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COMING EVENTS

SASKATCHEWAN POKER RUN

Sunday July 13, Rain Date, Sunday July 20, 1975. The Ninety Nines Saskatchewan Chapter is sponsoring a poker run, terminus Regina Flying Club, Regina, Saskatchewan.

Start from any of the following airports: Moose Jaw, Radville, Weyburn, or Regina. Start between 8:00 and 11:00 a.m. All hands must be turned in to Regina by 2:30 p.m. Entry fee is \$2.00 per hand.

For more information contact Nadine Cooper, 7 Compton Rd. Phone— 584-1121.

PALMS TO PINES

August 15-17, 1975 — ALL Woman "Palms to Pines" Air Race — Sponsored by Santa Monica Bay Ninety-Nines and City of Independence, Oregon — Entry Kit \$2.00 Palms to Pines Air Race; 3200 Airport Ave.; Suite 16; Santa Monica, Calif. 90405 Claire Walters, Chairman — (213) 398-5766.

October 4 — 11th annual Pacific Air Race, from Gillespie Field, Santee to Sonoma County Airport. Sponsored by San Diego, El Cajon Valley and Santa Rosa 99s. Contact: Boo Bergman, 3872 Jewell St. Apt. H-208, San Diego, California, 92109.

The Los Angeles Chapter has scheduled its eighth Flight Instructor Clinic, in conjunction with the FAA. It will be held September 20, 21, and 22, 1975 at the Airport Marina Hotel, 8601 Lincoln Blvd., Los Angeles, California. Reservations may be made by contacting either Virginia Showers, 3111 S. Barrington, No. 1, Los Angeles, Ca., 90066 (Phone: 213 - 390-4715) or Georgia Lambert, 1625 Durango Ave., Los Angeles, Ca., 90035 (Phone: 213 - 556-1531).

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On the cover: Eastern Washington 99's Gladys Buroker, Pearl Manchini, and Sally Simundson prepare to inflate Gladys' balloon. Weather permitting, Gladys will put her balloon up during the barbeque at Henley Aerodrome during Roundup '75.

President Pat's ACTION LINE



(Editor Note:

Pat has been selected as the woman in region VII (which includes Kansas, Nebraska, Missouri & Iowa) who has made the greatest contribution to improving the status of women in the field of transportation. Presentation of the award was made Thursday, May 29 by Lt. Gov. Shelby Smith and RADM Russell R. Waesche USCG (ret.) regional representative of the secretary, U.S. Dept. of Transportation. She was honored by a dinner and news conference by the Wichita Area Chamber of Commerce.)

Spring Section meetings were active and enjoyed a large attendance for business and fun. Members report that every Section meeting was outstanding in every way. Your Board of Directors tried to visit you all, but had some difficulty in that six Sections met on the same April week-end and four met on the same week-end in May. However, we thoroughly enjoyed meeting with you, listening, and sharing your joys and sorrows. Through this type of communication we can better serve you.

I was happy to hear from many of you that you appreciated the Bylaws questionnaire and you are right - the Committee came up with what they felt you wanted in the way of Bylaws. I know they aren't perfect but I hope we can approve them at convention and live with them a year, then via the amendment process, bring them to perfection. Until you have lived with something for a while, you often don't know where to make the changes. Let's all try them on for size and then, if needed, make the necessary adjustments.

Oklahoma City was the site of your Board of Directors spring Board meeting, May 19-21. We spent two days meeting and toured our beautiful new home. Your Headquarters building is complete and a beauty to behold, both inside and out. Your VP Lois Feigenbaum is working diligently to complete the interior (furnishings) for your viewing. The dedication will be November 2, 1975 - our 46th birthday. Marilyn Copeland, your Headquarters Chairman, has great plans for a fun-filled week-end starting Saturday, November 1st, so mark your calendar and I'll see you at Headquarters in OKC! See you first at convention in Coeur d'Alene - y' all come!

OUR NEW HOME

Lois Feigenbaum - Vice President



Our new Headquarters Building is finished and we've moved in! You will be as proud of and pleased with our new Headquarters as your entire Board is. We have 5,000 square feet of modern, attractive, and functional space. In ac-

cordance with our plan as outlined to you, we are going to rent out that portion of the building we do not need now and I am pleased to report that we have leased 1,500 square feet of space to the Arthur J. Fritz Company of San Francisco (Air Freight) for a rental of \$7,000.00 per year. While this was slightly less than our asking price, they have agreed to pay the entire cost of partitioning and extra electrical work. We still have 750 square feet of space to rent and we hope to have a tenant for this in the near future. This is exciting news since you may recall that our rental cost for the entire building is \$6,600.00 per year plus utilities and maintenance.

The building is rectangular in shape, being 72 feet square with a complete four foot overhang. The exterior walls are rock impregnated masonry with bronze floor to ceiling windows on three sides. Most of the front is glass. The double entry doors are centered on the South side of the building with beautiful Ninety-Nines insignia door handles. There is a concrete semi-circle terrace extending across the entire front of the building and centered on each side of the front are two twelve foot circular planters with a round concrete base from which rises a thirty foot flag

pole. One pole will be used to fly the U.S. Flag and the other the Ninety-Nines Flag. There is a paved parking lot on the East side of the building which is located on Amelia Earhart Boulevard and Terminal Drive. As you walk into our building through its impressive entrance you will step onto a parquet tiled area and quickly scan the large Reception and Display Room. The carpeting is a neutral beige to enable accenting in shades of blue. This room is 38 feet by 40 feet and we hope to have display cases and bulletin areas to enable us to tell about our Ninety-Nines.



