELSEN, past Powder Puff entrants, are undecided. RUTH GRAY and CARY HUNT are planning to fly a Cherokee.

The Ft. Smith Unit of Women's National Aeronautical Association met this week to discuss the 20th annual Skylady Derby which is to be flown in Arkansas this year with approximately 25 contestants entering. Planning to fly this year's Skylady are VELMA HITE, DELORES DEAM, CHARLENE POE, RAMONIA SLOAT, JEANI OLAIN, and MARGUERITE NIELSEN. The National Convention will be held in conjunction with the Skylady in North Little Rock.

This month has given us a lot of Happy Flying and Lovely Weather in the Ozarks and especially the Arkansas River Valley. DONNA HALE is the Happy owner of a Cessna 175. RAMONIA SLOAT has a 1966 Comanche 260 which she will be grooming for the Powder Puff. CHARLENE POE is keeping the new Bellanca in the air. Husband DR. MAC says he has to schedule the Bellanca a week or so ahead of time to fly.

### ALBUQUERQUE CHAPTER WANDA COTHRAN, Reporter

The Albuquerque Chapter introduces you to our newest member, BEVERLY STYES. She and 49½ GARY are the new owners of a twin Bonanza. BEV has her commercial license and an instrument rating, and is working on her multiple engine rating. She probably will have that before you read this newsletter.

She likes to sew, knit, play bridge, golf, hike, and camp. She is leader of two Girl Scout troops, a member of Welcome Wagon, Newcomers Club, and Chaparral Council of Girl Scouts. Now you other chapters stop being so jealous of our newest member.

At our last meeting at the home of LAURA MARIE WEBB, we had 14 members, 1 charter member of the 99's, NELLIE WILHITE, and 3 guests, FRAN SAVAGE, RITA ELLIOTT, and CLAUDIA BECKNER, a goodly number for our group. Would love to have some of our members come who haven't been for awhile.



JANE went on a jaunt. JANE saw many things. JANE had a good time. Who is JANE? JANE SPILLER, that is, with 49½ JOHN went "jaunting" in their Cessna 172 up and down the coast of Mexico for 6 weeks. She brought pictures of the trip to the last meeting to show us stay-at-homes some of the beauties of Mexico. I guess pictures are the next best thing to going.

#### **COLORADO CHAPTER FAY GREEN, Reporter**

This is my first attempt at writing a report for the 99 News. But, our reporter, DEEDO HEISE, is off wandering again this month so here I am.

Our meeting in March was held at the lovely home of DEEDO HEISE. We had a sumptuous Pot Luck Dinner and saw the movies that DR. HEISE took on their trip to Africa last fall.

EULALIA NICHOLS, along with the Aero Space Workshop, visited the High Altitude Chamber at Lowry on March 17.

JANE BLUE HOLLEMAN has a new (near new) 1968 Cessna Skylane 182. She is Colorado's flying Physical Therapist. Her business, Air Health Kare, serves many outlying communities in eastern Colorado.

We are busy planning our 3rd Poker Party for May 15. CINDY CARSON is chairman. CINDY has just opened an antique gift shop in Louisville, Colorado.

RUTH BAXTER, FAY GREEN, JEANIE DUNLAP, FREDDA LILLARD, MARILYN NORDSTROM, HELEN CHOUN, BARBARA GRIFFIN, DEEDO HEISE all helped with the FAA Rocky Mountain Aviation System Symposium on March 9 and 10. We found it very interesting and informative, and were glad to be of help.

We received a nice thank you note from DOROTHY CAMPBELL, El Cajon Chapter, for our help in bringing the parents of MARIA NEVERA to Denver for a visit with their daughter. As you may know, MARIA is being treated in Denver for a rare type of tuberculosis and the 99's assisted in bringing her here.

#### **DALLAS CHAPTER SUE ANDREWS, Reporter**

The highlight of this month was a grand tour of the American Airlines Flight Academy in Fort Worth. There were 16 Dallas Chapter members present. The official guide was CAPTAIN AL K. HALL, one of the senior captains with American. He started flying DC-2's, and is now Chief Flight Instructor for their 747 program. He is a 49½'er, and his wife, AULEEN, assisted in conducting the tour along with CAPTAIN BROWN. We saw their very modern classroom facilities, and all the various simulators. Most interesting were the cabin mock-ups where the crews practice all types of evacuation procedures which include ditching at sea using a large swimming pool next to the mock-ups. We also saw numerous rooms with computers which operate the simulators and the scenery which the camera scans for viewing by the pilot in the simulator. Nearly everyone had

a chance to "fly" a 707, which was an unforgettable experience. (My thanks to PEG ONG for this information.)

JERRY GLENNIE just got her multi-engine rating this month, and KATHY LONG and BARBARA POWELL earned their Flight Instructors' Ratings.

BETTY HUNDLEY just completed the Civil Air Patrol (North Dallas Squadron) FAA flight refresher course. It took 2 days, and was excellent. Three 99s were represented: BETTY, and two of the guest speakers were KATHY CASTON and HAZEL McKENDRICK.

The Oklahoma Chapter at Altus hosted 4 of our members. KATHY LONG, DOROTHY WARREN, HELEN WILKE, and PAT JETTON flew over for a meeting, and had the good fortune to tour the C-5A airplane, and try out the Air Force simulator. The gals decided on buying tooth brushes and staying over night rather than parting their way back home through that West Texas dust storm that blew in that day.

Our potential 99 of 1987 or so hit her ETA at 9:20 a.m. on February 19th. We welcome MARIANNE COBB.

KATHY LONG and HELEN WILKE just received their No. 3 for the Angel Derby. PAT JETTON and DOROTHY WARREN are also entered in the race flying a twin Comanche.

JAN WAHRER has included Ardmore, Houston, Lancaster, and Pylon in her most recent flying activities, and BARBARA POWELL has been up in Oklahoma in a Cherokee 6.

CAROL MORRIS had some helicopter time recently, while ELINOR JOHNSON is just tooting around locally with her new transponder. HAZEL and BERT CORRY just moved into their dream home in Mesquite. MARY and LEE KITCHENS recently hosted the board of directors of the Human Growth Organization who came from all over the USA.

HAZEL McKENDRICK will be our guest speaker at the March 99 meeting. She will be discussing the "Official Accident Report of the Flight of Icarus". It sounds most interesting, so do come! Congrats are in order as Hazel will be a new bride come April 3rd.

#### **EL PASO CHAPTER DELORIS DYVAD, Reporter**

Because of illness our reporter BARBARA BOOHER, who will be 18 years old the last of March, has not sent in news for the last issues of the Ninety Nine News, so Chapter Chairman EMMA UDOVICH has appointed DELORIS DYVAD as reporter for the remainder of the year.

Congratulations to RUTH DEERMAN for being appointed to the International Resolutions Committee.

January meeting was held at the home of NORMA KUDIESY, Treasurer. JACKY FAGIN, program chairman, provided a movie on short field landings.

Our March meeting was a luncheon held at the Sky Chef Dining Room at the El Paso International Airport.

#### **FORT WORTH CHAPTER CAROLYN MERRITHEW, Reporter**

The Fort Worth Chapter met for cocktails and dinner at the Fairway Steak House on March 8th. After a business meeting conducted by President, BETTY JO PARSONS, our speaker for the evening was introduced: MR. L. G. HARRIS, who showed slides and answered questions on the National Aero Club and its Airway Insurance. It was very informative for both those who own aircraft as well as those who fly rental aircraft.

We were all excited with BARBARA McEACHERN's news of her impending trip, March 29th to Oxford, England with her 49½'ER JIM. He will be working on assignment for General Dynamics for five months there. BARBARA had just started secretarial work with Aero Enterprises at Meachem Field. She hopes to get in some flying over Great Britain.

DIANE COON and her 49½'ER ROGER flew a Cherokee Six to San Angelo last month. There they visited Fort Concho, and stopped at Lowake for a delicious steak dinner enroute.

VERNA STUBBS flew to Laredo in a Bonanza, thus becoming current in this plane after 20 years.

TONY PAGE attended the meeting and reported she was busy at work meeting her March deadline of the Cross Country News.

EDNA G. WHYTE reports she has been busy with instructing at her Aero Valley Flight School. Her guests for the evening were MR. AND MRS. EUGENE POWERS. He is the airport manager of the Aero Valley Estates Airport.

CAROLYN MERRITHEW recently took a troop of Bluebirds (Junior Camp Fire Girls) on a tour of the airport. She offered to give an introduction to flying to them, but most mothers objected.

#### **GOLDEN TRIANGLE CHAPTER BRENDA STRICKLER, Reporter**

Hopefully, starting with this issue, our chapter news will no longer be kept a secret. We have been active and want to share our activities with you. Every one of our members has been traveling. ROZ KAY has been to Hawaii, Australia and New Zealand, SUE MADDOCK to Panama, Brazil, and Peru, BRENDA STRICKLER to Hawaii and Switzerland, NELDA VAUGHN to New Mexico and Louisiana, HELEN LANCASTER to Louisiana and Colorado, PENNY WHITE to south Texas, and VERA McNABB to Missouri.

In between flying with the airlines we have been flying our own airplanes too. VERA McNABB and her husband have just completed a major overhaul of the engine on their Cessna 140. VERA should be eligible to get her A&E by now as she really worked on that engine. ROZ KAY has bought BRENDA STRICKLER's Cessna 140A so we've kept that airplane in the family. FRANK and BRENDA have since bought an AT-6 and BRENDA is looking forward to flying it. NELDA VAUGHN flies her Cherokee 140 rapidly working toward her commercial check ride.



She has already passed her written exam. HELEN LANCASTER and her husband are the proud new co-owners of a Comanche 180. SUE MADDOCK received her multi-engine rating recently. SUE also had the dubious distinction of being our first member to fly a corpse for a local funeral home.

#### HOUSTON CHAPTER M. E. OLIVER Reporter

Heaven knows what kind of a News Letter we're in for this time with our genial editor being a new bride, unless she farmed the job out to someone with feet on terra firma. Actually, we're delighted and happy for HAZEL and hope she stays on CLOUD NINETY-NINE forever. And congratulations to the lucky guy; we hope the newlyweds will be in San Antonio for the spring sectional so we can meet the newest 49½, and see if he meets with our approval!

Our calendars are getting a workout just with 99's activities, not to mention our other interests... We chose the last Sunday in February to re-airmark Clover Field, and we airmarked Madisonville Airport in March... As we go to press we're scheduled to join our San Antonio sisters to air-mark Weimar this coming Saturday.

The first weekend in April we're having a rummage sale to raise funds for our depleted (whose isn't?) treasury.

Five dates in April have been scheduled for Houston 99's to fly what we might term Operation Bloodlift. We'll be moving whole blood from Austin to Houston to be processed for the Texas Hemophiliac Assn. within four hours from the time it is taken from donors at Texas U. This will be the first time this operation has been tried, and split-second timing will be required; THA advises us the necessary factors in the blood will deteriorate if not processed by the time limit.

Our March meeting at Aero-Tech featured an interest talk by SGT KEN CARLILE of the Houston Police Helicopter Patrol. But don't rush to be a police helicopter pilot, girls; KEN says to qualify you must first be a policeman for about 5 or 6 years. Guests at that meeting were LINDA TURK of Beaumont, who just picked up her Commercial ticket in February.

ALICE SEABORN has been getting time in the Cessna 182, saying that's what she'll be flying in the African Safara... MAYBELLE FLETCHER and her co-pilot MARY BYERS have been putting time on their plane, flying to Arkansas and Oklahoma, and getting it ready for the Derbies... MARILYN HOFFMAN expects to have her Commercial in time to fly the PPD if her instructor MARY ABLE can survive the ordeal... DELLE and GENE HIGHTOWER have been fun-flying to Ft. Worth and to Searcy, Ark. At Searcy they had to hurry and leave before the snow started, but DELLE says they were tempted to stay and get snowbound... M. E. OLIVER took her ground school class to visit Houston FSS and Hobby Tower last month and

participated in a CAP Pilot-Observer training session, as did GENE GONZALES.

#### NEBRASKA CHAPTER HEIDI UNDERWOOD, Reporter

Far too many things need to be done and winter weather isn't too conducive for committee and chapter meetings. The Nebraska Chapter has two big projects as has been previously mentioned — two AWTAR stops and our own air race.

MARY CONLEY, Omaha, Nebraska Air Race Chairman has been making the initial airport contact for our second annual race scheduled for Labor Day Weekend. The route, Lincoln-Sioux City, Iowa-Norfolk, NE-Lincoln, is shorter than last year's race which attracted 19 entries — two from out of state. (MARSHA COPELAND, Houston Chapter, third place winner and VIRGINIA MCKINNIS, Indiana Chapter, first place winner.)

Official endorsement is being sought from national and may be received by the time you read this. Entry kits are being prepared now and when available, announced through the 99 News.

Not only has progress been made on the Nebraska Air Race, but the AWTAR Lincoln "Must Stop" committee has been meeting regularly hoping to forsee all possible difficulties that might be encountered.

#### OMAHA AREA CHAPTER GEORGIANN RYNEARSON, Reporter

There was a day in February when the Omaha Area Chapter 99s could say, "Everything comes at once." BURTIS and DELL AUFENKAMP of Auburn and CLAUDINE and ED KEAN of Humboldt were off to Kearney for the Nebraska Flying Farmers convention, where BURTIS'S 49½, DELL, was elected president and CLAUDINE'S 49½, ED, became second vice president.

At the same time, BETTY JARVIS, LAVONNE TRIPP, HELEN EHRLICH, LU ULEMAN, INEZ STOCKER and GEORGIANN RYNEARSON headed for Lincoln to assist the Civil Air Patrol with their regional conference by taking charge of registration of members. Again, congratulations are in order. This time to HELEN EHRLICH, who was promoted to the rank of Lt. Colonel, after fifteen years of service in the C.A.P.



Registering members of the Civil Air Patrol at their regional conference in Lincoln. Standing are BETTY JARVIS and LUCILLE ULEMAN. Seated are INEZ STOCKER, GEORGIANN RYNEARSON, HELEN EHRLICH and LAVONNE TRIPP.



Omaha Area Chapter and Nebraska Chapter 99s who enjoyed an African safari via slides shown by PHYLLIS BARBER, Iowa Chapter 99, who flew the trip last summer. Back row, left to right, LUCILLE ULEMAN, MARTHA PURDY, VERDAYNE MENZE, GEORGIANN RYNEARSON, LAVONNE TRIPP, BETH HOUCHIN, ROSEMARY BLOCK. Front row, BETTY JARVIS, PHYLLIS BARBER, INEZ STOCKER.

In the evening the girls were joined by ROSEMARY BLOCK and VERDAYNE MENZE in hosting their husbands and the Stratus Seekers Flying Club at a pot-luck dinner. The highlight of the evening was PHYLLIS BARBER'S account of her African safari last summer illustrated by slides that she took. We all learned a new term, which PHYLLIS told us is used in South Africa to describe a certain weather condition — Q.B.I. — "Quite Bloody Impossible".

That incidentally, is the kind of weather we have been having in February.

#### SAN ANTONIO CHAPTER MARIAN BURKE, Reporter

The San Antonio 99 Chapter met at the TRAVELODGE MOTOR HOTEL Sat. March 13 to discuss final plans for the SPRING SECTIONAL. It's going to be a great meeting! Don't miss it!

After breakfast at the "TOWER" April 25th, a SAFETY MEETING will be conducted at the TRAVELODGE by MR. ERICK ANDRESON of the San Antonio GADO Office. He will be assisted by other FAA representatives. A FEW NOTES TO REVIEW BEFORE YOU LEAVE FOR SAN ANTONIO... If you are coming by AUTO and get lost after reaching San Antonio, remember the place you are going is the TRAVELODGE near the Court House in DOWNTOWN SAN ANTONIO. It's NEW so don't get directions to the wrong TRAVELODGE! The TRAVELODGE has a drive-in garage. Just drive in to the registration desk area. Leave your luggage in car. After you register attendant will tell you what floor to drive to. At that point a bell boy will meet you, take your luggage and escort you to your room. Also on reservations please remember... If you want two beds in your room specify so. If you register for two and say a double you may get one double bed only... If you want two beds ask for a



**DOUBLE-DOUBLE.** The rooms are all beautiful. You'll enjoy them.

If you are **FLYING IN** remember there will be transportation furnished by 99s and families from 12 O'clock till 6 O'clock. After you land at San Antonio International Airport ask ground control to direct you to **GENAERO**. Transportation and a great big San Antonio welcome will be waiting.

**SEE YA IN SAN ANTONIO APRIL 23, 24 AND 25!**

#### **SHREVEPORT CHAPTER KAY ALEXANDER, Reporter**

On February 26, Shreveport 99's and husbands enjoyed a Gumbo Party at the home of JOAN and DAVID CARROLL. JOAN'S Cadette Girl Scout Troop participated in the Pelican Council Senior Fair. The troop had as its project an aviation booth.

Welcome aboard to **MARY FRIDAY**, our chapter's newest member. **MARY** and 49½ **DON** are the proud owners of a new Citabria.

**EVELYN SNOW** recently passed her commercial written with a really high score. Congratulations, **EVELYN**!

Shreveport 99's are making plans to attend the South Central Sectional in San Antonio in April.

Our chapter's March meeting was held in the new home of **KAY ALEXANDER**. **MR. BENNIE VOSS**, FAA Safety Man, presented a most informative program. **MRS. VOSS** — **MARY JO** — who is also a pilot, was our guest.

Shreveport 99's are busy finalizing plans for the Angel Derby Air Race, which has chosen our city as a stopover.

#### **TULSA CHAPTER DAISY DIMWIT, Reporter**

Our February meeting was held at Tulsa in preparation for a tour of the Tower. **CAROL BROWN** flying her Cessna Skyhawk came in from Skiatook. **MARY STEWART** flew in from Independence, Kansas in her Cessna 150, **NANCY TEEL** flew from Joplin in her 250 Comanche bringing with her **MARILYN HARDING** new member, **CHRISTY HERRIN** prospective member, and **NANCY'S DAUGHTER DIANE TEEL**. **NANCY TEEL** had just attended a Flight Instructors Clinic in Hot Springs the 16th, 17th, and 18th of Feb. with the Neosho Flying Service.

