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Spotlighting



The International President

It is November 17th and the fog is thick this morning as I look out the window here in Sacramento, California. The gray skies are predicted to clear soon for the members flying in for the 25th Anniversary Celebration of the Sacramento Valley Chapter. Several happy faces greeted us at the airport on our arrival in the rain last night and we chatted while we waited for the luggage to come off the big DC-8. Broneta Davis Evans (past president) had flown out with me and we were enjoying ourselves visiting with Darlene Gilmore, Gerry Mickelson (also a past president), Barbara Goetz, Barbara Foster, Shirley and Ernie Lehr.

Then the moment of realization finally arrived — like the head-on collision which only happens to other people — our luggage didn't show up, so obviously it didn't get on the plane at Los Angeles. After the tracing exercise, we headed toward the Sacramento Inn, empty handed, vowing to hand-carry it next time when switching airplanes enroute.

A late breakfast, by the Central time zone, next morning with Gerry ended on a happy note when we learned that our luggage had arrived. Soon it was lunchtime and we were joined by Mary Vial, Governor of the Southwest Section. Our red-headed friend from Phoenix had also left her magic carpet at home due to the weather. The very choppy air north of Phoenix told us the Today Show weather map was right. It was quite a front. A visit that afternoon with Fran Grant revealed interesting information on the fellowships granted annually by Zonta International. We agreed that all Zonta clubs should have at least one 99 member. Each year, Zonta honors Amelia Earhart during a special dinner program and often asks a local 99 member to be the speaker. We resolved to pursue the subject of Zonta further, at an early future date.

The evening celebration party began with about 150 in attendance. It was an honor to be invited and I was proud of the achievements of this chapter. Their contributions to aviation have been many and their members an inspiration to others. Read more about this joyful occasion in the Sacramento Valley Chapter news. Jeannie McElhatton's talented husband kept the program moving at brisk pace and packed a bit of suspense into the drawing for each door prize. It was a great evening! Breakfast found us bidding goodbye to those who were still there and we left for the airport with Margaret Gerhard following us part way. The Air West flight bound for Phoenix was a wine-tasting flight and we were all a bit sleepy by the time the DC-9 left Las Vegas. George Vial met us with a surprised look when he realized that his wife had brought houseguests for Saturday night supper. Alice and Charles Roberts joined us later and we enjoyed many flying experiences over dinner.

Sunday morning sunshine is pouring in the windows of this beautiful Spanish house and I'll celebrate my birthday with a number of the Phoenix 99's in about an hour. Then back to Oklahoma City this afternoon and back to work.

Thanksgiving Day will be spent in St. Louis, Mo., with favorite cousins and my brother Edward and his family. Then back to work on Friday, being thankful for all the many blessings of good health, good friends and good fellowship that this year has brought to us.

Although this new 99 year is already about one-fourth gone, we have three-fourths yet to go! It has been an exciting and unique experience to serve as President and I am looking forward to seeing more 99's on various occasions as time permits in the coming months.

The Holiday Season will be busy as usual this year for all of us. Christmas and New Year's parties will be planned all over the world and 99's will enjoy the charitable projects too which seem to go hand in hand at this glorious time of the year. If all goes well, I hope to be with the members of the Central Pennsylvania Chapter for their Christmas party and then enjoy Christmas Day as a houseguest of Ronnie and Ray Johnson at Lock Haven, Pa. What a treat it will be to spend Christmas in the beautiful snow of the northeast and with such wonderful, hospitable friends.

May you all enjoy the blessings of Christmas and have a very Happy New Year!



Susie Sewell

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PURPOSE

The purpose of this organization is to provide a close relationship among women pilots and to unite them in any movement that may be for their benefit or for that of aviation in general.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership in the Ninety-Nines is by invitation only and is limited to women possessing active pilot licenses. NINETY-NINES number over 4300. Nearly all feminine aviation records have been made by Ninety-Nine members. A membership directory containing the Constitution is sent out annually.

The NINETY-NINE NEWS, a monthly publication, records the activities of the International Committees, Chapters, and members-at-large and is sent to each member.

ORGANIZATION

There are eight geographic sections in the United States, including Alaska and Hawaii, one in Australia, two in Canada, one in Great Britain, two in South Africa, one in Finland, one in Colombia, South America, and one in France. Each section operates under the guidance of the International Executive Board and is presided over by a Governor. Sections are subdivided into more than 130 chapters which are directed by Chairmen. Members in countries with fewer than five 99s participate as members-at-large. Ninety-Nines are living and flying on every continent in the world.

MEETINGS

Chapters hold monthly meetings; Sections, bi-annual meetings. An International Convention is held annually. The location of the convention rotates among the various sections.

HISTORY

The Ninety-Nines, Inc. derives its name from the number of charter members who organized to further the role of women in aviation. On November 2, 1929, twenty-six of this group met at Curtiss Field, Long Island, New York, and launched the Ninety-Nine Club officially. Amelia Earhart became the first President.

PROJECTS

Each year at convention, the Ninety-Nines present THE AMELIA EARHART MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD to four or more qualified Ninety-Nine members. The award entitles the winner to advanced flight training or courses in specialized branches of aviation. This fund serves to perpetuate the ideals of Amelia Earhart whose own career in

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aviation, and whose enthusiasm and unselfish devotion to the advancement of opportunities for women in aviation, have inspired all.

The AMELIA EARHART MEDALS are available to persons or organizations for presentation in recognition of outstanding achievement in aviation. The medals may be ordered through the Ninety-Nines, Inc.

THE NINETY-NINE MUSEUM, located presently at International Headquarters, is dedicated to the preservation of women's achievements in aviation. Founded in 1969, it is administered by 8 trustees, all of whom are Ninety-Nines.

Ninety-Nines participate in the National Air Marking program and various flying competitions. They assist with, and many also belong to, national youth education and aerospace education groups such as the Civil Air Patrol, Civil Defense, National Aerospace Education Council, the Wing Scouts (Senior Girl Scout and Guide Aviation Program), Annual Proficiency Test, Accident Prevention Program, and National Intercollegiate Flying Association, by giving indoctrination flights, acting as consultants, teaching ground school subjects and lecturing on personal aviation experiences.

ACTIVITIES

Cross country flight experience is encouraged through the endorsement of air races. Best known is the Annual All-Woman Transcontinental Air Race (Powder Puff Derby), a handicapped speed race of 2300 - 3000 miles. Other smaller races and competitive events are also held. Among local activities are breakfast fly-ins, spot landing contests, Penny-A-Pound flights, efficiency races and air shows, flying safari's, air tours, poker runs and treasure hunts.

The husbands of Ninety-Nines are called 49 1/2ers and are strong supporters of all 99 activities.

OFFICIAL INSIGNIA

The official insignia is executed in gold and comprises two "9"s, square cut, superimposed with a spinnable propeller in the center. Charter members are entitled to wear a diamond in the hub of the propeller; International Presidents, a jeweled pin and gavel.

News Release

1973 Louisiana Air Tour

By Fran Salles

The 1973 Louisiana Air Tour, April 8-15, will start and terminate in Baton Rouge, touring many cities around the state. Plans are being completed for 25 private planes (50 people), many from distant states, to join this tour.

Activities are planned for each city, with emphasis on the culture of that region — such as visiting Louisiana's boat and garment factories, oil field, sulphur mine, archeological discovery Poverty Point; joining a Fais-do-do, two private air shows, as well as fresh and deep sea fishing and sailing. All the while the food of the area will be featured, demonstrating world-famous Louisiana cuisine at it's finest.

The purpose of the air tour is two-fold:

1. To emphasize to the residents of Louisiana the safety and pleasure of private flying, and to stimulate an appreciation of their local airport facility and its economic potential.

2. To show the pilot-guests first hand the beauty and tranquility of our great state, its varied interests and cultures, the new and the old.

The tour is being sponsored by the Baton Rouge Aircraft Pilots Association, South Louisiana Chapter 99's, Louisiana Aviation Commission and Experimental Aircraft Association Chapter 244, with the assistance of the Louisiana Tourist Commission.

Coming Events

Feb. 27, 28, & Mar. 1, 1973 — FAA Flight Instructor Revalidation Clinic (Instrument) at Rochelle's Motel & Convention Center — entrance to LGB Airport — 3333 Lakewood Blvd., Long Beach, CA. Sponsored by Long Beach Ninety-Nines. Fee \$35 includes materials and lunches. Contact Rita Gibson, 5505 Fidler Ave., Lakewood, CA 90712. (213) 866-8419.

Illini-Nines Air Derby

Once again we are planning for our spring air race.

May 25-27, 1973 — Du Page Co. Airport, West Chicago, Illinois. Illini-Nines Air Derby; 250 mile speed or proficiency categories. Open to men and women; trophies and cash to be awarded. For information and entry kit send \$1.00 to Julia Konger, 2004 South Barreville Rd., McHenry, Illinois 60050.

Safety—

Theme of WACOA Fall Meeting

The October 25-27 Washington, D.C. meeting of the Federal Aviation Administration's Women's Advisory Committee on Aviation was a name-droppers' paradise, if any of the 26 achieving members present had chosen to indulge in this pastime of the non-achiever.

Nine somewhat incredulous freshman committee members were given congratulatory handshakes by Secretary of Transportation John A. Volpe. FAA Administrator John H. Shaffer generously apportioned over two hours of his invaluable time to us. Erudite Assistant Administrator for General Aviation John L. Baker allotted us a nearly-equal amount in his briefing, entitled simply "Safety." General Gustav E. Lundquist of FAA's Engineering and Development was our kickoff speaker. Flight Standards' Deputy Director C.R. Melugin briefed us on the status of the revision of FARs, Part 61. James W. "Pete" Campbell, General Aviation Accident Prevention man-in-command, and another "Pete," Accident Prevention Specialist Willard L. Pederson of the Office of General Aviation, provided a back-to-back punch on the what-it's-all-about of aviation safety, the meeting's theme. The chief of Aeromedical Applications Division, Dr. Stanley R. Mohler, rolled back the curtain to give us a startling look at the elements of G-forces in Aerobatics. General Bernard Schriever, USAF retired, happened by that Friday morning, for an introduction and a brief summation of WACOA's mission from WACOS coordinator Nona Quarles, and Washington, D.C. Chapter Ninety-Nine.

The safety theme was emphatically echoed and given new dimensions by all of our speakers, and in our visits to NASCOM (National Airspace Communications) and to the ATC Systems Command Center.

General Lundquist sounded the keynote at Wednesday morning's first session. The general's address covered engineering developments destined to improve our future as both pilots and passengers. He reassured WACOA members that the objective of safety will not be obscured by the doubling or even tripling of the capacity of our airspace by 1980. "Our intent is not to exclude any user from the system," he said. Lundquist took a firm stance on the areas of our mutual problems: the paucity of airports; the need for a modernized Flight Service Station system; the wake turbulence menace; development of a quiet V/STOL. The theme "We need help!" was sounded initially by General Lundquist, and threaded together the presentations of every speaker who followed. There were important implications, not only to WACOA committee members, but to four of whom are Ninety-Nines, but to chapters everywhere in search of a project to provide a transfusion to aviation in their communities. We need search no farther than the minutes of proceedings of the 1972 fall meeting of WACOA.

"We need to take the message of airport need back to the non-flying community," was Secretary of Transportation John Volpe's urgent appeal to WACOA. He then swore in nine new WACOA members. They are Kathy Caston (Shreveport Chapter); Bette Crook (Michigan Chapter); Jeanette De Jarnette (South Louisiana Chapter); International Treasurer Lois Feigenbaum (Cape Girardeau Chapter); Betty Moseley (Kentucky Blue Grass Chapter); International President Elizabeth Sewell (Oklahoma Chapter); and Mary Hirsch of Vienna, Virginia.

That delightful verbal gymnast, Assistant Administrator John L. Baker, leveled his sights on safety in a no-punches-pulled presentation. "How do we identify and address our problems?" Baker questioned. "We spend so much time in aviation patting one another on the back we never get around to talking about things which are really relevant. The pilot, his training, and the machine were all subjected to John Baker's scrutiny. His final comments were constructed as challenges to WACOA, and by association, to all Ninety-Nines. "Aviation must compete for our resources as an entity. Our prosperity has put new burdens upon us; we must meet these bur-

dens in order to grow. We must," he cited as an example, "mute the strident, irrational voices."

"Pete" Campbell then warned us, "There is no such thing as instant accident prevention!" He continued in a complimentary vein. "The expertise in the Ninety-Nines is tremendous. I envision having a pilot clinic with all women teachers." Pete's finalizing statement is one we can and should all do something about: "One of our greatest problems is not getting involved. If we are going to have safety everyone has to get involved."

Willard Peterson emphasized: "We must cover all details in our training." Our specific problems are to educate the non-checklist users, especially among the re-tractable pilots, to get pilots to look around, to eradicate our illiteracy about density altitude, and to eliminate the moronic manning of the fuel selector switch.

Not since World War II has anything been written in medical reference to aerobatic flight. Dr. Stanley Mohler, chief of the Aeromedical Applications Division Office of Aviation Medicine told us in introducing his briefing on G-effects in aerobatics. Off the presses soon will be an FAA publication filling this void of aeronautical knowledge. "Many accidents are due to loss of consciousness at low altitudes," Dr. Mohler said. "Some spin recoveries are unsuccessful due to gray-out." There is one competitive maneuver in

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Good News From Beech Aircraft

By Louise Sacchi

The Beech Aircraft Corporation Sales Meeting in October, produced good news for those who fly Beechcraft, and those who would like to fly them, whether the latter are non-pilots, students, or licensed pilots.

There are no radical changes this year to obsolete models of the past few years, but there are some welcome changes in each model to improve its performance and even further increase its safety. Although these changes do add to the production costs in some cases, Beech is not passing those costs on in increased prices, and this, of course, is happy news for both salesmen and customers.

However, the really big news for the great majority of pilots, who cannot own airplanes is the introduction on a nationwide scale of the Beech Aero Centers and Beech Aero Clubs, which have proved to be quite successful in the pilot project this last year in selected locations. 1973 will see 100 of these Beech Aero Centers opened all across the country for sales, service and flight training in the Sport, Sundowner, and Sierra. The training section utilizes the most advanced aids for Ground School, Simulator, and Flight. The syllabus, textbooks, etc. have been developed in cooperation with Jeppesen; the Flight Instructor, or Club Pro, will be given a standardized instructor refresher course at the Beech factory, and the aircraft used will be the practically all-new Sport, Sundowner

and Sierra, so that instruction can continue right up through Instrument and extended Cross Country. There are so many changes in these three airplanes, it would be impossible to detail them all, but the end result is airplanes with improved performance, comfort and looks — they really are beautiful.

Along with the Aero Centers there will be Beech Aero Clubs, because they realize that unless the airport can be a family enterprise, it is difficult for either Mother or Father to spend any time at the airport and still keep peace. So there are activities for all members of the family, on good days or rainy days. Ping Pong, Darts, Pool, Badminton, Card games, etc., plus television can keep the non-flyers occupied while the flying members go out and fly either for sport or increased skill. The Club Pro, besides being the instructor and father confessor, will also dream up mass flights to places of interest.

The membership will be of two types, either for students in the Sport, which is very inexpensive, or for those who are licensed, a slightly higher dues for the Sundowner and Sierra. Best of all, especially for people who travel on business (or vacation), if you are a member of one Beech Aero Club, you have memberships in all of them.

For those of us who find ourselves in foreign countries, there are likely to be Beech Aero Clubs in various places around the world.

99 Chapter Personalities



Secretary of Transportation John A. Volpe presented the Award for Meritorious Achievement to Hazel McKendrick Jones, Evaluation and Proficiency Development Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, Dallas, Texas.

Mrs. Jones, a native of Dallas, received her award for outstanding contributions to the Flight Service Station Activities of the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and for enthusiastic support and promotion of the national aviation system, not only in her own region but in the nation as a whole.

Her nomination reads, in part: "Mrs. Jones has distinguished herself in an outstanding manner in the Federal Service Station field. Her technical competence has been recognized throughout her entire career in every position she has held. Her superior knowledge and personal capability, as well as her ability to explain technical details in a simple manner have made her particularly effective. Mrs. Jones has been recognized by the agency as an outstanding technical specialist and is consulted regularly by Regional personnel concerning her viewpoints for proposed changes in the F.S.S. area."

Mrs. Jones received her B.S. degree from Texas State College for Women in 1951 and her Masters at North Texas State University in 1971.

She began her career with the FAA in 1945 and has been an Air Traffic Control Specialist at the Dallas Flight Service Station since 1952. She is an active pilot with commercial license with instrument and helicopter ratings. Mrs. Jones was a recipient of the Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarship in 1968.

Mrs. Jones is married to Roys Jones. They reside in Dallas, Texas with her son, Michael, 17.

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(L to R) Elsie Wahrer, Charlene Falkenberg, Jerry Krill, owner, Hobart Aircraft Sales, and Julia Konger. These Chicago Area Chapter 99s are loading oxygen equipment for Direct Relief Foundation (DRF) at the Hobart Skyranch, Hobart, Ind.

Everyone who gets into earshot of Charlene Faikenberg of Chicago Area Chapter 99s hears about the 99's (International Organization of Women Pilots). Now a 99 will fly at the drop of a hat. Just mention in a group of lady pilots that something or someone needs to get somewhere and a 99 will volunteer to fly them. Many of the flying activities are very worthwhile. One such organization that the 99's have become active in helping is called the Direct Relief Foundation. This organization was formed in California by a group of doctor's wives and has grown nationwide. These women collect medical supplies to be sent to the needy all over the world. However they needed transportation. Here is where the 99's got in the act. They volunteered to fly the supplies from east to west — from one city to another — one state to another. Whenever supplies were available a 99 who was making a flight would take them along until they eventually end up in California for shipment overseas.

One day a large oxygen machine weighing 150 pounds in a crate measuring 2x2x4 feet was left at Chicago-Hammond Airport, Lansing, Illinois, to be carted further westward across the country. Charlene Falkenberg brought it over to her homebase, Hobart Skyranch, Hobart, Indiana, so it would be easily accessible when a plane large enough to handle it became available. Julia Konger, McHenry, Illinois, volunteered to take it to Moline, Illinois in her Bonanza. We measured and figured but to no avail. It would not go in the Bonanza. Then came Dorothy Klemptner, a 66 in the Chicago Area Chapter of 99's, (a 66 does not have her license as yet but is a student pilot), to our aid. She and her doctor husband own a Cessna 206.

One bright and sunshiny day in October the two planes came to Hobart around 12:00 noon. Charlene talked her boss, Eugene Wise of the School City of Hobart, into coming along to take pictures. Charlene met the planes and arranged help for loading. With the help of Jerry Krill, owner of Hobart Aircraft Sales and Service, Inc., who had stored the crate in his hangar, the machine was loaded into the 206 and Dr. Klemptner and Dorothy flew it to Moline, Illinois tandem style with Julia Konger and Elsie Wahrer, of Barrington, Illinois, along side in Julia's Bonanza.

APT

By Margo Smith

Here it is New Year's Resolution time again! How about this one? "I resolve to take my APT ride this month — and to turn in the completed form to my Chapter APT Chairman at once." Isn't that simple? — easier than dieting or not yelling at the kids. Maybe you prefer to take your APT ride on the anniversary of the day you got your license — that's a red-letter, easy to remember day for each of us! But do set a fixed date, with your instructor, with a 99 instructor (most donate their time), with an Accident Prevention Counselor (free) or with an FAA Accident Prevention Specialist (free).

Am happy to report all the Sections in the US and Canada have APT Chairmen — as do most of the Chapters. Here are the Section APT Chairmen

East Canada — Mary MacMillan
Western Canada — Jean Rose
New England — Sue Stidham
New York-New Jersey — Peggy Naumann
Middle East — Anna Spivey
Southeast — Bennie Peters
North Central — Virginia Chamberlain
South Central — Sondra Ridgeway
Northwest — Dorothy Mercer
Southwest — Pat Roberts

Chapter APT Chairmen obtain badges, forms and answers from their Section APT Chairmen and the Section APT Chairmen in turn work with the International APT Chairman and with each other.

For everyone's information:

APT Year — October 1, 1972 to September 30, 1973

Forms — same format as last 2 years.

— obtainable from your Chapter APT Chairman (if you are ever short of forms — xerox) '72-'73 Badges — you will be "pinned" by your Chapter APT Chairman

Gold Pins - Do Not Exist yet. Approval of the gold pin was delayed to some future date. When the new FAR, Part 61: Certification of Pilots and Flight Instructors becomes law there may have to be some changes in our APT Program. Have patience.

History — the APT Program began with the South Central Section and in 1968, Annual Proficiency Training became an International project. Many 99's have been APT each of those 4 years!

Let's communicate this year and share the great ideas that are popping up from so many Chapters. Why wait until the end of the year — Let's hear now how your Chapter became APT! With your help and suggestions, we can write a specific SOP on how to have an APT Clinic; how to arrange for Section/Chapter trophies and so on.

Is it possible for the 99's to be 100% APT this year? You bet it is! Wouldn't that be a record to boast about! Which Chapter will be the First to say "We are 100% APT." Tell me — and I'll tell everybody.



1953 - A Great Year

Nineteen fifty three was a great year for aviation — the Golden Anniversary of Powered Flight. It was a time of celebrations — a time for fixing firmly in the public mind an appreciation of the great contributions of aviation to human welfare and civilization — a time for encouraging air travel, air commerce, private flying and a time for stimulating the interest of youth in aviation. Our organization under the guidance of President Alice Hammond, a representative on General James H. Doolittle's National Committee for the celebration of the 50th Anniversary of Powered Flight, played a major role in helping to promote the goals as set forth by his committee.

Some of our projects were: the giving of nine flight Experience Scholarships to high school students by the Greater St. Louis Chapter; the sponsoring of a Private Pilot's Safety Conference by the Redwood Empire Chapter; the launching of a project conducting non-aviation groups on tours of their local airports by the Michigan Chapter; and the continued teaching of aviation courses in the schools, Civil Air Patrol and

Wing Scouts by many devoted, unselfish Ninety-Nines. The public continued to be informed through lectures, radio, T.V., newspapers and exhibits such as those prepared by: the Oklahoma Chapter for the Oklahoma City Air Fair, the San Fernando Chapter for the 3rd Annual Aviation Open House at the San Fernando Valley Airport and Historian Ruth Ruckert and Anne Rambo for the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C.

Three of our members were honored by the Civil Air Patrol. President Alice Hammond was named to accompany the eight outstanding girl cadets (one from each region) on a two week visit to Hawaii, Marian Guiberson of the Dallas Chapter was made CAP Encampment Commander for the National CAP Girl Cadet Encampment, and Jean Howard was selected to accompany Madame Sabina Gocken, Turkey's foremost woman pilot, as she led a group of five air cadets from Turkey on a three week visit to the United States as a part of the International Air Cadet Exchange Program of the CAP. It was reported that Major Gocken obtained her glider pilot and instructor's license in 1933 and was graduated from the Turkish Air Training College as a military pilot in 1936. Thus, she became the first known woman fighter pilot in history to receive a full commission in any Air Force. When she arrived here in July, she was on a leave of absence from the Turkish Air Force and was presently serving as Chief Instructor at the Civil Aviation School in Ankara, Turkey.

Both she and Jean were a bit apprehensive about their meeting since neither spoke the other's language. However, they quickly became great friends and since she was the first lady pilot to ever come with the CAP Cadet Exchange Group, Jean called her "Mamie" after our First Lady, Mamie Eisenhower. Even the boys were given good, solid American names: Joe, Jim, Johnny, Jack, and Tex, the latter for the state of Texas. Jean found this solved a lot of problems when it came time to introduce the boys.

Enroute to the lone star state, she taught them to sing in English, "The Eyes of

Texas." This group really shook up the welcoming committee when they stood in formation, hand over their heart and sang the song dear to all Texans. Later, they were given ten gallon Texan hats and taken to a Dude Ranch where "Mamie" and her boys proved to be natural equestrians. Everyone's reaction to the trip — great.

Another interesting visitor to our shores was Rachel Markowski from Israel who was entertained by the Detroit Ninety-Nines. She was the pioneer woman pilot of her country, having won her wings in 1940. Our president reported, "During the war, she flew for the Haganah, the Israeli underground, and flew reconnaissance during the Arab uprisings. She is rated as a single engine airplane pilot and a Class "C" glider pilot. As one of the leading lights in the Aero Club of Israel, Rachel is very much occupied with creating air consciousness and know-how among the youth of this new country, in a program similar in many respects to our Civil Air Patrol Cadet program. One of the things that surprised us most is that in Israel the girls as well as the boys are "drafted" into military service for two and a half years as soon as they finish high school. The interesting thing to us is that qualified girls are trained as military pilots along with the boys. 'Quite a number of Israeli girls already have earned their military wing', Rachel said."

On the homefront, Donna Ruth Evans of the Long Beach Chapter received our Amelia Earhart Scholarship for an Instrument Rating, the North Florida Chapter received its charter, new air markers continued to dot the countryside, the News Letter again became a twelve issue publication, the roster came out for the first time in a handy purse size edition, a new information brochure about our organization was published, and the constitution was changed to state that all dues must be paid by November 1 or a member must apply for reinstatement.

Also in 1953, delightful San Diego, California welcomed the girls to our annual convention where Chairman, Isabelle McCrae; her convention committee; and San Diego Chapter Chairman, Claire Hale, blended the historic atmosphere of the surrounding area with the highlights of Old Mexico to make the occasion a memorable one.

At this convention, the delegates voted overwhelmingly to assume complete financial support for the 1955 AWTAR by having all of the money raised by September 1, 1954.

The 7th AWTAR followed the Old Mohawk Trail from Laurence, Massachusetts, to Long Beach, California, a distance of 2,678 statute miles. It was the first time for a Stinson plane to win top honors and the beginning of many first place honors for Fran Bera as pilot. In those days, the Stinson 108's, Cessna 120's and 140's, Navions, and the Piper PA 20's and 22's were some of the makes of airplanes flown in this race. Forty-six of the forty-nine planes completed the race but not before some anxious sleepless hours. When the threat of a storm was reported the night before the race, one hundred citizens of Lawrence were roused from their slumber

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and rushed to the airport to dig holes for the wheels of all the AWTAR planes and to reinforce their tiedown ropes. The next morning, they again turned out to move the planes out of the holes. On the Fourth of July the contestants set their course West over the New England hills to the midwestern plains and the rugged mountains and desert country of the far West to Long Beach, California, where a grand welcome awaited them.

The same type of welcome was also true in Welland, Canada, which again became the host city for the International Air Race but this time in reverse with the race ending in New Smyrna Beach, Florida. Besides winning the first place prize money of \$600, Edna Gardner Whyte also received the Rickenbacker Trophy, the Jacqueline Cochran Award (a silver tray), and two train cases, the latter from Margaret Carson.

Others receiving honors during the year were: Teddy Kenyon who was presented the Lady Hay Drummond-Hay Memorial Trophy Award by the Women's International Association of Aeronautics; Frances Nolde who was appointed consultant to the Air Defense Transport Administration; Dorothy Rungeling of Ontario, Canada, the only woman contestant, who won the Governor-General's Air Race at the Canadian National Air Show; and Arlene Davis who was named "Aviation Woman of the Year" by the National Aviation Association and selected by them to be their representative at the 1953 General Conference of the Federation Aeronautique Internationale at The Hague, Netherlands.