Our secretaries will be working efficiently in this room. The spot lights can be adjusted to best enhance our displays, and planters will be arranged to soften the entire look. The plaque containing the names of contributors to this project will be in a prominent location. To the left of the entrance is our library which will have many uses. It can be closed off for privacy or opened for an extension of our main room by means of a bi-fold door. The library is 15½ feet by 38 feet. We visualize a conference table and additional chairs to match our existing ones, book shelves across the East wall with cabinets across the bottom containing slides, film and other educational tools. The pull down screen would be located on the South end of the room and when this is retracted pictures of all of our Past-Presidents would be permanently displayed. These pictures would have matching frames with the name and years of office on small plaques affixed to each frame. At the other end or North end of this room we plan a lounge grouping. Two walls will have walnut paneling (left from our former office) and we hope to have a couch, club chair, use two of our conference chairs, tables, lamps, and a cocktail table. This is the place to quietly sit and glance through the scrapbooks, read some of the books and magazines, or read the minutes of any past meeting. If you plan on doing research for some project, sit at the conference table and be able to spread out all of your material for your convenience. You can be assured of complete quiet and privacy, as the mechanics of our organization will be done at the other extreme end of the building. This is where our work room is located, with our files, mimeograph machine, postage equipment, supplies and kitchen area. If you'd like a cup of coffee or coke while you're visiting, please help yourself from the compact kitchen which we hope we will have.

Our lovely building will be included on the Airport Tour so that when school children and visiting dignitaries take a tour

of Will Rogers World Airport Ninety-Nines Headquarters will be included as a major point of interest. When the Federal Aviation Administration Academy has visitors, they too, will be brought to our Headquarters to be shown what we have accomplished. What a wonderful way to get our Ninety-Nines story before the public.

This is a sketchy description of our new home, but come see for yourself. **Our dedication will be on November 2nd, 1975,** the 46th anniversary of the Ninety-Nines. We will have festivities the entire weekend, and plan to honor all Charter Members and Past President at a luncheon on November 1st, for without these diligent, dedicated women, we would not be where we are. Our banquet will be the evening of November 1st, and we hope you will all plan to attend.

A.E. JUDGES

The Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarship Trustees have selected three Honorary Judges (see photos & captions) whose big job it will be to select from the many outstanding 99s nominated to receive the AE Scholarships each year, the most deserving according to the high standards established.



DON FLOWER: Chairman of the Board of Directors of Don Flower Associates, Inc., Wichita, Kansas.

Mr. Flower personifies the flying businessman. After 25 years in the aircraft industry as sales manager for the Cessna Aircraft Company, he thought he would switch professions and open an aircraft insurance company. This, he reasoned, would permit him to live a low pressure life in semiretirement. Now, more than 20 years later, his company insures more airplanes than any agency in the world. This includes fixed-base operators, individual aircraft owners, commuter airlines and air taxi operators. He employs four agents, all pilots. Two company aircraft log about 900 hours a year, 700 of which are logged by Flower himself.

His business is international. At least once each year someone from Don Flower Associates covers South America in a small plane. Annually he travels to London where Lloyds of London handles his international business.

Mr. Flower is past president and long-time member of the National Pilots Association. He is an associate member of the Flying Farmers and an honorable member of the Flying Physicians.



WILLIAM E. DUNKLE: Senior Vice President, Flight Operations, United Air Lines.

A native of Seattle, Capt. Dunkle was raised in the pioneer country of Anchorage, Alaska. Graduating from the famous Boeing School of Aeronautics in 1938 he first tried his wings with Star Air Service and an Alaskan airline before joining United in the DC-3 days of 1940. At United his talents were quickly recognized and he made "captain" within two years. He has served United in many jobs: as part of the Military Transport System during WW II; on extensive line service; as an administrative flight manager; as assistant to the senior vice president-flight operations; and as regional manager of flight operations at San Francisco. In April 1972 he was elected to the airline's Board of Directors.

Capt. Dunkle has seen aviation during its most exciting growth period. During these years he was acquainted with our own Doris Langher, herself a long time and devoted United employee. He joins us in admiration of her achievements during the times when it was difficult, almost impossible, for a woman pilot to achieve recognition with a major airline.



DR. STANLEY ROSS MOHLER, M.D.: Chief of the Aeromedical Applications Division of the Office of Aviation Medicine, Federal Aviation Administration, Washington, D.C.

Dr. Mohler has been a constant and long time friend and supporter of women in aviation. This handsome doctor is both pilot and man of medical research and education. A native of Texas and graduate of the University of Texas Medical Branch he is internationally known in his specialty, preventive medicine. Among his many honors he is a Diplomat of the American Board of Preventive Medicine (with Certification in Aerospace Medicine) and in 1968 was named a Fellow of the American College of Preventive Medicine.

Pilot Mohler has a string of credits to attract admiration of the most dedicated aviator. He holds an Airline Transport Pilot certificate, multiengine Land, with Single Engine Land Commercial Privileges, Flight Instructor—Airplane.



ROUNDUP '75

By Daryl Ann Kyle

MEET THE HEAD HONCHOS!

Daryl Ann Kyle

Fern Lake, chairperson of Round Up '75 and Helen Shanewise, who chairs Eastern Washington chapter haven't had much time for horseplay lately. While Fern handles leadership of convention duties, Helen takes care of chapter activities. Together they are quite a team!

Fern has been a 99 for over thirteen years. She first joined in Boise, Idaho and was chairperson of Idaho chapter. Among her honors she counts a Northwest Sectional Achievement Award. Fern serves on the Kootenai County Airport board and is a coordinator of State Search and Rescue operations. Currently Fern is instructing (CFII) FULL-TIME and planning Round Up '75! In addition she's married to pilot hubby August and is mother to three children, Mike (22), Leslie (17), and Diane (14).

Helen, who holds a private ticket with instrument and twin ratings, has been a 99 for five years. She was in charge of Eastern Washington's successful 3 cents a pound airlift in the spring of '74 and has been secretary of the chapter previously. Helen is an operating room technician and will soon begin training for her R.N. She and hubby Robert, an orthopedic surgeon, just completed a trip to Surakarta, Indonesia with the Care Medico Program. The Shanewises have three children—Katie Smith (26), Jack (24), and Steven (22). Katie just blessed them with a grandson—three-month old Creedence.



Fern Lake, left, and Helen Shanewise take time out from convention planning for a quick fling—horseshoes!

MEET THE PHOTOGRAPHER

Daryl Ann Kyle



Loaded with paraphernalia, Meg Hatch prepares for a picture-taking session!

Meg Hatch, Eastern Washington 99 from Athol, Idaho is the photographer of this issue's cover. A private pilot, she teaches sixth graders during the school year, flies a Commanche, and takes pictures as a hobby! She and her 49½er Wes live on Cedar Mountain Sky Ranch, near Athol, Idaho and have a 2300 foot grass strip in their bottom field.