**BETTY PRITCHARD** flew from Miami towards Topeka using as her navigator a male type pilot friend. They found Ottawa. Moral: Male navigators not always the best kind.(?)

**JAN MAURITSON** and **DON** are planning a flight to Monterrey Mexico for a weekend with friends. Our Tour of the Tulsa International Airport Control Tower and Radar facility was assisted by several swell and cooperative people, three of whom acted as guides and answerers of innumerable questions.

Word has just reached us that **SUZANNE BRICKNER** and 49½ **ER TED** were involved in a plane crash on a trip to Mexico,

our latest report was March 15th. **JAN MAURITSON** co-owner of the **TRAVEL-AIRE** talked to **SUZANNE** by Phone and we are happy to report the injuries to the **BRICKNERS** and the other couple although fairly serious were not critical.

**SEE YOU ALL IN SAN ANTONIO !!!**



Tulsa Chapter members in radar room during tour of Tulsa International's Terminal Radar Facility. One of 23 such centers in the U.S.

#### **WICHITA FALLS CHAPTER NAN PARK, Reporter**

THIS CHAPTER has had a busy few weeks. We met on February 25, 1971 in the home of our Chairman, **LOU ELLEN FOSTER**, at 7:30 P. M., with a dual purpose meeting; first and foremost the purpose was to address invitations for the Spring Safety Seminar; secondly we had a full meeting business wise. Following the addressing session, Chairman **LOU ELLEN FOSTER** called the business meeting to order with **RUTH RENTON**, **MARILYN O'NEIL**, **ELAINE EDWARDS**, **LOU ELLEN FOSTER**, **BETTY ALLISON**, **VIRGINIA HOLMES**, **ELEANOR IRVINE** and **NAN PARK** answering roll call. (**SHIRLEY WESBROOKS**, not present bodily, but verbally via the telephone.) The business meeting portion passed motions to make contributions to the Wichita Kansas Chapter for the International Convention Fund and also a contribution to the Powder Puff Derby Fund. Final order of business for the night was election of officers for the coming year. Elected were: Chairman, **BETTY ALLISON**; Vice-Chairman, **ELEANOR IRVINE**; Secretary, **RUTH RENTON**; Treasurer, **ELAINE EDWARDS**. **LOU ELLEN** served several pots of coffee to go with the generous array of snacks she always has prepared for us. She knows we work better with full coffee cups and munching continually!

The Spring Special Pilot Seminar was held on March 4, 1971 in the Clipper Room of the Trade Winds Motor Hotel from 7:30 to 9:30 P. M. This Chapter and the Red River Squadron of Civil Air Patrol were joint hosts. We were privileged to have an excellent program presented by **DALTON HOFFMAN M.D.**, Assistant Regional Flight Surgeon, H. B. **GOWIN**, Accident Prevention Specialist, Ft. Worth General Aviation District Office, **JOHN H. VAUGHAN**, Supervising Inspector, Ft. Worth G. A. D. O. and **WILLIAM BERKEBILE**, Regional Chief Accident Prevention Specialist.



#### **ALASKA CHAPTER JAN PESSEL, Reporter**

At the March meeting we were busy finalizing our plans for the Pinch-Hitter course to be held March 24-29. The plans look great and we are hoping for a good turn out.

About the only person who has been doing any flying lately is our new member **PAT BRUNQUIST**. **PAT**, who was the recipient of the 99 scholarship last fall, passed her check ride and received her private pilots license on February 15th. Our congratulations to you, **PAT**.

One of the reasons that we don't have more members flying in the winter is the amount of work involved in getting airborne as reported by Chairman **BLANCHE KRAGER** in the following article:

"This is how it is trying to fly in the winter in Alaska **LOU WICKS**, and all the rest of you Gals who have asked. We equip our planes with main skis and a tail ski, and when the plane is on the ground we put on wing covers, a windshield cover, and wrap the engine with an insulated cover. Inside the cowl a preheater is placed, which is turned on several hours or overnight before we anticipated flight to warm the engine and oil. I keep a quart of oil warming on the top of the furnace in my



Winter wrappings on **BLANCHE KRAGER** and her Super Cub.



Chairman **BLANCHE KRAGER** and her copilot.



house and therefore always have a quart of oil to pour in when needed. A pair of snowshoes for each occupant is tied on to the wing struts and I carry 50 pounds of survival gear, an Emergency Locator Beacon, and 4 down sleeping bags on all winter flights."

#### **COLUMBIA-CASCADE CHAPTER MARION BUSBY, Reporter**

It's been some time since my chapter has reported — so here goes (new Reporter, you see!)

First of all, Greetings to all our sister Northwest Section Chapters and to Ninety-Nines wherever you are.

DOROTHY MERCER is our new Chairman. LEA PARK remains as keeper of the money. ETHELYN OPHEIM is Vice-Chairman.

LILLIAN LEWIS is on the brink of getting her Instrument.

BY THE WAY, NORTHWEST SECTION'S FALL SECTION MEETING WILL BE HELD IN PORTLAND, OREGON, HOSTED BY OUR COLUMBIA-CASCADE CHAPTER, ON SEPTEMBER 10 THROUGH 12, 1971. JO-NEAL HARRIS is General Chairman for the event, and her committees are hard at work — yep! even an air race is being planned.

DR. VIRGINIA GILLILAND, our "retired" member who works four days a week at a local clinic, is working diligently on an Instrument Rating (wow! if that's "retirement", I think I'll keep working).



Oregon Wing Commander, CAP, presenting certificate to JO CLARRIDGE, of Columbia-Cascade Chapter, NW Section, "in recognition of dedicated public service and support of the Civil Air Patrol... JUANITA JO CLARRIDGE is hereby appointed a member of the Oregon Wing Advisory Council."

#### **EASTERN IDAHO CHAPTER DARLENE SCHIERS, Reporter**

In February we met at the Colonial Inn, Blackfoot, for lunch, then on to the DIANE JEX home for a meeting and the showing of the film "Come Fly With Me, Darlene". Our governor, MARY KILBOURNE, was the projectionist, with the able assistance of ELAINE PARTRIDGE. Others attending were: PAT DUKICH, DIANE JEX, ONITA HOFF, PAT CHASE, BEVERLY LEDBETTER, DARLENE SCHIERS, CAROLE DEPUE, and guests HELEN HALES and a recent flying scholarship winner from I. S. U., VERA NEWBY.

MARY KILBOURNE and her husband,

GRANT, have been touring Mexico for five weeks. They fished at San Carlos, near Guaymas, traveled to Mexico City by way of Puerto Vallarta, played golf at La Mansion, drove back through Monterey and New Laredo to Texas, then home.

CAROLE DEPUE has been in Las Vegas for a week attending a flight instructor's revalidation course given by the A. O. P. A. and the F. A. A.

We have been invited to attend a Literary Club meeting at Malad to talk about flying and to try to encourage more interest among the women — more about that next time.

Our next meeting will be at MARY KILBOURNE'S home in Pocatello.

#### **EASTERN WASHINGTON CHAPTER ALBERTA ANDERSON, Reporter**

March has arrived in full wintry force after a comparatively mild winter, with our ski areas reporting the most snow they have had all winter long. Instead of picking a good day for flying, we are playing it by the hour, with severe storms moving in and out at great speeds.

Nevertheless, there was a good turnout for our meeting at Fairchild Air Force Base where many new members viewed for the first time just what benefits we derive from Rapcon. Many members are recuperating from various ski accidents with some flying again.

TERRY BECKER reports attending a N.W. Aviation Symposium in Seattle and having the opportunity to take a ride in the F.A.A. Verdigo flight Simulator. Several members are reporting back in from winter vacations — LYGIE and CORNIE HAGAN are home from Reno-Tahoe and Colorado Springs; MINNIE and CARL BOYD from Palm Springs; MILLIE and SHIRL SHINN from Seattle and Vancouver, B.C.; IRENE and HARRY ANRODE from Sun Valley; HELEN and BOB SHANEWISE from Sun Valley; ALBERTA and ROD ANDERSON from Scottsdale, Arizona, Cabo San Lucas and Mazatlan, Mexico where weather was ideal as well as fishing.

We are all looking forward to April and Spring with much enthusiasm as many flying activities have been scheduled.

#### **FAR WEST CHAPTER BARBARA LaRUE, Reporter**

After a winter of very little good flying weather, we found the magic formula for our February meeting in Bellingham. We arrived full of exuberance and good will; how nice to be airborne again!

It was great to get together again and find out all the exciting things the members were doing. LYNNE MAHLBERG was able to join us for a few minutes, but had to hurry back to her new job as administrative secretary at Whatcom Com-

munity College. She finds it very exciting to be working in this newly developing adjunct to the educational scene in the area.

JO BURKHART is busy turning out articles for various magazines and newspapers, under the pen name of JOANN ROE, so watch for them. She often has articles in flying magazines as well as others. The BURKHARTS are also expecting five Appaloosa foals between March 1st and April 15th, so is it any wonder she has had time for only local flying? They recently installed all sorts of goodies in their 182 for instrument flight, including a transponder, so we will be looking for more "Places to Fly" articles from JO.

Over on the Peninsula we find MARGARET LAYTON, MARY KOCHANNEK, JEAN RUTZ, and ELENE DUNCAN enrolled in the instrument ground school course at Peninsula College in Port Angeles. MARY KOCHANNEK has passed her written commercial and her eldest son, DAVE, has passed his private written.

MARGARET and DICK LAYTON flew to Lake Havasu, Arizona, in January and liked it so well, they bought a lot.

ELENE and DR. DUNCAN have just returned from a trip to Hawaii.

#### **GREATER SEATTLE CHAPTER KATHLYN STEARNS, Reporter**

PAMELA HOLM was hostess for our March meeting, and we were all happy to welcome KAYE DENNIS into membership in GREATER SEATTLE Chapter of 99's. It was really exciting to hear about VIRGINIA NASTUIK'S trip that she and husband BILL took to San Juan, P.R. in their Cessna 182. VIRGINIA had obtained her Instrument rating just two days before they left Seattle on Dec. 16, and to quote her "we couldn't have made it if we had not had this rating".

Taking route of Seattle, Caldwell, Idaho, Los Alamos, N. Mexico, they had their first IFR approach into Wiley Post Airport, Oklahoma and subsequently made frequent IFR approaches. After an overnight stay in Miami, they flew to Nassau, refueled, then to So. Caicos for another fuel stop. VIRGINIA said, "at first all that water was frightening, but when we realized that we were flying over islands almost all the way we relaxed and enjoyed the beauty of the ocean color and reefs and sand patterns under the water." Flying from So. Caicos to San Juan they found that the Vortac at Grand Turk was out of order, with their destination 300 n.m. ahead and getting dark. When radio contact was finally made to San Juan they were only "8" off center line" — very good indeed! The glow of lights at San Juan was a welcome sight. After six days at San Juan, they flew back to Miami by way of Great Inagua Island — four days in Miami then back to Seattle on Jan. 5. What a fabulous trip, and all of us weather-bound pilots wish we could have gone too.

**Come Fly  
The Friendly Skies  
of the F.A.I.R.**





Members of Greater Seattle Chapter who assisted with registration at FAA Symposium held in Seattle, at Washington Plaza Hotel, Feb. 23 and 24 were L. to R.: BETTY KRAMER, IONA FUNK, JOYCE HARDING, CHARLOTTE KAMM and BETTY DENNEY.

#### IDAHO CHAPTER EULA LOGSDON, Reporter

The Idaho Chapter were greatly honored at our March meeting with a visit from our Northwest Section Governor, MARY KILBOURNE, who flew in from Pocatello for our meeting on March 10th. Besides a nice visit with her, she gave us a brief resume of future Sectional dates and events. Our meeting was held at Karcher Mall with JACQUE BATT as hostess. In attendance were JACQUE BATT, ELOISE STOVER, HILDA ELLIOTT, FRAN BROWN, JANET WATKINS, FLORENCE WATKINS, GENE NORA JESSEN, and EULA LOGSDON, and guests MARY KILBOURNE and FRANKIE CLAYTON.

Plans were discussed for our "Safe Sky Safari" which is scheduled for June 26th in Boise at the Rodeway Inn. This will be a one-day Seminar and Chairman GENE NORA reported she has some very top names in Aviation lined up as speakers. We hope lots of neighboring 99s will plan their weekend early so they can attend.

Last month we reported that FLORENCE WATKINS' daughter JANET was our newest member, and now FLORENCE tells us she has two more daughters who are ready to join too: PATTY WATKINS received her license on January 30th, and younger sister SHARON has just received hers.

We have just learned that one of our members, LYN CLARK, has been chosen as one of the Northwest Section's candidate for the Amelia Earhart Scholarship.

CAROL EVE from the Australian Section visited in Boise last month.

#### MONTANA CHAPTER JUDY McCRUM, Reporter

Fourteen members, one member from the South Dakota Chapter, and four guests met at Executive Aviation in Missoula for the March Montana Ninety-Nines meeting. Among those present were MARY



DOROTHY GARR, guest, PAT ROEMER, and MARGE ROLLE.



Members at Montana's meeting, PAT JOHNSON, MARGARET TUXILL, MARY STEVENSON, and MYRA HETTINGER.

STEVENSON, JIMMIE KUHN, MYRA HETTINGER, MARGE ROLLE, PAT ROEMER, JOY LUECK, and HENRIETTA PERRI, all of Missoula; MARGARET TUXILL, Shook; PAT JOHNSON, Helena, who drove in the night before with 49½er, PAT; KARIN RIBI drove from Hamilton; KAY WIDMER, Bozeman, flew the 182 with 49½er, GIB; JULI PEDEN and JUDY McCRUM flew in from Billings via Northwest 727.

Guests included BETTE McCLINTICK, who works for the F.A.A. in Missoula, MARY O'BRIEN, student pilot and LINDA LARSON, all from MSO. DOROTHY

GARR, Butte, came with her sister, PAT ROEMER. CAROL RAYBURN, South Dakota Chapter member now from MSO was also there. ELIZABETH TIMM from Polson met with everyone at the airport but had to leave due to a school conflict.

In the absence of Chairman JOAN ORLEY and Vice-Chairman HELEN DUNLOP, JUDY McCRUM presided at the luncheon meeting (JULI said I talked more than she did) held at "Dr. Jekyle's and Mr. Hyde's" in downtown MSO. Other than a little competition from a juke box the meeting was held and following it was a style show for lady pilots hosted by member HENRIETTA PERRI. Among her models was MARY STEVENSON'S daughter-pilot, GWEN.

#### MT. TAHOMA CHAPTER MARY LYMAN KIRK, Reporter

The Mt. Tahoma Chapter held their February meeting in Olympia and entertained the following visitors: GRACE HOSKINS, PAULINE ROBINSON, ALICE ARNESEN, IRENE PIER, MARTI BAKER and ELEANOR KEES. All are either pilots or working toward that goal. We also had the pleasure of taking in a new member — JEAN FREEBURG (MRS. JAMES) of Port Orchard.

The March meeting was held in Tacoma and material was selected for our jackets which will boast the "99" emblem. LORETTY PRETTYMAN'S mother MARGARET BITTNER is going to make them for us.

Plans were also made to register pilots at the Spring Bird Clinic to be held at Barlow's in Parkland, Washington on April 17. The one-day affair is sponsored by local operators, the Aviation Committee of the local Chamber of Commerce, the FAA and the Washington State Aeronautics Commission.

The Olympia girls reported on the work they have been doing with the Jr. High Tumwater Girl Scouts. The girls are all working for their First Class award and are being assisted by our girls in obtaining their aviation and weather badges. During spring vacation the girls plan a barbecue and plane-washing party at BETTY PORTNOY'S. Some people will do anything to get their plane washed.

JESSIE WOODS reported she won a 30-minute flight instruction certificate and passed it on to TROVE FISCHER in Olympia in the interest of creating more women pilots.

#### SOUTHERN OREGON CHAPTER ALINE SHARP, Reporter

Our March meeting was a spaghetti feed at your reporters home in Grants Pass, where we welcomed Chairman MAXINE PIKE back from Mexico. MAXINE, sporting a gorgeous tan, told of much fun. How can you miss with the men doing the cooking for a month; the lobster, crab and oysters in abundance; the clams in such supply it took only minutes to dig enough for their party of eight. One of the joys of the trip for 49½ER LEONARD was



the beauty of the Mexican children, their soft brown eyes ecstatic when he dug into his well stocked box to find candy and trinkets for them.

We didn't have fly-in weather for the meeting, but the few of us who drove, MAXINE, SHIRLEY HAUSSLER, RUTH OLIVER, HERMION CLOWER as a guest and myself, discussed table favors, goody-bag fillers and duties coupled with having our Northwest Sectional in September. We did some planning toward the marking of the airstrip at Prospect, Oregon which we hope to accomplish as soon as the weather permits. We made an all-out resolve to become 100% APT, also as soon as the weather permits.

If you get the impression we don't have much news, and that we are hampered by bad weather and can hardly wait for spring, you are soooooo right!

#### **WESTERN WASHINGTON CHAPTER** **PRISCILLA COOK, Reporter**

Spring has sprung and with it some interesting trips and events.

BOB and MARION MORTON in a Cessna 172 along with LES and ILOVENE POTTER in their Piper Aztec and DON and NONI HALL in their Cessna 180 just returned from ten days in Mexico.

PAT McGEE spoke at the Green River Chapter of the Washington Pilots Association in Auburn in January. Her topic was Women in Aviation. The men in the chapter were very interested in giving their wives a woman's point of view on flying. Most of the men hoped their wives would become enthusiastic enough to start taking flying lessons!