Ada Rogato flew a 90 horsepower Cessna to La Paz, Bolivia, and became the first person to land a small plane on the highest commercial airport (13,500 feet) in the world. The Bolivian Government was so delighted, it decorated her with "Condor de los Andes," Bolivia's highest medal.

Jacqueline Cochran broke two world speed records and the sound barrier in a Canadian built F-86 Sabre Jet at Muroc Dry Lake, California, on May 18, 1953, and thus became the first woman to fly a plane through the mysterious "sound barrier." Why? Because life consists of experiences. She stated, "For more than twenty years, I have been part of the air age. It was inevitable that I would want to break the speed of sound." As to her feelings, "When you are about to test your innermost self, you cast off dependence on the material world. You find yourself in hands more gentle and more trustworthy than human hands ever can be. I felt their invisible influence and was content." Later she states that the sonic barrier is no longer frightening and predicted that man will now test Mach 2 — and some day fly rocket planes. "Nothing can stand in the way of our human aspirations, provided we seek them with intensity of purpose, vigor of action and in humbleness under the protection of God's love."

Next time, we will begin with the administration of incoming President, Geraldine Mickelsen.

(Source: *The 99 News Letters*; *The American Weekly*, July 19, 1953; *Jean Howard*)

99 MUSEUM

By Bernice T. Steadman

Costs being what they are, I know we all understand a Museum Building capable of adequately displaying aircraft and memorabilia will require funds far in excess of the amount we have asked the 99's individually to pledge. In this regard I would like to share with you a letter received from one of our Advisory Board Professionals, Lew Casey, Curator of Aircraft, Aeronautics for the Smithsonian Institute:

August 23, 1972

Dear B:

Thank you for sending copies of the minutes of the Ninety-Nines Museum advisors meeting. On page 2 mention is made of 5,000 sq. ft. of which 1/3 would be museum. Based on that, you would have only portrait gallery room. Two aircraft, the Sirius and the Gamma, used up about 6,000 sq. ft. in one of our halls. This will give you some idea of size. Also remember ceiling height. Aircraft do not look their best in static ground position, though most museums are committed to this because of ceiling heights and strength.

Perhaps an explanation of my suggestions re location. I have no preconceived ideas on a location — only a knowledge of heating costs for large open areas and location of other museums of like disciplines. The main feature is accessibility on or near main arterial highways. I use Wings & Wheels in South Carolina as an example. It is on the main Washington-Florida route and is located at a strategic one-day's drive from either Washington or Miami.

Your brochure is quite handsome.

Further on the building. Do not place yourselves at the mercy of local political electees in selecting the site, for their commitments only last for their term of office — if that long. Leasing is a way to start but is not ideal unless you plan to move each time further growth is contemplated. I believe the EAA Museum is outgrowing its facilities and will be making a move in years to come. Their present facility should be a very salable piece of property when that time comes. Not intended as a suggestion only an example —

Good luck and best regards!

This advice is only a part of the assistance we are soliciting but, implicit in all thinking received to date, our eventual structure will obviously be large and designed specifically to embody the accumulated wisdom of these professionals on technical Museum needs. We further intend a competition or some other similar technique to obtain the most attractive and challenging architectural design possible, so that, when completed, our Museum will be universally recognized as a place of beauty as well as a center for learning and research.

We on the Museum Board share the feelings of almost all 99's in supporting eventual ownership of a Permanent Headquarters. We believe the ability of our Museum as a tax free, non-profit institution, to obtain National public support for construction offers tremendous promise for achieving that goal.

We support the aims of President Susie

Sewell in obtaining better, more attractive quarters for our 99's Headquarters and expect that Oklahoma City will be one of the strongest community challengers for eventual placement of our Museum Building.

Clearly, because of the technical requirements of a Museum Building, we could not plan a long term occupancy in the very attractive office building currently proposed by Oklahoma City for the 99's but the free use of space in such a structure for the time period required to select a design and location as well as the solicitation of Public support, would be of tremendous value to our fledgling Museum. The great advantage of Oklahoma City's current proposal lies in the fact that the 99's would not be tied in for an exceptionally long term occupancy and upon completion of the lease term, our 99 Headquarters would have the option of continuing in that office facility or joining under one roof with the Museum.

Our Museum Board believes the closest possible association and support, one for the other, will allow the 99's and the Museum to achieve their stated goals earlier and with mutual benefit. Our dream of a Museum contains a commitment to the future as well as the past of Women in Aviation and Space and none of us on the Museum Board can conceive of diverging paths for the 99's and the Museum.

(Ed. note: Due to the many comments that indicated confusion as to cause of death under the previous title of Last Flight, which some thought meant death in an air crash, we have substituted New Horizons heading — with the belief that death is a horizon toward which we all fly, even though this new adventure is brought about by diverse causes. In a sense it is a flight from "the bonds of earth" to unknown "New Horizons.")

Flying on to
NEW HORIZONS
Audrey Baker, propeller accident,
First Canadian Chapter
Rosemary Rose, Auto accident,
British Section

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Aerospace Education

By Helen Wray, Chairman

Do you want to have a Vacation Flying Safety Seminar — Ninety-Nine Style? First, as good pilots do, file a flight plan. That's what Shreveport Chapter did.

TYPE OF FLIGHT PLAN: VFR — Very Fine Roster of Speakers
 AIRCRAFT IDENT: SHV 99's
 AIRCRAFT TYPE/SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: Twenty-two members especially equipped with enthusiasm, know-how and perseverance.
 TRUE AIRSPEED: Full speed ahead
 POINT OF DEPARTURE: Ark-La-Tex Area — SHV GADO
 DEPARTURE TIME: June, 1972
 INITIAL CRUISING ALTITUDE: Up in the clouds

ROUTE OF FLIGHT:

1. Joint meeting with Arkansas Chapter, February 1972 — Hazel Jones and Mary Able, Guest Speakers.
2. Hazel invites Helen Wray to speak in Dallas at Vacation Flying Seminar, May 1972 — imagine, three women speakers on the bill — Kathy Caston, Pat McEwen and Helen Wray.
3. A wonderful time in Dallas — seminar well received. A folder full of wonderful vacation material brought back to SHV.
4. FAA in SHV enthusiastic about project — 99 Chapter enthusiastic — the ball starts rolling.
5. All speakers invited in June 1972 to speak at seminar to be held at SHV Regional Airport on October 28, 1972.
6. Speakers included Hazel and Roys Jones of Dallas, Pat McEwen of Wichita, Kansas and Eulalia Nichols of Westminster, Colorado. All accepted.
7. Program planned — 10:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M. Free coffee and doughnuts. Buffet lunch only cost to participants. GAMA Registration.
8. Two hundred fifty-nine souls attended — the largest turn out in our area for any aviation seminar.
9. The FAA is pleased. The 99's are pleased (and tired).
10. Please write for SOP. Will be glad to share details.

DESTINATION: Completion of successful seminar, the theme of which was VACATION FLYING IS FUN — and SHOULD BE SAFE TOO.

REMARKS: A joint effort — FAA — 99's — 49½'s — Airport Authority — Airport Restaurant.

ESTIMATED TIME ENROUTE:

Five months
 FUEL ON BOARD: Unlimited — 99 octane
 PILOT'S NAME: SHV Ninety-Nine
 NO. OF PERSONS ABOARD: 259
 COLOR OF AIRCRAFT: Blue and white

TRY IT, YOU'LL LIKE IT! MERRY CHRISTMAS.



When Hazel Jones was ready to give her presentation on "How to get a good weather briefing," she really wanted the audience's attention — and she got it! (At the Vacation Flying Seminar, Shreveport, La.)



Pat McEwen of Wichita, Kansas tells about safe flying in Mexico and Central America, at the Vacation Flying Safety Seminar in Shreveport, La.



Eulalia Nichols of Westminster, Colorado, Helen Wray of Shreveport, La. and Hazel Jones. Eulalia gave a magnificent slide presentation on Mountain Flying. During the noon lunch break she also presented a wonderful time lapse film showing mountain cloud formations. Helen presented FAA slides entitled "Visual Illusions."

Where To Fly

Santa Ynez Airport, California, Los Angeles Sectional; Low Altitude Chart 3; FSS Santa Barbara; Unicom 122.8; Elev. 643; Runway — 8/26 — 2800 ft. surface. Here is a colorful place to fly, off the beaten path. It is about 1 mile SE of Solvang, a most fascinating Dutch Village. The several home-food-type cafe-restaurants are excellent.

A pilot could fly in every day for a week and take in a different spot. Gift shops are unusual and non-commercial in aspect, which is a pleasant departure from the norm. Resorts nearby include a great fishing and boating place called Cahuma Lake. The area is a wide valley tucked in by

coastal mountains which run nearly 9,000 ft. high in places.

Mr. W.J. Luke operates the airport, and tries to have what visiting pilots want — gas, rental cars, bikes, and tie-down or hangar service. There are nearby motels, and a hotel which dates back some years. Pilots may phone 805-688-5150 for information. It is a fun place to fly, and something strictly for the visiting sightseer, or club fly-in. recommended by the 99 News.

Ed. Note: Do you have a favorite spot somewhere? Let us hear about it. We'd like to have Your recommendations.

Get APT!



Powder Puff Derby Terminus Committee Chairmen at Elmira, New York, left to right: Kathy Chase, Impound; Ellen Taylor, Publicity; John Riggs, 49 1/2; Kay Brick, Derby Chairman; Virginia Schweizer, Entertainment; Barbara Riggs, Derby Route Director and Terminus Chairman.

Whirlwind Days For PPD Terminus Committees

**By Ellen K. Taylor
Publicity Chairman**

Recently, members of the Board of Directors of the All-Woman Transcontinental Air Race, Inc. and Terminus Committee Chairmen met to discuss plans of the Powder Puff Derby terminating at Elmira, New York, in July, 1973. Among those representing the Board were: Kay Brick, Chairman; Marion Andrews, Barbara Evans, Peg Davidson, and Barbara Riggs, Route Director and Terminus Chairman at Elmira.

During two hectic days, the Board members saw housing facilities with Chairman Mary Wallis; lunched at the Chemung County Airport with local women interested in helping with the Derby; looked over banquet facilities with Chairman Jean Marshall; met with key men in the area who will be involved with the terminus, such as F.A.A., Flight Service, airport manager, airport fixed base operators, Chamber of Commerce and fund raising personnel; dined and danced at a local restaurant with 99 members and 49 1/2's. The following day they met with Frances Morrissey who is Operations Chairman; Kathy Chase, Impound Chairman; Virginia Schweizer, Entertainment Chairman; Kay Wolcott, Registration Chairman; and Ellen Taylor, Publicity Chairman.

In addition, Kathy Potozak, Western New York Chapter Chairman and Marge Lach took time to drive down from Buffalo to meet with the ladies.

This year's Powder Puff Derby route will take the contestants from Carlsbad, California, to Elmira, New York, the Terminus. Clearly, the Board members were impressed with the many local attractions

in the Elmira-Corning area, with the beautiful Finger Lakes of New York State nestled so close by and knowing many of the girls will be anxious to obtain their glider ratings at the soaring capitol of America.

Powder Puff Derby

Marion Andrews, Reporter

Our column in the November Newsletter was a real "blooper". How the old copy became reprinted is a mystery. It is best that we just blame it on the goblins of Halloween.

Late in October, the board members on the east coast visited the site of the 1973 Terminus, Elmira, New York. The Chemung County Airport which is really in the town of "Big Flats" and has a mailing address of "Horseheads" services the Elmira-Corning area. The local Ninety-Nines have been given a room at the airport to use as their headquarters until race time. It is a nice airport well suited for a terminus. There was never a time during our visit that we could not see gliders aloft just east of the field. We met Mr. Schweizer of the Schweizer Aircraft Corp. who not only manufactures the only gliders made in the United States but also makes the Schweizer Amphibian Teal. Mrs. Schweizer, Virginia, is a member of the Ninety-Nines serving on the Terminus Committee. We were promised special rates during the time of the Terminus for those who would like to take glider rides or get their glider ratings.

At a luncheon held at the airport, Barbara Riggs, Route Director, together with Kathleen Potoczak, Chairman of the Western New York Chapter, presided. Each committee chairman gave her progress report and we were more than a little impressed by the groundwork that has been covered and the perception of the chairmen.

We visited Elmira College and were again impressed with the versatility of the beautiful modern building, kitchen and

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AWTAR-99 Ways and Means

**Instrument Indicates
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Sectional Report

NEW ENGLAND SECTION

By Virginia Bonesteel

Lois Auchterlonie has received the New England Section of the Ninety-Nines, Inc. Honor Award. At a formal presentation during the Fall Section Meeting in North Conway, N. H. October 21, Lois was cited for her outstanding service to the field of aviation and the Ninety-Nine organization. In addition to the award plaque, Lois was given an engraved gold medal as a permanent keepsake.

Recommended for the honor by her Chapter, Eastern New England, Lois is presently Chairman of the International Resolutions Committee. She served last year on the International Nominating Committee. She has worked tirelessly for the development of the All Woman New England Air Race (AWNEAR). In May 1972, after years of overseeing the event from the ground, she took to the skies in her Cherokee 180 and won first place.

Lois is a former WASP who has been flying since 1941. She became a Ninety-Nine in 1955 and has been devoting her many talents to the organization since. She is a freelance proposal coordinator and technical editor.

In the letter of recommendation nominating Lois for the award, it was stated: "Lois asks a lot of her fellow Ninety-Nines. But she never asks more of others than she herself is willing to give. Her dedication sets an example for us all."

The Honor Award was first given by the New England Section in 1957. At that time it was called a scholarship award and was given annually through 1961. As the Section grew and divided into Chapters during the 1960's, the plaque was "lost."

Early in 1971, a study committee was formed to determine an appropriate way to continue the award. The committee's



New England Section's Woman of the Year, Lois Auchterlonie (R) receives the Honor Award Plaque from outgoing Governor Fran Porter, October 21, 1972, North Conway, N.H.

recommendations were accepted by the N.E. Section membership in the fall of 1971. The award would no longer involve money but would be an honor award in keeping with its original intent. It would be presented to an outstanding N.E. Section Ninety-Nine when merited. The basic principle for the award would be recognition of the spirit of unselfish service given in active participation in the field of aviation and the Ninety-Nines; the accumulation of ratings or participation in competitive events would not meet the purpose of the honor.

NORTH CENTRAL SECTION REPORT Reporter, Charlene Falkenberg

We had a real Wing Ding!! More than 200 99's from the North Central Section along with husbands and friends registered for the Fall Sectional held at the Clayton House on Palwaukee Airport, Wheeling, Illinois, October 20, 21, 22, 1972. Some registered as early as Thursday, October 19. Mary Panczyszyn, Mary Stroh, Norma Freier, and Jeanine Tellekson made the prettiest registration committee you could find anywhere.

Speaking Frankly with Mardo

ATTENTION! Atencion! LOOK HERE!

I have been very disturbed with the due-date schedule for copy to me, since for instance, your October 20th deadline news didn't come out until December issue. . . So, after a consultation with our publisher, Lee Keenihan, it has been agreed that if copy is received by me on the First of the month hereafter, it will be for the Next month's 99 News issue!!! We may still have a problem with the mails. Nevertheless, since the Jan. 1972 issue is already taken care of by your November 20th deadline news — The Next Deadline For News Reaching Me Will Be February 1st For A Combined February-March Issue!

Here, then, is the New schedule of Reporter Deadlines. Please — Cut It Out and have it At Hand. It is really very simple — Your Copy Must Reach Me By The 1st Of Each Month (see schedule below) If You Expect Your News To Appear In The Next Month's Issue . . .

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Powder Puff Derby

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dining area where the Awards Banquet will be held.

We enjoyed meeting many of the townspeople, who could not have been more cooperative and enthusiastic.

Next month I will give you some first hand information about the Start from Board Chairman, Kay Brick, who is now on her way to California trailblazing the western sector of the route with Marian Banks, Co-Route Director. Besides visiting the site of the 1973 Start, she will visit the site of the 1974 Start, Riverside, California.

We have a supply of 1972 Race map charms available from AWTAR, Headquarters at \$3.00 each. They are most attractive, blue enameled gold, showing the race route.

The 1973 map of the Powder Puff Derby Race Route is hot off the press. If you wish a supply contact AWTAR Headquarters, Teterboro Airport, Teterboro, New Jersey 07608.

Now, if we can lick the mailing problem, we will have a 99 News that is as recent as Any magazine can be. Just Get That Copy To Me By The Deadline, and leave the Worrying to me! Please and thanks!!!



Rita Orr, New Governor North Central Section; Charlene Farlkenberg, Chicago Area Chapter of 99's



Co-Chairmen Mary Krautkramer and Gail Wenk toast the head table at the North Central Section banquet. (L to R) Lois Feigenbaum, International Treasurer; Susie Sewell, International President; Janice Kuchenmeister, outgoing Governor; Mr. Orr and new Governor Rita Orr; and Mrs. Lacey (whose husband Jim Lacey was MC). Others not in the picture were, United Airlines Pilot Joe Klaas, and Caroline Smith, Chicago Area Chapter Chairman.

Gail Wenk and Mary Krautkramer were terrific co-chairman. They have to be known now as the hostesses with the mostest. Friday, October 20 was a beautiful day, perfect flying weather, and the festivities started with a Softball Game — the High Wings vs the Low Wings. Guess what? They tied! There was an informal Buffet Dinner for everyone Friday night that was optional. At 8:30 p.m. everyone was off to a flap session. Marion Jayne led the session on Racing. Chuck Wenk, (husband of Gail) gave the ones at his session much information on Aircraft Insurance. Jim Lacey of United Airlines held a Flap Session on Aerobatics.

For those who were night owls after all of this you could attend Mill Run Theatre where Shecky Greene gave a wonderful show accompanied by Keeley Smith.

In spite of the late hour to bed we were all up for the Chairmen's Coffee and Chairmen meetings at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday morning. At 10:30 we were all ravishing hungry and a beautiful brunch was served at the Clayton House. In the meantime Charlene Falkenberg was busy drawing numbers and giving out the extraordinary nice door prizes to almost everyone. At

12:00 promptly Janice Kuchenmeister, our outgoing governor for the North Central Section called the business meeting to order. At the end of the meeting she turned the gavel over to our new Governor, Rita Orr from Faribault, Minnesota. Janice has done a very good job for the past two years and we will miss her, but we welcome Rita and wish her much success for the coming year.

The only bad cooperation we got during the weekend was the weather. It started raining Friday night and continued all day Saturday and Sunday with fog and poor visibility. As a result a Mystery Run which had been planned for the men had to be postponed. However, many interesting hours were spent flying the ATC 510 Simulators which were brought over by Jerry Winkowski.

After the business meeting everyone loaded on buses and were taken to the United Air Lines Maintenance Hangar to roam the cockpit of a 747 with meteorology talk over coffee in the lounge. Actually Gail and Mary never gave anyone a chance to have a dull moment.

We were honored to have our International Officers, Susie Sewell, Virginia Britt and Lois Feigenbaum along with our new Sectional officers, Rita Orr, Chairman, Amy Laws, Vice-Chairman, and Bobbie Miller, Treasurer in attendance.

More Flap Sessions were held from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Saturday and then everyone retired to their rooms to get ready for the biggest Wing Ding of the weekend. Everyone was bubbling at the cocktail party and an air of fun and good times could be felt. After a delicious dinner came the highlight that we had all been waiting for. Joe Klaas, author of "Amelia Earhart Lives," kept us enthralled with his tales of interesting events leading to his deciding to put his findings in book form. He also showed us many original slides picturing Amelia Earhart.

Sunday morning was Fly-Away Day. Unfortunately it was even too bad for IFR for most of the day. This meant some of the lucky ones stayed on until Monday and Tuesday enjoying the wonderful hospitality of Gail Wenk and Mary Krautkramer and the Chicago Area Chapter of 99's.

NIFA News

Fran Sargent, Chairman

By the time this appears in the Ninety Nine News the Regional Intercollegiate Air Meets will have been held in eight or nine colleges throughout the country. The first, second and possibly third place winners of each region will be eligible to participate in the National Meet to be held at Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Illinois, May 10, 11 and 12. Actually each region is allowed a representative for every ten member schools.

Also, by the time you read this the host team at Southern Illinois University will be hard at work smoothing out plans for the National Air Meet. As many of you know,

SOUTH CENTRAL SECTION BANQUET DALLAS FALL SECTION MEETING 1972



(Men are unidentified)

Ninety-Nines receiving special recognition for outstanding achievement in South Central Section:

Pat McEwen, International Executive Board; Helen Wray, Aerospace Chairman; Susie Sewell, International President; Nema Masonhall, Historian; Arlene Walkup, Nominating; Garnett Hastings, Membership; Marilyn Copeland, Governor; Sally Cox, Amelia Earhart Scholarship; Hazel Jones, Accident Prevention; Connie Able, 49 1/2; Mary Able, Vice Governor and newly elected Int. Secretary.



Oh, Happy Day! Hazel Jones has just been installed Secretary of the South Central Section by outgoing Governor Marilyn Copeland at Fall Section Meeting in Dallas. Other happy faces include P. J. and Betty Hundley and Conover Able.

SAN DIEGO CHAPTER

invites you to the
Fiesta De Las Pajaras (girl birds)
Spring meeting of the Southwest Section
in San Diego, March 30 to April 1, 1973.
Reservations: Ruth Ebey, 933 Dennstedt,
El Cajon, Calif. 92020

the results of the contributions from the 99's make their responsibility a little easier and allows them to soften the expenses of the visiting teams.

Next year we hope to be able to notify the chapters of the location of the Regional Meets long enough in advance for contacts to be made with the Regional host team. It does take initiative on all parts to keep communications adequate especially due to the fact of turn-over of student personnel, however, this doesn't seem to deter the spirit of success of the meets or the 99's who seem to know just how to help. I am anxious to hear the results of the Regional Meets. I know the Ninety-Nines have helped but be sure to let me know.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Lygie Hagan, Chairman

Chapters!!! Are you working on your nominations for International Officers??? If so Great!!! If no Do get with it!!!

Last year only 43 Chapters participated. Only 3 submitted a complete ballot which means 93 chapters did nothing about nominations. This is very Sad. We have 140 Chapters and I expect to hear from 100 At

Least!!

Your Chapter Chairman has received copies of forms to be printed in the News. If not you may make copies. Each Nominee should prepare six copies of her History and one copy of the acceptance form. They must be in the hands of the International Nominating Committee chairman by March

1st. The reason for the duplication is that the Chairman sends copies of Histories to each committee member. Our work must be complete for report to the Executive Board at the Spring Board Meeting.

All Four of our hard working officers have indicated they will accept nomination for a second term. Even so we do not wish them to be lonely on the ballot — nor do we wish you to hide your talented members. Get the name of your "favorite daughter" before the 99 voters.

Let's Go Girls!!!!

International Nominating Committee
The Ninety-Nines, Inc.

Make Six Copies
Return to: Lygie Hagan
So. 1907 Oneida Pl.
Spokane, Wa. 99203

HISTORY FORM

Name _____

Chapter _____ Section _____

99 Member Since _____ Ratings _____ Hours _____

Offices Held: _____ Committees: _____

Chapter _____ Chapter _____

Section _____ Section _____

International _____ International _____

Specific Training and/or Experience related to the office sought: _____

Membership in Aero-oriented organizations and offices held: _____

Awards: (Aviation oriented)

Ninety-Nines _____

Local _____

National _____

International _____

Flying Activities:

Races _____

Business _____

Pleasure _____

Other _____

Occupation: _____

Nominee's Signature _____

Dated: _____

FROM _____
exist.

Chapter or Section where no Chapters

Chapter or Section
Nominating Committee _____

TO _____

The Nominating Committee of the _____ Chapter or
Section of The Ninety-Nines, Inc., requests your consent to submit
your name to the International Nominating Committee of the Ninety-
Nines, Inc., for consideration for the 1973 ballot for the office of

International _____

Signed _____

Chapter/Section

Nominating Committee Chairman

Address _____

NOMINEE: Circle ACCEPT/DECLINE — Return to the Chapter or Sec-
tion Nominating Chairman who will send this form to the inter-
national Nominating Committee Chairman with her Official Nomi-
nating Form.

Chapter or Section Nominating _____
Committee Chairman _____

I hereby ACCEPT/DECLINE your request that I be a candidate for the
office of _____ on the 1973 International ballot.

Signed _____

Chapter _____

Address _____

I have sent my history to the International Nominating Committee
Chairman. _____

For the use of the International Nominating Committee Chairman.

TO: _____ Chapter or Section.

The name of your nominee _____ for the office of
_____ has _____ has not _____ been placed on the 1973 International
Ballot.

Signed: _____ Chairman
International Nominating Committee
The Ninety-Nines, Inc.

This is the ONLY Format accepted by the International Nominating
Committee. Nominee's acceptance forms must be attached.

OFFICIAL NOMINATION FORM
The Ninety-Nines, Inc.
NOMINEES FOR THE INTERNATIONAL BALLOT

From the _____ Chapter (or Section where no Chapter exists)
of the _____ Section.

We the above, submit the following names for consideration for the
International Ballot of The Ninety-Nines, Inc.

President: _____

Vice-President: _____

Secretary: _____

Treasurer: _____

Int'l Nominating Comm. Member: _____

Signed: _____ Chapter or Section _____

Address: _____

1. Fill in the blanks above after your Chapter (or Section where no Chapters exist) has decided whom to nominate and has the nominee's Consent.
2. Attach the acceptances to this form.
3. Mail to the Chairman of the International Nominating Committee: Lygie Hagan, South 1907 Oneida Pl., Spokane, WA 99203.
4. Mail in time to arrive BEFORE March 1, 1973.

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Northwest Section

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SOUTH DAKOTA
WASHINGTON - WYOMING

ALASKA CHAPTER

Karen Brooks Tiede, Reporter

No details yet, however, the Alaska Chapter will be giving awards to those 99's who fly the Alaska Highway in small planes as pilots. This will be titled the Helen Stoddard Award, in recognition of the woman who founded our chapter nearly twenty years ago. On October 22, Helen's birthday, a surprise tea was given in her honor, to thank her for starting the chapter which now has nearly forty members. Helen's daughter, Arla Cumbie (a former 99) and husband Wes Stoddard were there to see Helen presented with a gold pan, inscribed to express our appreciation and giving the dates of chapter founding and this presentation. Besides being a prominent 99, Helen is well-known as the best fabric specialist in the state, and many of these friends attended. Also enjoying the tea were four other charter members, Pat McGee, Ruth Jefford, Lois Wise, Knapp, and Margo Cook.

Some members came from CAP to pay their respects and then returned to search efforts on behalf of Congressmen Begich and Boggs. Many 99's are CAP members. Ruth O'Buck, at present the only woman qualified to fly CAP aircraft, is Alaska Wing Safety Officer.

We have two new members: Clarissa Quinlan, 1221 R Street, Anchorage, who was in Alaska previously, went to Washington D.C., then returned to Alaska as a data processing consultant. Clarissa hopes to begin working on her instrument and commercial ratings soon. Anita Benson, Box 3463 is our other new member. She has been licensed a year, flies Cessnas, and is the office manager in a local firm.