A former reporter for the **Western Flyer**, Meg's editorial talents are used extensively by this writer. She read all my term papers, so it is only natural that I ask for assistance on 99 NEWS copy also. You may have guessed by now that one of her outstanding attributes is being my Mom! (P.S. Her editorial comment on this article was "Tell them my only claim to fame is that I soloed a J-3 Cub in 1943!")

LAST MINUTE REMINDERS FOR ROUND UP '75

TOURS

For all that free time on Saturday, Leona Heberling, our tours chairperson, promises something to fit everyone! Like—boat rides on beautiful Lake Coeur d'Alene for the nautical 99—or perhaps a seaplane scenic ride over the many lakes of North Idaho. Tours of the major industries may be right on for your 49½er—a sawmill or a silver-lead-zinc mine.

TIE DOWNS

Flying into Coeur d'Alene Air terminal for convention? Want to find your plane in the same place you leave it? Then please remember to bring your own tie downs. Transportation from the Coeur d'Alene and Spokane airports will be provided.

PROSPECTORS FIND TROPIES IN TUCSON TREASURE HUNT

By Jayne Hunter

For the first time a local team placed in the Winner's Circle in Tucson's annual Treasure Hunt, and the place they won was **FIRST**. The '75 Hunt covered a zig-zag course of 265 miles from Tucson to Phoenix and it was timed this year to coordinate with the SW Sectional held in Phoenix on April 11-12-13.

The winning "Prospectors" were Jean Servaas, Membership Chairman of the Tucson Chapter, and her 49½er, Pieter Servaas. They are also the first winners of the Chapter's new memorial trophy honoring Bill and Chris Ruck, former members who perished in an aircraft accident last year. This trophy records the highest scoring team among the Arizona entries in the Hunt and the permanent Ruck Trophy, suitably inscribed, will join the permanent Treasure Hunt Trophy on display at Tucson International Airport in the GA Terminal. Individual trophies are retained by the winning contestants. The 1st Place trophy, contributed by the Senator, is The Barry Goldwater Trophy. Other winners are:

2nd - Norma Futterman and Virginia Showers, Los Angeles

3rd - Bob Long and Bill Johnson, Los Angeles

4th - Sandra Case and Susan West of Sacramento

5th - Pam Marley and Vicky Bruce of Phoenix

6th - Joan Steinberger and Jan Edmond of Goleta, Ca. (Joan is a previous winner of the Goldwater Trophy).

Hunt rules require that contestants enter as teams, although it is not required that the "spotter" be a licensed pilot. The Hunt is open to both sexes, and teams may carry passengers. One of this year's entries, a Cessna 210 piloted by Fay Kirk, carried our Section Governor, Marion Barnick, among its team of five.

The Hunt involves locating and identifying from the air natural and person-made "clues" on the ground. The course and the clues are a well-guarded secret until Hunt time. There is a time allotment assigned each plane but the event is not a speed competition and success depends upon imagination, deduction, navigational skill, ground orientation and good team work.



Jayne Hunter (L), Clues Chairman, and Wyn Hayward (R), Vice-Chairman and Starter for the 1975 Tucson Treasure Hunt congratulate the winners of the event, Jean and Pieter Servaas. As high scorers among the Arizona entrants, the Servaases also received the Chapter's new memorial trophy honoring Bill and Chris Ruck, 49½er and 99 of Tucson who perished in an aircraft accident last year.

INTERNATIONAL 1975 ROUND UP SCHEDULE

Wednesday July 30	1400 - 1800	Registration
	1800 -	Cocktails, Dinner, Educational Programs, Communication Sessions (NO HOST)
Thursday July 31	0800 - 0900	Governors Breakfast
	0900 - 1030	Chairman's Coffee
	1130 - 1330	A.E. Luncheon
	1400 - 1700	Business Meeting
	1800 -	No Host Dinner, Boat Rides and Educational Programs
Friday August 1	0700 - 0745	Continental Breakfast (Juice, Coffee, Roll)
	0800 - 1200	Business Meeting
	1230 - 1400	Lunch
	1230 - 1700	Business Meeting if Needed, Post Board Meeting Immediately After Meeting; New and Old Board in President's Suite
	1800 - 1900	Cocktails or What Have You at Aerodrome
	1900 -	Education Programs
Saturday August 2	0700 - 1800	All Day, Have Fun!!
	1830 - 1930	Cocktails
	1930 -	Banquet
Sunday August 3	0700	Fly Away Breakfast

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July 30, 31 and August 1, 2

Coeur d'Alene Idaho

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Gladys' solo photograph. After five hours of instruction she soloed an OX5 Waco 10!

That's My Mom !

By Sally Simundson

The balloon was a beautiful sight in the cooling afternoon sky. Mom was up there while I stood tense by the chase rig. But I'm getting ahead of my story. Let's go back in the life of this remarkable woman.

Mom's history is a colorful story. Raised in Ferndale, Washington, she always had her eyes on the sky. At seventeen and out of high school she took her first flying lessons at Tulip Field. She soloed the OX5 Waco 10 in a record time of less than five hours!

After she had her private license she started working on her commercial. Then came her F.I. She was always studying. She had ground school ratings in meteorology, navigation, civil air regulations, aircraft, instruments, and parachutes. In those days you took a separate test for every subject. She reminisces about her first assignment after her instructor's rating. The first lesson was to be given in a side-by-side Tailorcraft which she had never flown. Undaunted, she climbed in and everything went fine!

One of her strong desires was to parachute jump. She had a talk with Frank Kammer and Jim Galvin. They were planning a barnstorming trip! Frank had a Curtis Thrush and Jim an OX5 Swallow. Eddie Brown was the parachute rigger. Eagerly they contracted her to make twenty jumps.

On her seventeenth jump tragedy took its course. She had made her jump and was nearing the ground when a plane took off below her. The slip stream from that plane partially deflated her chute. When she made impact with the blacktop runway, she received serious injuries to her right knee.

Aviation wasn't Mom's only love. Her four-cylinder Indian Ace motorcycle played an important part in her life. As a publicity stunt to advertise Bellingham,



Gladys and Pearl Manchini on the job at Kootenai Memorial Hospital in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho.