JOANN OSTERUD WENT TO DISNEYLAND WHERE SHE WAS AWARDED THE DORIS MULLEN WHIRLY-GIRLS SCHOLARSHIP FOR 1971.

#### **WILLAMETTE VALLEY CHAPTER** **JAN AMUNDSON, Reporter**

The February meeting of the Willamette Valley Chapter was held in Corvallis, in the lovely new home of Chairman ROSETTA VENNEL. The members in attendance were JANE CAPRIZZI, CHARMIAN BYERS-JONES, BEV SAXON, MARIE HOVLAND, LOU WICKS, JAN AMUNDSON, and guest VERDA GIUSTINA, a student pilot from Eugene. Helicopter rides had been planned for all the members but were postponed so that the pilot could help get a plane out of a muddy field. We didn't mind, as long as it had been a male pilot that had landed there.

Following lunch a business meeting was held. A discussion was held concerning the Powder Puff Derby, and plans were made to hold a luncheon to honor all women in aviation in our area. We feel that it would be a good chance to tell people about the Ninety-Nines as well as a chance to meet new students and pilots that may have recently moved to our area. LOU WICKS and JAN AMUNDSON will plan the details and inform all the members where they will be needed.

News of our roving members included

BETTY AND BRUCE STARKER, who are vacationing in Kona, Hawaii. BONNIE and BRAD BRADFORD are still enjoying Mexico, and since we seem to have winter again, they had better not hurry home. LOU WICKS announced that she is on the Lay Advisory Board for the Air Technology Department at Lane Community College. And the rest of us are waiting for the warm flying days just around the corner so that we too can "get away from it all".

#### **WYOMING CHAPTER** **MABEL BLAKELY, Reporter**

Winter weather and a series of members personal problems have been the reasons for postponing the February and March meetings three times. The Winter weather is unusual, because we usually don't get that until the first day of Spring, so we're planning our next meeting for that day.

Very pleased to report the attainment of a Commercial license by your reporter, MABEL BLAKELY. Intensive training was the word for the last two weeks of January, as credit for passing the written exam was to expire on January 31st. Why do we always wait till the last minute? NIKKI WEAVER, Wyoming Chapter's first Commercial Pilot, is now working toward her Instructor's rating.

Renewed the acquaintance of two 99s when they flew in the 2nd annual Lander to Jackpot Nevada Air Race Feb. 21st, with \$1125.00 in Cash prizes to be awarded by CACTUS PETE. MARGE MITCHELL of Plainview, Texas, flying a Bellanca Viking, of course, won the race for her class. VIRGINIA HUIDEKOPER from Wilson, Wyoming took the opportunity to distribute complimentary copies of the Jackson Hole News, of which she is co-publisher.



### **SOUTHWEST SECTION**

#### **ALAMEDA COUNTY CHAPTER** **ELEANOR ALFORD, Reporter**

A very special meeting was held in March. Golden West and Alameda County Chapters met at the Pan Am Training Center at the San Francisco International Airport for an evening of instruction. MR. ED JOHNSON of Pan Am was our host for the evening. ELLIE JONES of our chapter and LORETTA GABRIELSON of Golden West were responsible for this joint meeting which proved a great success.

Pan Am training films were shown. We were most impressed by the film of the test flights of the huge Boeing 747. Also a film was shown of landings at Hong Kong—one of the most difficult airports to land at in the world.

A tour of the facility included a view of the stewardess' room, class rooms, and a tour of a 707 plane. The highlight of the evening was a ride in a 707 simulator. When our instructor put the trainer into a stall,

we could feel and hear the shuddering reaction of the plane.

May 2, is the date of the Livermore Airshow, and it promises to be one of the great flying events of the year. Our chapter will be out there again with colorful booth.

#### **ALOHA CHAPTER** **JANE KELLEY, Reporter**

Thanks to the F.B.O. rules and (hopefully) the common sense of most Hawaiian pilots, night flying is rare amongst our accomplishments. Take off from Honolulu International Airport, turn out over the deep blue Pacific on a moonless night, and you're instantly IFR—like it or not! No roads, freeways, towns or farms below to guide you, and ships at sea are identical to stars in the sky. Thus, Aloha Chapter members especially appreciated a demonstration of night visual perception recently given at Barber's Point Naval Air Station under the very able leadership of LT. JACK GREER. The excellent program also included a film on ejection techniques, pressure breathing, demonstrations of the latest in over-water survival equipment, and a film taken in their Low Pressure Chamber. We were allowed to enter the Chamber, but time did not permit our being taken "up



ROSEMARIE and WALLY BURKETT with their newly arrived Beech Debonaire, named "George."

to altitude". Oh well...those of us who have recently been skiing atop Hawaii's 13,000 Ft. Mauna Kea feel we've already had a good introduction to hypoxia!

It arrived! The long-awaited Beech Debonaire, purchased by ROSEMARIE and WALLY (49½) BURKETT, was safely ferried from Calif. with gas and oil to spare. "GEORGE", as N580K is named, was delivered to the BURKETTES by smiling VIRGINIA and ED (49½) SEEVERS (owners of a Debonaire named "DEBBY"), complete with a pink Lei draped around the spinner! ROSEMARIE and WALLY are frantically polishing, waxing, and mopping up drool—because we all envy them!

#### **BAKERSFIELD CHAPTER** **FLORENCE MOODY, Reporter**

Kern County Aviation Systems sponsored an awards dinner. Among many groups interested in aviation Bakersfield Chapter 99's was also honored. Our award reads, "COMMENDATION PRESENTED BY KERN COUNTY AIRPORTS DEPARTMENT TO



JUDI FAULSTICK, CHAIRMAN BAKERSFIELD CHAPTER 99's, 1971, AND TO ALICE PEMBERTON, CHARTER MEMBER, IN RECOGNITION AND APPRECIATION OF A MOST PERSONABLE GROUP OF LADIES UNEQUALLED IN COMMUNITY SPIRIT AND EFFORT WITH AN AERONAUTICAL AFFINITY AND ATTRACTIVENESS THAT ENDEARS THEM TO THE INDUSTRY AND TO ALL OF THOSE THAT THEY SERVE. SIGNED, W. A. DRUM, AVIATION DIRECTOR."

LORETTA GRANT proudly announces four new members: MAUDE OLDERSHAW, LAVERNE BILLINGSLEY, JOY VOELKERS, and CHARLENE MACKESSY. MAUDE crews for husband VERNE whose hobby is sail planing. LAVERNE is back at ground school where she and MAXINE TURNER are studying instrument flying. LAVERNE and 49½ often fly to Kern Valley, then take their old car to the cabin at Greenhorn Mountain. JOY is now checking out in their Aztec. She and DR. VOELKERS flew to Alaska last summer.

ACHSA HOLFELDER and EDNA LONG plan to attend the meeting of the Southern California Wing of the OX5 club in Santa Monica. Isn't that kind of telling their age?

ALICE PEMBERTON reports that she traveled via Air France to Iran for thirty-five days' visiting her children and grandchildren.

#### BAY CITIES CHAPTER KATHY MARQUARDT, Reporter

Bay Cities Chapter celebrated their 39th anniversary with a luncheon at Allied Arts in Menlo Park. It is staffed by volunteers and all profits go to the Stanford Children's Convalescent Hosp. While it wasn't a fly-in, JOYCE WELLS flew down from Marin Co. While there we picked up a special prize for the Spring Sectional. If you don't come to Santa Rosa you will miss out on a chance at something really nice. Curious??? See you May 7-9th.

Somehow I slipped up in my notes and didn't mention that we were very pleased to have CAROL EVE, Australian Section, visit our Jan. meeting. CAROL was over here working and touring the country and even though our Jan. meeting is traditionally a business meet, we made time to enjoy her visit.

GAIL LANE is currently on a Lions V.I.L. Tour of the South Pacific. While gone she and 49½ER FIELDING will visit Samoa, Fiji, Australia, New Zealand, and Tahiti. Also in the South Pacific on a three week vacation is ROSE SHARP WITH HER 49½ER DONALD. They are seeing the sights in Hawaii.

CAROLINE SCHUTT recently took a weekend trip to Mexico with her flying club in Oakland. They took advantage of the four day holiday for a very nice trip. CAROLINE had a delay along the way—seems as though she had to wait for a part for her trusty Bonanza. When they arrived they had a wonderful time.

#### COACHELLA VALLEY CHAPTER JEAN PATANE, Reporter

Mission accomplished. After nine months of negotiating, planning and collecting, the Coachella Valley Chapter 99's assisted by members of the Palm Springs Police Aero Squadron, the Dilapidated Flight Service and other flying enthusiasts, airmarked PALM SPRINGS EL.448 in beautiful big sixty foot letters and numbers on the parallel taxiway in front of the Terminal at Palm Springs Municipal Airport.

This reporter, due to the fact that I can juggle my time, started last May to get approval of the various city commissions to do the airmarking. In September it was finally approved, but the city couldn't afford the paint so we had to start a bit of fund raising. Two anonymous donations of \$50.00 each was a good start followed by a donation from Gates Aviation, (\$25.00), a fifty dollar donation from our newest member ROSELLA KIBBEE, donations from other members and half of the profits from the Christmas party sponsored jointly by the Palm Springs Police Aero Squadron and the 99's we had a grand total of \$300.00.

The city sold us the paint at their cost and on bright, sunny Sunday morning February 21st we started at 6:30 and finished a little after 1:00 P.M.

BETTY KUECHLE, who with 49½ER BILL vacationing from Minnesota, joined the fun along with NICK & ILIA MAE CAROSELL, ROSELLA KIBBEE, ART & CONNIE WOOLSTON, SCOTTY and JEANNE SCOTT, CLIFF CHRISTOPHER, HUGH KAPTUR, LOUIE & GARNETT STOCKTON, GEORGE & BETTY MANLEY, FORREST CAMPBELL, STIG BOCKER, BOB DeLUNA, HIRAM GORDON, BELDEN CRIST, AL ADAMS and LEONARD & CLARA COOMBS. It was a great day for the 99's. Our next project is Desert Center and then Blythe, at the request of Riverside County. They furnish everything for us. Yucca Valley also wants our services. We will be busy having fun for a few Sundays.

PAT POLEN recently received her flight instructor rating and with her sister RITA, they're not yet twenty, are busy collecting shirt tails and skirt tails at their parents



Aerial photo by Don Landells—Landells Aviation—taken from his helicopter shows the taxiway, runway and Terminal building, Palm Springs Airport.

Las Palmas Flight Service at Thermal Airport.

New member ROSELLA KIBBEE and HUSBAND ROY recently moved to Bermuda Dunes from Orange County, buying a home on the airport where they hanger his 182 and her 150 in their back yard. They retired after building up a successful trailer manufacturing business. ROY is a retired Marine Corp pilot too. In the past year we have increased our membership by six. Happy day.

#### LAST FLIGHT

Bob Sanders, 49½er of Dottie Sanders.

All of us who have been flagged off by Bob in passed "Derbys" will be saddened by this news.

#### EL CAJON VALLEY CHAPTER BOO CHRISTENSEN, Reporter

Welcome to Flight 99 and welcome aboard the ECV Chapter to newest members HELEN McGEE and to JUNE O'NEILL. It is a pleasure to also include as Road Runners BARBARA HILL and LOIS LACOSKY.

Those that attended the Hawthorne, Nev. Fly-In continue to brag about the huge trout from Walker Lake. MARGARET WALTON, Flying Activities Chm. had announced that the Feb. Flight would be pleasurable, with success in prize winning trout. (The 8-lb-ers brought cash reward to V. CHAMBERS and C. TAYLOR). The reply to the thank you sent the El Capitan Lodge netted an extended invitation and Palomar is planning 2 flights. For March Fly-In, MARGARET teamed with Airmarking Chm. LILLIAN DOWNS. The strip at Warner Springs will be identified before the Resort's activities are enjoyed, including the RON. Pilots MARGE BROWN, DOT CAMPBELL, VI CHAMBERS, LYNN COULTHARD, DORIS RICHEY, BETTY WHARTON were joined by J. BUSSY, L. BRIGGS, H. McGEE, D. SANDERS, D. WATTS, B. CHRISTENSEN, ISABELLE McCRAE.

Plans for the Pacific Air Race to be held Oct. 2 and 3 continue to progress. LYNN COULTHARD, D. SANDERS flew with MARIAN BANKS to Salinas to meet with JOAN AIELLO, Monterey Chapter. Gillespie Field is the start; Salinas the terminus; BFL is the intermediate stop; JUDY FAULSTICK Chairman.

JEAN BUSSY was hostess at the March meeting. Speaker was TOM MOONEY, FBO at Montgomery Field (Gibbs). The film Bonanza West included footage of Wickenburg, a previous fly-in, which brought interesting comparisons.

Flight Flurries: ISABELLE McCRAE exercising 71P by flying family to LAS; LEA BECHT exposing hubby to grand fun of flying; the BREISE'S luncheon hops to Catalina; the TAYLORS showing newcomers in the area a smog-free view of Catalina from the Queen Mary at 3000 ft.

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#### Calendar of Events

#### Wednesday, August 11 (or Tuesday, August 10 for early arrivals)

AIR CAPITAL AIR RACE (A tight race with loose rules.)

East from Indianapolis, Indiana

West from Albuquerque, New Mexico

Finish Deadline: 3:00 p.m. Wednesday, August 11,  
Municipal Airport, Wichita, Kansas

8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Registration  
8:00 p.m. - 10:30 p.m. Informal Party and Race Trophy Presentations

#### Thursday, August 12

7:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Registration  
7:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Chairman's Coffee  
Continental Breakfast and Convention Welcome  
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon Tour — Cessna Aircraft Company  
12:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. Luncheon, Cessna Activity Center — Host: Cessna Aircraft  
2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Guests of McConnell Air Force Base  
7:30 p.m. - Buffalo Barbecue — Social Hour and Dinner  
Country Home of Owen and Pat McEwen

#### Friday, August 13

7:00 a.m. - 7:45 a.m. Continental Breakfast  
8:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Convention Business Meeting  
12:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. Amelia Earhart Scholarship Luncheon, Wichita Country Club  
Beech Aircraft Corporation, Olive Ann Beech, Hostess  
2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Tour of Beech Aircraft Corporation  
7:30 p.m. - Safari Night — Social Hour and Dinner  
Country Home of Todd and Mary Aikins

#### Saturday, August 14

7:00 a.m. - 7:45 a.m. Continental Breakfast  
8:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon Convention Business Meeting (Continued)  
12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Governor's Luncheon  
2:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Free afternoon to see Wichita and to shop  
7:00 p.m. - "Aviation Leaders" Banquet — Century II Civic Center

#### Sunday, August 15

6:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast  
Transportation to Airport  
Weather Briefing — Municipal Airport

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## **GOLDEN WEST CHAPTER** **KIMBER ROTHANS, Reporter**

Git along old Paint, we're headin' for the last dead-line. Feels funny writing my last news letter to all you cousins of the skies. But time and other responsibilities are cornering me into resigning as news reporter. I'll miss it.

Looking for a quaint spot to set down your wings for a week-end? If you haven't already, try Solvaang, Calif., just over the hill to the east from Vandenburg A.F. base. The airport manager is also the gas boy, local guide, rent-a-car salesman, unicom operator, ad infinitum, and he's also pleasant to chat with. His smile turned hard however, when he informed us that the reason we were not answered on the unicom channel upon arrival was the theft of that equipment (to the tally of \$40,000) recently. "But I'll get 'em," he promised. "It may take time but I personally will get 'em." Playing busy beaver at San Carlos airport is TONI KUHNS who has chalked up 80 tours to date of the world of aviation. Her one hour tour begins with a youth-oriented film strip "A Flight to Grandmother's"—which explains the functions of the helicopter, jet, and air taxi. With this info fresh in their minds, TONI allows the youngsters to each sit in a single engine craft, where they usually vigorously operate the yoke accompanying themselves with "Brrrrmm, we're off!" Next they take a hands-off tour through the control tower, where, hopefully, the whole idea of flight operations falls neatly into perspective.

## **FRESNO CHAPTER** **LOIS BEELER, Reporter**

Due to adverse and unsettled weather in the San Joaquin Valley during the winter months there have been no fly-aways or other activities per se scheduled for the Fresno 99's. However, BEVERLY MARTIN and her 49½, DAVE, and KATHIE MULLER and her 49½, CARL, did manage to get up and out to go to Mazatlan, Mexico for a well-earned vacation. They thought about us while they were gone but we could have done without the stuffed (Thank goodness!) rattlesnake they brought to the March meeting with them.

Good luck and happy flying to our 4 Powder Puff Derbiers—VOLUME DODGE-SON and SARA JANE CLOUSE in a Comanche 250 and KATHIE McNAMARA and BARBARA FALLER in a Cessna 206. Bring back some of that prize money, girls.

Five girls, VI HUCKLEBERRY, THEOLA NUTT, LIZ WILLIAMS, VERONICA PAOLINI and LOIS BEELER, participated in the Fresno Schools' Career Guidance Clinic held the last week in February. We represented women in aviation and told various groups of girls the opportunities in an aviation career. Seems as though we did have a slight problem at the beginning as the girls came to the clinic thinking that all we were going to talk about was how to become a stewardess. Guess we'll have to 'educate' the Board of Education first.

Congratulations to CAROL BUGAY who has been selected to be AIRMARKING CHAIRMAN for the SOUTHWEST SECTION.

Wednesday, Feb. 24, found the Fresno 99's helping with the FAA Clinic on flying into Mexico.

## **LONG BEACH CHAPTER** **DOROTHY WALTZ, Reporter**

Our Flight Instructor Revalidation Clinic (Instrument) was held at the Airport Marina Hotel on Feb. 9, 10 and 11. A special Certificate of Appreciation was presented to the Long Beach Chapter by LEE E. WARREN, Deputy Director of the Western Region, on behalf of its Director, ARVIN O. BASNIGHT. A similar certificate was accepted, on behalf of the Los Angeles Chapter, by CLAIRE WALTERS, Governor of the Southwest Section.