Our November meeting consisted of an instruction session on use of the RAPCON facility. Beginning December 7 there will be a special controller for VFR traffic. Following the classroom instruction, we were taken to the basement of the Elmendorf AFB tower to observe the radar controllers at work, and see the instruments we had been learning about. A few of the members went up to visit the tower controllers, and happened to be there while Henry Kissinger's plane landed for refueling enroute to Vietnam peace negotiations. As the tower controller so aptly commented, let's hope he brings it all back this time.

COLUMBIA CASCADE CHAPTER

Dorothy Mercer, Reporter

Our November 4th meeting was a seminar held at Portland Community College's Aircraft & Engine department at Portland International Airport. Members attending were Lillian Wager, Lee Wrenn, Virginia Gilliland, JoNeal Harris, Vera Arnold, Mary Calvert, Billie Dutcher, Joan Pratt and Dorothy Mercer. To participate in the clinic and to become acquainted with the Ninety-Nines, we invited a number of students and new private pilots from several of the local flight schools, and our ten guests were well impressed with the meeting. We had lunch-

eon at the Rodeway Inn, adjacent to the airport.

Mr. Dale Dutcher of Portland Community College A&P school was our instructor. The 3-hour program started with question and answer discussions on electrical and fuel systems, emergencies, general engine operation, and ended in the A&E shop so we could inspect various parts of the engines in planes being worked on. We hope to have another such seminar after the first of the year, and to include more prospective pilots and members. "Teacher" is Billie Dutcher's 49 1/2.

We will hold our Christmas Party on December 15 and look forward to another gala get-together. Merry Christmas to all of the 99s!

Our Mary Jane Lusher, who is a commercial artist, has done the illustrations for a new children's book just published by author Donald Pickens of Portland, Oregon. The book is entitled "I Like Ladybugs and Red Balloons" and is delightful reading for little ones as well as the grown-up ones still children at heart. Mary Jane and 49 1/2 Doug take time out for flying their Ryan and she is now checking out in a Mooney.

Our good autumn weather has allowed frequent lunch-flights and around-the-pattern trips, so we are all trying to keep current and APT.

EASTERN IDAHO CHAPTER

Elaine Partridge, Reporter

Lois Bauer has now officially joined the ranks of those who can legally fly through clouds. Lois completed her instrument rating.

Two October meetings were held by Eastern Idaho Ninety Nines. The regular meeting Saturday October 21 was held in Idaho Falls where Diane Jex, Margaret Stanford, and Connie Hawley met for lunch and a session of hangar flying. The Ninety-Nines met again Sunday, October 29 at the home of Clark and Elaine Partridge in Pocatello to read applications for the Stone Flying Scholarships given through Idaho State University. Winners of the scholarship will receive enough money to pay about half of the cost involved in getting a private license. The 99s were asked to read all of the applications and to make recommendations but the final selection will be made by the Stone Scholarship Committee. Meeting in Pocatello were Margaret Stanford, Lois Bauer, Ann McDougall, Diane and Glen Jex, and Clark and Elaine Partridge.

Diane Jex is enjoying her new Comanche 180 and claims that it is quite a change of pace compared to their Colt.

Carole DePue organized and presented a very impressive Landit program November 4 for the Idaho Flying Farmers. The ladies who attended were so enthusiastic that hopefully they will soon have their licenses and can be recruited as 99s. Carole has joined the ranks of entrepreneurs by going into the catalogue business selling aviation related gifts. We wish her luck.

Connie Hawley has decided that in addition to managing a home and a new baby,

she is ready to begin working for her instructors rating.

A world tour has occupied most of the Fall for Mary and Grant Kilbourne. They should have some very interesting experiences to share when they return.

GREATER SEATTLE CHAPTER

Virginia Nastluk, Reporter

Weather grounded us again for our November meeting, so we met back at the Northwest School of Aviation on Boeing Field. Then we all enjoyed lunch together at the local restaurant - The Sky Room.

Good news from John and Sandra Sullivan: After the loss of their C-180 this summer in Alaska, they did get 'involved' again. They are now the proud owners of a C-185. It's a later A1972 model, painted gold and white with number N70269. Sandy says "It flies really great. We hope to do a lot of flying around Alaska and the rest of the USA." (What about the state of Hawaii, Sandy??, ed.)

Welcome to Carol Cansdale - a new member, and to Marion Lewis who is visiting as a prospective. Carol is the daughter of member Ellie. Marion flies out of Enumclaw in her T-craft.

A report from Van Adderson, our Governor: Planned a Sec. Exec. Board meeting for Oct. 17 at Portland, Ore. It seemed to be a bad time for most, so only Lygie Hagan, Vice Gov., could make it. We met in Yakima and had a delightful 4 hour visit discussing things in general. I had a very long trip because of radiator trouble. Those darn cars!

Next month it's off to Auburn (we hope to get up) meeting across the street at Shakspeys. The approach will be new to some and the "old" members would like to remind us that we are to go over the cute little orange balls on the power lines, please.

Have A Happy New Year — and keep flying.

MONTANA CHAPTER

Juli Peden, Reporter

John Alex, a Billings tower operator, presented a FAA film on wake turbulence at November's meeting in Billings. John brought to our attention that three serious accidents were caused recently by the wake of a DC-10. The DC-10 will soon be operating out of the Billings airport.

Attending November's meeting in the pilot's lounge were Carol Fraser — Lewistown, Dottie Payne — Great Falls, Judy McCrum, Betty Nunn, Sue Lueneburg, Juli Peden and Ann Hafer — Billings and Helen Dunlop, Elsie Childs, Doris Kamerad and Mabel Wagner who all flew in from Helena for the meeting.

The Montana Chapter is very happy to welcome new 99 member Mabel Wagner who recently received her private ticket in Helena.

Juli Peden recently passed her flight instructor written.

While making arrangements for the Billings GAMA safety seminar to be held December 2, it was discovered that Dicey Miller, former member of the Puget Sound Chapter is the catering manager of Billings'

new Holiday Inn West. Dicey has been so busy with her new job, she hasn't had time to get out and meet people. Most of Dicey's 34 years of flying were professional. The Montana girls are very glad to have her join us in the Big Sky country and hope that she will find time to get active in our chapter.

MT. TAHOMA CHAPTER

Betty Geisler, Reporter

Our November meeting was held at the Shorewood Restaurant in Tacoma, Washington.

Jessie Woods is a member of the OX-5 Club and recently attended the national meeting held at Columbus, Ohio. Jessie described the various activities and purposes of this club.

Jean Freeburg's husband, Jim, purchased a Beach Travelair in St. Louis. Jean is anxious to see it; however, Jim's return trip to Washington state has been delayed for several days due to the violent weather now raging in the midwestern states.

Bonnie Baker reported that she flew a glider at the new Cougar Mountain airstrip between Tacoma and Yelm.

PUGET SOUND CHAPTER

Betty Curran, Reporter

Have you seen the "U Fly It" Schaper Private Pilot Set? Lorna Kringle brought one to our November 3 luncheon meeting held at the Jet Deck, Paine Field, Everett. This was our program and we had a great time practicing landings. Lorna tells us you can also purchase the Instrument Set and practice instrument landings. We felt it very educational and worthwhile mentioning. Our two guests were Marian Lewis from Burien and Peggy Nugent from Edmonds. Marchine Dexter is now part owner in an Austin Mark VI British airplane. Peggy Nugent and her husband are looking for a Cessna 210 or a Cessna Skymaster. Please contact this reporter if you have reference to same. Lorna Kringle and Marchine flew to Astoria, Oregon in a 172 and returned via the beautiful coast line. Both girls were elated with their trip. Mildred Pearson is back to the meetings and we hope she will be a steady comer now. Margaret Ames is doing her share keeping everyone flying and picking up a ride whenever she can. Margaret is one of the best co-pilots I know. This pilot flew to Las Vegas in a Bonanza and then extended the trip to New York commercially. The flight to Vegas was delightful. Our Christmas meeting will be a luncheon December 2 one-thirty at the Jet Deck.

WESTERN WASHINGTON CHAPTER

Priscilla Cook, Reporter

We have a few members that have been airborne! Mary Edmark and husband and their three youngest children flew to San Diego. They visited around Southern California and thoroughly enjoyed their trip.

Dorothy Pink joined the Lazy 8 Flying Club at Boeing Field and goes for weekly instrument lessons in a Cessna 172.

Deanna Cox and family flew to Nebraska this summer. After that trip Deanna says "We would really like a faster plane — but flying is fun, regardless!"

Doris Wolfstone and husband took their Bonanza to Los Angeles and San Francisco. They had no fog so considered the weather good even with some rain.

Della Koss continues to log time toward

her commercial. Hope everyone has a Merry Christmas and the best New Year ever!

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ALOHA CHAPTER

Lorette Zirker, Reporter

Inspired by this reporter's ignorance of engines and their workings, as expressed in *Flying Magazine*, Air Force Sgt. Ken Seay, Ninety-Nine friend, CFI and A&P, gave a good, basic talk on engines at this month's meeting. We hope other Chapters will find such a willing teacher as Ken.

President Pat Kelley, when she isn't out recruiting new Chapter members, is working on her multi-engine rating, and has just taken her Instrument written exam.

Sister-in-law Jane Kelley is working on her Instrument Instructor rating. This month she will be attending the annual three-day FAA Clinic for Instructors.

Dot Read reports that there was merchandise left over from the recent Hangar Sale. Perhaps this will become an annual fund-raising event.

Nancy Jones is a new 99. Nancy, who worked as a dispatcher for the Jim Pierce Flight School, is now at the University of Hawaii.

Christmas meeting was a pot-luck dinner at the new home of Florence Beamon. And for New Year's, a Fly-In and overnight campout, at remote and beautiful Hana, Maui.

BAY CITIES CHAPTER

Kathy Walton, Reporter

Our November meeting was held at the home of Helen Kelton. We were pleased to have Rosemary Lane with us again. We were also happy to invite Helen Kampo and Gail Kelton to become members of our chapter.

Helen Kelton and daughter Gail will be going on a special flight with workers from Ames Research to watch the launch of Apollo 17. They have long planned to be able to see, in person, the results of their work at Ames. Caroline Schutt has attended an aircraft maintenance seminar in El Cajon. She is also about ready for her instrument Ground School test.

Karen Kahn has been flying around the western United States for her company recently touching down at Denver, Los Angeles, Las Vegas and Portland. Marj Fauth spent time volunteering as an election worker and precinct watcher during the recent election. She has also spent much time visiting with member and veteran pilot Rita Hart at Marin General Hospital.

Our annual Christmas party will be held at the home of Caroline Schutt. The annual pot luck will be held on Dec. 9th. Missing it will be Rose Sharp and 49 1/2 Donald who are in England touring and book buying. Through the New Year all of us in Bay Cities wish you all a very happy holiday season and much safe flying ahead.

COACHELLA VALLEY CHAPTER

Jean Patane, Reporter

Pinch-hitting for regular news writer Eleanor Wagner who is convalescing from minor surgery.

Another successful Poker Fly-Inn, the second for Coachella Valley Chapter, was held October 22nd. at Yucca Valley Airport. A delicious spaghetti luncheon was served at Old Adobe dwelling, Warne's Well, an historic Yucca Valley landmark. With our limited membership the forty-nine and one halfers saved the day by selling poker cards at one or two of the airports and Nick Carosell made the spaghetti sauce that had raves from everyone. With an over abundance of sauce we held our November meeting at Chairman Garnett Stockton's home off the runway at Yucca Valley Airport and enjoyed another tasty dish before the meeting. The Ninety-Nines were joined by pilots and co-pilots from Yucca Valley who helped feed the Kitty.

Getting back to the Fly-Inn among the prizes for this and that was the prize given for coming the greatest distance and won by Barbara and Richard Felding from Kernville where Barbara, a 99, operates a Flight School. I was unable to attend the festivities and missed seeing Thon Griffith who flew in with husband, daughter and friend from the coast. The gals and guys served 114 lunches. Now we are looking forward to the Third Annual Poker Run and Fly-Inn come next October. 99's and 49 1/2ers helping make the affair a success were: Garnett & Lou Stockton, Ilia Mae and Nick Carosell, Bettye & George Manley, Connie & Art Woolston, Jeanne & Belden Crist, Clara & Leonard Coombs, Rosella & Roy Kibbee and Reece Foxen.

Attending the November meeting were Ilia Mae, Bettye, Garnett, Reece, Connie and yours truly.

GOLDEN WEST CHAPTER

Vivian Harshbarger, Reporter

Fran and Norm Grant have had a busy and interesting month. Their house guest was Irene Wirtschafter, Washington D.C. Chapter, employed by the IRS and here on business. Too bad we didn't have a meeting during her visit so we could have all met Irene. They, Fran and Norm, also attended the Fall Conference of the CAEA (California Aviation Educational Conference) in early November. Fran is on the Board of Directors and her report, at our meeting, was so interesting that one of our young guests is investigating the possibility of forming a group at her High School to take advantage of the Aviation Education program.

Also overlooked in our previous reports — Fran and Norm were guests of NASA in July at the launching of the ERTS Satellite at Vandenberg AFB.

Our recent Fly-in was to Santa Rosa to welcome the new Chapter. Barbara Chase — sans banner (Chase for Senate) — took Rae Gilmore and Nancy Stock. Barbara La Point enticed Pat Appel (of the Comanche set) to become a passenger in her Cessna 120. On the weekend that Fran Grant was busy in Oakland with the CAEA, Pat Appel was off to Mexico for the Flying Samaritans. She flew two operating room nurses to Calexico to join a group of 23 others, including the head of Plastic Surgery at Stanford. The medical people took their own supplies and equipment and performed 19 operations during the weekend. Operations are all plastic surgery type and all supplies

and time are donated. What a marvelous way to spend a weekend.

Our next fly-in is to Monterey for lunch with the Monterey Chapter and a night fly-in is in the offing.

Be sure to save June 30, 1973 for the Mini-Derby and please send us a card if you are interested or have some ideas.

GREATER OGDEN AREA CHAPTER Lei Howard, Reporter

On August 23, 1972, the first meeting of the newly organized chapter of the Greater Ogden Area 99's was held at the Ogden Muni Airport.

Guest speaker for the evening was Art Mortenson, Airport Manager. Mr. Mortenson spoke on the history of the Ogden area and the airport specifically. The evening was both informative and interesting.

With all members present the following slate of officers was approved by the chapter.

Chairman: Joan Williams; Vice Chairman: Donna O'Dekirk; Secretary: JoAnn Winterling; Treasurer: Eloise Wilcox; Membership Committee: Maureen Shurtleff; and Publicity: Lei Howard.

Our guest for the evening, 66 Jean Powell who hopes to join us as a full fledged member in the near future.

The first official act of the Ogden Area Chapter was to welcome the United States Air Force Thunderbirds as they arrived at Ogden Muni Airport for the Weber County Air Fair held every two years.

All members were present and it was a great afternoon.

The second meeting of the Ogden Area Chapter was held on September 21, 1972 also at the airport terminal building. Guest speaker for the evening was Maj. William de Vries of the 1550 Helicopter Test and Training Wing, Hill AFB, Utah. Maj. de Vries is Simulator Chief and one of the most well informed helicopter instructors the Air Force has. He showed a film made in Viet Nam, showing the various forms of helicopters and the many types of work they perform. Highlights of the evening were the two rescues made of "downed" pilots, one in Laos and the other across the northern border of Viet Nam. Both rescues were successful much to our relief. A question and answer period followed the films which provided an opportunity for us to become more aware of just exactly what the helicopters are doing when they are flying in and over the Ogden area. Almost any time of day and evening during the week you can be sure of having "company" mainly helicopters were you to arrive in the Ogden area. It was most reassuring to hear they are aware of us and also wish to avoid any "mid-air" contact. The evening was only too short for most of us and we hope that Maj. de Vries will come again to our meeting. All members present and accounted for and certainly all enjoyed another good meeting.

The following announcements were made:

1. The Birthday Meeting would be on October 125th.

2. Through the generosity of Sterling Meyer of Intermountain Flight Center, we have been given a room that we may call our own! We will all get together in the next few weeks to paint and refurnish our abode.

Last but not least report of the evening was made by JoAnn Winterling who attended the Southwest Sectional meeting held in Monterey, Calif.

Though our chapter numbers only 7 at this time we expect you will hear a lot of the Greater Ogden area chapter. See you next month.

LAS VEGAS VALLEY CHAPTER Betty K. Slater, Reporter

We did it again! Air marked North Las Vegas Airport, which seemed like every square inch. Liz Heller, Carole Villardo, Marie McMillan and son (she postponed her trip to Santa Monica, California), Maxine Brown, and Nancy Schirmer, a brand new member. What a way to initiate a new member. All those who participated in the air marking got a free helicopter ride to view their work.

We also packed in a crowd at the November meeting at the home of Nancy Craddock. Our guests were two F.A.A. controllers from McCarran Field. They gave us a run down on Stage III which is to be used here at Las Vegas sometime in April of '73. Our guests were Dwight Sosebee and Lou Rosgen of traffic control. Stage II traffic control service is the use of radar identification and Arch III equipment with the use of the transponders and discreet

coding. Stage III was introduced and will be the use of vertical and radar separation of traffic. A highly unique traffic approach control.

Congratulations to Marilyn Andrews upon passing her commercial! Also, to our newest member Nancy Schirmer!

At our last meeting we had two new prospective members who had just passed their written. They are anxious to join our group and we are just as anxious to have them.

Marie McMillan is in Santa Monica rooming in a motel while studying for her instrument rating. She will be there until November 31.

We now have another prospective member, Joanne Cashon who is traffic controller for KORK radio and TV station (She inserts commercials at the proper time.)

Nancy Craddock is getting ready to introduce the Wing Scout program in January. She has organized five groups of Girl Scouts and each will have a representative meeting with us. These girls that are interested in flying will be coached by our chapter sometime next year.

Our plans for December include a Christmas party. Fun for all! Keep 'em flying!

LONG BEACH CHAPTER Jean Pyatt, Reporter

Nancy Crews, A.T.P.; and Susan Greenwald, Joyce Jones, Chapter Chairman, and Juanita Thompson, Instrument Ratings; will each receive a two-hundred dollar award and a trophy to honor their achievements in the past year. In addition to the new certificate or rating a member must have attended seven business meetings, work on one fund raising committee, have been a member in good standing for a year, have paid International dues, and be APT for the year to qualify for the award which is being given for the third year. Joyce Jones has passed the Instrument Flight Instructor written examination and Jean Pyatt has passed the Instrument Flight written examination. The chapter welcomes new members: Wendy Copley, Leah Garry, Alice Maynard, and Jean McConnell. Leah, Alice, and Jean all flew in the Palms to Pines race and Leah and Alice also flew in the Pacific Air Race.

Dr. Clyde Lynn of Oklahoma City spoke on "The Anatomy of A Landing" and "Winter Flying" at the November 14 FAA General Aviation Safety Seminar at Leuzinger High School. The Long Beach Chapter is the first chapter west of the Mississippi to sponsor such a seminar. Wally Funk coordinated the event. Wally participated in SWAP (Systems Worthiness Analysis Program) at Burbank and Los Angeles for a two-week stint. She and Jean Schiffmann participated in a career day program at Hawthorne on November 18. Jean has set up two dates for those girls who are interested to tour the Torrance



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Tower. Our busy Jean, current Amelia Earhart Scholarship holder, spoke to the South Torrance Lions Club at their breakfast meeting on November 15. She discussed air racing and the Ninety-Nines. Jean's Wing Scout Patrol is holding regular meetings and next summer's Aviation Day Camp is already on the schedule.

Joan Rees organized a Christmas Shopping Fly-In to Solvang on Sunday, December 3. ETA for Santa Ynez Airport: 10 A.M. The Chapter Fly-In to Castle Air Force base, arranged by Chuck Fink for chapter members and guests on November 18, was followed by an overnight fly-in to Barbara Goodson's resort, Poker Flats, on Lake Tullock. Betty Neser coordinated the event for the Chapter. Joyce Failing handled the reservations for Poker Flats. Joyce will attend the meeting of the Experimental Test Pilot Association. Joyce and Fran Bera McLin went to Wichita to a dealers' meeting and brought back a Beech Baron. Fran flew in the Henry Ohye Trophy Race on November 11 from Long Beach to San Diego, a no-handicap race followed by a banquet at Rochelle's in Long Beach. Mary Pinkney and Nancy Crews came in eighth in the Kachina Doll Race for speed and gas proficiency in Phoenix on November 4. Mary's husband, Bob, and son, Tom, came in fifth in the Roadrunner Race held in the afternoon for the men. They all flew in the Pinkney's Cessna 182. Mary Wenholz and Katee Moskow and their husbands also flew in the same races. The "Fly yourself" vacations go on and on. Margaret and Bill Ward covered a lot of ground in their Cessna 172 — all the way back to Mississippi and Louisiana.

Mr. Orville Graham from ATC at Palmdale was guest speaker at the November meeting. The chapter plans spring trips to visit the ARTCC at Palmdale and also the High Altitude Chamber at George Air Force Base. Margaret Callaway has returned from her Far Eastern Tour enthusiastic with news of Ninety-Nines in all ports — some old friends and some new. Rabia Sadig Futehally was her gracious hostess in Japan. The Aloha Chapter entertained her royally. Virginia Seaver, former Long Beach member, provided scenic flights in her Debonaire. Linda Boyes, former Bay Cities member with whom Margaret flew in seven Powder Puff Derbies, threw a big get-together. Guests included Ruby Keaveny, former San Diego member, Pat Kelley, Betty Miller, former Long Beach member, and Marguerite Wood, an original Aloha Ninety-Nine.

LOS ANGELES CHAPTER **Holley Ballard, Reporter**

Whether on short trips or to the other side of the world, the L.A. 99's are traveling. Barbara Nichols joined her 49 1/2 Bob at an orthopedic medical conference in Tel Aviv. The dynamic duo, Virginia Showers and Norma Futterman, have planned a Christmas holiday in Moscow as chaperones, would you believe, for the Beverly Hills Highschool Russian Studies class. Norma's son, Arthur Futterman, impressed her into service. The group will visit Leningrad and Paris also.

Closer to home, Rachel Bonzon flew friends to Santa Ynez for lunch at Matteis

Tavern, Los Olivos, an historic spot off the beaten track. Doris Robertson enjoyed a fall vacation in Washington State and, as she says, in "old stomping grounds" of San Francisco.

Norma Futterman, new owner of a Cessna 310, took members night flying after the November meeting to celebrate her new Instrument rating. Congratulations, Norma.

PROFILE. Dorothy Pepin, chairwoman of the LA Chapter, grew up in the East and holds a degree in Political Science from Rutgers University. She became interested in flying while a hostess in a USO club in Cleveland during WWII. She learned to fly in a 1946 Lucombe taildragger she and a friend bought in order to learn to fly inexpensively. She vividly recalls her first solo cross-country in the Luscombe, during which the "whistle-tuning" type radio went out, leaving her dizzy over Santa Barbara field looking for a segmented circle that was not there.

Dorothy has three nearly-grown children, has been credit union manager at Revell toy company for twelve years and is 2/3 owner of a well-equipped — you bet — Cessna 172.

All of us of the LA Chapter hope your holidays were happy.

MONTEREY BAY CHAPTER **Rosemarie Schoening, Reporter**

No news from us since before our Fall Sectional. Just not flying as much as we'd like to. Our Sectional was just g-r-e-a-t! All the gals seemed to have a good time and much was accomplished. Everything went as scheduled, thanks going to our very hard working Helen Shropshire.

Our Chapter helped the Monterey Peninsula Airmen's Association just recently with a fashion show held at the Monterey Elk's Club. June Knapp modeled and so did Connie Hood's 49 1/2'er Al. About 200 people attended the show and dinner. Decorations were made by Olga Scheffler and Geneva Cranford. These two gals are really something when it comes to having talent. They can do almost anything and make almost anything out of nothing. Their mini hot air balloons were darling.

Might make mention that Geri Halfpenney's 49 1/2'er Norm won the Palomar Men's Race. How about that? He flew his Cherokee 235 which by the way has been sold and replaced with a brand new Comanche 260. Look out PPD. Something of interest. Dell and George Hinn's son will be getting married in the very near future and has asked the Hinn's to go along on his and his bride's honeymoon to Mexico! So they're planning the trip by air. How about that? Should be fun.

Most of our flying has been hangar stuff except for Geri Halfpenney who has been going via airlines to Chicago quite a few times. We've had a long stretch of rain and are all waiting for blue skies. Kay Harmon's daughter Diane just recently became a private pilot. Our congratulations to her. Judy Dake and husband flew south for a wedding shower and Trish Marks has been up in the ski country. Connie Hood is working under the hood and yours truly is going to try to get a Commercial before January and an instrument rating shortly af-

ter that. Much Work!!

We thank all the gals that came to our Sectional and made it a success and since this Chapter News will be in the January issue, we hope everyone had some happy holidays and Monterey Bay Chapter wishes all the gals all over the world many happy landings in 1973.

MT. DIABLO CHAPTER **Sharon Ketchum, Reporter**

On October 20th Marty Graham, Jack and Marge Rogers, Sam and Sharon Ketchum, guest Dale Welch, Joan Mason, Pauline Wade, Pat Eich, Peg Winters, Judy Bigby, guest Joyce Wells and Nancy Wallis met at Merced Airport where we were met and taken to Castle Air Force Base to undergo a day of briefing on the effects of high altitude. At the end of the day, we were able to actually go in an altitude chamber and experience first hand our reactions to high altitude. Although some of us were a little bit apprehensive about going into the chamber, we did go in and it was certainly worthwhile. At 29,000 feet, they had us remove our oxygen masks and we tried to answer a questionnaire which was very difficult for us at that altitude. It was really a good training program and Captain Kreiger of the Castle Air Force Base was most helpful.

Gals from our club were made stars on November 17th as Mr. Thoville Smith from the F.A.A. took pictures on video tape of Marty Graham, Marge Rogers, Grace Ellis, Pauline Wade, Joan Mason, Marie Porter and Peg Winters making some terrific takeoffs and landings. As spectators, 49 1/2'er Harry Wade, Buchanan Airport Manager, Mr. Soccit, Sharon Ketchum and the little Ketchum's, Sharilyn and Gerald, Jr. can truly say you girls really looked good. Afterwards, Mr. Smith had the video tape for the girls to see themselves on TV doing their own thing!!!

We're now looking forward to our coming Christmas Party. Merry Christmas and Safe Flying to Everyone!

ORANGE COUNTY CHAPTER **Darlene Brundage, Reporter**

Corona Airport finally says Corona Elev. 350. Somehow, at first attempt we ran out of paint as we finished the E. As we couldn't get the airport closed again to finish our handiwork, Airmark Chairman, Esther Grupenhagen, suggested we do it some night when traffic would be almost nil. Someone else suggested Halloween might be appropriate and would help keep a few people out of trouble. The group pictured followed through and caused a minimum of difficulty to the world.

Several found their way to Phoenix for the Kachina-Doll & Roadrunner Races. Esther and Max Grupenhagen flew their respective races with the 180 and sleeves properly decorated as "Red Baroness" and "Blue Max". Sylvia Paoli was delighted about flying Raggety-Ann through to beat Esther. Then there was Dick Brundage in the Banana. . . taking First Place in the Roadrunner for the second year running!