Washington, Mom and her friend Madeline, fitted out with leather jackets and pistols, toured the United States by motorcycle. The mayor of Bellingham had given them letters to deliver to the mayors of all the major cities. This trip included Canada and Mexico.

In 1937, Mom married her flight instructor, Herb Buroker. They moved to Olympia where they managed the airport. Two days a week they were in Port Angeles to teach students.

Managing airports was a wonderful opportunity for meeting famous people like Wylie Post, Will Rogers, Roscoe Turner, and Tex Rankin. Mom recalls her stunt-filled flight with Tex in an Ercoupe.

When the war broke out, pilots were in demand. With Mom's thorough background in ground school and flying experience, the government hired her to teach at St. Martin's College in Lacey, Washington. She was instructor at a non-coeducational college training their first class of men pilots!

In 1942, the West coast threatened, Uncle Sam forced all air facilities to move

inland. Mom and Dad left the Olympia operations and set up training at Weeks Field, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, the first municipally owned airport in the United States. They flew round the clock. Forty-seven airplanes were in operation. Now, Mom was primarily involved with the advanced training of naval officers who would be aerobatic flight instructors in UPF7 Wacos.

Her aviation career continued until 1953 when she and Dad sold the aviation business. They bought some acreage east of Coeur d'Alene and went into ranching full time. Fifteen or sixteen years later found Mom back flying and Dad in his shop putting new fabric and engine parts on a J-3. Now, as in the very beginning, aviation was their form of recreation!

Back in 1969 one of Mom's greatest pleasures came when she began teaching her children to fly. Kelly, her sixteen year-old son, was the first to learn. Mom was patient while he learned to trust the flying machine. What a thrill the day he soloed the J-3. Soon his friends were inquiring about lessons.



All Smiles! Left to right: Clay Henley, operator of Henley Aerodrome, Gladys, and Dr. Dave Rahm, geology professor

from Western Washington State College. Dave will be featured speaker at Roundup '75.

Her daughter Sally and family were now spending their weekends at the airport. Sally's husband, Dick, was eager and quick to learn. It seemed inevitable that Sally, a terribly cautious individual, would make the decision to try flying too. That winter they attended Mom's ground school. In the spring they passed their written. Soon Dick had his private and a year later Sally had hers. Dick now has his commercial and instructor's rating SEL, gliders and balloons. Sally has a private in airplanes and gliders and her commercial in balloons.

Mom also taught her special friend, 99 Pearl Manchini. She is a tiny but spirited gal who is director of nurses at Kootenai Memorial Hospital and learned to fly in Mom's J-3.

I will never forget the shock I felt the day Dad told me she was taking lessons in a hot air balloon. Several months passed. In August, 1973, she was ready for her check ride. That flight began at a roadside rest area just west of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. Friends and relatives, tourists, and the F.A.A. examiner, Mr. Del Randels, gathered round. Inflation was a spectacular sight with the burners thrusting four feet of blue-yellow flame and Grandma Buroker at the controls of the burner. In a matter of minutes they were weighing off. The ground crew steamed off in hot pursuit. She was nearing Coeur d'Alene Lake when she selected a field for landing. With the ground crew's shouted warning that there were too many wires, she added some heat and went up in search of a more welcoming landing site. The playful winds changed her course and with a lump in my throat I watched the balloon journey out over the lake. Our group decided to go back to town and grab a bite of supper while we waited for the balloon pilot to call in her landing position. We were through with supper and still no word. What to do? The kids were asleep so we carried them out to the car when what to our worried hearts should appear? The chase rig with balloon and pilot and inspector! Nothing but smiles. They had traveled five miles to the east shore, landing on the beach of a summer home. Boats flocked to the landing. One particular yacht offered them a ride to town. The task of loading the gondola and envelope on board began. They had only departed a few minutes when Mom discovered the skipper was a man she had taught to fly forty years ago! Back home, the happy reunion was climaxed with the traditional popping of a bottle of champagne. The evening came to a close with the exciting details of the balloon flight and with the issuance of a commercial rating in hot air balloons with air borne heater for my Mom.

Mom is Director of Hospital Education for the Kootenai Memorial Hospital and finds her work a pleasant challenge. Currently she is making aviation plans for the bicentennial. Through correspondence with Clifford Place, founder of the J-3 flying Club, she hopes to join his tour of America. Mom plans to contribute a formation of seven J-3s piloted by seven women!

Sixth Annual Illinois 99s Air Derby

SPEED CATEGORY

Place	Pilot Co-Pilot	Plane	Score=
1st	Margaret Ringenberg Larry Thrush	Piper Pa-151	+15.6396
2nd	Dolores Addison Doug Combs	Bellanca Citabria	+15.448
3rd	Judy Suit Ellen O'Hara	Gruman Am/Tiger	+14.2819
4th	Mike Donagan Field Morey	Cessna 182	+14.2810

PROFICIENCY CATEGORY

1st	Richard Rush Scotty Harmon	Piper PA28-180R	99.6766%
2nd	Edie Allen Bruce Allen	Piper PA28-180	99.3670%
3rd	Joyce Odom Mickey Odom	Piper PA32-300	99.2369%
4th	Bob Frantz Ruth Frantz	Piper PA28-140	99.0306%

From the 51 entries in this year's race the planes ranged from the Commanche 260B, Beech M-35, Mooney M20F, Cessna 310, Cessna 182, Gruman Am-Tiger, Cessna 177, Navion, Gruman Am-Traveler, Piper Arrow, Beech A23-24, Cessna 172, Piper PA28-180, Pa28-151, PA28-140, PA32-300, Cessna 205, Bellanca Citabria, Cessna 150, Piper Tri-Pacer, and finally the last to takeoff was a Piper Cub handicapped at 80 miles per hour. It was flown by father and son, Walter and Peter Kerwin, and Peter had just soloed the previous Saturday.

For a weekend of excitement, fellowship, fun, and thrills, plus the bonus of increasing your proficiency in your plane, and winning trophies plus cash, enter one of the many small races held throughout the country. Contestants for this years' Illi-Nines Air Derby came from California, Colorado, Minnesota, Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Missouri—what a chance for making new friends.