The Certificate of Merit presented to Long Beach 99's read: Certificate of Merit presented to Long Beach 99's for outstanding service to the aviation community through the sponsorship of past and present flight instructor's revalidation clinics in the greater Los Angeles area. FAA—Feb. 11, 1971 signed by ARVIN O. BASNIGHT, Director.



Shows Mr. Lee Warren presenting "Certificate of Merit" to Long Beach 99's for Flight Instructor Clinic work — contribution to aviation. Left to right: JEAN SCHIFFMANN, Clinic Chairman, Long Beach 99's; CLAIRE WALTERS, Governor of Southwest Section 99's, accepting for Los Angeles Chapter 99's; LEE WARREN, Deputy Director of FAA, Western Region.

## **MONTEREY BAY CHAPTER** **JO DIESER and MARY ANNE CLARK** **Reporters**

The Monterey Bay Chapter will be hosting the terminus of the Pacific Air Race on October 2nd. The terminus, to be at the Salinas Airport, will be in conjunction with Aviation Week, October 2-10, in Salinas.

On March 5th, DOTTIE SANDERS, LYN COULTHARD, and MARIAN BANKS flew to Salinas to meet with us on the PAR terminus.

The girls had a surprise when they air-marked Santa Cruz Sky Park on March 6th. JIM DAHM, the airport manager, treated the girls to a picnic lunch of fried chicken, rolls, relishes, apple juice, and cream pies. The girls were very pleased with the lunch and Jim was pleased with the airmarking.

DELL HINN attended a seminar held by Baja expert Arnold Senterfitt in Los

Angeles. The latest tips on flying in Baja and recently found "hideaways" were to be discussed.

WARREN and JUNE KNAPP flew to Lake Tahoe the weekend of Lincoln's birthday.

HELEN SHROPSHIRE recently flew to San Diego.

GRETA PETERSEN has been flying locally—but in a different style—doing a little aerobatics in a Citabria.

## **NORTHERN ARIZONA CHAPTER** **EUNICE DICKEY, Reporter**

Would you believe it's been windy in these parts? Enough to keep our Northern Arizona 99's from gathering at the Buckeye Airport last March 13th to participate in the APT program with the Arizona Flying Farmers.

Our chapter members have been busy. ELOISE SELVIDGE is getting ready to move into their new home but still finds time to fly locally in her new plane. PENNY and JOHN CARRUTHERS fly quite frequently to Phoenix. EUNICE and BRANTLEY and EUNICE DICKEY have also made a couple of trips to Phoenix lately. ANNA MACKEY had a forced landing the other day, but haven't the details about it. DOT WARD has had to say good-bye again to her son recently returned from Viet Nam; now he's gone to Germany.

JOHN CARRUTHERS has been especially busy with the Sedens Airport Development. They're about ready to pour the foundations for the new hangars. There's all kinds of changes going on which will make news later.

Many thanks to PENNY CARRUTHERS for providing the news this month. Good flying to you all.

## **ORANGE COUNTY CHAPTER** **MITZI RINEHART, Reporter**

It's that exciting time of year again! Racing season has arrived! Its time for the 5th Annual Vixen Frisk, which is scheduled for Saturday, March 20th. This year the race starts at Fullerton Airport and goes direct (mandatory fly-bys) Taft Airport direct Apple Valley Airport direct Fullerton. This is a fun proficiency race to test pilot's skills and navigator's accuracy. The only restriction is that the pilots must be female.

Our first VIXEN FRISK was held in 1967. The course was a round robin from Orange County Airport direct Palomar direct Hemet direct Orange County. Top honors went to HELEN HEDGES and her navigator KAY MALICK.

In 1968 the race started again at Orange County Airport with the course going direct Palomar direct Yucca Valley and ending at Apple Valley. ELIZABETH SHATTUCK, with her daughter flying in the right seat, took first place.

MADINE CARPENTER and PAULA BAILEY teamed and planned together to place first in the 1969 Vixen Frisk. That year the course was: Orange County Airport-Calipatria-Yucca Valley.



In 1970 ELIZABETH SHATTUCK, with the help of DARLENE BRUNDAGE, was again in the number one spot. The race was a round robin from Fullerton Airport direct Porterville direct Fullerton.

Who will be in the winners circle this year? As of my press deadline we have fourteen planes entered.

#### **PALOMAR CHAPTER**

**PAM VAN DER LINDEN, Reporter**

Palomar Chapter held its March meeting at Hemet. Fourteen members and guests were present. We were all happy to see Chairman WANDA MILLER walking again, even without a limp. It's good to have you running around again, Wanda! Plans were made for the annual Palomar Pilot's Poker Party to be held May 23rd. ESTHER WHITT will be General Chairman and Ports of Call will be Borrego Springs Airport, Hemet-Ryan, Fallbrook Community Airpark, Oceanside, Palomar, Gillespie Field, and Ramona. We're planning lots of prizes and surprises and hope that the pilots from the surrounding Chapters and Airports will join us. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT ESTHER WHITT, 220 OCEAN VIEW DRIVE, OCEANSIDE, CAL. 92083, PH: 714-726-0372.

On February 20th our real Pro, MARY PEARSON, braved lenticulars, down drafts, and desert winds, to attend a luncheon in Apple Valley with prospective members of the new Chapter there. The weather really hasn't been kind to us on our trips to Apple Valley but we're hoping for better luck next time.

MARY PEARSON and JANICE FREE are planning on flying in the Vixen Frisk the weekend of March 20th, and there's already a lot of ground work being done on the Powder Puff Derby entries—our Chapter hopes to have 4 teams this year.

#### **PHOENIX CHAPTER**

**SUSAN STORM, Reporter**

The annual Girl's Ranch flight and cook-out was held on March 6, 1971, at the Carefree Airport. There were approximately 60 people present including the 22 girls from Girl's Ranch.

Fourteen members of the Phoenix Chapter of the Ninety-Nines were present, many of whom were escorted by their 49½ers and children. The gals generously providing airplanes and expert pilot service were SUE HARPER, VIRGINIA HASH, JUANITA NEWELL, EVELYN SASSER, BETTY JO SMITH, and MARY VIAL. Also enjoying the festivities of the day were members MELBA BEARD, LAURA BOHANAN, MILLIE DAWES, PAT LAMBART, AGGIE LILJEGREN, RUTH LUNDBERG, LANEAH PETERSEN and LOIS WARD.

Air Marking Chairman AGGIE LILJEGREN, assisted by her 49½er DALE, organized another successful airmarking on February 20th. They wish to thank the following persons who helped paint "MESA" in spite of the cold and windy weather: MELBA BEARD; LAURA BO-

HANAN, 49½er EARL and daughter, MELODY; PAT LAMBART (whose mother, MRS. RING, babysat while PAT painted); MARGE HINKLE, 49½er DOUG, and cousins BETTY HILDEBRAND and DAVE KIRK of Ohio; RUTH LUNDBERG and 2 children; ANNA MOUSER and son, MELFORD; MARY WEAVER, 49½er REX, and guest PAT McGINN; and ex-99 NANCY EPPARD. Twelve officers and members of MADA (Mesa Aviation Development Association) pitched in and helped paint the huge letters MESA on the runway at Falcon Field.

#### **REDWOOD EMPIRE CHAPTER**

**ANNA BRENNER, Reporter**

Our regular meeting was Valentine Day and held at the General Air Bldg. at Buchanan Field in Concord. Those attending LOUISE RAMSEY, HAZEL BERTAGNA, JEANNE CLARK, JUNE O'DONNEL, PAT STOUFFER, LOUISE MONTERO, ANITA WOREL, OLIVE AGRON, NINA ROOKAIRD and 49½er JACK WOREL. Our new member LYNN AHRENS urge to fly was a natural, with a uncle an Air Force Pilot, two brothers as Air National Guard Pilots, and one an Executive Pilot for Boise Cascade. She started flying June 1967 passed her Private test in December, Obtained her Commercial ticket Sept. 1969 and has spent fifteen months in Los Angeles at graduate school. Total hours 182 — ratings ASEL. MYRTLE WRIGHT is going up the line of offices in her Eastern Star Chapter. The Grand Officer lives in Long Beach so you just know who will be flying a plane load of Associate Conductress' to Long Beach the end of March. VIRGINIA WEGENER of San Gabriel Valley Chapter and husband JACK are building a lovely home on a beautiful site in Wikiup Estates. Temporarily at 407 Pheasant Lane, Wikiup Estates, Santa Rosa, 95401 phone No. 528-2711. JOINT MEETING WITH BAY CITIES CHAPTER MARCH 3RD IN CONCORD AND ALL HAVE RECEIVED YOUR INVITATIONS TO ATTEND THE SOUTHWEST SECTION SPRING MEETING MAY 7-8 AND 9TH AT SANTA ROSA. Of the Redwood Empire LUTHER BURBANK said "I firmly believe from what I have seen that this is the chosen spot of all the Earth as far as Nature is concerned". March 20th is Airport Appreciation Day at Napa Airport and we are all planning to be there. See you May 7-8 - and 9th.

#### **RENO AREA CHAPTER**

**KATHY GRAY, Reporter**

Through the courtesy of FAA INSPECTOR DUTTON, the Reno Area chapter has been devoting several of its latest meetings to viewing informative FAA movies on wake turbulence, icing, etc.—factors that improve our safety in flying. We should be the "safest lady pilots in the air"!

ELAINE BROWN received a call from ANITA WOREL, 99 from the Redwood Empire chapter. She and her 49½er, JACK, were in Reno over the weekend of March

13th, with another couple. ELAINE was sorry not to have seen them, but she was off to the ski slopes with her No. 2 son for a slalom race—which he won! The Browns poor old Cessna 175 is having magneto problems. So, to keep things interesting, Elaine is going to real estate brokers school three days a week, while the plane is in the hospital.

KATHY GRAY and 49½er, WUG, flew the polar route to Europe last month for three weeks of skiing. The snow was sparse, but they had a good time trying to communicate in their "garbage" German with the local populace. It was a thrill to be aboard the giant 747 jetliner.

#### **SACRAMENTO VALLEY CHAPTER**

**AUDREY E. SNOVEL, Reporter**

DEE OLSEN'S 49½ JIM has found the secret to inspiring the distaff side to upgrade in the rating department. He promised DEE a Super Mooney if she got her instrument rating—this will keep a pilot-type female warmer than a mink coat, believe me—so DEE, being typical of her breed, is now luxuriating in her recent acquisition.

After hitting the books hard for a week, this reporter is the proud possessor of a pretty good passing grade on the Commercial written. It must pay to have a great deal of cross-country flying because the only ones I missed were the FAR's. Wouldn't that frost you! Now, into the air!

You may or may not have heard of a group of men (15,000 strong) called the Daedallians. The founding members of the "military only" organization must have flown prior to the World War I Armistice. Associate members can be current military pilots and memberships can be inherited by non-flying sons of founders only. Anyway, their local squadron recently decided they'd like to hear from some female-type pilots (a first for them) and invited this reporter to be their guest speaker at their dinner meeting in February (their wives were invited also—another first). They were overjoyed when I suggested two ladies instead of one, so SHIRLEY LEHR, Powder Puff Derby entrant this year from our Chapter, also was a guest speaker. All I can say is, "What a night!" At dinner I got sandwiched between the Base Commander and the 75 year old Flight Commander. Everytime I leaned forward for a piece of roast beef, a Sopwith Camel was doing loops behind me. As I came up for air, they were discovering (in their roast beef) that you ought to be wearing seat belts when you're in an open cockpit!

This was a first for SHIRLEY and me and we had lots of fun. It made me think what a wonderful idea it would be if more men's groups, like the Rotary, etc., would do this sort of thing. It might even be a good idea for the Chapters to promote it.

One last thing—one of our girls, GLORIA FONG, who has been inactive in our Chapter for the past few years, has emerged with a new different kind of rating—her lawyer's degree.



**SAN DIEGO CHAPTER  
BONNIE ADAMS, Reporter**

Spring is in the air! Hear eager voices talk of summer plans and places to fly. CLEO HUTSON and her 49½ BOB are excited and happy to have their Meyers back in the fold after a long down time for repairs. Only they haven't kept it in the barn much . . . their latest jaunts have been to Las Vegas and then a run up to Santa Monica. While there they visited CLEO'S sister-in-law CHRIS KLUNE of Long Beach Chapter.

Our whole chapter is already involved in advance planning for this fall's PAR. MARIAN BANKS, along with DOTTIE SANDERS and LYNN COULTHARD of El Cajon Chapter flew up to Salinas recently. They met with JOANNE AIELLO and her committee from Monterey Chapter and discussed plans and arrangements for the PAR terminus which will be at Salinas this year.

MARILYN EIMERS passed her commercial written exam. Now she can really relax and enjoy taking the flying lessons at El Cajon Flying Service.

**SAN FERNANDO VALLEY CHAPTER  
ROCHELLE JENSEN, Reporter**

Our Eleventh Annual Awards Banquet was held March 13th at Harlows Restaurant in Woodland Hills with 64 persons attending, including Southwest Section Governor CLARE WALTERS. Guest speaker was MR. AL STENSVOED, chief photographer for BOB HOPE. The highlight of the evening, of course, was the presentation of awards.

THE WOMAN PILOT OF THE YEAR AWARD is presented to the chapter member who has done the most during the year to advance women in aviation—by her hours in the air; by adding advanced ratings; and by her participation in chapter and community aviation activities. 1970 winner,

MARIE LEWIS is still at it. She and husband JACK are using any excuse possible and even making up new ones to fly their newly acquired Comanche. Lately they have lunched twice at Borrego and had dinner at Imperial. MARIE and JACK both flew with friends, the ARMIN HOLLES', in their Cessna 170 to an EAA fly-in at Fla-Bob airport.

PAT OSMON reports that PHYLLIS BLUM who has been a regular guest at our meetings, has passed her private pilot flight check and is already filling out her membership application. Phyllis had the flu and a temperature of 100 degrees when she took her check ride but made it through with flying colors.

Flash—CLEO HUTSON is the proud owner of a new instrument rating!

PAT OSMON is planning a Mexico check-out flight with BONNIE and STEVE ADAMS soon. Both BONNIE and PAT are also looking forward to checking out in the brand new Cardinal which the San Diego Flying Club recently acquired.

JEAN WILEY, made the presentation with BERNI STEVENSON accepting for LORETTA FOY who was unable to attend. Runners-up were JEANNE DAY, ELLEN TRINDLE, LOLA RICCI and HARRIET BAIR.

The TRIXIE ANN SCHUBERT AWARD was established in memory of our charter member and past chairman who did so much to further our chapter through its formative years. This is given to the member who has given the most in time and service—contributing to the tasks so necessary to make our chapter a success. 1970 winner, JEANNE DAY, made the presentation to first place winner, JAN DREYFUS and runners-up PAT HALLETT and FLORA HUTCHINSON. Congratulations gals, we are very proud of you.

**SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CHAPTER  
DOROTHY McALLISTER, Reporter**

Despite mostly cloudy skies four pilots flew into Palo Alto for our March meeting at CHARLOTTE MORRILL'S home. LEE ROESCH, with SHIRLEY MILLER and JEAN MURRAY, skirted the weather from the north. LAVERNE GUDGEL came in from the south on instruments. CHARLOTTE RYAN arrived with EV HENDLEY, and HELEN McGEE brought DIANE KAUFMAN, with a detour to Santa Rosa to pick up guest GINNY WEGENER. THELMA HANSEN and DOTTIE McALLISTER provided taxi service from the airport to CHARLOTTE'S house, where we had a delicious lunch and made plans for April's Chowchilla air-marking and May's anniversary celebration.

RENE NEALON missed the meeting since she and VAN were skiing at Sun Valley.

February found SHIRLEY and GARY MILLER off to Mexico again. SHIRLEY says it's the best place they've found to really relax and get away from it all. This trip took them down to the tip of Baja in their newly painted 66U (the color of lime sherbet, Shirley reports!)

THELMA and ELWOOD HANSEN had a business trip to Hawaii. THELMA says that while it was thoroughly enjoyable their trips in their own Skymaster are a lot more fun.

Your reporter and husband MAC drove up the northern California coast on a sightseeing trip, but we couldn't make it back home without turning it into a busman's holiday after all. We gave into temptation and detoured to Calistoga where we each had our first soaring lesson. What fun!

San Joaquin's twentieth anniversary year would seem to be an appropriate time to squeeze in a few mini-sketches about our members. What better place to start than with our Chairman, LAVERNE GUDGEL.

LAVERNE'S interest in flying dates back to her marriage to husband BOB, then a private pilot. As BOB worked his way through to his ATR rating LAVERNE studied with him, then with BOB as her instructor soloed in 1960, earned her Private License in 1963, her Commercial in 1969, and her Instrument Rating in 1970.

The whole Gudgel family is involved in their Chowchilla FBO and their busy crop dusting operations. Sons DAN and TIM are usually at the airport, too, when not in school. DAN, 18, is already a private pilot and working toward his Commercial, and TIM hopes to take his private check ride on his 17th birthday May 3rd.

The "Type Aircraft Flown" column in LAVERNE'S logbook tells a story of its own, with entries for most of the single-engine Cessnas, Pipers, and Beeches, as well as many others including twins. (LAVERNE added that she hasn't soloed the twins or the tail-draggers, which helps the egos of us one-airplane types a little, but not much.)

In just three years LAVERNE'S become a veteran racer, having co-piloted with



Attending Amelia Earhart statue dedication ceremonies January 22 in North Hollywood Park were eleven San Fernando Valley 99's. Left to Right: HELEN SCHLEFSTEIN & 24¾ SCOTT, SHIRLEY THOM, MICKEY DUGDALE, LIBBY SVENSON, RODG RODGERS, AUDREY SCHUTTE, REV WOODWARD & 24¾ MICHELLE, ROCHELLE JENSEN, Sculptor ERNEST SHELTON, Chapter Chairman FLORA HUTCHINSON, PAT HALLETT, HARRIET BAIR, and Councilman JAMES B. POTTER, JR.