A week later, some put on their racing hats again for the Henry Ohye Race from LGB. This time, Sylvia and Esther teamed to capture 5th Place in Sylvia's plane. We haven't yet heard Terry and Jim Darch's



Equal time for 49 1/2ers: Left, Sam Steiger, Arizona Congressman, presenting the revolving trophy to Dick Brundage, second time winner of the Roadrunner Race at Phoenix, Ariz.

Right, Bill Burch, sole "warlock" on hand, stirring a vat of something at Corona Airport on Halloween.



Trick-or-Treat? "Spooks" of Orange County Chapter on Halloween, about 8:30 P.M. completing airmarking at Corona were: Margaret Wilson, Maggie Burch, Esther Grupenhagen, Ginny Flannery, and Darlene Brundage.

If the picture looks dark — you should have seen the landscape!

story. Shirley and George Cote' have long maintained they wouldn't ever do a proficiency race, too much effort and all that. They went on in Charlie to (you guessed it) First Place!

Staying with the hot air department; Elizabeth Shattuck reports she has "hot air time". Her's is official, however, in a balloon.

Nell Brown, on her world cruise, writes of having met Ann White and the Aero Club members in Durban, So. Africa, trying to contact Anesia Machado in Rio and thinking Singapore — Taipei beautiful country. Hurry home, Nell.

The most recent fly-in reported was done by Hana Hendricksen, MaryAnn Jamison and Ginny Flannery with Maggie Burch in her 337. Having flown all 70 mi. to Big Bear for lunch, they arrived back at Fullerton at 7 P.M., by Ford. Rain, hail, frozen clouds and funnel clouds got in their way for the trip back. Another typical successful Orange County fly-in for our record!

PALOMAR CHAPTER **Lillian Hartman, Reporter**

Saturday, September 30th, ended another busy month for our Chapter with the Men's Air Race. All available help was busy checking out the planes Friday. Saturday

was a beautiful day, good visibility and light to variable winds that were neither a help nor hindrance. Previously undisclosed destinations were; first leg, Big Bear and second leg — Parker, Arizona and back to Palomar.

First place went to Norman Halfpenny, 49 1/2er of Jerry Halfpenny — Monterey Chapter, in a Cherokee 235 with a plus 17.441 score. Second place winners were Charles Smith and Pat Schiffmann, 49 1/2er of Jean Schiffmann of the Long Beach Chapter, in a Cessna 172 with a plus 17.429. Third place winners, from Carlsbad, were Mark Clark and Scott Rafuse in a Cherokee 235 with a plus 17.333. Fourth place went to Terry Griffith and Frank Wright in a Mooney 20C with a plus 17.207. The first four were



Ken Deering, Wanda Miller and Dean Miller ready to flag off Mary Pearson's CITABRIA at the Palomar Chapter Men's Air Race, Sept. 30. Thirty Planes entered the race.

all within 2 1/2 points of each other. Richard Reinhardt from Carlsbad took 5th place in a Cherokee 140D with a plus 16.530. Special prizes went to Raymond Woolman in a Cessna 150, the best low time pilot not in the top five; Alan Yecny from San Luis Obispo, first time racer; Pat Hall and J.C. Danarag from the University of Washington in Seattle in a Balance Super Viking, pilots from the greatest distance. Bob Barnett, plane No. 9, won the solo pilot award. Prizes were donated by Aero Publishers, Fallbrooks Westerner Store, Mike Portman's Shop in Fallbrook, and The Green Goddess Avocado Co., also in Fallbrook.

Sunday, October 1st, Wanda Miller met six plane loads of 99's who flew down from Santa Barbara and picked up over 300 pounds of drugs from the Hemet Valley Hospital for D.R.F. Thanks a lot you gals, we appreciate the hard work.

We are looking forward to a luncheon November 16, with AWTAR Board Chairman Kay Brick at La Costa Country Club in San Marcos. Mrs. Brick will be here to make further plans for the PPD Start for 1973.

Pam and Victor Van der Linden were surprised to see Jean and David MacDonald, First Canadian Chapter, at Kino Bay, Sonora, Mexico, November 6th. The MacDonalds were enroute to Guadaluajara.

Hope you all had a wonderful Holiday Season!

PHOENIX CHAPTER **Claire Ellis, Reporter**

The biggest and best Phoenix Air Races yet are now officially over. Last year's winner of the Men's Roadrunner Race again walked off with the honors. If Dick Brun-

dage of Brea, California can manage the same feat next year, he gets to keep that great big, beautiful Goldwater trophy. June Bonesteel, winner of the Turtle Award last year, came back, with a vengeance and an excellent co-pilot, Millie Miller, to win the women's Kachina Doll Race. With a record number of 49 entries this year, all those who participated were hard pressed to achieve their pars. Deer Valley Airport, the site of this year's invasion, has promised a new paved runway and a more conspicuous tower for next year. Plan now to attend.

November 18th we take to the air again for our annual Window Rock clothing airlift. After the recent flooding on the reservation, I'm sure they can use anything and everything that we can round up. With over six inches of snow falling two days before the flight it should be a beautiful trip.

Last weekend, Mary and Rex Weaver held an open house at their new Arizona Bellanca Company quarters at Falcon Field in Mesa. Their lovely Spanish Style building also houses an 8 unit motel and Dr. Weaver's office. Ninety-nines in attendance for the event were Hazel McCarty, Virginia Hash, Ruth Reinhold, Millie Dawe and her son Garner, Pat McGinn, Annette Kaplan, June Bonesteel, Sue Harper and her son George, and Eleanor Bailey, West Canada Section member.

Millie Dawe, our Aerospace Education Chairman, had a few extra minutes (on top of helping Millie Miller co-chairman the air race) to accompany Sue Harper and Betty Jo Smith to Williams AFB for the Aerospace Education Conference. Mary Loyd of the Northern Arizona Chapter was also in attendance. The girls are all fired up now to get Aerospace Education taught in the elementary schools in addition to the high school courses already under way in this area.

Virginia Hash was MC at a Soroptomist Club luncheon in October where Democratic and Republican candidates met to talk and answer questions. Other Ninety-nines helped the candidates by flying their literature to various parts of Arizona. Those included were Evelyn and Keith Sasser, Millie and Hi Miller, Evelyn and Don Porter and Juanita Newell and Ruth Reinhold. Betty Jo Smith, LaNaeh Peterson, Millie Dawe and Sue Harper were grounded by weather having been assigned the Northern route.

Several members are busy attending school this semester. Joan Francis has been attending Glendale College to learn how to use her camera. Now she's developing her own film. Trudy Murphy, our AE Scholarship Chairman, is taking a post graduate class in math. She told me the official name of the class and if I remember correctly it made no mention of math. Please forgive me, Trudy, for over simplifying. After teaching an instrument ground school and flying all day, Liz Taylor has managed to squeeze in a class in Geology at ASU in Tempe.

June Bonesteel has passed her ATP written and has decided to celebrate by attending the Piper Convention in Las Vegas. If she plays her cards right, she might make enough money up there to pay for that ATP



Mary and Rex Weaver's new Bellanca headquarters at Falcon Field in Mesa, Arizona.



Reporter, Paul Dean, drops the green flag for the start of the Roadrunner Race. Bill Duistermars, Airport Manager, assists with the timing. (Phoenix Chapter)



Those braving the wind and rain for the open house of Casa Bellanca (l. to r.) Garner, Dawe, Millie Dawe, Pat McGinn, Annette Kaplan, Mary Weaver, June Bonesteel, Sue Harper, and on top George Harper. (Phoenix Chapter)



Hi Miller, Carol Bargerding, Sue Harper and Hank Borgerding discuss race tactics while planes are being fueled for the men's race. (Phoenix Chapter)

rating. Good Luck! Millie Miller and Gwyn Dare have been flying missions for the CAP. Brunhilde Bradley, a ninety-nine from Portugal, is visiting for the Winter season. This past Summer she placed fifteenth out

of a field of some eighty planes in a six day, many country race. She came in second in a borrowed plane here in the Phoenix Race. Powder Puffers better keep an eye on her!

Coming events:

April 15th — a very appropriate day for a very economical 2c per pound air lift; Lots of paint for Parker, Globe, Morenci-Clifton, Holbrook, Stellar, Glendale, Turf and Scottsdale. Those are for January. We are now taking reservations for the month of February. Look out Palomar!

REDWOOD EMPIRE CHAPTER

Nina Rookaird, Reporter

The October meeting was held at Nina Rookaird's home with Janet Allbeck presiding. Those present were Louise Ramsey, Pat Stouffer, Esther Harri, Jeanne Gibson, Lynn Ahrens, Nina Rookaird and guest Virginia Kalbruner.

Christmas plans were made — and potential fly-ins discussed. Our Monterey fly-in date arrived, and found Betty Worstall and her daughter Brenda a lonesome two in attendance there. Leaving from Buchanan was one type weather, but those from Napa and Santa Rosa Air Center found only pattern flying. We are now considering a special rating trophy or award, for those who are the single arrivals for fly-ins! . . .

The Novmeber meeting was held at the Berkeley home of Esther Harri and Jeanne Gibson. Janet Allbeck presided. Those present were Esther Harri, Jeanne Gibson, Nina Rookaird and guest Virginia Kalbruner, Betty Worstall, Olive Agron, Lynn Ahrens, Frances Gauger, Louise Ramsey, and Elaine Hussey. The flying conversation centered about pattern flying in California's "lousy" weather. Frances Gauger was at least able to make it as far as Modesto. Maybe we should plan for safety seminars while we await better weather.

Nina and Dick Rookaird attended Sacramento Chapter's 25th Anniversary dinner in Sacramento. It was a pleasure to see Susie Sewell, our organization president there, and Mary Vial our 99 Southwest Section Chairman. Joseph Crotti, Director of California Aviation, spoke on the "Future Plans for Airports".

One was impressed with the history of a great group. My husband and I felt it very fitting that we were seated with two new 99 pilots who represented the new enthusiasm for 99's and flying, while history was being presented from the podium by Dave McElhatton. Hats off to Sacramento Chapter for a job well done — and the part we like best — their friendliness and willingness to help others.

Nina Rookaird attended the California Aviation Education Association meeting in Oakland. The speakers, discussion, and ideas were certainly an aid to teaching aviation classes.

Your reporter was privileged to have her three classes participate in the Delta Dart contest this last month. The students certainly profited from industry taking part to assist the schools in promoting interest in aviation.

RENO AREA CHAPTER

Hazel Hohn, Reporter

As usual I was unable to attend the monthly Ninety Nine meeting due to a Tuesday night class, but I'll see many of the Reno Area Chapter members today at an FAA Safety Seminar here in Carson City. It's being held at our beautiful new hotel-casino, The Ormsby House, built in Basque — Victorian style by our former Governor Paul Laxalt.

Elaine Brown says she and Phyllis Ahlswede attended a safety seminar in Reno sponsored by Aviation Services Incorporated and the FAA.

Phyllis also says that she attended a party and met a pilot who told her he owned the ultimate in prop airplanes. "A Super Cub?" asked Phyllis. "No — a P-51. Would you like to go for a flight?" After Phyllis regained consciousness, she said she would, and next thing you know she was being buckled into the 51 with a warning that in case she had to jump, to be sure to unbuckle the safety belt — not the parachute, and to head for the right wing. This unnerved Phyllis a bit, but after taking off she lost all fear, and after a few slow rolls and a flight over the mountains and Dayton, she knew it was the most wonderful experience she had ever had in flying. She just loves that Mustang. Now all she needs is to figure out how to fly one on her Telephone Company salary. The rest should be easy.

The only activity I've had in aviation recently has been to be appointed as Librarian for the Carson City chapter of Experimental Aviation Association. 49 1/2'er Werner is Vice President. Several of the Reno National Championship Air Race pilots are members of our local group — Clem Fischer, Fred Rechenmacher, and John Dudley.

Dorothy and Louis Baer flew to Vermont & Vera Cruz, Mexico in October.

We have a prospective member, Catherine Flannery, who was a guest at our November meeting. She flies a 150, and her husband, Dr. Jack Flannery, has an SNJ.

SACRAMENTO VALLEY CHAPTER

Barbara Goetz, Reporter

The first Twenty-Five years were celebrated by this chapter with a gala dinner party at the Sacramento Inn, Nov. 17, 1972.

Honored guests included Coral Bloom, our only charter member still with this chapter. Coral recounted several incidents early in the chapter and the events leading to the chartering of this chapter.

The Master of Ceremonies, Dave McElhatton, that of course is Jeannie's 49 1/2'er, provided the catalyst for a fun evening. We were honored also to have our International President Susie Sewell fly in from Oklahoma City and bring with her past president Bronita Evans. Susie and Bronita stayed with us for several days and we were pleased to show them sunny California. Another Past President, our own Gerry Mickelsen, acted as their official hostess.

The Southwest Section Governor Mary Vial, was with us from Phoenix, Arizona. Mary conveyed congratulations from the section and noted that we are the fourth Southwest chapter to reach 25 years. One



Sacramento Valley Chapter Twenty-Fifth Anniversary Program Committee members pose with a beautiful antique Stearman. From left: Darlene Gilmore, program; Thelma Drew, decorations, and Barbara Goetz, event chairman.



Juanita Bowler stands beside her "laundry" after wiping down 'Ole No. 53 before the par. Such are the woes of a co-pilot.



Kay Malcolm and Sandy Case stand beside Kay's 170, they flew in the Pacific Air Race.

of our newest chapters sent us a congratulatory telegram. Our thanks to all the gals from the Golden West Chapter.

One of the special highlights for the evening was the invocation by the Rev. Keith Kenny. Rev. Kenny is a flight instructor with over 2000 hrs. He prepared a special prayer for us that we would like to share with you:

Heavenly Father,
—Love and Bless these heavenly ladies
—Who, like your angels,
Have winged over the earth,
—Who have seen the God-view of
Our poor, humble, earth-bound human race.
—Who have with courage
and with competence
matched the men who match
the mountains
May their airframes be sound
Their engines smooth and quiet,
Their crews compatible,
Their control touch gentle and sure,
Their flight free from turbulence and thunderstorms.
As they live so may they fly,
And as they fly so may they live,
With favoring winds,
fair weather,
and a soft, sweet caress of
the earth at the end of the flight.

AMEN

After much scouting and digging, we came up with several people that were able to give us some information on the early formation of the chapter. Ruth Rookaird was most helpful and came up with one of the installing officers, Marge Fauth. Marge is no longer active but is a great supporter. Several of our chapter past members were able to attend; Ester Phipps, Carol Hammond, Elsie Lancaster, and Jackie Bender.

Mr. Joseph Crotti, State of California, Director of Airports, presented an interesting message to the gathering. He also extended congratulations from Ronald Reagan, Governor of California.

I would like to extend my thanks to the committee which worked so hard to make this event a success: Thelma Drew, decorations and door prizes; Lorain Hery, ticket sales; Darlene Gilmore, program and VIP; Dee Olsen, decorations; La Rue Brown, decorations, Ruth Wagner, door prizes; Barbara Foster, invitations, and Shirley Lehr, publicity. A job well done, and here's to the next twenty-five years.

SAN DIEGO CHAPTER

Marilyn Elmers, Reporter

San Diego Chapter invites you to the Fiesta De La Pajaras (girl birds) Spring meeting of the Southwest Section in San Diego, March 30 to April 1, 1973. As a fund-raising project for the Spring Sectional, Ava Carmichael's "White Knuckle Course" was started at Montgomery Field, November 6 and 7. This was to teach simple basics to wives of pilots who are bored and/or terrified. 99's were on hand to give short lectures on subjects such as how to pack an airplane, supervising the lin boy, doing a "walk-around", dialing the emergency frequency, reading sectional charts, getting a course heading, and time and distance on the computer. Thon Griffith and Dell Hinn flew down to kibitz, and, to

"leave 'em laughing". Maggie Burch of Orange County showed her infamous movie on the Powder Puff Derby. The 13 women who took the course went away proud of their knowledge, and some even signed up for the AOPA Pinch-Hitter Course the following weekend.

San Diego and El Cajon Chapters held their November meeting jointly at Casa Miguel Restaurant, Montgomery Field. It was a festive evening for San Diego's Chairman, Betty Wharton, who was named San Diego's Pilot of the Year. Congratulations, too, to Pat Osmond who was first runner up. Both gals deserved recognition for their interests and contributions to aviation.

Dell Hinn, Southwestern Direct Relief Foundation Chairman, was guest speaker. Members of San Diego and El Cajon Chapters are frequently requested to assist in transporting medical supplies to Santa Barbara for distribution to more than 50 countries.

Welcome, Shirley Wolf, our newest member. She received her 99 pin at the joint meeting from Ruth Ebey, Membership Chairman.

"Always get a weather briefing before leaving for the airport" say meteorology students Betty Wharton and husband. Arriving at Brown Field recently with Margaret Walton, Chuck and Doris Taylor planning to fly to Ontario Airport for the Southern California Breakfast Club Meeting, Betty and company discovered that visibility at Ontario was 1/8 of a mile. To their disgust, they drove but enjoyed the meeting anyway.

Martha Mullen and 49 1/2 John recently had an exciting trip to Columbia flying their Debonair.

Welcome back to Cleo Hudson and husband after spending eight weeks in Europe.

SAN FERNANDO VALLEY

Loretta Hines, Reporter

Card-A-Clearance — is a letter of agreement between a tower (in our case Van Nuys) and a pilot to follow a system whereby the pilot is issued a card which contains both a Special VFR and a IFR Climb to OTP (to those instrument rated). By having this card, the Ground Controller need not issue the whole clearance. He may however say, "cleared as filed" and issue any amendments. Guests for the evening were Don Havard and Larry Etter from the Van Nuys tower. They came and talked about Card-A-Clearance for Van Nuys. To obtain your card, you need a pilots license and must be familiar with the procedures of the field for SVFR and Instrument Climb outs. You are assigned a number which is given on your initial call up to ground control. It has helped to reduce frequency congestion in ground control and Van Nuys tower people tell us they have issued over 325 cards so far.

Our chapter has become deeply involved in the Wings for DRF as one of our major projects. Vicking Aero Service at Van Nuys Airport is acting as a "stop-Off depot" for deliveries from the Western States. Chairman, Audrey Schutte, and Co-Chairman, Harriet Bair, have on hand (currently over a 1000 pounds) at all times medical supplies to be delivered to DRF International Head-

quarters at Santa Barbara. Any 99's going to Santa Barbara can stop at Viking Aero to pick up supplies to take with them.

On October 28, five planes flew into Santa Barbara — Shirley Thom and daughter, Linda; Margie Robbins with 49 1/2er, Richard; Lola Ricci with 49 1/2er, Dick and Elizabeth Dinan with 49 1/2, Don; Harriet Bair with 49 1/2er, Garth; and Polly Fleming with her son, Todd, flew with her friend, Bob Folsom, and combined DRF flight with the Santa Barbara 99s BBQ on the beach.

How about a DRF run, a luncheon and Christmas shopping all wrapped up in the same flight! SFV Chapter did just that on November 8, on a flight to Santa Ynez. There were some stops at Santa Barbara with DRF supplies. Those attending were Margie Robbins, solo; Shirley Thom and Elizabeth Dinan with guests Mary Totans and Audrey Parry; Sally Kinsey and two year old daughter, Nicole; Pat Hallett and Flora Hutchinson with guests Ericka Stax and Kay Lynch. All the gals had lunch at Mollekron's Restaurant in Solvang, then scattered a while to shop for Christmas.

Delores Pynes became APT this past month and checked out in a Bonanza. Sally Kinsey also became APT, checked out in a Cherokee Arrow, and made her first solo trip in it to San Jose. Lorrie Blech tells me she has made many controlled crashes in taildraggers. As long as it is controlled — how can you call it a crash, Lorrie? Margie Robbins has gotten in four hours of IFR practice. Pat Hallett flew a Beech Travelair for one and a half hours. Coralee Tucker checked out in a Cardinal RG and Marguerite Marsh checked out in a 180.

Air Marking at Aqua Dulce on October 18 was a lot of fun and a good job done. Kae Parker, our Air Marking Chairman, had the flu but did a great job of straw bossing Flora Hutchinson, Lola Ricci, Pat Cannon, Mary Lou Neole, Loreli Cangiano, Rachelle Jensen and Pat Hallett, while they painted 2866 sq. ft. of paint. Shirley Thom and Margie Robbins came after all the work was done so they made a good inspection crew.

Your reporter, Loretta Hines, spent the weekend of November 11 and 12 at Ocean-side with her 49 1/2er, Pat, and children while her 49 1/2er participated in the Western Regional Aerobatic Competition in his Pitts Special. Oceanside Municipal put it on with a great deal of hard work from the South Sierra IAC (International Aerobatic Club) Chapter No. 26. Maureen Mahoney, a 99 from the Fresno Chapter, is President of IAC No. 26. This chapter is to be complimented on its fine work in furthering Aerobatic flying and judging. Bob Heuer, President of the International Aerobatic Club and Sam Huntington were both out from the East as National Judges. Other Judges, all of Chapter No. 1 from the East were Jerry Brandt, Jim Dess, Earl Potter and Buck Goodman. If you hear of a Sanctioned Contest going on, by all means go to it. Go early enough to stand within hearing of the pilots briefing before the contest. It is a ballet. Many years of devoted work and knowledge go into such a complete program of putting skill and rules with safety together. Better still — you

gals with aerobatic training start entering. They have different classes for different levels of skill. All it takes to start is to contact your nearest EAA or IAC Chapter. They can direct you.

Preview to come — FUN FUN FUN — our Chapter is having a Christmas luncheon on December 18 for hanger flying (always) and exchanging of a small gift.

To All 99's — The very best of the Season's Greetings to you and yours. Most of our paths will never cross, but all our hearts can unite the world over with peace and brotherhood.

SAN GABRIEL VALLEY CHAPTER

Carleen Hargett, Reporter

Our November meeting was of special interest to all of us. Eugene Smith, a student at Montclair High School spoke to us about Amelia Earhart. He has done extensive research on Amelia Earhart, and spent time with her sister Mrs. Morrissey.

Maryjane Nelson trooped off to the hills in October to observe some of California's foremost soarers. Shunning membership in the SSA, there is an estimated 60 of this group in existence. Maryjane reports a minimum of 36 were sighted during the eighth annual California condor survey.

Margaret Lawson, Marion Jirchesfske, Joan Winter, Beverly Mahoney, Kathy Woolsey and Carleen Hargett helped at the Pilot Safety Seminar at Mt. San Antonio College. There were over four hundred persons attending, and even on a rain threatened evening.

Jane La Mar, Mary Sebelius, Beverly Mahoney and Donna Freeburg flew in the Pacific Air Race. We are all waiting to hear all their experiences.

The rudder of Margaret Lawson's airplane was damaged in the recent high winds in the San Gabriel Valley.

Our newly APT members are Eve Hunt, Portia Cornell and Kathy Woolsey. This is a total of six or 20% of our membership.

Kathy Woolsey is our new Commercial pilot as of this month. Margaret Lawson and Carleen Hargett have passed the Instrument Written Test.

Eight members and families and friends flew to Borrego Valley Airport for the November fly-in. We met for lunch and had hoped to take the Anza Sky Trail but the weather did not cooperate. Ilsa Cook was unable to attend the fly-in on the scheduled day, so she flew there earlier in the week and found everything closed.

While driving between Monterrey and Salinas recently, Joan Winter, license plate JOAN 99, spotted a white car, license plate FLY 99s. She created quite a scene trying to get the attention of the driver of the other car. He finally did wave.

On a trip to Reno not long ago, Marrion Marriott was feeling pretty good about a time of 2 hr. and 40 min. until on the return trip it took 3 hr. and 45 min. Must have been some wind.

Plans for the December meeting are for a dinner meeting at Michaels. There will be a guest speaker.

SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CHAPTER

Ina Wade, Reporter

"No news is good news" may apply in some instances — not so, however, if it concerns flying activities.

Catching Up When last the summer breezes blew, we gathered to break bread at the home of Trixie (Rebecca) Clayton. (Sept. Meet.) Trixie is one of those fortunate people who live across the road from an airstrip. Red Top Ranch on the CA chart. Instant flying, sad that it can't be conveniently packaged! Sept. concluded with a fly-in to Half Moon Bay, CA; a small gathering but much enjoyed by those attending. The 10th month seems somehow misplaced but Nov. brought in evidence that much flying activity had in fact taken place.

Our Helen McGee must be a most frugal lady in budgeting her time. We understand that not only did her trek South produce a win in the Pacific Air Race; she also managed to squeeze in a shopping trip to find just the right gown for daughter Laura-mary. What fun to plan wedding and race strategy at the same time. Congratulations to both of you!! What can you do given three days Helen?? Our congrats go also to Barbara Glantz and Trixie Clayton who entered the P.A.R. competition.

Jean Murray reports a flight to Wisconsin with 49 1/2er Harley. Seems they made a 360 over the much touted resort at Lake Geneva. I suspect more "bunny" activity is visible at San Jose, CA Muni. Also had a few discouraging words for the weather after a three day shutdown, although enjoyed motoring through the countryside and viewing the traditional Fall show nature provides in that area. (A novelty to us Coastites.) Jean noted also that most small towns along their route were airmarked — either a strip or building. They found it quite helpful, being in unfamiliar territory.

Due to the untimely performance of a rain dance by Lee Rousche, our plans to complete another airmarking are still pending . . . Could be she was still over-coming the effects of high-alt.-pyramid-hiking executed during her trip to Mexico City with 49 1/2er Fran. 7000' might be a satisfactory flight zone, but Lee reports, difficult navigating for sea-level types expending extra energy.

We wish all our sister Ninety Nines everywhere many happy hours of flying in this brand new year

SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY CHAPTER Marcie Barnett, Reporter

Our new Officers for the coming year, started out as busy as summer ended. We had one crew, Marcie Barnett and Criss Henderson participate and place 6th in the Pacific Air Race, San Diego to San Jose. We are justly proud of the number of crews entered and their finish standings in races this past year.

Emily Cletsoway, Chairman and Marcie Barnett flew a loaded Cessna 210 and Comanche 180, with local Direct Relief Foundation contributions to Santa Barbara. We were fortunate to receive local TV coverage since, as with many communities we were having airport problems in the coming elections. So many fears were expressed about growth, jet ports, etc., that publicity of this type was so helpful in carrying the General Aviation message to the county, that airport use was other than fun and games. The same gals also drove a

U-Haul truck to Santa Barbara loaded with hospital beds, braces, etc. Doesn't seem like the way to fly, but got the job done.

In October a CCAA (Calif. Council of Aviation Associations) meeting was held at Madonna Inn with local 99's running ground transportation to and from the Inn for Friday's arrivals and Sunday departure. With election just around the corner, our local Pilots' Assn., 99's and other flying groups banded together to have an Airport Day to inform local people about airports and ours in particular. Unfortunately Mother Nature did not choose to cooperate too well and many of the CCAA group were forced to drive, so most of contributors ended up in time and not much work. The only busy member was Wanda Ewing who helped with registration at the Inn.

Despite the lack of weather cooperation our gals have kept in the air with trips to Burbank, Fresno (flying parts for a disabled 210), Sacramento (campaign literature for the coming election), Reno (Cal Poly football game), co-piloting for our local flying service on charters and looking toward better weather many more will be airborne for a busy year.