Charlene Falkenberg, Publicity Chairman - Illi-Nines Air Derby

Wright - Akers Team Wins Angel Derby

Topping a field of 98 planes, Esther Wright of Thomasville, GA., and Joyce Akers of Decatur, GA., buzzed the line at the Titusville Florida terminus to take first place in a Cessna 182. Second place went to Marion Jayne and daughter, Patricia, of Palatine, Ill., flying a PA-30 Twin Comanche. Third place was captured by Sophia Payton, of Clearwater, Fla., and Pat Fairbanks of Cincinnati, Ohio, in a Mooney Mark 21.

The race, tabbed "the best ever" in its 25 year history, started in Hamilton, Ontario, Canada, on May 22, and ended at Titusville on Saturday, May 24th.

Valera Johnson, of St. Clair, Missouri, crossed the finish line ahead of the pack, but computer read-outs placed her in 36th place in her Beech V35B. Judy Wagner, and Helen Wilke, each flying solo, placed 8th and 9th (each in a Beechcraft). Martha Gaunce, Lorrie Blech, Pat Arnold, and Carole Freeman were the others flying solo.



1975 ANGEL DERBY WINNERS (Left to right)

Third Place: Pat Fairbanks, co-pilot and Sophia Payton, Pilot.

First Place: Esther Wright, Pilot and Joyce Akers, co-pilot

Second Place: Marion Jayne, Pilot and Patricia Jayne, co-pilot.

AVIATION LAW

By Sylvia Paoli



Sylvia Paoli

Last month we discussed a case which upheld the FAR regulation showing the pilot as ultimately responsible for his aircraft. Now let's look at one which shows that someone else may be held responsible.

In *Freeman v. U.S.A.* (509 F 2d 626) Freeman's estate sued the government for his death which occurred during a parachute jump in which the jumpers landed in Lake Erie. The facts indicated that the eighteen parachutists took off in a B-25 to make a free-fall high altitude parachute jump from 20,000 feet. A Cessna had taken off about the same time carrying a photographer who was to photograph the jump. The radar controller handling the flight of the B-25 confused the two planes, and although the pilot of the B-25 kept in contact with the controller and verified his position before the jump, the jump was in fact made, not over Ortner airport as scheduled, for four miles over Lake Erie. Two of the parachutists were rescued; the other sixteen perished.

The jumpers descended through a solid cloud cover at 4000 feet, in violation of 14 C.F.R. 105.29, that forbids parachutists to jump through clouds. Although the government did not dispute the fact that the air traffic controller was negligent, it contended that this contributory negligence on the part of the parachutists and the jump master negated its own responsibility.

Subsequent proof showed, however, that the jumpers had no knowledge of the conditions below them, but relied totally on a signal from the jump master. They were seated in the plane in almost total darkness, so that when the bomb bay doors were opened for the jump, they were temporarily blinded by the sudden brightness. Since only about thirty seconds elapsed from the time they were signaled to jump until all were out of the plane, they would not have been aware of the clouds until already on their way down.

In addition, it was shown that the regulation had not originally been enacted to protect the parachutists themselves, but to keep them from presenting a hazard to aircraft and to persons and property on the ground. Thus the fact that they jumped into a cloud in violation of a regulation, did not, in and of itself, make them automatically negligent.

In discussing the negligence of the pilot and the jump master, the court considered the question of whether that negligence could be passed on or "imputed" to the



One Of Our Greats



Kay Brick

"I was ferrying a Curtis Hell-Diver to Palacios," she said. "My passenger was a huge pedigreed rabbit named 'Texas Gentleman the Third', new mascot for the Squadron." Laughter was on the edge of her voice, and her brown eyes sparkled. "It was routine to crack the canopy on landing, and each time I did, grass from the 'Gent's' cage would fly all over the cockpit..."

This was Kay Brick, reminiscing. Graduate of Boston University, Masters in psychology from N.Y.U., graduate work at Columbia University...She also had a commercial license, and about 200 hours when she joined the WASPs during World War II. After tow-target assignments in North Carolina and Georgia, she was sent to Biggs Air Force Base in El Paso, Texas.

Meanwhile, she had gained multi-engine and instructor ratings, and was working toward the Army Air Corps Instrument Rating.

"She had fantastic good luck," recalls fellow-WASP Lois Hailey, "She and her instructor were practicing approaches one night...Kay was under the hood, and the Instructor decided to go around. He poured the power to the BT 15, and it began to roll. One wing was lost, then the engine, the other wing, and, finally, the tail. When the dust had settled, Kay and her instructor sat at the end of the runway in a well-trimmed fuselage, upright and

unscathed."

Kay became her Squadron Commander at Biggs Field, Texas. The girls were flying "Searchlight" missions and "Mother" planes for radio-controlled Anti-Aircraft Artillery targets.

When the WASPs disbanded, Kay met and married the dashing pilot Frank Brick from Norwood, N.J. (Their daughter, Bunny, is now a talented commercial artist) Kay became interested in air racing, and was appointed to the AWTAR Board in 1951. 10 years later, she was made Chairman.

She is a former International President of the 99s, and member of the FAA Women's Advisory Committee on Aviation. In 1966, she received the FAA Certificate of Commendation for the "Many contributions she has made to the development of American Civil Aviation." The following year, Boston University presented her with the Sargent College Alumni Humanity Award.

Under her name in "Who's Who of American Women", there is an awesome list of credits. A recent addition, from the Federation Aeronautique Internationale, is the Paul Tissandier Diploma. Only two other American Women have received this, which is the highest International General Aviation Award.

With all her sophistication, Kay is refreshingly appreciative of the trivial. In a barren wasteland, she can find a tiny flower and, pointing, exclaim:

"Look at that majestic mountain!"

Because of her enthusiasm, suddenly you, too, see the flower, and the mountain is indeed majestic.

This year, as AWTAR's Ex-Officio Advisor, she describes herself as a "Has Been." For what she has been, she is widely-known, well-loved and respected. To us, her name will always be synonymous with The Powder Puff Derby.