HELEN McGEE in three AWTAR's and two Pacific Air Races. In the 1970 Angel Derby she and HELEN (with LAVERNE PIC) won the trophy for the best score of first-time racers in the Angel.

#### **SANTA BARBARA CHAPTER ERMA CHRISTIAN, Reporter**

At our meeting at the FSS, we stopped by to see VIRGINIA MOSER'S husband, AL, and he told us some gals were coming in the next day with some medical supplies for the Direct Relief Foundation, so we checked with DELL HINN in Salinas and learned about the "Wings for Direct Relief Foundation" program, and arranged to meet them at the airport. JOAN STEINBERGER got so interested in the project that she arranged to have ILSE DeMOTT, of the Foundation, come to our March meeting to tell us about her work and about the possibility of Santa Barbara 99's aiding in transporting donated relief supplies from other California areas to the Foundation headquarters in Santa Barbara for shipment to overseas recipients.

The meeting was a potluck dinner at the home of JUDGE and MRS. FLOYD DODSON (BILLIE HERRIN), followed by a film "Powder Puff for Joan," and MRS. DeMOTT'S enthusiastic talk. BILLIE very graciously conducted her guests on a tour of the Dodson home, which she is completely refurbishing. It was the original Santa Barbara olive mill, built in 1893. The massive stone construction is being retained, and BILLIE has done so many beautiful and exciting things to the interior. It really is a showplace, and a wonderful, livable home for the DODSONS and their seven active teenagers.

SHIRLEY and TED SENDRAK are the proud owners of a Mooney. We haven't seen it yet, but they will show it off when we join the Sierra Chapter for their second annual fly-in March 21 in Porterville. THELMA DREW has moved there and we're looking forward to seeing her.

RACHEL COWIN and MURRAY FISHER, our newest members, are rarin' to go on any project we can cook up.

JANET SHELBY and her new baby are doing well. JANET is our member who flies right up until the week she goes to the hospital to have her babies.

HELEN BECK is flying around in her friend's Skymaster, and is about to be checked out in it.

MARION FICKETT doesn't do much—just toddles off to Europe occasionally, and flies a Cherokee around California whenever she has some free time from her busy schedule.

Last month we had a great meeting at SHIRLEY SENDRAK'S. PEG ROBERTS was our guest speaker, and told us about her experiences in the WASPS. We are all hoping she will join us more often.

CAROL CHACKEL, former Santa Barbara 99, ELINOR VAN DER SPEES, prospective member came to our meeting at BILLIE'S. We had such a good time, I hope they will be back soon.

Our next meeting is going to be devoted

to the Powder Puff Derby. PAT ROWE and THELMA DREW, JOAN STEINBERGER and BILLIE DODSON, and ANN-LOUISE SWANSON are all busy getting organized so they can be among the 150 entrants.

It's been fun being Chairman. Everybody else does all the work, and it is really a good group—each one doing more than their share. My thanks to all of them.

#### **SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY CHAPTER WANDA STRASSBURG, Reporter**

The Flying Poodle, SAM KREIDER, accompanied BARD & VEL along with PAT DUVAL to New Cuyama Buckhorn Feb. 28 for our last fly-out.

CRISS & ROG MOULIN traded front seats with MARCI & BOB BARNET in their Comanche. PRISCILLA & JIM BERGER hauled this reporter in the BERGER 310. LAURIE & JACK SINTON, just back from Denver, Wichita, & Florida brought her Aunt & Uncle for us to meet and to enjoy the delights of the Chuckwagon food.

Seeing Santa Barbara's JOANIE STEINBERGER there was really no surprise but certainly pleasant.

MOULINS kept the airways hot to Clear Lake, ferrying Grandmothers and, once, hauling two hound dogs in the Comanche.

KREIDERS were aghast at the earthquake damage as viewed from the air.

San Luis Obispo County would like to remind all 99's that there are several airports to serve your tourist needs this summer. From Paso Robles in the north to San Luis Obispo and Oceano in the south county, you may take part in visiting HEARST CASTLE, clamming, deep sea fishing, and various museums and galleries . . . WELCOME, and give us a call if we can help you . . . or just to say "HI"!

Hey, Everybody! . . . meet LINDA OWEN, brand new Private Pilot about to become our newest member.

LINDA was born in Houston, Texas but has lived mostly in So. California. She came to San Luis Obispo to attend Cal Poly where she was an architecture major. A lifelong ambition to fly was realized last June when she soloed in a Cessna 150.

She is interested in auto racing, which she does several weekends per month. She hopes to fly for her company now that her rating is achieved . . . and her goal in flying is Commercial Pilot with the subsequent ratings to allow her to be a full time pilot.

Welcome, LINDA, and good luck with your flying ambitions!

#### **SANTA CLARA VALLEY CHAPTER BETTY HICKS, Reporter**

DESIREE STUART-ALEXANDER was last seen scratching her head for banquet-enlivening ideas, and MAYETTE BEHRINGER, just at press time, smilingly emerged from her research tour of the valley's restaurants with the announcement that the April meeting will be at The Hacienda in Los Gatos. April's get-together

is slated as the annual awards banquet. Date is April 15.

The "Pilot of the Year" will be the honoree, along with the recipient of the newly-created "Service Award." DESIREE is also putting her creative efforts to lesser awards for "things done" and "things undone." Under consideration are prizes for "Worst Navigator of the Year," "Most Naive Airwoman," and "AWTAR Crew in Most Need of Help," among others DESIREE is sealing in secret envelopes until the 15th.

The banquet will also honor AWTAR entrants (all five of them, at last count) and Great Race entrants (both of them.) It is also hoped that our personable Section Governor, CLAIRE WALTERS, can be enticed northward for the event.

HELEN MURPHY is propelling our members into a campaign to urge California powers-that-be to hold off on their



New ratings and new airplanes were acquired in rapid order for Santa Clara Valley's PAT ROBERTS, who earned her instrument rating late in '70, and annexed her multi-engine rating shortly after she and 49½er Sheldon purchased Aztec 6987 Yankee.

emergency locator transmitters until the entire ELT picture can be put into federal focus. While we probably have no members who would disagree with the ELT requirement in principle, there are too many dismaying reports of the transmitters beeping for aid at times when help was least needed, or of failing to work at all when they're needed most. The state's deadline has been shoved back once, after state officials recognized that protests from pilots that California had jumped onto the ELT bandwagon too quickly had validity. So HELEN cheers us on to "Write on!" to our legislators.

IRENE LEVERTON has a generous though iffy offer from a San Jose FBO who has a DC-3 on his flight line. If the selectors for the Amelia Earhart scholarship smile benevolently in Irene's direction, DUANE ALLEN will donate time in the aging Douglas at his cost, so that IRENE may add a type rating to her airline transport pilot certificate . . . Featured at our March meeting was the PAT and PATTY show, with chapterites GLADNEY and



SHERWOOD presiding at the showing of slides of their far, far southerly sojourns . . . And IRENE LEVERTON gave us the somewhat goosebumpy preview of the upcoming Great Race, in which she and MARION BARNICK are entered . . . In year's past, our executive board has voted generous sums to help our AWTAR racers offset the astronomical costs of PPping. This year's racers will receive something even more practical—one bucket of elbow grease from each volunteering chapterite. Members are asked to donate time and considerable energy—to wax race airplanes . . . Nine airplanes descended on Usibelli's restaurant strip on February 20 for the chapter's monthly fly-in. On the line at lunch time were two Cherokees, two Cessna 172's, three Skylanes, one Ercoupe, and a Cessna 180. Chapter members and guests were MAYETTA BEHRINGER with Bay Cities' DALE GRAVES; NATALIE BOSSIO; PAT ROBERTS; DESIREE STUART-ALEXANDER; JACKIE FREEBERG; JEANINE and PETE CECCIO; PHYLLIS SO-WHO-NEEDS-A-JILL'S-JOHN Pierce with 49½er Fred; PAT GLADNEY, her aunt, and guest VIVIAN ESLER; CAROLE LUSHBAUGH, LARRY, and baby; SANDRA and HERB KLUKAS; BARBARA and PAUL POTUCEK; EVELYN LUNDSTROM; VERA ARNOLD and her high-flying mother, and CLAUDIA CARLSON . . . Our gung-ho publicity committee, piloted by IRENE LEVERTON, sent out a pleading letter to the membership in the March newsletter. Their pitch was that it's up to us to inform the news media of the positive aspects of general aviation. "It is our responsibility," was the committee's appeal, "to give the news media organized information about our activities."

At work on instrument ratings are ANN GEOFFRION, MAYETTA BEHRINGER, VERA ARNOLD, KATHY GRUPE, and JEANINE CECCIO. On final approach for her CFI-I is LAYNE HACKETT, while heard often, just staying current, thank you, is PAT ROBERTS.

#### UTAH CHAPTER

**BARBARA WHITAKER, Reporter**

VIVIAN YARDLEY and her 49½ JIM flew to Las Vegas in a Twin Beechcraft.

DARLA TOWNLEY is checking out in the Cardinal.

HELEN HILBURN and her 49½ HAROLD and another couple recently flew to Carlos, Mexico.

ELOISE WILCOX has been spending her time Round Dancing and Square Dancing, but says she'd much rather be flying.

ELEANOR IRVINE and her 49½ GREGG have both been real busy working on their sailplane.

LILA FIELDEN flew to San Diego to visit with her sister.

JANE PATTERSON and her 49½ PAT drove to Flabob Airport in California to attend an E.A.A. Fly In. She flew co-pilot in a homebuilt Tailwind.

JO ANN WINTERLING is recuperating from a skiing accident but says she has gone flying (as pilot) and got along o.k.

Our March meeting was held at the home of JANE PATTERSON. Our guest speaker for the evening was BILL CARLEY, Project Supervisor for Atmospherics Incorporated. He and his co-pilot ROGER TYREE entertained us with interesting slides showing the work they do with weather modification. Those in attendance were VIVIAN YARDLEY, DARLA TOWNLEY, HELEN HILBURN, ELOISE WILCOX, JOAN BARTON, DARLENE SUELZLE, BARBARA WHITAKER, JOAN WILLIAMS, ELEANOR IRVINE, JANE PATTERSON, BARBARA HANSON, LILA FIELDEN, and a new 66, BECKY DORIAN.

## WEST CANADIAN SECTION

**ALBERTA CHAPTER  
ANOLA LAING, Reporter**

Our March meeting was held at the Red Deer Industrial Airport, March 13. Chairman DOREEN WRIGHT arrived via Greyhound as Edmonton was fogged in. During the meeting reports were given and many nitty-gritties ironed out. Then over to the photographers to have our "official" pictures taken. The girls looked real sharp with their red blazers and white Stetsons.

We have some more photos to add to your collection—JEAN SPRAGUE, AWTAR start inspection chairman. Jean lives at Airdrie, just outside of Calgary, with her husband GEORGE who is an aircraft maintenance engineer. JEAN has been flying since 1961 and has her commercial rating. At present she flies for pleasure in their Cessna 180, CF-JVA.

AWTAR start impound chairman is MILDRED BEAMISH, a 99er since 1968 who holds a commercial license with night rating. MILDRED has flown over 1150 hours including many cross country flights in Canada and the U.S. She is a member of the Saskatchewan Flying Farmers, the Lloydminster Flying Club and the Edmonton Flying Club. MILDRED and her husband farm at Marshal, Saskatchewan.

I'd like to say thanks to JEAN HARLE, Bonneyville, who is Number One saleswoman in our chapter. Even though JEAN has been unable to attend many of our meetings she certainly has supported our fund-raising drives. And welcome to our newest member MARY JEAN THOMAS.



AWTAR Start Inspection Chairman, JEAN SPRAGUE.



AWTAR Start Impound Chairman, MILDRED BEAMISH.

AUDREY JOHNSTON and 49½er PAT just returned from a holiday in Mexico. Also just back from the south are GWEN and TOM CONROY. Proud owners of a new Arrow 180 are HARVEY and HELEN BAILEY. Congratulations!

Remember big things are going to happen north of the 49th! See you in June.



**JANET FERGUSON, Reporter**

I'm having to write this early (just before I go off on another Islander ferry to Australia) and we are still in the throes of a post office strike. This means I'm inevitably out of touch with other Ninety-Nines—however, here goes with the bits of news I do know:

We had a most pleasant evening at PAMELA HUNTLEY'S London home—a short business meeting conducted by Vice-Gov. BETTY CONES, followed by lots of chit-chat and plenty of delicious sustenance.

At the meeting we heard the news from DELPHINE GRAY-FISKE that she was about to join Skyways, the airline that our Gov. GILLIAN CAZALET works for. The following week it was announced that Skyways had closed down due to lack of funds—the shock of two women pilots in the same airline must have been too much for them! Seriously though, as they say, it's very hard luck on DELPHINE (who had been trying unsuccessfully to join the State airlines before being accepted by Skyways) and almost more unfortunate for GILLIAN, who has been involved in two other airline shutdowns and has had a basinful of job-hunting.

BARBARA CANNON'S 49½er EDDIE has set up a new flying school at Bourne-mouth Airport on the South coast. We wish them both every success with it.

I was pleased to see MARGARET MEAD when she came over at the end of January



to submit her entry for the London-Victoria Air Race. I had met MARGARET in the 1962 and '63 AWTARs and it was fun to see her again, if only briefly.

SHEILA SCOTT is of course entering this Canadian race and was in fact the first to hand in her entry to Canada House. She has at least one other record attempt planned as well, and—on the side—is starting up a travel agency! This sort of work would seem to be right up SHEILA'S street and we wish her luck with it.

## EAST CANADA

### FIRST CANADIAN CHAPTER SHIRLEY ALLEN, Reporter

HAPPINESS is having lots of news to report for the 99 magazine. FLIGHT SAFETY was the theme for our last meeting and FRANK KENNERLY, President of C.O.P.A. has to be one of the best speakers. He talked our language, was short and to the point, with the aid of some very down to earth films on the kind of situations we sometimes get into. He stressed the importance of keeping proficient, no matter how much flying we do, taking check rides, up-dating our skills, not just piling up time in our log books. In other words keeping APT.

Poker Run Patter—All systems are GO for our May 9th (Mother's Day) Poker Run HEATHER SIFTON, Chairman reports everything going pretty smoothly so far. JULIA TRENT our Commercial Artist has designed new Posters, cards for advance mailing—PAT CONNELLY has managed to organize her Airports beautifully between hops down to Barbados—ELIZABETH LANE, has rules and regulations well in hand and also arranged for a static display of aircraft before she jetted out to Hawaii. A well-known radio announcer KEITH RICH will be M.C.ing and helicopter traffic twins DINI PETIT and BOB RICE (am not sure about Captain Crunch!) will be joining in the fun.

PLEASE consider this a personal invitation from HEATHER, her Committee and the First Canadian Chapter DO come out and join us on Mother's Day (rain date the following Sunday) It's going to be another swinging—or should I say, WINGING affair.

Congratulations to GERDA FRIEBERG and CAROL ROGERS on passing their written Instrument exams—a big milestone. We understand that will make at least three instrument-rated pilots in the ROGERS family. How about that?

TEN LECTURES ON AVIATION WEATHER—a very comprehensible course for the Private Pilot—everything you need to know about weather reports. This course is available to you through the Ministry of Transport and your Flying School—take advantage of it. Did you know that the staffed weather facility office at Toronto Airport's North end was installed for YOU. It is open from 6:30 a.m. through till 9:00

p.m. seven days a week. The pilot flying under visual flight rules, especially on a cross country of anything over 250 miles, needs a more complete weather briefing, prior to take off, than the I.F.R. pilot.

Increase your knowledge of basic weather principles. learn to interpret the weather services there for the asking. The briefing officers prefer a personal visit to a telephone call—take time to visit your weather office—get the complete picture!

PHYLLIS MILLER has returned to live in Vancouver again. A few of the original members got together for a little farewell dinner party at KATHY GROSE'S and gave PHYLLIS a silver locket as a keepsake.

Our globe-trotters include GERDA FRIEBERG who is taking a vacation in Europe, FAY and RON MACKAY left from Guelph on the 10th in their Cherokee Arrow for Mexico, EDITH and WALLY DENNY have flown SKY down to South America again. Whew! I just can't keep up with those DENNY'S they are TOO MUCH.

A most interesting letter from PENNY PETRIE down under in Australia. She will be working in the Lab at Davis Gelatin in Botony, near Sydney. Has met some very friendly 99's including MARIE RICHARDSON, the Australian Section Governor and hopes to get some flying in soon. SHIRLEY and NEIL MACDOUGALL discovered there are two ways of beating winter—one go South—the other visit Quebec City where they had 150 inches of snow—Toronto seemed Spring-like when they got back.

It's almost time to put our mukluks away, maybe we'll even get to a fly-in this month without sneaking around snow showers. See you at the April meeting . . .

### MAPLE LEAF CHAPTER HILDA DEVEREUX, Reporter

Everyone in the Chapter is getting busy now with Poker Run plans. The letter to "prize" donors which JEANNE McEACHERN composed is going to prove a wonderful introduction. Now all we have to do is follow through. June 6th is the date of the Run.

This item is a little late, but we would like to congratulate BERTHA SNEL-GROVE on completing her night endorsement—for a busy little girl like BERTHA, this took that "extra effort".

On Feb. 3rd, your reporter attended a Meeting of the local Air Rangers and we had a lively discussion on Aviation. On March 11th, our Chairman, JOAN CORBETT, was guest speaker at the Monthly Meeting of the Kiwanis Club of North London. Her topic was "The Ninety-Nines". The Kitchener Meeting on March 6th was attended by two prospective members and we had fun operating the Link "Gat" Trainer thanks to "Red" Black Club Manager.

In closing for this month I just want to go on record as saying how honoured I feel to have been nominated to stand for the office of Governor of the East Canada Section by three of our four Chapters. I am sure everyone reading this can appre-

ciate what this means to me. So, on this exhilarating note, I shall say "Au revoir" until next month.