SANTA CLARA VALLEY CHAPTER Betty Hicks, Reporter

A seven-letter airmarking is scarcely work, reports SCV Airmarking Chairman Willy Gardner. "Especially," she adds, "when you have 4 1/2 people per letter." That was the story of the Lampson Airport (Lake County) roller-swinging one fall day.

"Good fellowship, good weather, and a job well done!" was Flying Activities Chairman Evelyn Lundstrom's summary of the Clear Lake work-fun party. Mickie and Floyd Hughes made the most effortful trip for the airmarking, biking to Clear Lake from Bodega Bay! Everyone else arrived aided by some variety of mechanization, internal combustion type. Evelyn and Oscar Lundstrom chose the Comanche, accompanied by son Arlis. The Cherokee owned now by the Pensons landed with Mary Ann and Bob, with erstwhile owners Willy and Russ Gardner sitting enviously in the back seat. Jeanne and Dick Collins arrived Swiftly, to do the survey and layout work on Friday. From Fresno Chapter came Maureen and Jerry Mahoney, Super Cubbing. Also from Fresno came Mary Warner-Wilder and Clark Wilson in a T-6. Mayetta Behringer had no difficulty filling the available seats in her Cessna 180. Natalie Bossio, Lynn Belgum, and Millie Seeburger were her passengers. Phyllis and Fred Pierce, along with Dachshund Wilbur, made it in Ercoupe "Flower Pot Hotel" on Friday. Joining Wilbur was the Petty poodle, Nutmeg, chaperoned by Jackie and Lloyd in a Piper Arrow. Marion Barnick's son Bob delivered Marion and her sailboat (collapsible type) in their Cessna 172 on Friday evening. The Wests, Verna and Harry and daughters Audrey and Donna, arrived in their carry-all, complete with camping gear.

The art work was completed in the record time of 30 minutes. "Everyone was just getting in stride!" Evelyn Lundstrom recalls, "so we repainted the runway numbers and dotted the centerline down 3,000 feet of runway."

"It didn't 'thunk' quite right," said Pat Roberts, after she had pumped down the gear of her Aztec on a recent flight to Davis. "Thunk" or no thunk, Pat's pump-down job following complete hydraulic fluid loss on the Piper, had been adequate. A double-check with another airplane in the area showed the nose wheel in place. A tender soft-field landing at Davis was uneventful . . . There was no traditional gift exchange at SCV Chapter's Christmas party December 2. Rather than indulging one another, this year Yule festivities were guided by a real spirit of giving. Chapter members brought toys, which were airlifted December 16 to children of northern California's Hoopa Indian Reservation . . . It was still another DRF flight to Santa Barbara on November 29, with Phyllis Pierce and Jeanne McElhatton acting as loadmasters . . . Faye Kirk and family will head for Australia shortly, leaving the driving to Quant-us, we presume . . . About Mayetta Behringer's tear-stained face? If you'd had it about as long as you'd had any of your kids, and pampered it and given it TLC and loved it on two continents and shared a thousand lovely adventures with it, you'd weep a little too, selling your Cessna 180 . . . That skeleton in Carolyn and Bill Phillips' garage? That will be, some day again, a J5 Piper . . . Sally Rohlfing has whizzed through her instrument written . . . Pat Rowe, Willy Gardner, Verna West, Lois Letzring, Mary Ann Penson and Long Beach Chapter's Terry London all have smoke coming out of their overheated computers these days, so busy are they flight planning for IFR trips in this reporter's Foothill College instrument ground school class. Terry, a San Jose State University aeronautics student, is just there for a refresher and some college credit.

SANTA ROSA CHAPTER L. Leland, Reporter

Our Santa Rosa Ninety Niners that competed in the 1972 Pacific Air Race were: Virginia Wegener, finishing third, Lynn Barthel (pilot) and Pauline Goslovich (co-pilot) coming in 25th, and Aliene Lee (pilot) and Margit Lindholm (co-pilot) finishing as "Tail End Antoinettes." Third place winner received a monetary award, and Tail End Antoinettes received Ray Ban sun glasses and a half case of oil. Aliene and Margit had a chance to apply their emergency procedures training as their engine quit on final coming into Portersville! They continued the race after a quick ground check.

A happy Ninety Niner in Santa Rosa lately is Pauline Goslovich who is flying for Stol-Air, the commuter airline serving Sonoma County and San Francisco International. She flies a Britten Norman Islander Aircraft, serving as first officer. Pauline is the first woman to fly as pilot or co-pilot for an American scheduled airline.

Four new members were welcomed at our Oct. meeting. They were: Eileen Birkland, Sandy Peterson, Margit Lindholm and Ann Tunney. Sandy showed us some movies she had taken of the Reno Air Races, and Virginia brought the film, The Flight of Bluebird II, for our enjoyment.

TUCSON CHAPTER

Ginny Cook, Reporter

What did we do . . . in seventy two . . .

Added seven new members — Phyllis Courtney, Delores Davis, Sue Donald, Wynne Hayward, Donna Raymond, Jean Servaas and Jane Leighty.

Had three reinstatements: Sherry Boice, Patsy Brooks, and Pat Nolen.

Had one transfer, Carolyn Milkey.

New Ratings: Aldine von Isser, a commercial.

Writtens passed: Virginia Edwards and Barbara Welsh, instrument.

Fly-ins: Nogales, Avra Valley, and Francisco Grande.

DRF — Brooks, Cook, Edwards, and Yocum flew eleven shipments on their way.

Safety: Helped at two FAA safety seminars.

AWTAR: Donated \$25.00.

Spring Sectional: Orange County, Brooks, Edwards, Cook, and Welsh.

Fall Sectional: Ken & Ginny Cook, and Bill & Jayne Hunter, at Monterey.

Races: Palms-To-Pines, Norma Wilcox and Jayne Hunter. Kachina Doll, Virginia Edwards and Barbara Welsh.

Chapter Projects: The First Annual Tucson Treasure Hunt. Thirty entries, with cash and trophies to top ten. Joan Steinberger and Marion Fickett won first place. This treasure hunt was the Most successful project our chapter has ever undertaken! We had 100% participation and our guests were 100% lavish in their praise!

Travels: Sherry Boice to Kalamazoo, Michigan, Patsy Brooks to Dallas, Minden, Ogden Wyo (to pick up a new tu-holer Pitts) Las Vegas (to get the \$ to pay for it) Hawaii, San Jose, and Louisiana to take a few you know what lessons from Marion Cole. Incidentally 49 1/2'r Bob won the Arizona Soaring Championship for '72. Virginia Cook to Orange County, San Diego 4 times, San Francisco, Monterey, Hawaii, Seattle, and Alaska. Phyllis Courtney, to Texas and Florida. Virginia Edwards, to San Diego, San Francisco, and Phoenix. Jayne Hunter to San Diego 3 times, Trinidad, Monterey. Judy Preble, to San Diego, Missouri, and Denver. Dorothy Jenkins, San Francisco. Chris Ruck, Las Vegas, 4 times, Colorado, twice, Quincy, Guaymas four times, San Diego 5 times, Baja, Carefree, Albuquerque, Dalhart, and Sierra Vista 25 times. Maggie Schock to Lake of the Ozarks. Aldine von Isser, Athens, Crete, Rhodes, Istanbul, London, Toronto.

UTAH CHAPTER

Joan Barton, Reporter

Welcome to the 99's to new members Jackie Grandia, Jeane Freestone and Diane Hastings. All three pilots are from Ogden and we are very glad to have them. Jackie Grandia is not only a new pilot and new 99 but is also about to become a new mother for the second time.

Congratulations to Nancy Reuling who earned her ATR on 25 October with 2900 hours. Nancy is instructing part-time with Interwest Aviation in Salt Lake City and is teaching a class in aviation at Westminster College. Not many pilots have made landings on glaciers but Nancy has now done this. She and a 99 from the French Chapter flew a Super Club outfitted with skies over

Switzerland during the summer. Among the sights they saw was the Matterhorn.

Our Lear Jet pilot, Barbara Barlow has been very busy. Barbara has logged 20 hours in the Lear during October and at the speeds that airplane flies, that's a lot of miles. She has made trips to Arizona, California, Nebraska, Washington and Wyoming. If any of you 99's out there see a cute blond climb out of the left seat of a Lear, that's Utah's Barbara.

Gini Streeter and daughter Meg, participated in the Heber Valley Soaring Meet on September 10th. Meg won the Spot Landing Contest and was 3rd in altitude. Meg is waiting impatiently for her 17th birthday so she can get her Private license. On her 16th birthday, she soloed a C-150, C-172, C-182 and a PA 11. This young lady is going places!

Our meeting for the month of November started out at Jane Patterson's house and from there we went to visit the Hill AFB RAPCON Facility. Jane's 49 1/2'er happens to be a controller there. We went cross-eyed trying to make heads or tails out of the radar scopes. Those who attended were Barbara Barlow, Joan Barton, Jeane Freestone, Jackie Grandia, Diane Hastings, Wilma Nichols, Jane Patterson and 66 daughter Valerie, Margery Peterson, Dee Ricord, Gini Streeter and 66 daughter Meg, Barbara Whitaker, Ginny Wilkinson and Vivian Yardley. It was good to see Margery Peterson again as she has a long way to come from Gunnison.

As a result of this meeting, we now have a new list of Activity Chairmen and there are a few of us who are still trying to figure out how we came to volunteer.

Jeane Freestone, Diane Hastings and Jane Patterson served refreshments on behalf of the 99's at the Pilot Safety Program presented by the FAA in Salt Lake City on November 4th.

Albert Nicholson is working and collecting for DRF.

Valarie Patterson has been flying the family C-120 to Brigham City to log instrument time in another airplane based there. Tho the Pattersons think highly of their C-120, it is a little light on the instruments.

We are in the process of changing reporters, so if I have deleted or repeated, please forgive.

Middle East Section

DELAWARE - MARYLAND
PENNSYLVANIA - VIRGINIA
WEST VIRGINIA

CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER

Carol Ann Windsor, Reporter

Five members of our chapter attended the fall sectional in Aberdeen, Maryland. They were: Ronnie Johnson, Martie Pool, Hazel Bartolet, Shirley Weinhardt, and Carol Windsor. The arrangements were very nice and speaker Frank Kingston Smith was extremely enjoyable.

Our November meeting brought four hardy members, Hazel Bartolet, Martie Poole, Shirley Weinhardt and Carol Windsor, to Esther Michaud's camp on Indian Lake. Visibility was terrible and upon our arrival, we had to wind our way all around

the lake before locating the proper camp. We were treated to, what could have been, a lovely view of the lake, a nice blazing fire in the fireplace and a beautiful selection of slides, shown by Martie Pool of her recent trip to Europe for the Aerobatic Championships. Esther also showed slides of the PPD which Shirley Weinhardt and she flew.

"Boots" and Rod Husted have recently returned from Hawaii. "Boots" informs us that she had a pleasant visit with Aloha Chapter Chairman, Pat Kelley. As "Boots" said, "She's a real asset to our organization."

Martie Pool flew 300 pounds of medical supplies to Cincinnati, Ohio from Harrisburg. They were delivered to her by the Garden State Chapter.

Marion Dunlap has been appointed as an Accident Prevention Counselor by the FAA and her airport was one of the sponsors of a recent FAA Safety Seminar. Marion also flew to the AOPA Plantation Party in Florida.

Ronnie Johnson and Alice Fuchs flew to New York recently, where Alice taped an interview on aviation with Julia Meade for the Julia Meade Show.

Ronnie Johnson has been very busy of late. She was very active in the reelection campaign for President Nixon. She no more than finished that assignment and it was off to Marco Island, Florida with hubby Ray to attend the Piper Aircraft Regional Sales Meetings, then on to Las Vegas for more meetings and to Los Angeles for visiting.

Marty Owens was also in Marco Island, for the International Sales Meeting for Piper.

Esther Michaud and husband Ellery were in Calloway Gardens, Georgia for a meeting of the Flying Physicians. Really a nice place for a fly-in according to Esther.

Congratulations to Fran Dehaan for passing her instrument written examination and to "Boots" Husted for passing her Commercial written examination.

EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER

Louise Sacchi, Reporter

Eight members attended the Middle East Section Meeting in October, at which our Eileen Wiegand was installed as Section Treasurer. The girls reported that the party on Friday night was delightful, partly because it was unexpected. There were about one hundred people present for the Saturday luncheon and they enjoyed hearing Frank K. Smith. Marie D'Alterio proposed and Kate Macario seconded that the Section donate \$100.00 to the Museum; the motion was carried.

Our new member, Dolores Lewis and her 49 1/2'er Suber have a Musketeer which they keep at Wings Field; Suber is a lawyer.

Connie Wolf made a balloon ascension at Washington's Crossing Park for the benefit of the Washington's Crossing Foundation. She carried 1000 percancelled covers which will be sold in the gift shop.

Merle Starer and her father, Rudy Chalow delivered an Aztec to one of Rudy's customers in Costa Rica (Rudy's customers come from far and near).

January meeting will be luncheon in Philadelphia (place not decided) followed by the Musical "Irene" on the 20th.

For those of the Powder Puff girls who

still have their New Jersey lottery tickets, here are the winning numbers for that week, July 13, 1972. If your ticket was 694827 the prize is \$50,000.00; x94827 the prize is \$4,000.00; xx4827 the prize is \$400.00; xxx827 the prize is \$40.00; 69xxxx or xxxx27 your name can go into the drawing for semi-finals of \$1,000,000.00. If you have any of these, fill in the back with name, address, telephone number, social security number, and send to Anne Shields, who will see that they get to the proper people.

GREATER PITTSBURGH AREA CHAPTER

Alyce Conrads, Reporter

The Greater Pittsburgh Area Chapter finished out the warm days with a Corn Roast. It was attended by approximately 350 people and everyone had a good time. The entertainment was provided by a bomb dropping contest, a spot landing contest, and a 3 man jump by the Para Stars, a local parachute club. Airplane rides at 2 cents a pound were given to the young and uninitiated. We pinned Sandy Van Huyck with her 99 pin and she became a member on this day officially. Also in attendance were Alyce Conrads, Corn Roast Chairman; Georgetta Dix; Phyllis Patterson; prospective members Myrna Schaad and Jan Anderson. Happy to say the day netted a nice profit for our treasury.

Sophia Payton and Ruth Hanlon participated in the Indiana F.A.I.R. Race and reported having a wonderful time. New ratings are Commercial for Sandy Van Huyck and Flight Instructor for Alyce Conrads. After an interruption in training for a trip to Europe, Ruth Hanlon is back working on her Commercial rating and hopes to have it soon.

Southeast Section

ALABAMA - FLORIDA - GEORGIA
MISSISSIPPI - NORTH CAROLINA
SOUTH CAROLINA - TENNESSEE

CAROLINAS CHAPTER PS, Reporter

No chicken salad for members of the Carolinas particularly when it's an October meeting at the beach. Shrimp? You better believe it. November's meeting was held down in Greenville, SC, the cache for our medical supplies gathered before flying 'em west. Ruby Guinn is our member there. She and her husband, Warren, are operators on the Downtown Airport. They've done over their place and it's fancy and fine. Even got the best ham sandwiches in their coffee shop. It's Thermal Belt Av and why don't you stop in and see the best service you've run across in a long time.

December, we sojourn down at Kitty Hawk, NC, for the Anniversary of Flight. The Wright Brothers started it all there on December 17th and The Man-Will-Never-Fly Memorial Society tries to end it all on each December 16th. Past ye-ed Hazel McKendrick once spoke to this illustrious group — that was before she became one of the Jones girls — and what a hit she made. That 16th meeting starts somewhere along about 4 in the afternoon and ends, for the hearty, or if you prefer, call them hardy, about 10 the morning of the 17th. The

Brothers Wright skittered aloft about 10:30 sixty-nine years ago. That's 1903, just to save you abacus time.

The Carolinas Chapter will send you, free, one of our handsome 99 luggage tags if you're the first to write which Wright had the moustache. You're not eligible, current ed Crane, cause you get to read about it first. (Ed note: Drat!) For any of the rest of you, those luggage tags are almost as hardy as members of the MWNFMS and cost \$1.50, ppd. with two lines of print - your name and state. Order from reporter Shamburger. We even have four of 'em flying around Hawaii - thanks Pat Kelly! Some in Europe, too, and we're almost out. Why not buy a few? We need the money for planned festivities for the 74 Convention in Puerto Rico. We hear they have never heard a whiff-a-diddle or tasted a mint julep.

Our aerospace teacher, Nancy Wrenn, hit the high road with her Workshop by flying to Cape Kennedy in November. Supposedly, they inspected the last Apollo but last we heard, the sun was nice and hot, the pool mighty inviting. The steward on the AF plane was one of Nancy's former student's buddies, and guess what? She managed a jump seat VIP treatment on the C131.

Welcome to transfer Carolyn Pilaar, a good friend from the student ranks of the National Intercollegiate Flying Association.

A very, very Merry Christmas to all of you from all of us, you-all.

FLORIDA GOLDCOAST CHAPTER

Lois Porter, Reporter

Our very own APT chairman, Joyce Pittman is the proud possessor of a brand new Commercial Pilot License. She is not going to stop there, however, she is now in the process of adding an Instrument Rating to that ticket.

November 15th was to have been a joint meeting of the Florida Chapters at DAB, and several of us got out our Fog Tickets and brushed them off. Then came the news that a SIGMET was out between here and VRB, so the Goldcoast Chapter stayed on the ground that day.

Fran Sargent has been busy being the coordinator for a series of Aviation Accident Prevention Seminars, held at the South Campus of Miami Dade Junior College under the sponsorship of the College, the FAA, the GAMA and the 99's Goldcoast Chapter. Fran has also been to Auburn, Ala. with Katie Strehle in an Aztec to attend the NIFA Regional Meet.

The October meeting of our Chapter was held at Red Aircraft in Fort Lauderdale, Chairman Ruth Fliesher, presiding. Among things discussed were the chapter Christmas party, a Poker Run in conjunction with the other Fla. chapters, and how we are going about detailing plans for the 1974 International Meeting in San Juan. Karen Gordon, who works at the Center was accepted as our newest member.

Miriam Davis, who is a very action member in the DRF has been flying supplies (medical) back and forth and just last week, flew 13 cartons of medicines to Lakeland, where they were picked up by Betty Hood for a continuing trip to those in need. Miriam, right now, is looking forward to the Bahamas Treasure Hunt as is, yours truly,

who was invited by Dr. Green to help break in his new airplane.

FLORIDA SPACEPORT CHAPTER

Barbara W. Ellis, Reporter



Betty Hood, Florida Spaceport Chapter, arrived in Wichita with 406 pounds of medical supplies in her Aztec on November 16. She is being assisted in unloading the supplies by Kansas Chapter member, Marilyn Cope-land. Photographer was Bill Dando, a Kansas Nervous Navigator.

Twenty-six enthusiastic members of Florida Ninety-Nines and Grasshoppers were greeted by representatives of Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Daytona Beach at our November Meeting.

Captain Kim Scribner, 747 pilot for Pan American presented slides of his adventures from 1936 to the present, including interesting anecdotes about his days as a professional parachutist, World Aerobatic Glider Champion and the great race from the Empire State Building in New York City to the Post office Building in London, which was won by his daughter, Susie. Captain Scribner presented an autographed copy of his book "Your Future As A Pilot" to the Ninety-Nines in care of Cy Beers, Southeast Section Gov. Cy then presented a plaque of appreciation to Dr. Jack Hunt, President of Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University.

This was followed by a tour of the new facilities at Embry-Riddle. The Gill Robb Wilson Memorial Aeronautical Science Center is a modern, air conditioned, three building complex which includes a simulator laboratory, a technical library, an aviation weather center, a flight dispatch center, tutoring rooms, classrooms, and professor's consulting rooms.

After the tour, members were treated to a delicious luncheon at the oceanfront home of Dr. Jack Hunt. This home was built by artist, Dana Marsh in the mid-30's and is a most unique and fascinating building.

Spaceport Chairman, Ann Conway, was presented with a custom designed charm in gratitude for her hard work and devotion to our chapter.

Congratulations to our new bride, Jerre Snyder Baslet. We all wish you much happiness.

A most sincere Thank You to the members and staff of Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University for an informative and memorable meeting.

FLORIDA SUNCOAST CHAPTER

Dotty Birdsong, Reporter

October 21, Saturday, was an overnight meeting of the Suncoast Chapter at the Shearton Motel in Ft. Myers, replacing our



Front Row: (L) Mary Lou Shapiro, Dotty Birdsong, Carol Silvernail, Gladys Henderson. Standing: Sally Tanner, Ethel Gibson, Lilla Brown, Karen Meinjohans, Douglas Walton, James Walker, Marcella Klotter, Joyce Diamond, Betty Hood, Ruby Sadtler, Janice Wright, Jerrie Sawn and Judy Larkin. (Florida Suncoast Chapter meeting.)

regular monthly meeting. Thirty-seven Ninety-Nines, 49 1/2ers, and guests dined together. Installation of Officers, Chairman Marcella Klotter, Vice-Chairman Betty Hood, Secretary Karen Meinjohans, and Treasurer Ethel Gibson followed dinner. Three lowly 49 1/2ers took the oath to support the flying of their Ninety-Nines. Kneeling, 49 1/2er Glenn Tanner, Tampa, Ronnie Meinjohans, Immokalee, and Robert Pearman, Sarasota, agreed to furnish an airplane and pay flying expenses to wives Sally Tanner, Karen Meinjohans, and Sue Pearman. Sue Pearman stood in for Ethel Gibson who was in the hospital two weeks with back injuries suffered in a fall in San Mateo in July.

The Florida Suncoast Chapter regular monthly meeting was held at the Ramada Inn at Port Charlotte Wednesday, November 8th. Eighteen girls were present including the following guests: Judy Walter, Tampa, Janice Wright and Jerrie Sawn, Port Charlotte, Gladys Henderson, Hidden River, Maurine Cole, Punta Gorda, and Lilla Brown, Ft. Myers. Chairman Marcella Klotter conducted the meeting with the upcoming Poker Run February 18 sponsored by the three Florida Chapters taking priority. We enjoyed a delicious lunch. Our hosts, Mr. James Walker, General Manager and Director of General Development Corporation and Mr. Douglas Walton, General Manager of Ramada Inn visited with our group and announced our meals were their pleasure.

Wednesday, November 15, the three Florida Chapters of Ninety-Nines and the Grasshoppers flying organization had a joint tour of Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in Daytona Beach. We highly recommend this tour to all interested in aeronautics while in the area. Dr. Jack Hunt had the group bused to his home on the beach for lunch after a most interesting

talk and film by Captain Kim Scribner. He finished his talk over lunch. President Hunt could not join us as he was meeting with Dr. Mervin Strickler from FAA in Washington and six Russians who were touring Embury-Riddle. When we returned to the airport for departure I had the pleasure of meeting these men and seeing Dr. Strickler with whom I have worked on the WACOA Board in Washington. This was my first meeting with a Russian. They look just like us and didn't look mad at all. It was a real pleasure for me. Millie Lafferty received her instrument rating since our last meeting. December regular meeting will be a joint affair of Florida Chapters and Grasshoppers Dec. 13, Immokalee.

KITTY HAWK CHAPTER

Sally Menzel, Reporter

The last meeting of the Kitty Hawk Chapter was held at Raleigh, N.C. Although the blue skies and clear air denoted perfect VFR conditions, all attendees ended up driving to the meeting for various interesting reasons; example: our president, Esther Fordham had to deliver a bicycle which wouldn't fit into her Cessna! Business conducted at the meeting included a report on the sectional meeting in Florida which was attended by Anita Melvin and Esther Fordham. New appointees for the coming year include: Ways & Means: Montez Cox; Museum: Sally Menzel; National Health: Joan Thomson. We are making further plans to get underway with our airmarking project.

Montez Cox and husband Bobby recently flew to Boston. Annette Rogers, husband Lee, and their children made several trips to the coastal beaches and to Luray Caverns in Virginia. June Rodd has been helping husband Dick in managing the Beaufort-Morehead City Airport. Her duties include pumping gas, writing gas tickets, emptying ash trays, and even dousing the rest rooms with Lysol. As a result, June

claims she is learning the airport management business "from the bowl up."

A 49 1/2er who shall remain nameless recently learned the hard way that the tail section of an aircraft should not be used for a coat rack during a careful pre-flight inspection. A phone call after his destination was reached assured our hero that the coat had been blown 100 feet away from the plane during the engine run-up and fortunately all keys, etc. were found intact.

MEMPHIS CHAPTER

Nancy Miller, Reporter

Our annual luncheon for area women pilots was held at the Chickasaw Country Club in Memphis, thus no October meeting. Films of our members and other interesting sights as Disney World were shown. The movies were almost as good as being at the Sectional in person.

The rain left west Tennessee for our November fly-in to Pickwick State Park near Savannah, Tennessee. Members flying over for lunch were Gladys Estes, Netta Holden, Fern Mann, Nancy Miller, Mary Oliver, June Pentecost and Virginia Proctor. Martha Toby and 49 1/2 Frank brought son Frank and his lovely wife Judy along as passengers.

Dot Wilson has added instrument instructor to her impressive list of ratings. Becky Heywood is the corporate secretary of the newly formed Memphis Airways, Inc. at the West Memphis Airport.

Memphis Chapter members have been quite active flying and with flying related activities. Virginia Proctor, our Ninety Nine on the Arkansas Aeronautics Commission, attended the annual meeting of the National Association of State Aviation Officials at Tan-Tar-A on the Lake of the Ozarks in Missouri. The same week she went to the Arkansas-Baylor game in Fayetteville, Arkansas with 49 1/2 Everett. She also found time to fly an Apache to Pontiac, Michigan and Indianapolis.

Chris Brown and June Pentecost flew Chris' Skylane to Houston in October. Chris attended the annual meeting of the Neuroscience Society at the Shamrock Hotel. We heard that June's "single" hotel room was so plush she almost stayed in Texas.

Gladys Estes flew her hubby to South Dakota to go pheasant hunting. We learned the hunt was so successful that Gladys stopped in Arkansas on the way home just to share some of the birds.

Netta and Doug Holden and Fern and Chuck Mann flew an Aztec to Grayson County Airport, Denison, Texas for the National Aerobatic Championships in October. Big D was a stop for a day at the State Fair and Rodeo before returning to Memphis.

Best wishes from the Memphis Chapter for happy and safe flying during the Holiday Season.

MISSISSIPPI CHAPTER

Charlotte Rhett, Reporter

At the October 28, 1972 meeting of the Mississippi 99's, final plans were made for an FAA Flight Safety Seminar to be held in Jackson, Mississippi in November. Hostess for the fly-in was Pat Griffin, a new member from Wiggins, Mississippi. Pat's husband Dean is FBO at the Wiggins-Stone County Airport. Though low ceilings kept the mem-

bers from the northern part of the state on the ground, those who did fly enjoyed the newly resurfaced and wider runway.

The FAA Seminar on November 11, 1972 was the first time a meeting had been organized to attract general aviation pilots from throughout the state of Mississippi. Over 70 pilots attended, including a number of student pilots. The morning program began at 9 a.m. and covered the topics of pre-flight, fuel systems and their management, use of VOR's. Appearing on the afternoon program were FAA personnel from the Jackson office. One major point made by the various speakers was that most accident investigations disclose that the basics have been neglected or violated. Hence, a safety seminar must stress these basics, not advanced techniques applicable only to special conditions. An extra on the agenda was a very current report from FAA on the status of the southern hijacked plane that the night before had landed at Thompson Field at Jackson.