By Wanda Cummings

jumpers. If so they would be unable to recover because of contributory negligence, under an Ohio law similar to the Alabama law which governed the Todd case (May issue). The court was of the opinion here, however, that the parachutists had no control of any kind over the plane or the jump master, but were the helpless passengers and therefore whatever liability the pilot or jump master might have could not be passed on to them as "join venturers" in the project. The actions of the pilot and jump master contributed to the disaster, but those actions were not independent ones completely separated from the controller's negligence, but were a result

of that negligence. Thus these actions did not qualify as legal "intervening actions" sufficient to break the chain of causation running from the controller's negligence to the jumpers' injuries and death. Had this been held the opposite, recovery might well not have been allowed, but the final conclusion of the court, in their decision handed down on January 24, 1975, was that the parachutists were innocent victims of the negligence of others, and their estates were allowed to recover damages from the government. The pilot was allotted some fault, but it was the controller who was held "ultimately responsible", the same criteria which denied Todd's estate any recovery.

Chapter Personalities

Margaret Shipley



Margaret Shipley

By Jenny McWilliams

Margaret Shipley is a professional pilot. She epitomizes the ideal in Flight Instructors-----dedicated, knowledgeable, and inspiring.

During the eleven years she has been flying, all but 500 hours of her total of 3000 hours, have been spent instructing. Her base of operation is Shipley Aviation, a Piper Dealer, and Central Aero, Inc. in Greenwood, MS., both of which are co-owned by Margaret. These two companies offer Sales, Maintenance, fuel, storage, air taxi, rental and instruction for all land ratings---the complete F.B.O., all under the guiding hand of Margaret.

At any given time, her flight school handles an average of twenty active students in various stages of training. Many of Margaret's students are young people--girls and boys. She has soloed seven young people on their 16th birthday; one of whom is her own daughter. One young man soloed two different airplanes on his 16th birthday, a Cherokee 140 and a Cessna 172. Two of her students passed their Private Check ride on their 17th birthday. Also included in her list of proteges are eight sets of brothers! All in all, a good cross-section of today's youth.

It is a unique blessing for any of us to be allowed the opportunity to work with young people. Any instructor in this situation can have an influence on youth's acceptance of discipline and hard work, and as a dedicated Christian, Margaret is tailor-made for her job. Other areas of her work with young people, includes Sponsoring the Explorer Scouts by using her F.B.O. as an Aviation Post for both girls and boys. One girl and four boys have recently passed the Private Written under her tutelage in the Scout program.

Instructing is Margaret's full-time endeavor, as evidenced by the fact that in 1974 alone, she sent 27 pilots up for Check Rides, seven of whom for their Commercial Certificate. (Also, in 1974, she added a rating of her own; Certified Instrument Flight Instructor. Her training for this rating was taken from another woman pilot, Suzie Lambert.) The amount of interest in Flying that Margaret engenders in her community is amazing when one considers that she is not located in an urban area, but in a primarily farming community. Her appointment as a Commissioner of Greenwood's Airport Board bears out the high regard the City holds for her.

Upon being asked to respond to the call for listing on the Johnny Horizon 99 Airport Network, Margaret was one of the first to answer from the State of Mississippi. During her ten years as a member of the Mississippi Chapter of The Ninety-Nines, she has held the office of Nominating Committee Member for the Southeast Section, as well as Chapter offices of Secretary for two terms and Reporter. Recently she appeared on a state-wide television interview on behalf of the Mississippi 99s. In spite of the amount of time demanded of her by her vocation, she has taught a Sunday School Class of 7th and 8th Graders for the last ten years.

Aviation in general, and the Ninety-Nines in particular, would not be the viable forces they are, without the steady, day-by-day, professionalism that is given by women such as MARGARET SHIPLEY, a true teacher of airmanship.

UXORES DOCTAE AQUILAE

By Helen Wray
SHV Chapter 99s

In case you are interested in translating Latin, you just read the words "wives instruct eagles." Shreveport Chapter 99s has three flight instructor wives who have taught their husbands to be flight instructors. Talk about a challenge! Let me tell you a little about it.

First of all, the husbands were all pilots. Charles Wray, my husband, learned to fly in 1940. When he became my student for Certified Flight Instructor (CFI) in 1970, he still gasped every time I flared for landing. After all, I had only been flying for five years at the time. It was surprising that he wanted me for his instructor, and I found out later that I had the great appeal of being "free." As long as I told him how wonderful he was, he was a cooperative student. Criticism was not accepted too well. A little suggestion on chandelles or lazy-8's was listened to but not necessarily followed. Several sessions ended in silence (all the way home). At the time of the FAA check ride, I felt that Charlie was certainly going to pass, but I also was prepared to be fully responsible for the pink slip if it happened. Luckily a smile appeared as he returned from the examiner's room and all was well.

Last year, two other members of our SHV chapter experienced the same marital trauma. Evelyn Snow taught her husband Dan to be a CFI (he was an Air Force Pilot), and Jere Saur taught her husband the fine art of CFI-ing. Henry was a civilian pilot of long standing and the reason Jere learned to fly in the first place.

It was with great interest that I watched their expressions after a flight. I noticed the tight-lipped exits from the plane, and the long periods of silence. I felt great empathy. But again, all ended well. Dan and Henry passed easily with flying colors.

At first, Evelyn, Jere, and I patted ourselves on the back and congratulated each other for our accomplishments. After all, how many ladies had taught their husbands to be flight instructors. On second thought, the sterling quality of our husbands shone through, and we realized that it took a good man to receive this instruction. Evelyn, Jere, and I say, "Thank you, husbands, for letting us do our thing."

The six of us have decided that an international organization is in order. It is to be composed of CFI couples in which the husband has been taught to be a CFI by his CFI wife. We have selected the name of UXORES DOCTAE AQUILAE, and have already held one meeting complete with catfish and hushpuppies at Curley's in Uncertain, Texas. (Yes, Virginia, there is an Uncertain, Texas, and the name of the airfield is Beers.)

We now want to hear from other couples who qualify for this honorable organization. Please write Charles Wray, President UDA, 441 Monrovia Street, Shreveport, Louisiana 71106.

Long live UXORES DOCTAE AQUILAE.



Helen and Charles Wray, Jere and Henry Saur, and Evelyn and Dan Snow, all of Shreveport Chapter 99s, happily pose in front of the Snow's new hangar (built completely by Dan) at the SHV DTN Airport. All three wives instructed their husbands to be CFIs and the three couples are ready to fly to the first meeting of UXORES DOCTAE AQUILAE. (See article).