## NEW ENGLAND SECTION

### CONNECTICUT CHAPTER BOBBIE HERBERT, Reporter

LUCKY those Chapter members able to get away on vacation these past few months to the sunny South!

RUTH CROWELL spent her time teaching at the AOPA Clinic in West Palm Beach. LAURIE SPENCE and MARY SUISMAN flew to Florida also, as did PEG DAVIDSON and her family in their Cessna 205. PEG heartily recommends the all day drive through the Everglades National Park.

ROSIE & JACK CRIM exercised their Cessna 310 on a trip to Raleigh-Durham to "university hunt" with their two children.

MARY & DAVE NEIL just returned from a 10-day trip West with RON'S in Dallas, Texas, and Scottsdale, Arizona, plus one they really look forward to in Columbus, Mississippi, where son ALLAN is based. ALLAN has progressed to T-37's—bet that really makes DAVE jealous.

We too got a chance to vacation in sunny Puerto Rico! Husband DANA would have preferred flying the Bonanza, but trying out one of Pan Am's 747's was exciting.

MARY NEIL reported an interesting tidbit regarding former Chapter member JUNE DOUGLAS DAVIS, now of the Florida Gold Coast Chapter. JUNE'S daughter was born just three days before the Apollo moon shot, but she didn't let that keep her from viewing the activities first hand. Incidentally, she named her daughter ANTARES.

We had an interesting meeting at Bridgeport Airport on March 3rd with guest MARY SCRIBNER of West Hartford attending. LAURIE SPENCE is working on the approval for airmarking Waterford Airport which is on the Agenda for May 26th.

### EASTERN NEW ENGLAND CHAPTER KATHERINE TOMPKINS, Reporter

Three planes braved the less than ideal weather for our March meeting at North Central Airport, organized for us by prospective member SANDY SILBERBUSH. CHUCK and VIRGINIA BONESTEEL brought their Cessna 182, CORA CLARK flew in from Hanscom, and members MARTHA DUNBAR, HELEN RHODES and DOT BUTLER flew in from Hopedale Draper. Our President RIPLEY MILLER took the day off to attend the AOPA Instrument Clinic in Boston. We're awfully glad to see MARTHA DUNBAR back flying again after recent surgery. DOT BUTLER had some fine tales of her trip to Australia where she flew up the coast with



MARIE RICHARDSON, saw lots of game preserves; notes the pollution free air and abundance of flying clubs there. GENE WOODWORTH is back from a Windjammer Cruise in sunny blue southern waters and plans to fly copilot in the Angel Derby with VIRGINIA SHOWERS. ELINOR ENGLANDER sports a new acquisition, a Beech Musketeer 08T newly arrived at Hanscom Field. HARRIET FULLER reports being temporarily grounded until she can dig her plane out of the mud—she's not alone with that problem. Three prospectives have been invited to join. SANDY SILVERBUSH of North Central, SUE STIDHAM of La Fleur, and LOLA MADDEN of Hanscom. SUE, by the way, is assistant professor of Computer Science at the University of Mass. and owns a 180D with her husband. At the meeting, the chapter voted to give financial support to the National Intercollegiate Flying Ass'n. The April Section Meeting is eagerly anticipated with all the exciting things that will be going on. The Museum trustees will be meeting here then and we're looking forward to seeing BETTY McNABB, BEA STEADMAN, HAZEL McKENDRICK and many others. MONA BUDDING is planning a welcome party for their arrival on Friday.

I can't forget the five new members that were pinned at our February dinner meeting. They are LILLIAN EBERSON of Rhode Island, LILLIAN EMERSON of Hanscom, HELEN KOLAZYK, SKIP ORLITSKI and ALEXANDRA TAYLOR. At that meeting also LOIS AUCHTERONIE was elected Chapter Representative to the International Nominating Committee. Following dinner BOB WATERS explained the new Corridor system which will be implemented at Boston's Logan Airport June 1st. HARRIET FULLER made all of the arrangements for our delicious meal at the Driftwood Restaurant in Shrewsbury, Mass.



#### GARDEN STATE CHAPTER JERRY ROBERTS, Reporter

Whilst MARY ROSE MYERS is winging her way to Japan with 49½ER BILL, I have discovered my "paradise" in the form of an island in the Bahamas called Treasure Cay. Here is something for everyone without equivocation! The beauty is incredible—the friendliness and hospitality most enjoyable. The weather ideal. The beach is the finest, powdery sand in which I have ever scrunched my toes, and the shell gathering along this vast stretch of flourey sand is just fabulous. Golf is quite a challenge, and if you are not a "straight shooter" I recommend you bring a good supply of balls. The scenery is so picturesque it defies wordly description. DIANE SHAW, and 49½ER FRANK are stopping at Freeport with their Cherokee as mode of transportation.

Proving it is a "small, small world" we were paired in golf with a couple from Philadelphia who flew here in their 172. FRED and FRED GOLDBLATT joined us as if we were old, old friends and were gay companions throughout their stay. It is incredible to come so far from home to meet neighbors from just across the river, and to have so very much in common. We enjoyed scuba diving and everyone should see the gorgeous painted fish swimming about the reefs. The fishing is good too; barracuda, yellowtail, etc. I must tell my fish story. I was reeling in a fair sized barracuda, and whom! I almost went overboard. A larger barracuda hit my catch as so much bait. When I boarded my fish, he was half eaten. (reminiscent of *The Old Man and The Sea*). Can you imagine if I'd been able to bring in the second one?

Met BARBARA and JOHN PIGOTT and family in the dining room one morning—just passing through on their tour of the Islands. BARBARA BROTHERTON and TOM signed in just ahead of us at Palm Beach.

We never go anywhere that the path of friendship and goodwill of the 99's hasn't been spread by ALICE and JOHN HAMMOND. This trip was no exception, and not just once, but twice! It gives you a good feeling. Our latest experience was introducing one of ALICE'S former high schoolmates, and, by the way, a friend too of JEAN PEARSON, to the joys of island hopping in a small aircraft. We picnicked at STELLA MARIS, watching the sea spray excitedly on the rocks, and BOB and BETTY KNIGHT promised to go back to Michigan extolling the joys of private flying.

Tall, blond JOHN EDWARDS with his delightful British accent completes the romantic setting of this Eutopian isle. His gracious personality promotes a sincere feeling of hospitality so lacking in many vacation spots.

PR men are a special sort, and sure do come in handy at the most opportune times. MR. SAWYER was most accommodating running us back and forth to the airport—his only fee—a smile! He meets every incoming flight and waves goodbye to each departing aircraft. Our own Garden State "Mr. Special" and his lovely, VIRGINIA JACK LAMPING, has just returned from a visit to the west coast, Hawaii and Australia. When "down under" he called on OLGA TARLING. He also met with TONI and DALE KUHN and the Golden West 99's on our first effort at coordinating the 72 AWTAR.

Garden State finally got the Spot Landing Contest off the ground. It was a tremendous success. CAROL KOCZON proved a real pro by landing 8'8" past the marker. All agreed we are going to do it regularly and we'll all sharpen up.

ALMA HITCHINGS flew to Washington, D.C. to attend a Banker's Seminar. She also primed the local Kiwanis and hopefully stimulated their interest in the 72 Terminus.

#### GREATER NEW YORK CHAPTER

LISA HEBBO, Reporter

Two fabulous and distinguished speakers and no business matters proved to be the key-note to a successful, well-attended meeting March 9th, held, symbolically, in the restaurant opposite the United Nations Building, in New York City. MR. JULES DeCRESCENZO, Principal Maintenance Inspector FAA, Teterboro Airport was our first speaker and in reviewing accidents he had probed, reminded us of many factors for safe flight. Overloading, e.g., ice or frost on the wings, carburetor heat, overloading of electrical equipment, preflighting of aircraft and weather. Looking at pictures of some of the aircraft where the pilot had overlooked one of these items, the lesson lodged firmly with newer and older pilots alike.

GORDON BARNES, Chief Meteorologist, CBS Radio/TV, heard across this country on a daily nationwide radio broadcast, was the second speaker. MR. BARNES is also a pilot, and understands our problems with the weather. He held his audience spellbound while he told many facts of weather forecasting, i.e. sunspots, jet stream, weather cycles, etc., touching upon radar, computers, satellites and pilot reports. He stressed the importance of airline pilots, believing that their potential has been overlooked—being actual, accurate and immediately informative.

At a recent business meeting, with Nominations the serious business of the day, everyone was highly amused when the nominations chairman arose and solemnly introduced the slate—PRESIDENT—"DEN DADDY" HERB FISHER; VICE PRESIDENT—"UNCLE" MICKEY SULTAN; TREASURER—"MONEY-BAGS" FRED WILSON; SECRETARY—"HARD WORKER" RICH NAUMANN; and SPECIAL EVENTS—"SURE-WE-CAN" ROY RYDER. The membership unanimously and enthusiastically approved the slate in toto.

After the March wings, can flying weather be far behind?

From the distaff corner comes news of a Spot Landing Contest, two-air-marking projects, a Poker Run and a week-end fly-in to Lake Placid, as well as participation in meetings, air races, business meetings and the Convention. Spring must be right around the corner.

Governor JULIE VOM SAAL, missed our March Speakers, being in Florida at the time, recuperating from an unwelcome and lingering "bug".

DORIS and 49½ER FRED STOLE, and daughter MARGOT, left March 17th, for Mexico, Cozumel, Merida, Acapulco and Mexico City.

JANE VAN EPS, recently been averaging one trip to Europe a month, latest Munich, Venice, and Rome for 8 days. Of course trips are interpreted with the week-end trips to dear old Freeport, Bahamas. Probably first 99 to become a member of the Freeport YMCA.



JUDY HITCHCOCK of Ziff-Davis Publishing Co. will be attending the Paris Air Show and working on Paris Air Show Daily for ten days published by Ziff-Davis. Any news of interest send along to her. SHE IS ALSO INTERESTED IN BEING CO-PILOT IN POWDER PUFF DERBY '71. ANY OFFERS, PLEASE CONTACT HER AT 220 EAST 87 STREET, NEW YORK, N.Y. 10028.

Prospective ELIZABETH KRUPER made Sergeant in Civil Air Patrol, Academy of Aeronautics Squadron.

RUTH and 49½ER ELLIOT BLISS, just back from a beautiful trip to the Bahamas, Exuma, Long Island.

We would like to welcome our new prospectives: ELIZABETH KRUPA; INES FRENCH; WILLAVENE WOLFECKER; ANNAMARY McCANN; DEBORAH EVETTO; SARA NEUBAUER. See you all next month.

#### LONG ISLAND CHAPTER IRENE HENRY, Reporter

For those of you who were eagerly anticipating the "To Tell the Truth" show featuring our own MARILYN HIBNER scheduled for March 5 . . . it was postponed until June 14 in the New York area. Suggest you make a notation to this effect as I wouldn't want you to miss it.

On March 9, MARILYN HIBNER introduced her first Aerospace program, "What is Air?" to the Second Grade in the Central Islip School. This program will be offered once a month for four months. The eager response from the children makes MARILYN'S efforts most gratifying.

"Whirlygirl" IRENE BRUNKS is going on to get her Multi-eng. land and sea rating at Fort Lauderdale in a Gruman Amphibian. The O'BRIANS, JO and 49½ER JIM, flew their Cessna 172 to Host Farms, Lancaster, Pa. for a delightful, fun filled weekend. They all recommend this spot for those who like their weekends filled with activities. The next stop the O'BRIANS made was in Mass. They are now planning their Easter vacation to the Bahamas.

RUTH DOBRESCU with 49½ER CHARLES and children will leave for Salt Lake City, Utah to visit RUTH'S brother.

Hostesses who were present at McIntyre Open House on Feb. 27th were RUTH DOBRESCU, PEGGY FORD, ELLIE McCULLOUGH, MARILYN HIBNER and IRENE HENRY. It was fun to be there to view the new 1971 model aircraft and the public attendance was good.

NINA CLAREMONT and DAISY POSS plan a flying fling to Orlando, Fla. for Easter. As for myself (seems everybody's planning trips for Easter), I'm leaving for St-Jovite Province de Quebec, Canada on March 27 for some skiing and sight-seeing.

Come Fly  
The Friendly Skies  
of the F.A.I.R.

#### WESTERN NEW YORK CHAPTER PEG PIEPER, Reporter

Ah! Springtime — Western New York 99er's thoughts are not only of love but a break in the weather and flying, flying, flying —. Chairman ARLENE BRAY who lives in Arcade, N.Y. has been snowed in since December. ARLENE and her 49½ MILFRED can't even go flying in their own plane with 5' of snow in front of the hangar door.

JEAN VALVO has also been snowed in at Silver Creek, N.Y. If you need any painting or paper hanging call JANE VAN BUREN. JANE is our air marker chairman and with her enthusiasm, we know she will have us painting runways, taxiways, hallways, stairways and all ways.

After encountering IFR weather out of Rochester, N.Y. non-instrument rated DONNA JOSS flew a perfect ILS approach to Greater Buffalo under the critical eyes of instrument rated hubby BILL.

We all hope TERRI PIRRUNG'S 49½ ED is home and recuperating from a broken leg. ED fell on ice while going out to look at their airplane.

KATHY POTOCZAK and 49½ER HENRY went flying from Niagara Falls Airport just for practice. HENRY has their plane all pulled apart for the annual. He wants to be doubly sure all is in ship-shape order for Cessna 6171 Bravo so that it will carry KATHY and yours truly to Managua, Nicaragua in May. KATHY and I have everything set for the "Angel Derby" and are waiting to hear of our acceptance.

KATHY reports the weather in Western New York has been so bad that even the geese are leaving the area.

Our last few meetings have been perked up by the presence of LOIS RINCK. LOIS has invited all 99's to fly up this summer to visit her at her newly acquired summer home at Rye Beach, N.H. LOIS owns 249' of oceanfront. So come on girls, rev up your engines and take off for new Hampshire.

Glad to see BARBARA NEFF is over a sprained ankle and walking around without crutches. BARBARA is our new member and hails from Medfield, Mass. She became interested in flying through her boyfriend an American Airline Captain and her father who is also a pilot and a distributor for Piper products. BARBARA has been an American Airline's stewardess for four years. She has four younger sisters. We are very sad to say that BARBARA will only be with us a short time since she is transferring to Boston in June or July. ATTENTION: BOSTON 99'ers.

We miss seeing DORIS CULP, AGGIE DENLER and CECILIA KENNY. We hope when the weather breaks they will grace our meetings once again.

Despite the bad weather present at the March meeting held at the Old Red Mill Restaurant in Clarence, N.Y. were: ETHEL FEDDERS, DONNA JOSS, BARBARA NEFF, PEG PIEPER, TERRI PIRRUNG, KATHY POTOCZAK, LOIS RINCK and JANE VAN BUREN.



#### MIDDLE EAST SECTION

#### CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER RONNIE JOHNSON, Reporter

The March weather was lousy, but nine members were able to make it to the meeting in Altoona. We were happy to see DOTTIE McCLURE with a prospective member, BETTY LOU MAZZOCCO. With Spring in the air we may soon have a meeting with a quorum present.

Many of our members have been flitting around the country this year. SHIRLEY and HANK WEINHARDT were in Florida and then went on a cruise of the islands. ESTHER and J. ELLERY MICHAUD were in Florida attending a medical convention. ESTHER had to get back to her job as Miss Music on Romper Room on Channel 6, WJAC TV, and the Doctor to his practice so the trip was a short one. MARTIE and CHAMPE POOL and their son flew to Aspen, Colo. for skiing. They then visited their other two sons at the University of Colorado and CHAMPE spoke at an orthopedic meeting on "Injuries Related to Skiing". ALICE FUCHS was in Florida for a short stay. MARTY and BOB OWENS spent a weekend in New Hampshire. BOOTS and ROD HUSTED went with a group to the Poconos. NAOMI STAHLNECKER is spending the winter in Florida.

ALICE FUCHS had a successful forced landing recently. She was flying a Cessna 150 and landed in a cemetery near Steelton, Pa.

LOUISE SACCHI from the Eastern Pennsylvania Chapter was the overnight guest of BOOTS HUSTED. She was in Williamsport to have a Musketeer checked before ferrying it to Spain. She was BOOTS guest for dinner at the Oaks. Also attending the dinner were MARY HULL, HELEN SHEFFER and SHIRLEY WEINHARDT.

ANNE SHIELDS and HELEN ZARBROW from the Eastern Pennsylvania Chapter were in Bellefonte recently. They were visiting MARION DUNLAP.

#### EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER ANNE SHIELDS, Reporter

Our February meeting was a Fly-in or Drive-in to New Garden Airport at Toughkenamon, Pa. A brief business meeting followed by the Amelia Earhart film; then a trip thru the DuPont Antique Airplane Museum with ALEXI DuPONT as our host.

ADELLE and SIDNEY PARSONS have returned from their European trip, 7 countries in 8 days, that's really moving. ADELLE has the unique distinction of being the only person to have landed at Wilmington Airport at night without lights in the history of the airport. ADELLE was returning from Florida with her in-laws and her alternator in her Cherokee Arrow went out. She approached Wilmington, VFR, checked the traffic pattern and wind-



tee carefully made her pattern and landed, taxied up to the operations to advise them and the tower she had arrived. Yep!! plum dark out there at night.

Sorry to hear MARIE D'ALTERIO was weathered in the hospital for 10 days. Hear she is home and on the way to recovery.

KATE MACARIO and JANE SQUIRES came to the rescue of ANNE SHIELDS, when she was grounded with germs. ANNE was scheduled to make a speech on WOMEN IN AVIATION, and show the AMELIA EARHART film to the Pottstown Aero Club and the next night the same program to the Pennridge Half Century Slow Flyers. KATE took over Pottstown and JANIE went to Pennridge, and both did a magnificent job, I'm still hearing compliments.