The afternoon program featured Dr. Caine and a demonstration of the vertigo chair. Dr. Caine's presentation was very enlightening as he explained the physiological effects of vertigo, sinus problems, sore throat, altitude, and other common causes of diminished pilot performance. The afternoon ended on a light note with a film on aviation oddities. The movie was a series of news briefs on experimental aircraft that touched on everything from muscle-powered wing flapping crates to a flying barrel and a flying wing.

Chapter chairman Peggy McCormick and Ernestine Mahan, FAA Accident Prevention Counselor, were the prime movers in organizing the seminar. Jack McDonald, FAA Accident Prevention Specialist, set up the program and served as advisor on all the many arrangements that had to be made. Endorsement by the Mississippi Aeronautical Commission was given in the form of notices sent to every FBO and airport manager in the state. Transportation to and from the airport was provided by the Mississippi Civil Air Patrol. Door prizes were furnished by local Mississippi businesses and by aviation industries. Every attendee is now eligible to win GAMA's prize in their safe Pilot Program.

The seminar also gave this serendipity — getting to know several lady pilots who are not 99ers. Although the chapter will not be meeting in December, we hope to grow with the coming new year.

NORTH GEORGIA CHAPTER

Doris Engerrand, Reporter

The principal concern of the North Georgia Chapter is the 1974 convention to be held in Puerto Rico. At our regular monthly business meeting held at the home of Jean and Roy Voyles, many different kinds of money raising projects were discussed. One of the approved projects is a Poker Run to be held Sunday, November 19. Although this particular Poker Run is limited to Chapter members, we plan to invite other chapters to participate later.

Carolyn and George Upton recently flew to Conroe, Texas, in their 170. They took four days to get there but had planned the flight that way — they were flying for relaxation and fun.

Jean Voyles and her son, Barry, were looking for a new place to eat lunch the other day, so they flew to Pascagoula, Mississippi, to see what was on the menu. Although they found the usual airport cuisine, they enjoyed the trip.

We will have a Christmas party instead of the usual business meeting in December. This year our party will be held at the home of Vernita and Richard George.

TENNESSEE CHAPTER

Marilyn Ayers, Reporter

When Evelyn Johnson entered the Morristown airport lounge that November 4 morning, ten 99's were waiting to surprise her with a birthday party. She was presented a special birthday gift — a tie-dyed, long-john flight suit, decorated top and bottom with appropriate sayings.

On November 16, 116 pilots and non-pilots attended an FAA Flight Safety meeting at the Oak Ridge Civic Center. Ninety-Nines on hand to act as hostesses and serve coffee and doughnuts were Margaret Mills, Virginia Come, Marilyn Ayers, and Nancy Fisher.

From across the state, 99's gathered in the Chattanooga airport pilots' lounge for their Christmas party and luncheon on December 2. After punch and the exchange of gag gifts, all joined together in the dining room for lunch. Red gingham accessories and individual airplane favors graced the table.

Jo Chandler is spending several weeks in Birmingham, training to become a Customer Relations representative with the South Central Bell Telephone Company.

Sarah Duke attended "change of command" ceremonies at Civil Air Patrol headquarters in Montgomery, Alabama, where Brig. Gen. Leslie Weathers accepted command from retiring Brig. Gen. Richard Ellis.

The hi-jacking of a Southern Airlines DC-9 concerned and involved 99's in Knoxville, Oak Ridge, and Chattanooga. In Chattanooga, the tension centered around Lovell Field and John and Bee Reid's Hanger One, where ransom money, supplies, and fuel were taken aboard the hijacked airliner. Bee and John were busy taping transmissions, bolstering Fred Voight's spirits (he actually confronted the hi-jackers 27 times, up and down the ladder, each time having a pistol held between his eyes), and generally trying to maintain sanity in such confusion. John and Irene Flewellen's Skypark was also humming with press agents from all over and with other interested parties who shuffled in and out after Lovell Field was closed.

East Canada Section

FIRST CANADIAN CHAPTER

Barbara Brotherton, Reporter

We've started a new year and with Convention happily behind us we're looking forward to interesting programs under Lois Apperley's guidance.

I'd like to introduce you to Lois, our new Chairman. She's married to "Handsome Jack" a co-operative non-flyer who encouraged Lois to fulfil her life long ambition to learn to fly. They have one daughter, Deb-

bie, age 16. In her spare time, which she had until this year, Lois is learning to play the organ and enjoys oil painting.

The weather has been so damp and foggy for so long, rained out our October meeting, that we really enjoyed the November 28th, Meteorology Meeting. A talk on Aviation Weather briefing and how to get the most information, a movie and then a tour of the Satellite Laboratory, and learning how they got those great cloud and weather pictures covering all of North America.

The Christmas Party will have happened too, by the time you read this, but I would like to alert all members to plan on a week-end in the great Canadian wilderness with their friends, come April. In the works are plans to have a week-end devoted to Outdoor Survival. If you find yourself down in the rugged terrain that most of us fly over if we go any distance in Canada, then what do you do with that snare wire all Survival kits include? Which berries and roots will do you in and which will help you out? The Canadian Armed Forces can tell us. This sounds like one of the meetings other Chapters might like to know about. If we survive it we'll let you know!

It is with a great deal of sadness that I report that Audrey Baker had a fatal propeller accident in October. Audrey was one of our faithful members, seldom missing a meeting. A fine person who will be missed by us all.

Have just learned that Elizabeth Lane has bought her own plane, a Yankee, registered CF - EGT.

There are two bouquets to be tossed before signing off. If you enjoyed Convention there are two quiet, behind the scenes members who deserve our applause. Ann McLean, Entertainment Chairman who made all our plans and then made sure they were fun functions. Shirley MacDougall, the lady who has done dozens of hard, non-glamour jobs since our Chapter was formed, and topped it all by working 20 hours a day seeing that Registration worked, and also turned into an Information Center, Complaint Department and Public Relations expert just because she was there.

MAPLE LEAF CHAPTER

Nancy Rand, Reporter

Our chapter is in the midst of a "transfusion." Our membership is small but each of the 99's is making a real project to find new prospective members. The results are most rewarding. Many of our area's smaller



MAPLE LEAF CHAPTER Officers — (L to R) Jeanne Maceachern, Vice Chairman; Hilda Devereux Governor East Canada Section; "Bert" Snelgrove Chapter Chairman; Nancy Rand, Secretary-Treasurer.



Maple Leaf Chapter 99's and prospective members meet at the London Flying Club. (Back row L to R) Ann Judd, Diane Davis, Bert Snelgrove, Hilda Devereux, Helen Wilson, Jeanne Maceachern, Isobel Walls. (Front row L to R) Min Stewart, Ginette Senachel, Ann Hider, Nancy Rand, Louise Wylie.

towns and villages have an airstrip nearby and a quick visit usually always finds at least one female pilot within the boundaries. She knows of others and so the seed is planted. Our November meeting was entirely a "Meet the New Prospectives Day." We look forward to new ideas, new friendships, and new achievement for our chapter in the months to come.

MONTREAL CHAPTER

Micheline Riddell, Reporter

The Montreal 99's have had a busy month! A most informative tour of Air Canada's Maintenance Base, set up by Mr. & Mrs. A. Weintraub, took place on November 8th. Chryco Parts, of Chrysler Canada Ltd., donated a Car Warmer which 49 1/2er, Ed Frank, won. Thus, our thanks go to Micheline and Paul Riddell for arranging for the raffle, to Chryco Parts of Chrysler Canada, to the Weintraub's, and of course, to Air Canada for treating us to such an interesting evening!

Lots of news in the "new-license-department". Molly Ashworth has gotten both her commercial license and multi-engine endorsement. Patti-Sue Gould passed her Commercial flight test and is studying for her written in the hospital while recuperating from surgery (we all wish her a speedy "get-well" so she can hurry and write that test). While 49 1/2er Ed Frank got his Commercial License, (with a 94 in the written and 80 on the flight test), 99, Sandy Frank (with a 92 on the written) is waiting for some cooperative Commercial Flight Test weather!

To Carmen Jalbert, a prospective 99, who must undergo surgery, we send our hopes for a successful operation and a speedy recovery.

To 99's Yvette Noel and Micheline Riddell, who have each had a death in their respective families, we all send our sympathies and hopes that you both know no more sorrow.

See you all next month.

West Canadian Section

SASKATCHEWAN CHAPTER

Nadine Cooper, Reporter

There were five girls from Alberta and one from Manitoba attending the Fall Section meeting in Regina on September 30.

Saskatchewan was presented with a trophy for winning the most APT Programme. The trophy was presented by Anola Laing, new Governor of the Western Canadian Section. It will be on display at the Regina Flying Club, its really lovely and we should be proud to have won it. I would like to say Thank You to all who endeavoured to take their APT ride.

New Section Officers are: Governor: Anola Laing, Box 340 Claresholm; Vice Governor: Mildred Beamish, Marshall, Sask.; Secretary: Kate Ann Dougherty, Winnipeg; Treasurer: Nadine Cooper, Regina; Membership: Marg Hunziker, Calgary; A.E. Scholarship: Gwen Conroy, Calgary; and P.R.O.: Noreen Shook, Wymark, Sask.



Fall Section meeting in Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada, was attended by (L to R) Gwen Conroy, Eleanor Bailey, Marg Huniker, Elaine Wright, Anola Laing, all of Alberta Chapter; Nadine Cooper, Noreen Shook, Darline Yergens, all of Saskatchewan Chapter; and Kate Ann Daugherty of Western Manitoba Chapter.



Anola Laing, (L) new Governor of the Western Canadian Section, presents a trophy to Nadine Cooper, for the Saskatchewan Chapter (of which she is Vice Chairman) for having the most members APT.

ALBERTA CHAPTER

Eleanor Bailey, Reporter

Attendance at our November meeting was small with only eight present. Freezing drizzle and fog made driving miserable, and flying impossible. Our 99 sponsored "Defensive Flying" course held in October met with such good response that we are planning another session for January. Our Gwen Conroy and husband Tom, who own and operate Airdrie Airport just out of Calgary, sponsored this course in November, and attracted about 175 persons.

News of the proposed new International Headquarters and Women's Air and space

Museum was enthusiastically greeted by members of our chapter. The Alberta Ninety Nines have pledged \$500.00 toward this new building.

We have a new member, Ollie Gray, from Lacombe. Ollie got her private license this past summer, and has been enthusiastically attending meetings as a guest for some time. Welcome, Ollie.

Holiday plans are being prepared by our Chapter Chairman, Elaine Wright and husband Ron. They will be flying to Disney World in Florida in the 182 to spend the Christmas vacation. No doubt as winter approaches, more members will be planning flights into the warmer climates and will be visiting 99's on these flights. What great fun that is for us all.

Australian Section



Kathryn Henderson, Australian Section, with Wing Commander P.J. Scully retiring Commander 3 Squadron R.A.A.F. Butterworth, Malaysia, at his farewell party 6th November, 1972. (Mirage 30 AF)

Christian (Henderson) Wills, Reporter

Happy New Year!

Pamela Lock attended the World Aerobatic Championships in Salon-de-Provence, France. She enjoyed learning about the Aresti system; which is not used in New Zealand yet. Fascinated by the range of aircraft participating, ranging from the slow and graceful Russian Yaks to the frantic little Pitts Special of the U.S. Team.

Pam was delighted to meet several 99's who had accompanied the U.S. Team and is now in the U.S.A. and will participate in an advanced aerobatic course in Florida. Before leaving England, Pam visited the Farnborough Air Show and was impressed by the quietness of the Tri Star, the versatility of the Hawker Harriers, the precision of the Red Arrows and actually seeing the Concorde.

Visiting 99's in Sydney during October, included Mary Kilbourne - East Idaho Chapter and Betty Rockwood of Memphis.

Layne Glanville-Williams and David continue to man their hospitality 'hut' in Singapore. Recently they met Nancy Leebold and Arthur en route to Australia. Kathryn Henderson has been visiting and together they have toured the operations of five airports in Singapore and Malaysia.

Our Governor, Rosemary de Pierres and all Australian members wish you a very joyous 1973 and I trust we will all strive to foster the true meaning of Christmas which is peace, the gladness of Christmas which is

hope — and the heart of Christmas which is love.

Cheerio for now.

Colombia Orchid Section

Maria Helena De Botero, Governor

Meeting old friends is one of the most rewarding experiences that one can have. Oky and I had the chance to do just that last August. The friends we met were Wally and Edith Denny, international coordinator. We spent a weekend with them on Bogota. From them we heard the convention news, talked about air planes, made future plans and most important felt like a real 99 not just another name on the roster. For the weekend of Sept. 22nd, we members of the Colombian Civil Air Patrol were guests of the Air Force's Military School of Aviation, Marco Fidel Suarez in Calif. Most 99's in this section were present. We had demonstrations on parachute jumping techniques, precision flying and aerobatics all done to utmost perfection. We also held a seminar on rescue procedures and worked out a better coordination for the jobs different organizations have when an emergency arises.

Finnish Section

Mirkka Partinen, Reporter

The Ninety Nines Finnish section had 9.9.72 at Malmi airport a very interesting guest. Our member of honour Mrs. Vuokko Knuutila-Svanstrom, who is now living in Sweden, visited us. Very seldom we have possibility of listening to her stories of being the very first woman pilot in Finland.

She got her license 1931 and the school-plane was a biplane Saaski. At that time the take offs and landings took place at the bay of Kalastajatorppa and near the shore was also a tennis court where Vuokko used to play tennis and looked with admiration at the aircrafts. One day the



Vuokko and the Saaski plane on skis winter 1931.



French Section

(Top photo) Annie Violet, of Paris, France, member of the French 99s Section, National Aerobatics Champion.

(Bottom photo) Annie Violet, Championne Nationale de Voltige Aerienne (Coup Marcel Doret 1963/64 et 66) en vol dos sur Stampe. Contributed by Marie-Josephe De Beauregard, Governor - French Section.

pilot took Vuokko up in the air. That flight was such an experience to her that she decided also to become a pilot.

During the lunch at Malmi airport the present members of Ninety Nines had a great time listening to all the difficulties that a young girl had among the men pilots. When we now jump to our modern aircrafts, we certainly remember Vuokkos stories about that time flying and those aircrafts she used to fly with. Thanks a lot Vuokko, we had a wonderful time with you and lot of laughs during your too short visit.

South African Section

Yvonne van den Dool, Reporter

South Africa would like to congratulate Yvonne Pope and Elizabeth Overbury, both members of the British Section, on getting their commands. We are very proud of these two fellow-members who are now Air-line Captains.

Our Sectional meeting was held earlier in the year so as to meet the requirements of Headquarters. The voting had to be carried out through the post to enable us to be



Ingrid Adolfs, Peggy Mayo, Lo-An Roux and Charmaine Klaue who all received Wings at the Sectional.



Ann White, receiving the "Woman Pilot of the Year" award.

listed in the membership directory. Ann White is the new Governor, Lo-an Roux Vice Governor, Val Cunningham Secretary and Auriel Miller, Treasurer. APT Chairman is Maryna Hyland.

On Saturday 29th July, members flew in to Letaba Airfield, Tzaneen, to attend the Sectional. Ingrid Adolfs and husband Karl (now an initiated 49 1/2er and also a pilot) with passenger Ingrid van den Dool flew their Cessna 172 from Grand Central, Johannesburg. Charmaine Klaue flew a Cessna 172 all the way from Bloemfontein. Peggy and Bob Mayo from Wisconsin, U.S.A. flew in with Lyn and Tony Wessels from Rand Airport, Germiston, in a Cherokee 180 F. Ann White, 49 1/2er Peter and Lo-an Roux flew from Durban in a Cessna 182. Auriel Miller was touring this area by car.

After the meeting which was held at Yvonne van den Dool's farm house, a party was enjoyed by the many people present. Silver Wings from Grand Central Flying Club (our local headquarters) were presented by the out-going Governor, Yvonne van den Dool, to Lo-an Roux, and Golden Wings to Peggy Mayo, U.S.A., Charmaine Klaue and Ingrid Adolfs. The highlight of the evening was the presentation of the "Woman Pilot of the Year" award to incoming Governor, Ann White.

The following day, members and their 49 1/2ers were taken on a tour of the SAPEKOE Tea Estates in the lovely Drakensberg mountains.

Shelagh Anderson of Salisbury, Rhodesia recently flew together with husband, Roy and four friends, to the Comores Islands, each couple flying their own aircraft. Shelagh and Roy have a Cherokee Six. They

flew from Salisbury to Malawi, on to Nam-pula in Mozambique, Lumbo and Mozambique Island, then Port Amelia and on the northerly coast of Mozambique. From there across the Indian Ocean to Moroni, capital of the Comores, situated on the island of Grande Camore. Later on to various islands in the area, and to Madagascar before returning home.

Yvonne van den Dool had an interesting trip to Victoria Falls, Rhodesia in a Cherokee 235, besides her weekly trips to the Blyde River Canyon in the Transvaal Lowveld.

Bob and Peggy Mayo from Wisconsin, U.S.A. spend a weekend with Yvonne van den Dool at the Kruger Game Park, and saw some interesting sights such as a leopard devouring an impala, lion, elephant, etc.

A new member from Stutterheim in the Cape is Mrs. Margaret Rance who has three children, has a Private license which she obtained on a Cessna 172, is at present aiming for her night rating and a conversion to her husband's Cherokee Six.

Ingrid Adolfs and 49 1/2er Karl flew their Cessna 172 to Mozambique for a week's stay recently.

South Central African Section

Well! At last we're off the ground. In September we held our inaugural meeting and are now established as an active section.

The meeting was held at the Holiday Inn at Jan Smuts airport — Oh boy, didn't our Papa Charlies look small next to the Jumbos when we flew in there.

Our president, Ingrid Heinz took part in the Powder Puff Derby and was most appreciative of the help and kindness she received from the American 99's. She specially asked that a great big "thank you" appear in the newsletter on her behalf.

Another exciting piece of news is that one of our members, Dr. Shirley Siew, who is presently in the States, was awarded a Blue Ribbon for her research work.

On the flying side, Val Humphrys and her husband recently took second place in an air rally organized by the Johannesburg Light Plane Club.

Finally all the members of our section extend a very sincere invitation to anyone wishing to visit Southern Africa, including

the Republic of South Africa, Rhodesia, Swaziland, Botswana, Lesotho, Malawi, Mozambique and Angola to write to us and we'll try to give you the information you need.

Come and sample African hospitality — we'd love to see you.

New England Section

CONNECTICUT - MAINE
MASSACHUSETTS - NEW HAMPSHIRE
RHODE ISLAND - VERMONT

CONNECTICUT CHAPTER

Laurie Spence, Reporter

The Connecticut Chapter held the November meeting in the new official meeting place at C&R ConnAir at Brainard Airport, Hartford. The meetings are now held at 10 a.m. on the first Saturday of each month except December and April. We hope that an established location and time will attract new prospects and traveling 99's. A surprise visitor was Penny Amabile (Greater New York) from White Plains who had arrived in a Beaver and happened to hear that our meeting was in progress.

Word came from Nevada that Jerry Gardiner had passed the written for ATP. Locally, we have an ATP certificate issued for Mary Suisman. She started flying only in 1967, working quickly on her certificates. Mary earned private, commercial and airplane instructor at Waterford Airport, attended Wiggins at Norwood, Mass. for multi-engine and went to ATE on Long Island for instrument. She instructed and flew charters at Waterford until 1970. At age 25, she has accumulated 3000 hours in singles and light twins. She currently owns a Baron and a Cherokee 180 and has for two years run an air taxi service out of Trumbull Airport in Groton, Connecticut. Joel Suisman, Mary's 49 1/2er, is a private pilot, single and multi-engine. Mr. Suisman, prominent New London attorney, was responsible for the chapter's incorporation which was completed in 1971.

Lorraine Benham was voted as our newest member. Lorraine has commercial and airplane instructor certificates and teaches at Johnny cake and Plainville. Two private pilots, prospective members, were guests: Hercy Lord from Wethersfield and Barbara Groff, Manchester. We tried to motivate Elva Maltesta to work on her own certificate. She and her husband own a C-172.

A new airport for Ticonderoga, N. Y., is in the works thanks largely to Nancy Tier. She

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flies her C-180 between Canaan and a summer home in Ticonderoga and has for several years been participating in a move to approve an airport. She met with the Selectmen of Ticonderoga and encouraged the successful signing of a contract with the State Aeronautics Commission for the building of a greatly needed airport in that area. It is planned to be completed by the fall of 1973.

Several members reported flying to the New England Section meeting, described as "super". Nina Hetman and three passengers arrived in Nina's Debonair. Bobbie Herbert went solo in her Bonanza; Nancy Tier in her C-180. Evelyn Kropp and family in their Arrow 200.

Young people took up most of Marcia Spakoski's time recently. She soloed her 16 year old son. She also taught an aviation workshop at a local senior high school on its RAP day (Relations Among People).

Peg Davidson had attended the AWTAR board meeting in her C-205 and told of weather and mechanical problems at Elmira, but nothing dampens Peg's spirit for the Big Race.

EASTERN NEW ENGLAND CHAPTER

Judy Gillis, Reporter

Our November meeting found us at Avia-

tion Careers Institute at Norwood Massachusetts Airport, where we heard a very interesting talk by Joe Benkert on his favorite subject — "Physiology in Flight". Although much has already been heard on this subject, Joe's presentation — interspersed with much levity — was not in the least boring, and drove home some points that in the past might have been lightly overlooked. Especially interesting was his discussion on taking drugs — not those in today's headlines — but the everyday type such as aspirin, diuretics, antismoking agents, sleeping pills, etc., etc. — while flying. He pointed out that most of the ordinary, everyday "medicines" available for purchase over the drugstore counter produce sleepiness or false "pep", dizziness, headache, nausea, etc., and should be closely watched for the side effects on each individual before using while flying. Even such things as colas and coffee are stimulants which later can cause dizziness and mental depression so that your reactions are not what they should be should a tight situation arise that calls for quick thinking.

He also discussed hypoxia and hyperventilation and their similarities and differences. Everyone who flies should be familiar with these two subjects. After the morning program, we had lunch and a business meeting at a very nice Irish restaurant near the airport, The Harp and Bard.

Two new members, Nancy Foulke and Barbara Sexton, were pinned and the monthly APT prize (given by our APT Chairman, Sue Linsley, and her able assistant, Pollyana Propwash, to someone APT during the past month) drawing was won by Marie LePore. To date, we have three APT and are still aiming for 100 per cent! Pollyana says everyone should maintain their aerial APTitude. Also at this meeting the following were elected — Marie LePore to serve as a member of the Section Merit Committee; Millie Doremus and Cora Pustaver to serve as members of the Chapter Nominating Committee with Chairman, Fran Porter; and Mona Budding to serve as Section Nominating Committee member.

At this writing, we are looking at snow once again which reminds us of those finger-numbing pre-flights — be thorough, be safe!

Hope you all had a happy holiday season, and will have an even happier New Year!

NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND CHAPTER

Pamela Hicks, Reporter

The Northern New England Chapter hosted the fall meeting of the New England Section in October, in North Conway, New Hampshire. Retiring Governor Frances L. M. Porter installed the new section officers — Jean Batchelder, Governor; Mildred Doremus, Vice Governor; Ripley Miller, secretary; and Marcia Spakoski as treasurer.

Lois Auchterlonie was named the Section's outstanding woman in aviation and presented the Merit Award. The Western New England Chapter was presented the Governor Porter APT Award for having the largest percentage of its membership APT — 100 per cent.

Virginia Cowles of Shelburne, Vermont, was the luncheon speaker telling about the two months she spent in Kenya, Southeast Africa, recently flying medical supplies, transplants, scientists, anthropologists, and photographers in her Helio Courier.

Frank Costello of the New Hampshire Aeronautics Commission and Richard Stone, president of the Aviation Association of New Hampshire, were guests at the event.

The White Mountain Airport in North Conway where the meeting was held is a privately owned airport which is open year round and ideal for fly-in visitors. A new motel with restaurant and heated pool have been built on the airport grounds. There are glider activity and antique aircraft to be enjoyed, nearby interesting shops and tourist attractions and all located in the beautiful Mount Washington Valley just southeast of the majestic presidential range.

Jackie Tempesta got her seaplane rating this summer under instructor Ramona Morrell. Lois Chesterly and Martha Barnes are making use of their new instrument ratings in the adverse weather of the Northeast. Martha got her rating in New Mexico in the Barnes Stinson this summer where she had flown with her family for a vacation.

Three Operation Raincheck courses were held this summer as a result of our chapter's meeting with Don Moeberg of the FAA, last spring.

Our Chapter is planning a Safety Seminar for next April which will be open to the public with FAA checkrides and instructor-members giving APT checkrides.

As we fly into a new year with two new members, Elizabeth Anghinetti and myself, Pamela Hicks; and a schedule of interesting meetings, we are on a course of flying, learning, fun and friendship.

WESTERN NEW ENGLAND CHAPTER

Margaret B. Brown, Reporter


The weather was beautiful for the Fall Section meeting at North Conway, New Hampshire, hosted by the Northern New England Chapter, and a grand group showed up. The scenery there is so lovely, and with the CAVU flying, we could see the snow already capping Mount Washington.

That was about the last good weather that we have had. At our airmarking at Turner's Falls on November 4, a quorum came dressed for painting, and as it started to rain, we had an informal business meeting instead. On our rain dates it rained; Turner's Falls may have to wait for Spring as the rain has turned to snow this week.

Our dinner meeting was held on Friday, November 10, with H. Marvin Enck as guest speaker. He is the manager of Airport Operations for Avco Lycoming and we appreciated his coming from Williamsport, Pennsylvania, to speak on "Your Engine and You". Everyone learned a great deal from his technical presentation done in terms we could all understand. The question and answer period following had everyone throwing queries at him, from aircraft owners to FBO's and mechanics attending. The questions were so numerous and his answers so interesting that we kept him talking until close to midnight, an indication of the high caliber and popularity

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of Mr. Enck. Among those who came up from Connecticut, I saw Peg Davidson and 49 1/2 Don, my Toronto roommate, Nina Hetman; and Dot Butler and 49 1/2 Win flying in from Eastern New England for the dinner.

We plan two December meetings, the first at Mary Kohler's home for a business meeting and spaghetti dinner, and the second a Christmas carolling Fly-Around to area FBO's, FSS offices, and airport control towers, where we hope that they will be not quite as astonished as last year, but just as pleased!

New York-New Jersey Section

NEW YORK - NEW JERSEY

GARDEN STATE CHAPTER

Dolores Jane Zilincar, Reporter

We arrived at Smithville Airport for our November meeting. Mr. Fred Noyes, Jr., possessor of the Historic Smithville Inn greeted us at the airport in such a warm and friendly manner that it seemed we were old, old friends. The cooperation of everyone was beyond our expectations. Mr. Wayne Kiser, airport manager, put himself and his staff at our disposal for all our needs in setting up and conducting our spot-landing contest. (We are having one at every meeting.)

A spirit of friendly competition filled the air with excitement. In all modesty, I must tell you that your humble reporter won the spot-landing competition.

A big "thank you" to the great fellows who set up and judged our contest.