Sue Matheis



Sue Matheis (Mrs. Richard A.), winner of the 1975 Doris Mullen Whirly-Girls Scholarship, is congratulated by FAA Flight Examiner W. A. Murphy, Jr., after successfully passing her flight test for her commercial helicopter rating. This petite mother of five, a pilot-reporter for Station KMOX-CBS in St. Louis, Mo., is now Whirly-Girl No. 194. She is a member of the Greater St. Louis Chapter 99s.

(Ed. Note: The Heading NEW HORIZONS reflects 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")



Margaret Ann Yourdon - Member of Kansas Chapter since 1953. April, 1975 - Cancer.



Molly Stockwell

Molly Stockwell, charter member, vice chairman and past chairman of the South Louisiana chapter, was an active member of the 99s since 1965. She was co-chairman of the Silver Anniversary Powder Puff Derby terminus in 1971 and was to have served in that capacity for the South Central Section Spring '76 meeting. Molly was a charter member of the Baton Rouge Aircraft Pilots Association, serving that organization as Secretary for several terms and was one of the first two women ever to be elected to its Board of Directors. For several years she was a ferry pilot for the local Cessna distributor and on occasion flew aerial photographers. Molly worked for Dr. Hypolite Landry, a long time friend of the 99s, who fought valiantly to save her life. She died April 11.

Molly was a valued member of the South Louisiana Chapter, and her membership in this organization was a source of great joy to us and pride to her. She often expressed her belief in our responsibility to the 99s in both our personal conduct and our professional endeavors by saying, "If I am the only 99 a person ever meets, then to that person, I **AM** the Ninety-Nines". With this foremost in her mind, Molly represented the image of all of us with charm and grace, and cherished the 99s.

Within the close personal relationship that each of us in the South Louisiana Chapter enjoy, we looked to Molly on many occasions for guidance and strength as a chapter no less frequently than we did as our friend. She was a person of great faith, strong conviction and devoted to family and her friends.

Molly is survived by three children, her mother, a younger sister and brother, and.....those of us who are fortunate enough to have shared the experience of her young life.

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SCRAPS FROM THE SCRAPBOOK CHAIRMAN

WANTED: More newsnotes from our overseas members. You fine flying ladies from around the world should be represented in the Ninety Nine scrapbooks, even if some of us over here can't read the articles. It will perpetuate YOUR part of our wonderful Ninety Nine history.

I have heard from Kim in Korea, and of course I can't read Korean—but I'm delighted anyway. So come ON—how about some newsnotes from France, Finland, Great Britain (I can read that!) Australia—Africa—your organization AND your president want to hear from you! When I was prez, I received wonderful scrapbooks from my scrapbook chairmen, I will treasure them all my life. Don't let our Pat down. (Betty McNabb, 3114 Beachwood Dr., Panama City, Fla. 32401)

What it's all about COMMITTEE REPORTS



Margo Smith, Chairman

In the 12 month 1974 year, there were 1300 APT 99s while in the 16 month 72-73 year there were 1200. Although this does indicate an increase in those reporting APT, we must still consider the membership increase and conclude we show 25-30 percent of the membership APT and supporting the Program—very little change from last year's 21 percent. We must further conclude he have very few active pilots in a flying organization and-or there are a great many who don't support the APT Program by turning in APT forms.

Although our APT Program was undoubtedly instrumental in the initiation of the FAA's BFR requirement; has enhanced our "image" indicating we are proficient and safety conscious; has provided a source for statistics on who flies and their

ratings, it is without future value unless supported by all who fly, every year. We all know our organization has a large proportion of those who don't fly—and we also know we couldn't function without them—but those who do, must support the APT Program, a duly authorized program of the 99s, or see it terminated.

My apologies, dear Reader for sounding so harsh. Your reading this means you got the message long ago. Perhaps if you and I work especially hard spreading the word we can demonstrate that wonderful 99 ability to dig and do the job.

The following 1974 results are tentative—late ones seem to keep dribbling in. Colombian Orchid, Australian and French Sections are all APT by their countrys' regs. The East Africa and Finnish Sections are just joining the Program. The British do not participate.

East Canada	33
Middle East (no report)	0
New England	54
New York-New Jersey	77
North Central	224
Northwest	82
Members-at-Large	1
South African	17
Southeast	113
South Central	234
So. Central Africa	12
Southwest	380
Western Canadian	25

AWTAR



Wanda Cummings, Reporter

No, luvs, Howard Rosen is not flying the Powder Puff Derby. We give him "A" for publicity, however, and for keeping headquarters' phone jangling with inquiries.

The last of the brown envelopes postmarked May 1 has finally trickled through the mail system, making a total of 102 entries. This year, AWTAR has three "firsts": Dell Hinn and her young co-pilot Gail Champlin of California are the first Grandmother-grandaughter team; LTJGs Rosemary Consster and Joellen Drag are the first Navy team; TAR No. 95 is Chiyoko Murakami, Canadian pilot who will have as co-pilot Yae Nozoki of Tokyo, our first entry from Japan.

In defiance of Texas weather, a good group attended the First Day Drawing. We were honored to have both Mothers Superior, Kay Brick and Pat McEwen. Kay stayed about 10 days to help us through the first laboring pains of processing entries. In previous years, her late husband, Frank, quietly handled many unsung details necessary to preparation for the race. He would be pleased that Kay

will be "Woman of the Year" for the 1975 Race Program.

On this lovely May 16th, the Official Program went restlessly to bed at the publisher's. The mimeo is still churning over the contestant list which will be mailed next week along with any additions or corrections we have neglected.

AWTAR has three new Board Members: From Wichita, Peg Noltensmeyer is Official Timer, Liaison for aircraft manufacturers, and assistant Program Editor; Linda Hooker, Central Representative, and Jo McCarrell, Promotion. Linda and Jo are from the Dallas area (Golden Triangle Chapter) and will be timers for the Must Stop at Plainview, Texas.

Artistic Lynn Briggs, San Diego Chapter, has duplicated the map she made for the San Diego Aerospace Museum. Across the huge U.S. Chart, vari-colored threads trace 28 PPDs. It makes an impressive display at AWTAR Headquarters. Thank you, Lynn.....