YVETTE HORTMAN is planning on flying a Cherokee 180 in the PPD, also MARSHA IVINS is making plans for the PPD, will get the details during spring vacations. MARSHA just received her Instructor's rating—Dual anyone???

THE FLYING MACARIO'S—Husband TOM is Chief Pilot for Copter's Inc. Mama KATE is pilot and housewife. Oldest son MICHAEL is in college and has his Commercial, Multi-Engine and Flight Instructor's rating. On March 6th the TWINS soloed on their 16th birthday. Father TOM soloed MARK, Brother MIKE soloed MATTHEW—believe it or not there are three more non pilots at home.

ANNA and JIM SPIVEY have been skiing in the Pocono's, and flying to Stowe, Vt. this week.

DOROTHY and HARRY MILLER flew their Cessna 150 to Ohio last month, sorry about those head-winds.

Don't forget PENNY-A-POUND at WINGS FIELD May 22nd. KATE MACARIO is in charge and looking for Volunteers—call her.

#### **VIRGINIA CHAPTER MADDIE DOLEMAN, Reporter**

The Radar Room of Byrd Field's Control Tower was the site of our meeting on February 21st. MAXINE WALKER gave a lecture on Air Traffic Control Areas and told of many an interesting story relating to her job as an Air Traffic Controller. Those present were AMY MORRIS, VIRGINIA RILEY, TOBY LEHMAN, MARION HELMS, SARA PARMENTER, FRAN VAN STAVERN, JEAN HARRIS and MADDIE DOLEMAN. We also had a guest from Farmville, LEE WOOD, who has just received her license. GRACE VENABLE of Richmond was also a guest. GRACE is waiting to take that check ride. MADDIE DOLEMAN'S mother, ANNE WHITING, was down for the weekend from Washington, D. C.

The Virginia 99's are hoping for good weather. Winter just seems to be hanging on forever, but this hasn't stopped FRAN VAN STAVERN from getting her Multi-Engine Rating. Congratulations FRAN!

Remember up and coming meeting for April at the New Kent Airport. Bring a covered dish. Also in April we will be

doing some air marking at Norfolk Regional. And then there is the Poker Run in May, so there will be a lot of up and coming activities for Virginia 99's.

#### **WASHINGTON D.C. CHAPTER CLEO SHERBOW, Reporter**

Chapter Chairman MARYANN JESSUP is to be congratulated for the tremendous job she did in arranging "The SST—A COLLOQUY". Probably by the time this news report reaches its readers the fate of the SST program will have been voted on. The six speakers on the panel were experts in their respective fields, on the SST program. The panel members were mostly in favor of the SST program. However in the audience were many experts in their respective fields, who were against the SST program which made for a most enlightening question and answer period. Our chapter was so well represented in numbers this writer met members she had never met before. There were many members of the press present. They were not only taking notes on the actual program but were informally asking questions about the Ninety-Nines of the many members present.

With all the time she devotes to the Ninety-Nine on the national level as within the chapter VIRGINIA THOMPSON still found the time to earn her Instrument Rating. Congratulations VIRGINIA!



#### **LAST FLIGHT BARBARA FISH SCHIEBEL CAROLINAS CHAPTER FEBRUARY 1971**

#### **ALABAMA CHAPTER BENNIE PETERS, Reporter**

Alabama 99's braved gusty winds to attend the Chapter meeting in Birmingham on March 7. BETTY and LEW FERRELL made arrangements for a buffet lunch at the airport and provided a speaker for the occasion. Instructor LOUIS PROSCH, who holds an impressive list of certificates and ratings, gave us an excellent review of emergency procedures with emphasis on wake turbulence. Those present included the FERRELLS, NANCY and JEFF BEELAND, JUANITA and FOY HALSTEAD, VIRGINIA PARSONS, MARILYN HOLMAN, ELISE HEILPERN, MARY and CONYERS RELFE, MINNIE WADE, SUNNY and ALTON TURNER, BENNIE and PHILIP PETERS, SYLVIA DERICK, and SYLVIA'S guest LOLA NICHOLSON from Huntsville.

News from our members: KATHLEEN and RUSS VAUGHAN have a baby boy. The third generation of WADES is aloft! One of MINNIE'S granddaughters recently

soloed on her 16th birthday. ELISE and GENE HEILPERN are planning a trip to Mexico with another couple in April. SUNNY and ALTON TURNER are new FBO's in Luverne under the name of TKM Airways. Their facilities include fuel, A&P service, phone, runway lights. MARY RELFE received her Commercial in January and is #8 in the IAR flying a Twin Comanche. NANCY BEELAND recently flew a friend with a brown hip to a clinic in Memphis. HSV 99's are preparing a display for a joint shopping center-aviation anniversary celebration.

#### **CAROLINAS CHAPTER MERCY, Reporter**

Our very able Chairman, EVELYN HYMAN, went all out to provide one of the most delightful meetings of the year. From her desk at the GSO Air Service, EVIE spearheaded the groundwork that went into the appearance of the 7th Annual Beechcraft Show at the Greensboro War Memorial Auditorium on March 5. More than eighteen hundred persons, including we 99's, were on hand to look, listen, and be thoroughly entertained as MARION and BOB AUBURN presented their lovely film on FLYING AMERICA. They will be on tour into just about every corner of the country until late in May and then they will begin preparations for filming the next odyssey in the series, FLYING ALASKA.

The following morning the chapter gathered out at Sedgefield Country Club for a hearty brunch with hostess EVELYN. Enjoying her hospitality and the warmth of the glassed-in sun porch were LYNN DILLARD, BETTY HAMILTON, EMILY KELLEY, BARBARA O'CONNOR, SUE OVERTON, BEBE RAGAZ, PAGE SHAMBURGER, LOUISE SMITH, BUZZ TAYLOR, LOUISE THADEN, and NANCY WRENN. We discussed our business and tidied up the loose ends. The luggage tags PAGE has brought along looked so attractive that we all ended up buying several. When you see them down at the Southeast Section meeting, we hope you'll agree and load us down with orders. It's that individualized name and address that really does it. Just don't forget the postage.

BARBARA O'CONNOR has just received her air taxi license, so we'll see more of her scooting around in her Bonanza 71 Charlie.

EVIE HYMAN flew over to Chattanooga with the Auburns while checking out the show and enjoyed a visit with BEA and JOHN REID.

LOUISE SMITH and 49½er, HERMAN, are happily looking forward to becoming in-laws when son RANDY speaks the marriage vows in June with a lovely North Carolinian.

Carolinas members and other 99's will be saddened to learn of the untimely death of BARBARA FISH SCHIEBEL of Durham the last week in February. With her former husband, DR. MAX SCHIEBEL, she had been active in flying for a number of years and was well known in many circles. BARBARA was an ardent skier



and spent much of her time on the mountain slopes. Raising Labrador retrievers was another of her hobbies. A period of declining health in the last two years had curtailed her flying activities, but her enthusiasm never dimmed. She was living alone at the time of her death and left no known relatives. A memorial service was held in Durham. To one of our own who has gone on the Last Flight, we wish her Godspeed, CAVU, and, at the end, a gentle rest.

#### GEORGIA CHAPTER SHIRLEY NESMITH, Reporter

The official 99 pins were presented to YVONNE COOPER of Tallahassee, Fla. and JUDY HALL of Macon at our February meeting in Macon, February 28. ESTHER WRIGHT gave these new members their pins telling them that 99 is a number that is almost perfect, so we should wear our pins with pride. We visited the new Flight Service Station where HAZEL FERGUSON is part of the team. HAZEL, you have a beautiful building and I know Macon is proud of it.

PREZ BETTY McNABB reports having a wonderful time in Houston. The 99s outdid themselves entertaining her and her 49½, MAC, including a short session of aerobatics with MARBELLE FLETCHER.

A friend sent me a newspaper clipping about lady pilots and I want to share some of the facts with you. Most people think that the definition of a woman is a creature who pushes a grocery cart through two piles of apples with a quarter-inch to spare, then drives home and crumples the garage door. This sort of joke is on its way out now that statisticians, safety engineers and other assorted experts have come up with the mathematical proof that ladies have fewer and less serious automobile mishaps. The males have had a difficult enough time facing the fact that women are the less deadly of the species as auto operators. Now they're faced with a further trauma. The professional staff of the FAA (most of them males) have come to the conclusion, based on a study of some millions of hours of flying time that women are better airplane pilots than men. The figures are adjusted to take into account the smaller number of women pilots. How much better are the girls? So the statistics show, you're three times as safe with a woman pilot.

99s, let's continue to be safe and keep it that way!

#### FLORIDA GOLDCOAST CHAPTER BEBE SEDLACEK, Reporter

"All clear to land, 99 Goldcoaster!" So here we are again and we welcome two new members—HELENE KRUMBOLZ and MARY-JANE LAW. Glad to have you gals and HELENE is going as co-pilot for VIRGINIA BRITT in a Mooney M-21 in this year's Angel Derby. The Mooney belongs to HELENE!! BEBE SEDLACEK is going in the race also in a Cessna Skylane and is taking PAT RASMUSSEN as her co-pilot. PAT was a guest at the March

meeting and she just obtained her Private license on the 2nd of March from BEBE, her CFI. MARGE FOROOD was also a guest and prospective member at our Chapter meeting. FLEUR WALLEN-BAILLE from the South African Chapter was also a guest.

In February HELEN SMITH, MARY BARRER, and CECILE HATFIELD met VICE-PRES. AGNEW to discuss the Angel Derby.

The Miami Dade Jr. College-South team won the NIFA meet at Tamiami and will represent the Southeast Region in the National meet in San Jose, Calif. very soon. We wish them the best of luck. The 99's here were judges for the Navigation Event. DOTTIE SHAW, SHIRLEY DAVIS, RUTH FLEISHER, HELEN MENNITTO, DOTTIE DAVIDSON, LEE AVERMAN, MIRIAM DAVIS, FRANCES SARGENT, JUANITA HALSTEAD of Ala. Chapter, CAROLYN KENNEDY of GA. Chapter, and PAGE SHAMBURGER of the Carolinas Chapter were all the judges!!! The winning team here is getting ready to go to the National Meet. FRANCES SARGENT is the Faculty Adviser for the team.

FRANCES also had just gone to Oklahoma City with RUTH FLEISHER to visit the FAA office there to talk about the training programs and facilities with the FAA. FRANCES represented Miami-Dade Jr. College-South and RUTH served as Consultant in ATC. A visit of the 99 Headquarters was included in their schedule.

#### FLORIDA SPACE PORT CHAPTER CY BEERS, Reporter

In lieu of our March meeting Space Port Chapter attended the eight-hour Physiological course at McCoy AFB in Orlando, Florida, March 15, 1971. This was Space Port's second time to take the course, which is climaxed by an ascent in their Altitude Chamber. For those of us who had attended before it was not really a repetition because of new information which was presented. Also is confirmed for us what our particular symptoms of Hypoxia are. Eighteen had signed up for the course but only ten attended. They were: NORMA McREYNOLDS and 49½ER MAC, JUANITA BLUMBERG and 49½ER LOU, CY BEERS and 49½ER DON, MARGARET STANNAH, LOVINA TABER, ANN WALKER and BEVERLY MORTON. We strongly urge every pilot to take this course. Being APT won't save lives if the pilots perform inefficiently due to Hypoxia, Hyperventilation or Vertigo. This course teaches the pilot to recognize these ailments, which can happen to all pilots, and how to avoid them. Those interested can contact FAA in Oklahoma City.

#### MEMPHIS CHAPTER HOLLY SMITH, Reporter

The Foul February FOG descended on us and March hasn't shown us much sunshine either. However, DOT WILSON hit the books and passed both her instrument and flight instructors written examinations.

HILDA SAVAGE and ROSEMARY WILLIAMS flew back to Aspen, Colorado. NETTA HOLDEN managed to find enough blue sky to get out of Memphis, but couldn't get back in.

I am going to take advantage of the lack of news to introduce you to TOY HICKS. This new member started flying one year ago and now is hard to catch on the ground. Both TOY and her husband BEURAN are pilots and recently bought a Bonanza. They have two children, DAVID, who is ten years old and JUDY, who is eight. TOY is a commercial pilot and has just taken her instrument written. Welcome aboard!

We are looking forward to a joint fly in with the Tennessee Chapter in Gilbertsville the first weekend in April. Til then pray for stable weather.

#### SUNCOAST CHAPTER RUBY SADTLER, Reporter

We had a fun day March 10th when we painted the numbers on runway at Hidden River Ranch, near Sarasota, Florida and enjoyed lunch. Members who worked on the paint job were JUDY KARKIN, PEARL ALWARD, BETTY HOOD, DR. DOUGLAS HOOD, OUR 49½ER, MARY LOU SHAPIRO, ETHEL GIBSON, DOTTIE BIRDSOING, MADELYN EYLES, guest MILDRED LAFFERTY and RUBY SADTLER. FRAN BUCHAN and JOYCE DIAMOND joined us for lunch and meeting. JUDY LARKIN, who had just passed her Instrument Rating, was our hostess.

Chairman ETHEL GIBSON presided over our regular meeting. Minutes were read by Secretary JOYCE DIAMOND. She reported having received a letter from MRS. KAY PERKINS who said she appreciated being one of us at the Treasure Hunt in Orlando last month. She was the courageous wife of a POW in Viet Nam!

Tentative plans were made for a Naples meeting next month.

DOTTIE BIRDSOING who has a new Comanche C/R 1971 has a full schedule as she is due April 30 at Columbus, Ohio to impound her plane to be #6 in the Angel Derby. Her co-pilot will be PAT DIETZ from Los Alamos, N. M. DOTTIE also expects to fly the Powder Puff Derby with co-pilot CAROLYN KENNEDY of Parrott, Georgia.

Our Chairman ETHEL GIBSON and BETTY SMITH are hoping to fly the Powder Puff Derby, too. We are so proud to have these two entries.



#### ALL-OHIO CHAPTER RUTH LOVE, Reporter

Wishful thinking—March 21, the first day of spring be a pretty day so All-Ohio can attend the meeting in Cleveland. Host-



ess for the meeting and chairman of the air marking committee, MURIEL MOTTS, has invited MRS. BLANCHE NOYES, head of Air Marking in Washington to be the speaker. We feel honored to have her visit us as she is a charter member of the 99s and has accomplished so much in aviation. MURIEL'S aim is to mark All-Ohio this year. Let's all help.

EDY and JOHN MAXIM back from Florida and North Carolina. Their Musketeer made good time plus a tail wind. EDY received her commercial rating while there.

ANNE ESSELLBURNE received her master's degree in education from Ohio State University in December. Specialization is in mental retardation.

DORIS SCHARY PALMA, Viewpoint, Sandusky, Ohio attended the meeting after seeing publicity in paper. Had belonged to 99s 30 years ago in Kokomo, Indiana. ANNETTE and JOHN FEDOR went to Coucheval, France on a 10-day ski trip. CONNIE and ADOLPH LUHTA have added a K model Bonanza to the airport fleet. NANCY MILLS and 49½ flew to St. Croix and did some island hopping in their new Baron. JANE WEISLOGEL has half interest in a new Cessna 172. Former All-Ohio member, SUE HIVELY, attended meeting in Sandusky. She is Women's page editor for Sandusky Register and has won many prizes in her work. ROBERT and MARILYN MILLER recently flew to New Orleans for the week-end. MARGARET and JOHN WELLINGTON flew a birthday cake to CHARLIE at Ohio Wesleyan, Delaware, where he is a senior.

CAROL GEERS flew to Houston for a convention, met and had lunch, with our president, BETTY McNABB.

JOAN HRUBEC flew her new Musketeer to Paris Island for a few days.

All eyes will be on the Angel Derby in May. MARION BETZLER will be flying in her Comanche with JOANN STYPE as co-pilot.

RUTH and MERRILL LOVE back from flying to Florida and island hopping in the Bahamas.

#### CAPE GIRARDEAU AREA CHAPTER MARY BOYD, Reporter

Malden, Missouri, was the site of the Cape Girardeau Area Chapter's March meeting and hostess for the group was NORMA NORRIS, the newest member of our chapter. NORMA is the mother of three teenagers and her 49½ is a pharmacist. After enjoying a cup of coffee as the sun broke through the overcast, the members were taken to "The Smoke House", a barbeque restaurant just across from what was once the entrance to the air base which is now the Malden Airport.

After a delicious meal, Chapter Chairman EVELYN BRAESE called the meeting to order and a few items of business were disposed of such as starting the procedure for incorporating the chapter. It was agreed to hold the April meeting at Cape Girardeau on the 17th and the Nominating Committee is to meet the first week

in May to consider officers for the next year.

Much of the time was spent visiting about the Powder Puff Derby, flying and other matters. We were pleased to learn that the Chapter has been asked to provide the timers for this year's terminus and the most efficient MILLIE LIMBAUGH will serve as Chief Terminus Timer. She will be assisted by EVELYN BRAESE who has gained considerable experience as a timer at Greenwood, Miss., Mt. Vernon, Ill., and last year's stop at Dyersburg. A third member of the Cape Girardeau Area Chapter will complete the team at Baton Rouge. LOIS FEIGENBAUM said that she and her newly-wed daughter, SUSIE F. LONG of St. Louis would be contestants in this year's Derby so the chapter will be rooting for Mattel's "Hot Bird".

Missing at the meeting were MILLIE LIMBAUGH, who was taking part in Cape Girardeau's annual "follies" and MARGIE HALL, who is spending two months in El Dorado, Arkansas, where she is relieving the anesthesiologists.

The day was completed by warm, sunny skies which were a pleasant contrast to the low clouds which had almost, but not quite, made us drive to the meeting.