Alma Hitchings, chairman, opened our meeting by presenting Mr. John Karp, who really needed no introduction — an accident prevention specialist with GATO, Teterboro, N. J. — who volunteered to give a check ride to any member who had not become APT. Our Flo Walsh also gave her services and to both fine people we say "thank you."

At the Michigan Chapter's Small Plane Race awards banquet, Alice Hammond was chosen to present the Amelia Earhart medal to 99 Barbara J. Barrett. Barbara is the first woman in the United States to make officer on a scheduled airline. She is 22 years old and co-pilot with Zantop International Airlines.

Jerry Roberts, Governor of the New York — New Jersey Section, presented our Chapter with a certificate of merit awarded to us by the AWTAR board for an outstanding job on the 72 Terminus of the Powder Puff Derby. Our hard work was a pleasure and now we have an award too! Then Chairman Alma presented Jerry with the Amelia Earhart medal for her leadership. We all said she deserved a medal and she got one.

Mr. Jack Lamping, public relations director of Ocean County, N. J., and coordinator of the Terminus, also gave Jerry something to keep — the twenty foot welcome sign that hung at the airport during the race. On it were inscribed the signatures of all the participants in the derby. (Jerry was delighted, but how did she carry it home?) On behalf of all the members of the Garden State Chapter, Jerry presented Jack with a

plaque which told him how special we think, he is. Jack said we gave him the whole United States and we did — a marble outline of our country on which was traced, in gold, the route of the 72 Derby! Clever?

Before we leave this subject we must thank Kathleen Bertolotti, Public Relations Officer with the Ocean County Review, for her fine behind-the-scenes coverage of all our activities leading up to, during and after the Terminus. She really is an unsung heroine.

Judy Meltsner and Virginia Hammond are really moving along with our Aero — Space Education Program. They had a booth at the teacher's convention in Atlantic City and acquired a long list of signatures of teachers who are interested in introducing the Aero — Space Education Program in their schools. The teachers want speakers and/or help with field trips to airports.

The National Safety Clinic Seminar (GAMA) sponsored by our Chapter and conducted by the FAA will be held in Monmouth County in February. It will be a seven hour program at which, among things, the sweepstake winner will be announced. You all know the prize is an airplane.

As to some of our members' personal achievements — Judy Meltsner has her twin rating; Dana Mack and Sandy Duma have been instrument rated; Diane Shaw passed the commercial written; and Janice Blackwell has her ground school instructor rating.

We also have a mother — daughter team, Flo and Nanci Furidi as new members.

The Canadian Goose was won by Mary Rose Myers. It really is the only thing to have on your desk alongside the 99 News.

A special "hello" to Annette Ginsberg, a charter member of our chapter, who joined us at Smithville.

As a grand finale to our meeting, Mr. John Karp showed a short movie "Landing Illusions or Undershoots." It was really enlightening to discover how our eyes fool us under given circumstances. If you know why and how it happens you will have gained much on the road to becoming a well trained pilot. You will see it as it is — and that's the truth!

GREATER NEW YORK CHAPTER

Carole Leipzig, Reporter

Our news on the Powder Puff Derby is better late than never. Overall, we were well represented on several levels. Our Chairman Peggy Naumann and her co-pilot, Betty Barlia placed 12th, with first place leg prizes from Ogden, Utah to Scottsbluff, Nebraska, and from Scottsbluff, Nebraska to Sioux City, Iowa. Mickey Thomas won first place in Teledyne Continental powered Aircraft. Helen Levy was Chief Judge and Timer, and Jean Stielberg and Jane Sultan were assistants. Also, as per usual, on the Board of Directors, we had Kay Brick and Marion Andrews.

We all wish Gloria and John Paoletta good luck with their new Cherokee 235. Helena Potter flew fire runs over the Adirondacks.

Peggy Naumann had a visit from 99 Zipora Alterman of Tel Aviv, Israel. They had an enjoyable few hours together spent both flying and having lunch. Peggy was

pleased at having the opportunity to spend this time with Zipora.

Congratulations to Marie Hazen who recently received her instrument rating.

The Poker Run we held went very well, especially considering the marginal weather that day. The participation was great. First place winner Jim Byers of Morristown won a Bulova Chronograph watch. Second place winner Chet Weeks from Sparta won a Jeppeson Programmed Instrument Course, and Roy Ryder, placing third, won a bottle of Champagne.

Our first APT members for this year are Jane Sultan, Helen Levy, Marie Hazen, Louise Galfas and Betty Patton.

Prospective members welcomed at our last meeting were Jean Silva and Ellie Nemethy.

NEW YORK CAPITAL DISTRICT CHAPTER

Mary Scher, Reporter

Our last meeting was held at the home of Sally Downes. Dr. Volker Mohnen, a very learned man from the State University of New York, spoke on The Roll Of Clouds In Air Pollution, a most timely subject.

Sue Mostert, an Albany County Airport Traffic Controller was a special guest. She will soon be leaving our area — Albany's loss will be Dulles' gain.

Ruth and Bob Green have both received their Multi-Engine CLT rating. They flew to Florida in their Skymaster for a well deserved vacation.

Mary and Matt Scher donated an airplane flight as a prize at a recent fund raising dinner. The couple who won were most delighted, and after taking the scenic ride, I'm sure they will be two of General Aviation's biggest boosters.

Joan Fraser and JoAnn Perko flew JoAnn's 172 to Keene, New Hampshire via Mt. Snow for a look see at the glorious fall color.

Plans are underway for the second annual Christmas Party. Kathy Smith is in charge of arrangements and reservations.

WESTERN NEW YORK CHAPTER

Diane Mary Mudd, Reporter

Buffalo, N.Y. was the Western N.Y. Chapter's meeting place for November. Topics covered were the changing of the "99 News"; the '73 Powder Puff Derby Terminus in Elmira; a Fly-By in Niagara Falls by Powder Puff participants; the Spring Sectional Meeting in Niagara Falls; and appreciation to those people who worked for our chapter during the past year.

The members of our chapter do not want the "99 News" changed. There could be more special features about flying, but we prefer to keep it private. (Ed. note: This is not a true conclusion. No change in format is contemplated — just a hope chapter news will be more pertinent in the 99s world!)

Barbara Riggs, Ellen Taylor, and fellow Elmira's have been working hard and doing a splendid job of preparing for the '73 Powder Puff Derby Terminus in Elmira in July. Barbara, Ellen, and Kathy Potoczak went to the Niagara Falls International Airport to make arrangements for the Fly-By there. "The powers that be are going all out for this affair," says Kathy.

The Spring Sectional to be held in May

will be held in Niagara Falls and Marcia Gitelman reports that we will have noted glider pilot and photographer, Ed Seymour, as speaker.

Arlene Bray and John Riggs were recognized for their dedication and work for the chapter. Arlene received her A.E. pin, a token of appreciation to the past chairman of the chapter for the last 2 years. Kathy Potoczak, new chairman, said that the medal could be worn with pride. Barbara Riggs received a certificate of appreciation for her husband, John, who did all our corporation work.

Now, news from our members! Enthusiasm for flying still prevails even though it gets dampened by the weather. There have been new check outs, rotary exposure, additional schooling, new members, and trips.

"Rain! What good is getting your ticket if you can't get off the ground?" So laments Ginnie MacKrell one of our newest pilots and members. The past several weekends have been particularly bad for VFR flying. Usually, Rochester members fly-in to meetings held in Buffalo, N.Y., but this month's meeting had all people driving in from Arcade, Rochester, and Elmira. This encompasses distances of 35, 60, and 150 road miles, people had to cover for an evening meeting one way.

Arlene LoPresti and Marge Lach haven't let the weather stop them. They were checked out in 180 horsepower aircraft. Arlene was checked out in a Cherokee 180 in preparation for their Mooney when it's ready. Marge is getting checked out in their Cessna 180, now that it's off floats " — a tail dragger — aggh!"

Peg Piper is still grounded until her daughter comes home from a long stay in the hospital. Peg's trips back and forth from Buffalo to Niagara Falls by car had an exciting addition when she had a ride in a helicopter over Niagara Falls.

Ellen Taylor is attending ground school for her commercial license. She's also learning a lot about aircraft by working part time at the Chemung County Airport, Elmira, N.Y., working for Chemung Aviation, in Aircraft sales.

Ethel Fedders, membership chairman, welcomes our new girls, who did not make the 72-73 membership directory. They are: Julie Doughty, Virginia MacKrell, Irene Miller, Marge Lach, Sherry Lytle, and Shirley Havice, who says, "Glad to be official at last." Terri Pirrung, one of the club's boosters, brought a student pilot guest, Bette Jo Slowson, to the meeting. Terri's enthusiasm for 99s has brought many members into the fold, myself included.

North Central Section

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CAPE GIRARDEAU AREA CHAPTER Charmiane Freeman, Reporter

The Cape Chapter has had several postponements of meetings, due to IFR weather, but November 4th found three members winging their way to Dyersburg, Tennessee with four guests, and on hand to greet them were Mary Boyd, Evelyn Braese, and Char-

miane Freeman. Sue Burford from Cape brought Charlotte Pinnick from Cape, Louise Smith from Tamm, Illinois, and Maxine McLane from Wolf Lake, Illinois. Nell Rice brought Scottie Earls from Kennett. Lois Feigenbaum flew alone in her Apache from Carbondale, Illinois, but reported that she had a prospective member in mind.

Inclement weather has kept flying activities to a minimum. Lois Feignebaum has just returned from Washington from a very informative meeting of WACOA. Evelyn Braese has had one student to receive his license recently, and several out for lessons every available moment.

Sue and Ed Burford will attend a Missouri State Medical meeting aboard ship while cruising the Caribbean, come November 11.

Our next meeting will be our Xmas and New Year's party and awarding of the Pilot Of the Year Award the second Saturday evening in January, when we will entertain our 49 1/2 ers as well as our prospective members.

If all goes well the next two weeks, your truly will be flying her very own little Cessna 150, after waiting for six months for it to be rebuilt from nose to tail. Happy holidays are beckoning!

CENTRAL ILLINOIS CHAPTER

Clarissa Holcomb, Reporter

Most important news from Jean McLaughlin, "I got my ATR or ATP as they now call it. Yes, it is really twelve and one half years of work, but well worth it. We stay busy and do lots of flying . . . and love it. I spent four and one-half hours in a Navajo yesterday."

Pilot education clinics are in vogue. Libby Ann Dunseth and Eula Schmidt made it to Vincennes University with their spouses. The pilots learned about flight in radar environment, the latest accident cause factors, physiological aspects of flying and recommended techniques for soft, short, crosswind and normal take-offs and landings.

From our chairman, Jayne Schiek: "Sectional was great — but marred by Horrible Weather . . . I had to be in Fort Madison, Iowa by 1:30 on Sunday to give a performance of Forty Carats for the prisoners there. Our good friend Billy Kipp flew his fully-instrumented new 310 up to Palwaukee to pick us up (Us being the Norcrosses and myself). We really had a soupy flight back . . . Performance went off well . . . The prisoners really were an appreciative audience . . . but I was really tired when I got back to Macomb around midnight. Ben finally made it back with the 182 on Tuesday evening about midnight!"

Thanks to our 66'er Kay Martens who went to Sectional and sat next to Chicago's Chapter Chairman while exploring the Boeing 747, Caroline Smith pleased us by flying Comanche 8303P with husband George and son Wally to our November meeting in Peoria at Kay's Yuki No. 1 Room. For this meeting we had a wonderful turnout. At least ten planes flew in on a beautiful day.

The good ole days of the taildraggers seems to be returning. Jean West is busy teaching a couple of fellows in their Cub.

Bob brought her a Commonwealth Sky Ranger. Their T-Craft is almost ready to fly.

At Sparta, Margie Jones with a brand new Private license forsook her Cessna 172 to ride in a tiny experimental bi-plane on the Halloween parade float. She dressed as a witch and had the motto, "The Modern Broomstick." With cornstalks strewn under the plane, some one remarked, "Where else would a witch land, but in a corn field." The efforts of the Hangar fliers to promote aviation took second prize in the commercial class.

NIFA at Willard Airport in Champaign held a regional meet at which some of our members helped judging Spot landings and target bombings. Libby Kaiser spearheaded this activity and was assisted by Jean West, Theo Sommer, Kathleen Wood, Barbara Jenison and Jeanne Morse.

Marge Stoltz and Libby Ann Dunseth took time on a pretty fall Sunday to fly "to Rough River State Park in Kentucky — nice landing strip, short walk to the lodge — good smorgasbord lunch" and in summer they have boat trips on the lake.

Theo Sommer found her Instrument rating a help in getting from Albany, Georgia to Fort Lauderdale via St. Petersburg to the Plantation Party.

Dot Wright from Macomb was welcomed into our chapter. She flew to the Peoria meeting with husband, Stan. They brought Jayne Schiek (now dubbed "Tinker Bell" because she kept calling the meeting to order with Kay's bells in the Yuki Room) in the family Waco 956W.

Eighteen students in the Air Education class at Freeburg came down for a brief flight. Three 172's flying two trips each made it nicely. One of my three girls felt it in the stomach, but the others and the three boys made it without trouble. They are slated to come back in the Spring and we'll try again.

CHICAGO AREA CHAPTER

Sandy Klock, Reporter

Mini-news again this month. Well, we really haven't had much good flying weather around here lately. I wonder if the sun is still up there somewhere — I can't remember what it looks like, it's been so long!

Arlene Edgumbe and 49 1/2er George are "getting away from it all," on their way to the sunny (!?) Bahamas for the annual flying treasure hunt.

An important happening here was that Chicago Area Chapter made its first airlift for the Direct Relief Foundation on September 27th. 66 Dorothy Klemptner and 49 1/2er flew a dental x-ray developing tank from Hobart, Ind. to Moline, Ill. under Julia Konger's supervision.

Here are some numbers re. our successful North Central Fall Sectional "Wing Ding": A record number of 222 persons were at our banquet to eat, drink, be merry with the humor of M.C. Jim Lacey (United Airlines captain & aerobic pilot supreme), and listen with fascination to Joe Klaas tell of his search for Amelia Earhart. 150 persons checked out the cockpit of a United 747 and toured UAL's maintenance facility at O'Hare. Friendly skies! Many attended our popular "flap sessions", and 20 even decked themselves out in blue & white 99s tee shirts and had a lively game of softball



Pictured left to right are Pam Lock, 99 from Australian Section and Pat Friedman of the Chicago Area Chapter of 99's.

Pam was a visitor at the October meeting of Chicago Area Chapter 99's at Elgin, Illinois and also attended the North Central Section Fall Convention which was held at the Clayton House, Palwaukee Airport, on October 20, 21, 22, 1972.

Pam has been touring the world since February, 1972. She arrived in the United States last September and will be leaving early in December. Meantime she will be touring by Greyhound Bus. Pam says all the 99's she has contacted have shown marvelous hospitality and she hopes any 99 visiting New Zealand will look her up if they pass through Christchurch.

(the high-wings vs. the low-wings!). Just everyone seemed to have a really great time, certainly including us Chicago Area gals. I propose a toast to our fearless leaders Gail Wenk and Mary Krautkramer for inspiring us all to make this a real "Wing-Ding"!

A special guest at Sectional, and at the home of Pat Friedman and 49 1/2er Bob for several days, was Pam Lock from New Zealand, who's on a world tour. We really enjoyed hearing about Pam's country, talking aerobatics, and just getting acquainted with a real nice gal. Happy travels, Pam!

It was also our great pleasure to have at Sectional not only outgoing North Central Section Governor Janice Kuechenmeister, but also International Pres. Susie Sewell, Vice Pres. Virginia Britt, and Treasurer Lois Fiegenbaum. So good to have you all here!

Welcome to two new gals transferring into our chapter, Gussie Freese and Kay Morgan.

Meanwhile, Sue Michalek has left the area for a while to work on her PHD in microbiology at the University of Alabama.

GREATER ST. LOUIS CHAPTER

Lorita Curtis, Reporter

Seventeen Greater St. Louis 99s attended the Fall Sectional at Palwaukee. Those attending were: Betty Board, Norma Brauch, Gussie Freese, Val Johnson, Doris Kuhn, Joan Lamb, Amy Laws, Jean Lennertson, Mary Lowe, Sylvia Lowe, Mary Lloyd Lowe, Elizabeth L. Dieckmann, Sue Matheis, Mary Peters, Jan Pocock, Rose Mary Roth and Tex Wickenhauser. How about that Mary

Lowe with those three lovely daughters — should have been an attendance prize for so many gals from the same family! The weather didn't cooperate as well as the Chicago Chapter had hoped. They did a great job. We couldn't have been prouder of our new Vice Governor Amy Laws. Amy! congratulations. Welcome to Sherry Lynn McCrae who recently transferred from the Kansas Chapter, also Teddi Inman who is rejoining us. Words cannot express the loss of our two good friends, Joan and Norman Lamb, but if love and friendship could be measured in value their fortune could be matched by few.

Mary and "Doc" Peters hosted a weiner roast and hay ride November 12th at their lovely home in St. Clair, Mo. Mary and "Doc" are truly a spectacular couple — they not too long ago were chosen by 5 lovely children to assume the roles of Mother and Daddy; they along with the other 2 Peters children and a couple of dogs make a lively bunch. Needless to say, they are busy people — but as is usually the case, the busier a person is the more a person seems to accomplish. We had great time!

Dottie Haupt and Jan Pocock were our November hostesses. Our guest speakers at this meeting were Delmar Blodgett and Bob Wade, A & P mechanics from St. Charles Airport. They enlightened us on the pilots side of mechanics answering questions that we had always wanted to ask and didn't.

Those girls traveling — Val Johnson, Switzerland; Dottie Haupt, Acapulco.

We are planning a fun-type Christmas meeting at the home of Rose Mary Roth. It will be a good time to catch up on all the latest flying activities and get a little better acquainted with our new members and our older ones too. Missouri Conservationists Hoffman and Long, from Jefferson City were flown by Rose Mary Roth for a little more than three hours observing possible pollution sites along the river areas North and South of St. Louis. They emphasized the need for more pilot reports to the Conservation Commission regarding pollution sites that we observe as we fly. Sometimes we see air pollution over an area and remark to others about it, but to get anything done about it we must make a report to the Missouri Conservation Commission.

INDIANA CHAPTER

Carl Downes, Reporter

On October 20 & 21st let's all be at the Fall Section Meeting at Palwaukee — Let's Keep that Attendance Trophy!

On October 28, 1972 — a Saturday we will have a Flying Poker Party. Home base — Sky Harbor; other airports are Sheridan, Sky King (Terre Haute), Bloomington & Franklin. September 1st started a new year — Get APT!

Also we have desk sets for sale at \$4.00 and pads of our 99 designed flight plan log sheets for only a \$1. Purchase from Barb Simmons.

Don't forget your reservations for the Xmas party — write June Norman. On October 15 we meet at Eagle Creek at Sky Harbor hanger and picnic area. You might be interested to know we now have 110 members. Three members received their pins at this meeting. They were June Norman, Isa-



Pauline Genung, our Chairman, pinning ribbons on Second place winners Dick Kennard and Bernie Bathauer. Looking on are Murial Dykma, Barb Simmons and Ray Paschke (Mini fair).

belle Borg, and Dotty Base. Colleen Hake was also voted in this meeting.

We had a mini Fair to honor our timers and scorers of our Fair race. There were 9 planes entered and they had to be piloted by men and have men co-pilots. They flew a short course from Indianapolis to Frankfort to Crawfordsville, 85 miles. Murial Dykma and Pat Nolan were the starters. Dorothy Smith was the timer. Lois Kennard was Flagwoman and Pauline Genung was our Marshall. Following are the results of the race: 1st — Richard Hagen and John Shipman; 2nd — Dick Kennard and Bernie Bathauer; 3rd — Joe Norman and George Nolan; 4th — Doug Graham and Ray Paschke; 5th — Mike Straley and Bill Downes. These 1st 5 places received Big recognition ribbons. Others in the race and their standing were: 6th — Bob Genung and Dick Sauer; 7th — Dale McKinnis and

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MICHIGAN CHAPTER **Patricia Domas, Reporter**

The November meeting was held at the Nite Flight Lounge, Detroit City Airport, with Bonnie Krentler and Jacqueline Debes acting as co-hostesses. Lt. Truax, who heads the Aviation Unit of the Detroit Police Department, presented an interesting program on the combined use of helicopters and squad cars in law enforcement. Using teams of pilot and non-pilot observers, Lt. Truax claims that his unit has reduced the crime rate.

Suzanne Crook, new appointee to the Women's Advisory Committee on Aviation, attended her first WACO meeting in Washington, D.C., October 24-27. She has been appointed to the airports and weather committee.

Chapter Chairman Winnie DuPerow announced committee chairmen for the coming year: Amelia Earhart Scholarship, Thelma Crawford; Flower and Gift, Leah Higgins; APT, Eloise Smith; NIFA, Patricia Domas; Program, Nancy Brandon; Public Relations, Marjorie Hatfield; Scrapbook, Barbara Mink; Sixty-Sixes, Patricia Ferrante; Museum, Dianne Ritt; Membership, Nancy Hecksel.

Our calendar of future events is loaded. First, a Christmas party hosted by Mary Clark at Win Schulers in Jackson. The chapter is planning to sponsor a safety conference in conjunction with the FAA early next year. Race veteran Sammy McKay reports that Flint, Michigan will be a race stop for the 1973 AWTAR.

Happy holidays to all!

QUAD CITY AREA CHAPTER **Ellen J. Thiel, Reporter**

October has been a bad month for flying, with rain, fog, or clouds 90 per cent of the time, and nobody but IFR pilots getting much time in the air. So far, November isn't much of an improvement. But, it's gotta get better, our local weatherman keeps promising, (from behind locked doors, that is).

Von and Charlie Alter, Norma and Roger Smith, Carolyn Pobanz, and Joe Svec attended the North Central Sectional in Wheeling, Illinois. The Alters, Carolyn, and Joe flew in, got stranded by the weather, and ended up renting a car to get home in, then having to go back Wednesday for their plane. Everyone reports on a wonderful time and the tour through the 747 included chatting with the pilot.

Neil Pobanz delivered the x-ray machine which Julie Konger brought to Moline from Chicago, to Catalina Aviation in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Von Alter has about 185 pounds of medical supplies to go West when anyone is going that way.

Congratulations to Sharon Ehrich, who was elected to the nominating committee for the North Central Section.

Jo Ann Walker flew left seat in a King Air with her instructor the other day.

Received word from Connie Davley, who

has moved to an acreage near Aiken, South Carolina, saying that any 99s flying to Florida be sure and stop.

Carolyn Pobanz and Jo Ann Walker flew to Peoria, where Carolyn visited her parents, and Jo Ann attended the Illi-Nine Air Derby Race Board Meeting.

Von Alter is getting in a lot of time toward her Commercial Instrument.

Norma Smith was up with her instructor getting a little dual the other day.

November meeting was held at Monmouth, Illinois with Phylliss Wooley as hostess. Phylliss was also celebrating her birthday. Norma Smith, Von Alter, Carolyn Pobanz, Clara Gilbert, and 66 — Karen Davidson attended. After the meeting, lunch was served at Me Lings Restaurant.

Marie Merdian is recovering nicely from a broken ankle.

Plans are in the making for our Christmas Party, December 8th, at the Dock in Davenport, then to the Alters for flying movies. Understand Roger Smith has some great shots of the Blue Angels who performed here in October.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

South Central Section

ARKANSAS - COLORADO - LOUISIANA
KANSAS - NEBRASKA - NEW MEXICO
OKLAHOMA - TEXAS

COASTAL BEND CHAPTER **Barbara Corley, Reporter**

Airmarking was the project for our November meeting. We met in Schulenburg on the 18th to refresh that rather long name. With our own Vel Kiker, Section Airmarking Chairman, we are keeping quite busy helping pilots navigate safely!

A warm welcome to our new members, Veva Saylor and June Bordosky. They and Delores Zuck attended the FAA Safety Seminar in Victoria, September 23-24th, sponsored by the National Aero Club and the Victoria Chamber of Commerce. The program was comprised of information on control zones, stalls, and soft and short field take-offs and landings. Check rides, complete with certificates, were available.

Our Amelia Earhart Scholarship nominee for '72-'73 is Delores Zuck. Our Aviation Safety Counselor is Margaret Clegg.

Jewel Fisher was awarded a plaque for being the first woman to solo in Calhoun County. She also has the distinction of being the first licensed woman pilot in Calhoun County!

Harold Kiker, Vel's 49 1/2'er, was initiated into the Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 65 on November 21st. Archie Mercer is working toward becoming a member as is Katherine Caraway.

Our chairman, Vel Kiker, would like to share her thoughts with you.

CLAIM TO FAME

I'm not a gifted person; I've never learned to cook;

I mutilate the laundry; I can't sew on a hook.

I'm not a skillful author; My dancing is unreal;

My singing is atrocious; I'm short on sex appeal.

I play accordion badly; My artwork is a mess;



Pretty smiles all around as we celebrated our first anniversary as Coastal Bend Chapter — charter date, October 1, 1971. We met at Jewel Fisher's lovely home on Chocolate Bay, Port Lavaca, on October 21st. In attendance were: (top-bottom, left-right) Jewel Fisher, Margaret Clegg, Barbara Corley, Vel Kiker, Katherine Caraway, June Bordosky, Delores Zuck, and Veva Saylor.

I don't indulge in card games, nor dominoes or chess.

I'm not a public speaker; My garden plot stays bare;

My typing needs decoding; Can't even style my hair!

I dread the thought of tennis; Save me from hunting deer;

Forget the knitting needles, and fishing from a pier.

Yet I don't feel all hopeless — although I'm judged insane —

You see, my claim to fame is: I Fly A Plane!

COLORADO CHAPTER **Ann Luce, Reporter**

If only we had had de-icing equipment on our Bonanza, this would have been the perfect week to practice some actual IFR. Instead, we have been snowbound for two days, here in the Rocky Mountains, unable to get down into the plains to the airport. But before the snows the Ninety Nines were making action. Joye Baker flew some of the kids who have had problems with the Juvenile Court, along with their so-called "Partner" one windy Saturday. Jan Gammell flew medicine over the mountains to Albuquerque for the Direct Relief Foundation, last month. (before the snows came). Eulalia Nichols (our President) flew to Shreveport, La. to give a speech on Mountain Flying and Soaring to the Shreveport Ninety Nines. Two hundred and fifty people applauded her lecture, which was well illustrated with slides, movies, and personal experiences. Eulalia was one of four speakers for the Vacation Safety Seminar held in conjunction with a GAMA Safety Program. One brave man also spoke! And we have two fine pilots who recently got their ATR, Sarah Lee Fisher, and Charlotte Klyne. Congratulations!! Charlotte is the top instructor at Star Aviation at Jeffco Airport. Dolly Gibbon has just taken her Commercial written exam, and I don't want to jinx her. Dolly is struggling to get all the Colorado 99s APT and plans a Saturday with sandwiches, pop, good cheer and a free check ride. All you bring is your own plane and gas. The only problem is getting instructors to give up their lucrative Saturday, to give us a check ride. The Emily Grif-

fifth Home for Boys is giving their boys ground school training. In lieu of Christmas presents to each other, this year, we are donating our dollars to them for aviation books and equipment to get them flying!

DALLAS CHAPTER

Judy Cobb, Reporter

The November meeting was held in the home of Sue Andrews. We had two visitors . . . Betty Riggen and Elsie Dott.

Dot & Chuck Warren attended an FAA Rules Seminar. Sue Maddock attended a Safety Seminar in Arlington; then along with husband, Frank, and son, Shawn, made a pleasure trip to Salt Lake City. Jerry and Maurice Melton flew the "Bahamas Treasure Hunt."

Jan Wahrer was on a "Red Cap Mission" for two days looking for a downed C182. She said it really makes you stop & think about how important it is to maintain your flight plan, keep in contact with the ground, and most of all exercise good and cautious judgement when it comes to weather. Remember when checking the weather and it is getting marginal think also of your husband, children, and parents before making a go no-go decision.

Dot & Chuck Warren had a Thanksgiving Holiday skiing in Aspen Colorado then on to Phoenix to visit family. Lou and Rod Marquess also headed for family reunions in Kounty and Wharton, Texas. Weather permitting Martha Ann Reading is headed for December Trips to Big Bend Country and Mexico and Doris Wheller plans to spend Christmas in Nebraska.

Gloria LaRoche is now teaching aerobatics (and/or good ole' taxi practice) in a brand new Decathlon.

The December meeting is a gala Buffet at the home of Sandra Simmons.

Happy Holidays . . . Happy Flying . . . Are You APT?



Hazel Jones of Dallas — Mistress of Ceremonies at Vacation Flying Seminar, Shreveport, La., is introduced as the lady who wears many hats. In picture she is wearing "Island Flying" Hat for introduction of husband, Roys Jones.

DALLAS REDBIRD CHAPTER

Mia Chicken, Reporter

Plainview, where are you???? For the past two months Helen Wilke, Kathy Long, Marge Barr and Pat Jetton have been trying to get to Plainview, Texas for a little flying, fun, fashion and food. The first time we all planned to go in Pat's Comanche but the morning dawned with big, black Thunder-

storms, etc. and you couldn't see across the street so the flight was aborted. Helen's Bonanza finally recovered from it's surgery (major overhaul) and we tried again. This time the morning came CAVU, forecast to remain, PVW down but calling for better so we headed west. The further west we went, the thicker the pretty little clouds below us became, and the lower PVW went. Would you believe we got to withing 30 Miles and had to turn around. Those pretty little white clouds had turned into ice makers and we didn't have a toothbrush among us, and we thought maybe Marge Mitchell might not like four uninvited guests, so -o-o-o we went to Wichita Falls for lunch. Well, you see, Helen and Pat knew this really great place to get Mexican food, and we had to eat somewhere.

Hazel and Roys Jones participated in the Vacation Seminar the Shreveport girls sponsored recently and Helen and Kathy helped with the driving. Hazel was in Washington this past month receiving another award (you'll find a story about it elsewhere in this issue)

We've increased our membership. Elinor Johnson transferred from Dallas Chapter into Redbird. We're absolutely delighted to have her. She flies a Bonanza out of Addison Airport, has a Flight and Instrument Instructor Rating and is one of those hard workers all Chapters love to have. She and husband Rowland make yearly Bonanza trips to the out islands in the Bahamas. Welcome, Elinor.

By the time this comes out we will also have two newer members — Sharon Seaton and Bryant Hutchinson. Both are new Private Pilots, Sharon flies a Cessna 150 and Bryant a 182. Bryant is also taking aerobatic lessons in a Pitts at Edna G. Whyte's school. We're glad to have you, ladies.

Have a nice Holiday season, go flying and we'll see you next year.

EL PASO CHAPTER

KK Garlitz, Reporter

The Alamogordo Municipal Airport in Alamogordo, New Mexico, had a fly-in breakfast and air fair on November the 5th which was open to the public. Dyloros Dyvad of Alamogordo represented the El Paso Chapter of the Ninety-Nines.

Also on November the 5th, a group of El Paso Ninety-Nines and Marilyn Cragin's husband, George Cragin N.N. flew 550 pounds of D.R.F. supplies to Tucson, Arizona. Marilyn stayed home with her son, David, who is in a body cast from a motorcycle accident while delivering papers. Betty Rogers and Ruby Tatman flew the Arrow.

The El Paso Chapter of Ninety-Nines is happy to have Lois Haley back with us actively working in the chapter. Lois is an Ex-W.A.S.P. and C.F.I. and holds ground school ratings. In 1949-50, Lois taught the first aerospace education class at Austin High School, which was the first class of this kind in the El Paso Public Schools.

Betty Rogers and Ruby Tatman are sailing out of the Los Angeles Harbor on the "Xander", down the coast of Mexico and Central America, will take a trip into the mountains, see the Mayan Ruins, etc. They will visit the Galapagos Islands, then

to Panama, fly on to Miami, Fla. Betty will return home and Ruby will continue to St. Croix, Virgin Islands for the Christmas Holidays.

Our plans for December are to air-mark the strip at Ruidosa, New Mexico.

GOLDEN TRIANGLE CHAPTER

Carol Callan, Reporter

Grand Prairie, runway numbers and field elevation — a lot of painting for 99s but with the help of the Ft. Worth Chapter, the Dallas Chapter and the Golden Triangel Chapter we were able to accomplish this airmarking on November 4. Those persons able to help were Auleen Hall, Gladys Latham and Ann Cozart and her daughter Deanna from the Ft. Worth Chapter, Dorothy Warren, Bev Taylor and Pauline Winthrop from the Dallas Chapter and Linda Hooker, Carolyn Brooks, Dottie Carmichael, Jean Lemmon, Konda Pulley, Roz Kay, Helen Wells, Carol Callan, Barbara Routh, Pat Chester and Penny White from Golden Triangle.

A Safety Meeting was held in Arlington for the local pilots on October 24 where we were co-sponsors with the FAA and the Arlington Pilots Association. The FAA presented a two-part program, the first portion was entitled "Under the Influence" and the second portion was devoted to maintenance. All who attended were impressed with the program and more knowledgeable at the conclusion.

Flying activities have been limited this month due to weather conditions, however, Pat Evans and her 49-1/2er flew to Austin, Pat Chester and her 49-1/2er flew to Hereford, Texas and Liberal, Kansas, Barbara Routh, Jean Lemmon and Carolyn Brooks flew to Grand Prairie, Jo McCarrell and Linda Hooker flew to Red Bird Airport and Carol Callan and her 49-1/2er flew to Amarillo, Texas. Seems like it was a good month to take along 49-1/2ers.

We would like to congratulate Charles Evans on being elected to the State House of Representatives. Know he and Pat will be able to relax a little now that the election is over.

Our December meeting will not be held due to the Christmas holidays, however, a party is planned for that month at the Southern Kitchen and we hope that all in our chapter will be able to attend.

Have a Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year

HIGH SKY CHAPTER

Mildred Goodson, Reporter

Ole man weather not cooperating, found the membership driving to San Angelo for our monthly meeting, Nov. 12th. The personnel of the Piper Flying Service, graciously leave the doors open to the Nine-Nines to use their hospitality room for meetings. So convenient for those who fly in.

Our very capable Chairman, Patsy Hoelscher, brought the meeting to order. A resume of events for the coming year were presented and discussed, a very busy schedule and we hope to achieve a lot of worthwhile projects. We are truly alive when it comes to Safety Seminars, having sponsored several and more on the agenda.

Nancy Brumlow and 49 1/2 Jimmy, flew down to Ozona recently for a nice visit with yours truly. Nancy stays busy helping her 49 1/2 in the business, making charter flights and instructing some.

Patsy Hoelscher and 49 1/2 Weldon joined the All Texas Air Tour in October, meeting them in Temple, Texas and flying with them for a week... sounds like fun. Patsy is now taking Commercial Ground School... good luck and hope she gets the new rating.

Hettie and Bob Currie, Betty and Curtis Espy drove down from Midland to the meeting... instrument ratings? Yes! Weather marginal so can't take a chance. Mildred Goodson and 49 1/2 W.T. drove up from Ozona, "I had rather be flying!" How true, however we contend if no other alternative "Drive!" Make all meetings from chapter to international levels if possible.

Plans for our Christmas Party were finalized.

After meeting was adjourned a delightful dinner was enjoyed by all at the beautiful Twin Mountain Steak House.

Lets grow... be active, communicate, smile and get APT!

Happy Holidays!

HOUSTON CHAPTER

Ann English, Reporter

Airmarking: Coastal Bend's Vel Kiker joined a number of Houston members at Eagle Lake to airmark the new hangar there (see photographs). The crisp November day was CAVU and the catfish lunch at a local restaurant quite good. Before 1972 draws to an end Schulenburg and El Campo will be airmarked.

Mercy Flight: Betty Fritts and Pat James air lifted blood from Austin to Houston which was delivered to M.D. Anderson Hospital for the Hemophiliacs Society. The blood was collected in a drive on the University of Texas campus.

Accident Prevention: The FFA-GAMA Flight Safety Seminar at Andrau Airpark was attended by approximately sixty-five people. This reporter was not present but has talked with several who were and "they" gave enthusiastic reports. Another seminar will be held in Conroe within the next few weeks.

Writtens Passed: Diane Boyd, Sylvia Jean Bires and Sally Gluckman have passed the commercial written.

Past Reporter Reports: M.E. Oliver will be checking out in the Cessna 0-1 "Bird-dog" assigned to 22nd Group of Civil Air Patrol and also will be teaching ground school to CAP members in units of the 22nd Group.

People On The Go: Adelle and Jerry Baker will join the Texas State Aviation Fly-

in at Valles, San Louis Potosi, Mexico for the Thanksgiving holidays. — Louise Bickford, her 49 1/2er and the boys joined other International Cessna 170 members for a camping week-end at Whitney State Park. — Linda Turk now has a building on BPT to house her "Fly By Night" Flight School. — Vivian and Joe Bennett are back from a flying trip to Ada, Okla.

Tid-Bits: Mary Jane Norris is busy instructing and building hours for her ATR — The Burnet Fly-in was rained out — Eight guests attended the November meeting — The December meeting will be a Christmas party at Mackie Fusilier's — Happy flying, yaw!

KANSAS CHAPTER

Dorothy Barker, Reporter

Our October meeting was held in a gorgeous, wooded, hilly part of Kansas near Elk Falls, at the country home of Arlene Dando's parents. Some of the gals flew in, others came in campers. This was a family affair so kids and husbands came along too. We had a grand weekend of camping, fishing, hunting, games and lots of good food. Oh yes, we did a little work, too. We airmarked Elk Falls Airport and the Circle Inn restaurant at Elk Falls.

Abilene, Kansas was our November meeting place. We were joined there by eight Topeka Chapter 99's (there are nine in their chapter). A tour of the Eisenhower boyhood home, museum, library, and chapel was the highlight of our day. Helen Simmons and Pat Mlady took care of the details in Abilene for us.

December 9, Kansas 99's and their husbands will have a Christmas party at the Officers Club at McConnell AFB.

Garnett Hastings, (our Vice-Governor) and Perry Nance will be married Nov. 22. Phyllis Osborn recently flew to San Juan, Puerto Rico with her 49 1/2er.

Pat McEwen and Elizabeth McCreight flew in Pat's Bonanza to Woodward, Oklahoma recently for an airmarking and meeting.

Elizabeth McCreight spoke to the WING Scouts on airmarking on Nov. 2.

Jim and Olive Kemper will be flying to New Orleans the first week of Dec.

Jackie and Nolan Luke flew to Amarillo for a football game and Jackie had some real IFR weather to practice in.

Mary Depew is APT!!!

Carol Bond has eight students that she is instructing. She has just finished with two multi-engine students and is starting with an instrument student.

Virginia Speer flew to Milwaukee last weekend.

We have committed ourselves to a lot of hard work in the near future. Six Safety Seminars have been approved. We are now preparing for our first to be held Dec. 2. It will be held at the Canterbury Inn in Wichita. Marilyn Copeland has been a busy gal getting things lined up.

James (Pete) Campbell will be the featured speaker. Hazel McKendrick Jones, Dallas 99, will speak on "How to Get A Good Weather Briefing." There will also be other good speakers.

Pat McEwen was in Atlanta, Ga. last week and will be touring Baja, Calif. next week. Our Pat really gets around. Owen

(Pat's husband) will join her in San Diego.

Marilyn Copeland flew to Oklahoma City last week to get more acquainted with the work at headquarters. She has compiled a calendar of suggestions of events for International Headquarters which was mailed to all Chapter Chairmen and Section Governors.

LUBBOCK CHAPTER

Beth Bates, Reporter

On November 8th and 9th the Lubbock Chapter helped sponsor a Safety Clinic under the FAA's Safe Pilot Program and the General Aviation Manufacturers Association (GAMA). Attendance both nights was 95 and 96 respectively, and the participation and interest was good. We were pleased to note many student pilots in attendance. Mr. Ray Raney the Accident Prevention Specialist for this area conducted the meeting. There were presentations from the Tower and Flight Service Personnel and John Criswell of Aero Communications, Inc. gave a very interesting program on radios and their common misuses and malfunctions. Plans are also underway for a three day session and Clinic in April.

Some 326 more pounds of DRF Supplies have gone on their way this past month, via the Lubbock Chapter. This makes over 1,000 that have been transported. Our meeting this month will be a general review on basic groundschool. Some of us may learn to use a computer and plotter again!!!

Happy Flying to All and let's all get APT.

NEBRASKA CHAPTER

Mimi Haworth, Reporter

What is the best way to get young people interested in aviation? Get them in the air! The Nebraska Chapter did just that by flying a group of students to Wichita to tour the Beech facilities. Dawn Parkening, Mildred Barrett, Vera Bartunek, Jan Heins, Shirley Amen, and Mimi Haworth served as pilots and educators to show the students what is involved in a cross country flight. At Beech the students learned what is involved in designing and building aircraft.

Have you ever had a disappointment and said, "No more! — We're giving up!"? Well, after the 1972 Nebraska Air Race when we had a small turn out, we almost said that. But... you can't keep a good team down, so we're marching onward and upward — or should I say flying? We decided you never win by quitting and we are now planning again for 1973. This year we will have Nebraska Aviation Sports Day. This is planned for the weekend of August 25, 26 and 27 in Beatrice, Nebraska. The program will include speed and proficiency racing, spot landing contest, balloon "busting", a safety event and several demonstrations. Mark this on your calendar right now and watch for further developments.

The Flying V in Utica, Nebraska was the site for our November meeting. A few were able to battle the wind and flew in to the restaurant. The balance of the girls and 49 1/2's were good sports and drove. Any of you gals who happen to be flying across Nebraska will find this a great place to land for lunch! It is about forty miles west of Lincoln.

Pat Wolfe's town house was the site for our December meeting and Christmas



Houston Airmarkers

party. This is always a delightful time for us because we get to share the fun of 99's with 49 1/2's who have been so patient and understanding with us during the rest of the year. And that is no "tea and crumpets" — 49 1/2's are really a vital part of the 99 team! The 99 Achievement award was presented at this event (of course you'll have to wait with baited breath until the next issue to find out who received it, because my Thanksgiving turkey hasn't been purchased yet!).

We truly believe in the value of safety clinics and are planning GAMA Flight Safety Clinics for Hebron and Scottsbluff, Nebraska. We also believe in vitamins and the vitamins for 99's is new members, so we are planning teas for prospective members toward the end of January. In the meantime, we have placed the flyers prepared by Garnett Hastings in every airport that we can reach.

We are most fortunate to have a new transfer join us — Nancy Schindel. We have also presented applications to Judy Stewart, Nancy Allee, and Dawn Parkening. The Nebraska Chapter is delighted to have such a group of women. They are really going to be an asset to our Chapter. Judy Stewart is already busy as secretary of Northeast Nebraska Pilots Association.

We are now venturing into a new year and the Nebraska Chapter wishes each and everyone of you a very Happy New Year and hopes that throughout 1973 you may fly in blue skies!

OKLAHOMA CHAPTER

Martha Thomason, Reporter

Oklahoma Chapter has decided that sponsoring these F.A.A. Safety Seminars is a good thing to do! We sponsored our second one on November 3rd at Wiley Post Airport in Oklahoma City (the first one was prior to the GAMA series) — and had a great response. "Standing Room Only." Dottie Young is our coordinator for these seminars, and she sure did a good job planning this one. We had lots of hot coffee and home-made cookies on hand. (Did you ever notice how quickly a pile of cookies melts in a roomful of pilots?) Pilots flew in from all over the state for the seminar — and we all learned a good bit about safety in general, and radio contact with Rapcon in particular. We recommend that you attend all of these FAA Safety Seminars in your area that you possibly can. (That drawing to be held for a \$30,000 plane doesn't seem to hurt attendance in the slightest!) Eleven Oklahoma 99s, four 49 1/2ers attended, and Elsie & Bob Culver from Alaska, too. It is always so much fun to see and visit with out-of-state 99s. We hope all you 99s contact us when you are in Oklahoma!

On October 25, Oklahoma State University had a Careers Day Festival in Stillwater. We sponsored a booth on Aviation Careers for women, and Arlene Walkup, Jan Million, and Ann Piggott did a good job talking to the interested girls.

Oklahoma Chapter had another "adventure" in Stillwater on November 12, when we had a joint meeting and flying competition with the Oklahoma State U. Flying Aggies. We didn't win — but then again we didn't really lose, either. In fact, we were rained out of the flying part of the

competition, so we had to postpone the spot landing and bomb dropping contests until December 10. That gives us another chance to "whup them Aggies!" (Yeah, the Aggies won in the total score totals Nov. 12 in the bomb making contest, pre-flight contest, and computer written exam. But we did have one individual first-place winner: Maureen McMaster in the Computer Exam!) So, keep your eyes glued to this spot in the Next Newsletter, when we will report the final outcome of this exciting contest. Don't miss it!

We have another winner to report: Marge Hudson won first place in the Fairview Fly Lady Derby held November 10. 49 1/2er Herb was her copilot. Several of our Oklahoma 99s entered this race. We hear Jan Million and copilot Nancy Smith were doing a great job — won two of the leg prizes — but "blew it" on their gas consumption. Better luck next time!

Did you know that all you 99s out there were represented in Oklahoma City the weekend of November 17-18-19 at the Hobby Fair in the brand new Oklahoma City Myriad Convention Center? We offered the visitors lots of information, material, and even free introductory flights to several lucky fair-goers — at the "99s Booth" at the Fair. We all agree that flying is about the greatest hobby there is; and, from their interest, we think some of our enthusiasm rubbed off on the Fair visitors.

Keep flying — (APT, of course!)

PIKES PEAK CHAPTER

Marion Hein, Reporter

We have had more snow-shoveling than flying this month, seems like we have been getting our winter all at once but the skiers are happy!

Arlene Feldman's trip to Philadelphia for her class reunion and visit with friends in the Eastern Pennsylvania Chapter brought an unexpected and happy experience. She had a ride in the 1928 Pitcairn Mail Wing Plane, rebuilt by 49 1/2er Tom Macario, whose wife Kate Macario is the chairman of the Eastern Pennsylvania Chapter.

Virginia Sayer and Dick welcomed their second boy this fall, congratulations! This grounded Jinny for a short time, but not for long. She and Shirley Marshall are busy preparing for the North American 126 National Soaring Meet to be held at the Black Forest Glider Port, near Colorado Springs. The Colorado Soaring Association bid and received this meet to be held in June, 1973.

Marge Potanko announced that the FAA Educational Seminar will be held November 29th at the City Auditorium which is always well attended by members of the Pikes Peak Chapter.

News is scarce this time of year, everybody's Christmas shopping, I guess. Happy Holidays!

SAN ANTONIO CHAPTER

Marian Burke, Reporter

San Antonio Chapter members met at Devine, Texas Saturday morning November 11 and "Airmarked" the Devine airport. It was a beautiful day for airmarking. Refreshments were served by the Devine Chamber of Commerce and it was a fun project for all that attended.

The November Safety Seminar for San

Antonio has been postponed until a later date . . . More word on it later.

Welcome! New member Peggy Kemble! She has a private license and her husband who is a baptist minister is leavin' the flyin' up to her. He isn't a pilot but is a good passenger . . . along with one child. Peggy is a teacher in the San Antonio Public Schools. We hope to see lots of you Peggy! A big welcome from all of us!

It's getting close to the holidays! And a chance for a lot of bad winter weather. When you make that trip home for the next holiday think of the following things first: Check the weather closely! Even if the forecast for ahead looks good . . . check as you go along at each station! Make a "180" if in doubt! Carry plenty of fuel reserve at all times! If you haven't flown your plane for awhile . . . get an instructor to go out with you and help you polish up on a few flyin' points that you may have forgotten. Get APT!

Oh yes! Speaking of new APT members. Among them is Betsy Hogan of our chapter. Congrats Betsy . . . lots of safe flyin' for you in the future!

Have A Wonderful Holiday Season and a Merry Xmas and Happy New Year from the San Antonio Chapter to all 99s, families and friends.

SHREVEPORT CHAPTER

Dot Lindsey, Reporter

Mary Jo Voss was hostess for the October meeting. Final plans were made for the Vacation Flying Safety Seminar which was held October 28th at Shreveport Regional Airport and it was a huge success. To all SHV 99's and those assisting "a job well done". (See Aerospace Education Report for full details.)

Several members of our Chapter were present at the Ark-La-Tex Airman's and FAA's GADO User meeting and panel discussion regarding general aviation in our locality which was most interesting and informative.

Besides meeting, more meetings and "end of the year" activity discussions, Ann King has been busy arranging air marking schedules. We have advanced from four letter projects to five and November 11th found five planes on course to Esler Field, Alexandria, Louisiana. Within an hour after landing our mission was accomplished — a record for our group which proves we are getting better with practice. Lunch was served by Air Charter, Inc., FBO at Esler — enjoyed by all — again our appreciation and thanks to all concerned.

Elba Eakin and Mary Jo Voss not only had air marking at Esler on their minds but took advantage of the flight to do the majority of their APT work. This is a great idea — Mary Jo is now APT as is Evelyn Snow, Jere Saur and Helen Wray. Helen Hewitt says the APT list is getting longer and hopes it will be completed soon.

December 2nd is the date and Wichita, Kansas the place where Helen Wray has been invited to speak at the Kansas Chapter's Safety Seminar. Best wishes for its success.

Corinne Strickland renewed acquaintances in Fairbanks and Juneau, Alaska, recently and everyone enjoyed her comments about her trip "away up there".



Pictured above attending the Vacation Flying Safety Seminar held at the Shreveport Regional Airport are (left to right) Joyce Sheridan, Helen Wray, Mary Wheelock, Shreveport 99's, and John H. Powell, Chief, FAA Shreveport GADO 11.

Jere Saur and 49-1/2er Henry are "going where it is warm" — the Caribbean — good sailing!

To Cleveland, Ohio, went Helen Hewitt who reported the fall scenery "up that way" was something to behold.

Mary L'Herisson accompanied 49-1/2er Dr. Larry L'Herisson to the FAA Medical Examiners' Seminar in Dallas.

Happy landings all!

TOPEKA CHAPTER

Dorothy Powell, Reporter

Topeka is a "must" stop for the '73 Powder Puff Derby!! Marian Banks, Kay Brick and Phyllis Pierce were here on Monday, Nov. 13th to lay the groundwork — and to pick up the pieces of the nine Topeka Chapter members disintegrated from the shock. But we are really ecstatic, thrilled and already hard at work.

We gained two new 99's at the October meeting; Laurie Cos and Hazel Neely. Caroline Gray, who has her private license, was a guest at this same meeting. Incidentally, Laurie Cox and Audrey Switzer are now APT.

Sondra Ridgeway and her 49 1/2er Dale are the proud new owners of a Bellanca Super Viking. Would anyone care to adopt a well-loved 172? Prospective owners will be carefully screened.

The Parsons Tri-City airmarking was a lot of fun. Several plane-loads came from Kan-

sas City (with some 49 1/2ers). Sondra Ridgeway and Luarie Cox both flew their 172's with Pat Lane, Glenna Walters, Audrey Switzer, and Charlotte Kinny riding along.

We had a flyout to Abilene, Kansas with the Kansas City chapter on November 11th. Three planes with Hazel Neely, Laurie Cox, Dorothy Powell, Pat Lane, Sondra Ridgeway, Audrey Switzer and Charlotte Kinney and 1 guest, Patsy Smola, who is the airport secretary, made the trip.

Our Christmas party is December 9th at Charlotte Kinney's, and we plan to slo-fly all evening.

TRI-STATE CHAPTER

Nancy Tell, Reporter

Tri-State Chapter 99's were scattered to the four winds recently when member Kathie Thompson tried to locate additional airplanes to participate in the SMS Flying Club Penny-A-Pound ride. Nonetheless this fine group of college flyers transported 110,00 lb. of people one weekend.

Chairman Mazie Lipscomb is working hard on that instrument rating, with lots of help and moral support from her 49 1/2er Karl, who just happens to have all the ratings in the book. Does he back seat drive much Mazie?

Linda Benson had heard a rumor that ice is better in glasses than on airplane wings. Ask her if its really true next time you see her.

Marilyn Harding and 49 1/2er Bob flew their C-210 to Dal and came back with a hitch hiker last month; a seven week old St. Bernard pup who really digs this airplane jazz. Snoopy — move over!

A note from Robin Davis indicates she has a C-172 available for joy riding. The Skyhawk owner is currently baby sitting with ex Blue Angel J.D. Davis' Stearman while J.D. is attached to the Enterprise somewhere in the Fun & Games area out East. Robin wishes she could get cooperation from the WM on her days off.

Congrats to Phyllis DeTar on winning her County Commissioner seat. She's the first woman to ever hold that office in Allen County, Ks. With 49 1/2er George on the Iola Airport Board, we expect big doings re aviation in your area.

This reporter neglected to mention 2 eager helpers on the Carthage Airport Airmark project in September. 24 3/4 Trace Teel and Elizabeth Lilley, ages 12 and 11 respectively, and future pilots both. Thanks kids.

The Administrator then summarized the new programs directed toward accident prevention. The upgrading of pilot skills heads the list, followed by provision of better services to pilots, and making the aircraft simpler to fly. He then added, "You will see the supersonic transport in your lifetime, although not before 1985. You will get it when the marketplace forces it." The reason? "We will double the capacity of the system if we can make the aircraft twice as fast.

"Why do we think that we need a 100% opinion in aviation?" John Shaffer challenged. "If we spent more time working together, we would make more progress."

Betty Hicks

Flying 99NT has been exciting lately. Item one was ldg. gear malfunction going into Hobby at HOU. Great fun slo flying past the tower while a very nice controller kept us posted as to exactly where those wheels were. Eventaully it was 'down and locked', and a new gear motor installed at De Lange Aviation. Those are nice people! Item two was engine malfunction going into STL at night and IFR to boot. Comanches are not the greatest gliders, and it was a bit hairy before restart was accomplished. Avation Services at Lambert diagnosed our troubles as a collapsed left main tank and a flat metal disc in the right main, cutting off the fuel flow. Somebody upstairs was watching us!

Thats all folks — see you next month.

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which the G-forces on the pilot range from -4Gs to +4Gs.

"Quit reacting to criticisms and to special interest groups!" When this admonition is hurled at WACOA by the Honorable John H. Shaffer, the committee comes to attention. "We're heading into a period of aviation's greatest expansion, both here and around the world," was the FAA Administrator's forecast. "Our future is assured. We need to ignore the diversionary tactics of the detractors. The country needs to maintain its drive to be No. 1."

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