#### CENTRAL ILLINOIS CHAPTER JAYNE SCHIEK, Reporter

Mattoon really turned on the wind machine for our meeting on Sunday, March 6, with gusts peaking at near 50 m.p.h. JAYNE SCHIEK and 49½ ER BEN were the only ones to arrive by air flying in the Cessna 182 from Macomb. Others who drove in were BOB and LIBBY KAISER, LEAH and SAM WARREN, BARBARA JENISON, KATHLEEN and JEAN WOOD, and MARTHA McMAHON and her daughter, KIM. BOB and LIBBY KAISER had attended a Symposium on Soaring at the University of West Virginia in Morgantown the weekend of February 11-14. Some of those who conducted meetings were GEORGE MOFFITT, National and International soaring champion for 1970; Detroit architect, C. J. SMITH; PAUL BICKEL of NASA; and KLAUS HAULENHAUS, designer for the Nimbus and Cirrus Glider factory in Germany.

We were saddened to learn of the death of MARGE KELLY'S husband, FRED. MARGE is still recuperating from a broken hip at their son's home in Milwaukee.

During the past semester, LIBBY and BOB KAISER have been taking slides for the Institute of Aviation at the University of Illinois. This involved two cross countries and lots of V.O.R. pictures and related material. These will be used in the University's 101 ground school courses.

Prospective member, MARGE TYSON, wrote that she had checked out in a Cherokee and felt that she was ready to solo that plane.

A card from Chairman JEAN WEST from St. Petersburg reports that they were really enjoying their vacation.

At a pilot's meeting in Galesburg which JAYNE SCHIEK attended, our favorite

F.A.A. Lancer, LEE RUEBUSH, announced that he was being transferred to Willow Run at Detroit. KEE says that the coffee pot will still be on for 99's who drop in. So pay heed, Michigan chapter, and go bid him a warm welcome.

GOVERNOR OGILVIE has ANNOUNCED THAT MAY WILL BE GENERAL AVIATION MONTH IN HONOR OF THE ILLI-NINES AIR DERBY WHICH HAS BEEN TRANSFERRED TO THE QUAD CITY AIRPORT IN MOBILE ON MAY 21-23.

Our chapter has decided to attempt to give some small support to JERRI COBB'S work in flying medicines and supplies to the back country Indians in South America.

Our April meeting will be held in Pekin with a bit of airmarking to be done.

#### CHICAGO AREA CHAPTER SANDY KLOCK, Reporter

Our February meeting was held at Four Lakes Village in Lisle—Hostess BARBARA GIBBENS, on the teaching staff at Four Lakes, said she'll give a free ski lesson to any of our 99s wishing to learn next season.

Another new idea from our chapter (these gals are so inventive!) — SHERRY O'KEEFE made up a board with a giant Chicago area map on it, and with colored pins stuck in it, pinpointing the location of each of our chapter officers, members, and prospectives. It sure drew a lot of attention at our last meeting.

More news on NORMA FREIER's Tri-Pacer trip to Florida with 49½ ER ART (nothing like taking an airline pilot along). Took four days to get there! On one of their bad weather days, stopped in Thomasville, Ga. and met Georgia Chapter 99 ESTHER WRIGHT, a delightful gal who went out of her way to make their stay in Georgia a delightful stop.

MARGE THORNLEY and her 49½ ER are flying to Hawaii in April to celebrate their 25th anniversary.

RITA ADAMS has left us and moved up to Fox Point, a suburb north of Milwaukee. She says thanks to the efficiency of the gals in 99s, she was notified immediately of the February meeting of the Wisconsin Chapter, and attended! If any of RITA'S friends should fly up that way, just "buzz" her! (Phone A/C 414, 352-7930.)

DEBBIE FJORDHOLM has transferred to Denver—bet she wanted to get closer to the big ski slopes!

One of the most unusual flights I've heard of this past year—SUE MICHALEK flying down to Decatur in a Cherokee 140 to pick up 500 chickens for her return trip to Du Page! (Whoever heard of 500 passengers in a 140?)

PAT FRIEDMAN recently got her multi-engine rating, and JEANINE TELLEKSON now has a centerline thrust rating.

SYLVIA SHELDON is APT!

HAROLD and EVA WHITE are planning a long weekend at Marco Island, Florida, flying down with HAROLD'S brother and his wife in their 310.



## GREATER KANSAS CITY CHAPTER MARGARET WRIGHT, Reporter

Our long-awaited International Cook Book is off the press at last thanks to our Chairman DONA RIDGEWAY and recipe collector VEE ST. JOHN. Send for your copy today and see what the 99's are "cooking-up" the world over. SEND \$5.00 to NITA IRWIN, 3105 W. 72ND ST., PRAIRIE VILLAGE, KANS.

We're having a party at the Brown Bottle (Schlitz Brewery) June 1 and hope to sell tickets galore and make some much needed money. Come "Whoop it up" everyone — these are fun parties!

The March winds blew and the K.C. 99's were up bobbing around like kites. Our last fly-out took us to St. Charles, Mo., where we were met by a few gracious St. Louis 99's, dined royally at Bonapartes Retreat, thanks to the Chamber of Commerce, and saw the recently rejuvenated State House as well as a few antique shops. Chairman DONA RIDGEWAY with PAT HALL guest. FRANCES and JERRY DUNFIELD with JOAN MAPLE passenger. KATHY ZIMMERMAN, KATY LETCHER, co-pilot; THEDA BENNINGFIELD. NITA IRWIN, co-pilot and ROSAMOND OLIVER and HAZEL PERKINS passengers. MARY ANN GORDON with BOBBIE MILLER and JANET McCULLOUGH passengers: FAY GLENN with JOAN REINDL, BILLIE BORDNER and AUNT DOLLY passengers.

Our ex-chairman ROSAMOND OLIVER has been keeping an "Eagle Eye" out counting our National Bird along the Missouri River for the Audubon Society. It seems that this is one step in the Conservation program that we gals can get into, says ROS. It's exhausting, a bit harry but rewarding she says.

BOBBIE MILLER has been our Public Relations Chairman to Central Missouri State College in Warrensburg. BONNIE FERGUSON invited BOBBIE to speak to an Aviation Class she attends. BOBBIE was surprised that one of the students knew how the 99's got their name and was impressed at the attention she received from the eager and interested students.

BETTY and DON SIMPSON have been to Puerto Vallarta via "Bonanza Airways" and had clear skies and good radio reception all the way. BETTY and DON as well as BILL and BOBBI MILLER were four of the lucky ones aboard a chartered T.W.A. 747 to see the blast-off at Cape Kennedy of Apollo 14. Little did they know that our Air Traffic controller, BETTY BROWN handled the flight part way. These 99's are really getting in the "total picture." So when you're talking to A.T.C. and hear a "Lady Bird Johnson" voice drawl back at you, just say "HI BETTY!"

## GREATER ST. LOUIS CHAPTER JAN POCOCK, Reporter

Our February meeting, as guests of IRENE RAWLINGS and GOLLY MINER, further pursued the education course that has been plotted for us this year by our Chairman, JOAN LAMB, and NORMA BRAUCH. A very informative and entertaining talk was given by lady Air Traffic Controller, BONNIE HRABKO. BONNIE'S ATC post is at Spirit of St. Louis airport which happens to be one of the stops along the 1971 PPD way. Enjoyed her stories about the "ups and downs" of being a female controller.

Plans moving ahead for a really great race stop, so y'all come! Prior to July, however, mark your calendars for the Memorial Day weekend. FLY IN, TO THE GATEWAY TO THE WEST, FOR A TOTAL AVIATION ORIENTED WEEKEND! ATTEND A FABULOUS BALL AT THE McDONNELL PLANETARIUM ON SATURDAY NIGHT, MAY 29TH, THE PROCEEDS OF WHICH WILL GO TO THE SCHOOL OF THE OZARKS FOR THEIR AVIATION DEPARTMENT. SAT., SUN., AND MON., BARON VOLKMER WILL HOST THE P-51 TOURNAMENT AND WW2 AIR SHOW AT ALTON CIVIC MEMORIAL AIRPORT. Lots going on, so plan to spend the entire weekend in St. Louis. Contact any of the STL 9's for further information, or motel reservations. Be happy to help you. Never under-estimate the determination of a gal with eyes set on flying the AWTAR! JEAN LENNERTSON is living proof that, if at first, you don't succeed, keep going back till you do! Took five tries, but she finally passed her Commercial written. Now that's what I call determination!

March has brought us a variety of things, not the least of which is confusing weather! The meeting, held in St. Louis' old terminal, was an informal "work shop", designed to make table decorations for our May ball, while the meeting progressed. BETTY BOARD, NORMA BRAUCH, and GUSSIE FREEZE served as our hostesses. It was a noisy, but fun get-together and the only reason we didn't finish all the flower decked center pieces by the end of the evening was because we ran outta daisies! Chairman, JOAN LAMB, presented our newest member, LORITA CURTISS, with her pin, and introduced our very special guest from Mexico, 99 BERTHA DE GARCIA. Such a friendly lady from the Tip of Texas Chapter was like a breath of fresh air. In St. Louis for a couple of weeks attending Sabreliner jet ground school, it was our genuine pleasure to have BERTHA attend our meeting. Another guest was 3rd meeting attender, NELDA LEE. We found out that our trainee air traffic gal BETTY BOARD has been studying "Advanced Weather" at Meramac Jr. College and ERMA and JACK MANZO are at the same school for Instrument Ground School, while LORITA CURTISS, LAURA RICHTER, and JOAN LAMB tool around the "fake skyways" in

the simulator. With all this enthusiasm in our group, we should have a large turnout for our annual APT day, April 17th. APT Chairlady, DOTTIE HAUPT, guarantees us CAVU weather! What fun it was getting together with the K.C. Chapter gals at St. Charles, March 16th. Hope they come back again, soon.

## INDIANA CHAPTER PRISCILLA BARR, Reporter

Roses to our Chapter Chairman, LOIS KENNARD, who received the 1970 Nicholas Award, presented by the Indianapolis Aero Club, to the outstanding woman pilot. Our thoughts all reflect the same phrase "who could be more deserving?"

We are most proud and happy to announce that Kokomo, Indiana will host the Fairladies Annual Indiana Race to be held September 18, 1971 with DOROTHY SMITH serving as race chairman.

DR. SHIRLEY SIEW attended the 20th Annual Scientific Session of the American College of Cardiology in Washington, D.C., at which time she received the Fellowship of the College; an honor awarded to doctors who have reached a senior level in cardiology.

The Amelia Earhart Collection, from the Purdue Library archives, was a highlight at the Flying Farmers of Indiana Clinic held at Purdue recently. The program was arranged by members ANN BLACK and MARTHA HOLST. Fifty women viewed the collection as part of the ladies program.

Our daily thoughts are with BETTY CULL who is recuperating after major surgery, and now we understand, must face another delicate operation. Through her long illness, with many complications, BETTY continues her usual cheerfulness.

MILDRED HURT reports she is now resting at home, while letting bones knit, after a nasty fall of several months ago.

DOTTY and COTTON GALL flew to Majorca Island, Spain for a golf and sight-seeing trip. . . the GENUNGS and KENNARDS enjoyed a fun weekend at the Playboy Club, Lake Geneva. . . PAULINE GENUNG has just passed the written for instruments. . . THE JENNINGS, BARB and HARRY, will celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary in France. Parlez-vous Francaise? . . . BARB McCCLURE's name is still in the hat for the Amelia Earhart Scholarship. . . the PAUL SCHLUNDTS enjoyed visiting with RUS- TY and ETHYL KNUTH and the HAROLD KAPLANS on their holiday trip to Phoenix. TANNIE and PAUL also visited with their son, WAYNE, who now resides in Athens, Georgia. . . BETTY and CURT DEBAUN will be attending the FFDA meeting in Fresno, California being held this month. BETTY is looking forward to seeing JOYCE JOHNSTON of the Minnesota Chapter and ANITA NUNN from the Montreal 99's. By the way, for those not in the know of things, the initials FFDA stand for the Flying Funeral Directors of America.

Please send News Clippings, Pictures, etc. to SCS 99 Scrapbook Chairman:  
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#### KENTUCKY BLUEGRASS CHAPTER DIANE STAFFORD, Reporter

Our last meeting was held February 28, 1971, at the home of PAT DAVISON in Madison, Indiana. It was a beautiful, clear, sunny day but just a bit windy. JENNIE HUBBARD, an almost 66, was going to make her first solo cross-country to Madison for the meeting, but didn't get to fly because of the wind. So she drove. PAT'S dad met those of us who did fly in at the airport.

We have a brand-new 99 — PAULINE BARRIER, who flew all the way from Monticello, Ky. for the meeting. We're happy to have her with us.

CONGRATULATE US; WE'RE NOW INCORPORATED!

PAT LYDDAN and her other half visited San Francisco, Los Angeles, and Disneyland in February. It was PAT'S first trip in a commercial airliner, and she really enjoyed it.

GAIL GORSKI is a real go-getting young lady. She recently acquired her commercial rating and soon will go for her CFI check ride.

PAT PAULSEN and DOT ARNETT attended a General Aviation Educational Clinic in Clarksville, Ind. on March 8. They saw films on vertigo and wake turbulence. They said they were both good films. Then vertigo was demonstrated by the spinning chair method. They were also shown slides on take off and landing with and without flaps. An educational and enjoyable evening.

#### MICHIGAN CHAPTER SUZANNE CROOK, Reporter

DR. MERVIN STRICKLER, JR., conducted the second Speaker's Bureau training session. He emphasized one main objective of the program. "Don't worry about the citizen agreeing with you. Make sure he has the resources to make an intelligent decision. It is the quality of the decision that is important."

Films will be a valuable asset to the program. PAUL EVANS from the Michigan Aeronautics Commission demonstrated the remarkable results he had achieved by copying slides. With a carousel projector and cassette tape recorder anyone will be able to present an effective slide or film program.

The training session included a "show and tell" period by MARILYN SIDWELL and JACKIE DEBES who have a number of speaking engagements to their credit. Between them they have spoken to the Aero Club, the Trenton area Girl Scouts, the Engineering Society of Detroit, and the Zonta Club of Port Huron. Subject matter has included careers in aviation, advice on how to form a flying club, and the Stinson. Other speakers include KAREN SMITH, MEARL FRAME, and SUZANNE CROOK. (I spoke to the Zonta Club of Highland Park on the SST.)

Aviation education in the schools is equally important to this program. DR. STRICKLER pointed out that the airplane is a tremendous learning mechanism which

can motivate youngsters. BETTY WHITE was successful in introducing an aviation curriculum into her area schools. MARY CREASON conducted an Aviation Academy at Boyne Mountain last summer.

Report all your speaking engagements to JULIE AUERBACH, Aerospace Education Chairman, and consult with her to learn if there are films or other material which might enhance your program.

BERTHA McMENEMY is newly APT. MARGARET CONLIN received her commercial rating before Christmas and passed the instrument written in February. KAY and RAY CHAMBERLAIN flew to Houston, Texas with CAL and DOROTHY BREWER to pick up the Chamberlains' new Lake Amphibian. RAY and CAL received their seaplane ratings in Texas. KAY plans to get hers here in Michigan.

The Michigan Chapter is taking two new members under her wings. JENNIFER CLINTON and MARY KURTZ. JENNIFER was sponsored by BABE RUTH and flew co-pilot in the Small Race. MARY received her private license last Halloween.

DIANE and DR. DON McFARLANE flew their four children to Mexico City and Vera Cruz. EMELINE and KEN KELLY just returned from Mexico in their Bonanza. BETTE and DR. CHARLES CROOK took daughter LESLIE on a tour of the South with a stay on Florida's Gulf Coast. BETTY and WARREN MILLER flew their Travelair to Washington, D.C.

#### MINNEOSTA CHAPTER BETTY KUECHLE, Reporter

FOLLOW THE NORTH STAR TO  
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North Central Spring Sectional

May 14, 15 and 16, St. Paul Hilton

With Spring just around the corner and our Sectional about to bloom, our convention chairman DOROTHY BOLANDER has things so well organized and running smoothly that she has taken off for a well deserved two weeks of skiing at Aspen, Colorado. CAROLINE and RAY OLSON covered the southwestern United States on their vacation including many stops in Mexico. CAROLINE reports they had beautiful flying weather all the way until reaching home base at Austin, Mn. This forced them back to Mason City, Iowa.

This reporter headed for California in February, landing in Palm Springs just in time to give a hand at air marking the Palm Springs Airport. Coachella Valley Chapter Chairman JEAN PATANE rolled out the welcome mat and invited me to join in the fun. JEAN spent two years of research and hard work to gain permission from the City Council. She realized her dream on February 21st, only after going out and raising \$300.00 to cover costs. The gals all pitched in along with the Palm Springs Police Aero Squadron and by noon the taxi way was air marked. I enjoyed getting to know JEAN and all the gals of the Coachella Valley Chapter. Next time you fly over Palm Springs take a good look ... or better yet land and get acquainted!

#### QUAD-CITY AREA CHAPTER S. EHRICH, Reporter

March meeting was a marvelous spaghetti supper at VON and CHARLIE ALTER'S followed by slides of the 1970 AWTAR.

LINDA NORMOYLE reports that her number one daughter, HARRIET, has 5 hours of dual instruction. She's being raised right.

CAROLYN POBANZ has been flying all over town making arrangements since they transferred the Illi 9 Derby to Quad City Airport instead of Kankakee.

CHARLIE ALTER has a Commercial License.

ROGER SMITH, 49½ER of NORMA, is President of Quad-City Airmen. BOB EHRICH, 49½ER of SHARON, will be President of Heart of Illinois Aero Club beginning tomorrow. ROGER advised BOB that bumper stickers were a good campaign investment.

We heard that CLAUDETTE PARKER of Iowa has equipped her new transponder with their Tripacer. Congratulations, most of us are still flying with a picture of a transponder taped on the glove compartment.

SHARON EHRICH requested by Peoria Academy of Science (yet) as an "Academic Scientist" to be a judge at the Peoria County Student Science Fair to be held at Bradley U. Category — Aeronautics. She wanted another category to judge, but they're a little stuffy about whom they let judge the Chicken Brittle recipes. She also reports that she's stopped her 1000 foot MSL hop-over and can now take-off and land from the right seat as well as other maneuvers.



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