Next issue: "Round Robin" by the Root Surveyors

Bulletin

102 Planes are entered in the 28th PPD. Honorary starter, Bill LaValles. Official Starter George Griffith.



28 PPD Routes by Lynn Briggs (in AWTAR Headquarters Office) L-R: Kathy Long, Helen Wilke



First Day Drawing, Dallas, April 9, 1975. L-R: Charlie Hillard (pulling TAR No. 1) Marian Banks, Chr. AWTAR.



First Day Drawing...Dallas, April 9 1975. L-R: Wanda Cummings, Pat McEwen, Kay Brick

PPD Bi-Centennial 76

The coffers for the 1976 Powder Puff Derby have received 55 contributions totaling a little over \$3,500. This figure includes \$800 from Palomar Chapter's Powder Puff Derby Day held at Fallbrook

Community Airpark on April 6. In spite of inclement weather (it drizzled on and off all day), I think we can call this day a success.

Approximately 800 pancake breakfasts were served and the profits were shared with the Lions Club. We gave 183 scenic flights and avocados, oranges, and strawberries from the airpark fields were sold. Films of the Powder Puff Derby and Farnborough, England Airshow brought in additional donations. Beer and soft drink sales were down due to the chilly weather. We had a static display of Wings and Wheels. The star attraction was the World War II Fiesler Storch complete with swastikas and the Iron cross with a Mercedes Benz former German army staff car parked under the wing.

Due to low ceiling several of the exhibits were unfortunately unable to reach the Airpark. We heartily thank all those who braved the weather and especially all the 99s who drove long distances to help celebrate and help make this day a success. If we had had good weather we feel confident we could have made well over \$2,000.

In addition to the 1976 PPD contribution we were also able to contribute \$250 to the 1975 PPD Start and \$200 to the Amelia Earhart Scholarship Fund. We had a fun day, promoted aviation, and we got a great deal of county-wide publicity for the PPD.

Again I urge all other chapters who are interested in seeing the PPD continued in future years to promote such a day with local variations in their area. It would only take an **average** of \$500 per chapter event and we would have it made. Just add up the figures and you will see what I mean. It is up to us, gals. Let's enthuse and get the job done.

Pam Vander Linden, Chairman
1976 Ways & Means Committee
P.O. Box 352
Fallbrook, CA 92028

Air Age Education 99 Style

CHAIRMAN: LINDA HOOKER

Phrases such as "Aerospace Education, that's the name of the game," and Aviation is where it's all at," could be heard echoing from every room and down every hall at the Fountainebleau Hotel in New Orleans on April 3rd thru 5th. The event that precipitated such comments was the National Congress on Aerospace Education.

Teachers representing all education levels and disciplines, representative of aviation-aerospace oriented products, from organizations interested and involved in aerospace-aviation education, the CAP and ROTC, school administrators, and "just plain, ordinary folk" who are committed to the improvement and expansion of aerospace education gathered together for the congress. Their unified purpose was to learn what is being done in aerospace education throughout the world, to share teaching ideas and experiences, and to try to ascertain what can

be done in the future to carry the word "aviation" to more people and to improve the quality of education and teaching techniques employed in the field of aerospace education.

Jo McCarrell, SCS Air Age Education Chairman, and I flew into New Orleans, to register. On our way up to registration, the first three people we met were 99s - Nina Rookaird, Southwest Section AAE Chairman (Redwood Empire Chapter); Nancy Wrenn (Carolinas Chapter); and Lorna Kringle (Puget Sound Chapter).

That afternoon attendees had several program options which included both Elementary and Secondary Education activities. Since one could not attend them all, I began with the Elementary activities. This program was conducted by Mrs. Pauline Maupin, a teacher who has received much acclaim in her home state of Tennessee for her innovative and unique programs in "Open Education." This session was interesting, provocative, thought-stimulating and "active participation" oriented. The highlight came when each participant had to design his own paper airplane, fly it in a distance contest, and then analyze why it did or did not do better than the others. (Use this idea in your own classroom.) At the close of the session, each attendee received a first print, complimentary edition of Mrs. Maupin's book, "Aerospace Education Games & Activities for the Elementary School." Since this book is not available anywhere at this time, I will be more than happy to send a Xerox copy to anyone interested in having one.

The morning of the 4th began at 7:00 a.m. for me with the very distinguished honor of representing the 99s at the First Annual Meeting of the National Council on Aerospace Education. I considered it a distinguished honor because membership on the council is by invitation only and is made up of representatives from each of the top twenty organizations involved in aerospace education. The invitation for the 99s to seat a representative of our organization on the council is a major breakthrough in recognition of the 99s concerted efforts and work in the field of aerospace education. Your representative will also be the only woman on the council.

9:00 a.m. found all participants assembled in the Grand Ballroom for a truly exciting program, "Take Off Into Greatness," by Mr. Grover Loening, a pioneer aviation engineer. Mr. Loening, whose aeronautical career spans more than sixty years and who was an engineer for the Wright Brothers, dispelled several myths about the beginnings of aviation. A series of slides featuring early aircraft and particularly ones Mr. Loening played a major role in the development of accompanied his talk. Mr. Edward Stimpson of GAMA then presented "The General Aviation Story" via a series of slides. Following Mr. Stimpson's presentation, Carol S. Rosin of Fairchild Industries related her experiences and how she, as a teacher, incorporated aerospace into her total teaching program in an open

classroom. She used the theme "It's Your Turn" to encourage teachers to experiment with new ideas to work aerospace into their overall teaching curriculum.

The afternoon was one filled with Action Report Sessions. There were six Action Reports which were presented twice during the afternoon so that each attendee at the Congress had an opportunity to take in two of them. I opted for "Aviology" during the first session presented by Mr. Paul Becht of P.K. Younge Laboratory School of the University of Florida. Mr. Becht explained that Aviology is an experimental project utilizing flight as the vehicle to highly motivate learning during a year-long physics course. They are attempting to personalize education by identifying the most efficient modes of learning (visual aids, lecture, hands-on, etc.) for an individual. This is being done through the use of a collection of interdisciplinary materials arranged into flexible modules.

The second Action Report Session I chose to audit was "Aviation — An Individualized Approach." Mr. Fred F. Seeds, originator and teacher of the aviation course at Mundelein High School, Mundelein, Illinois, where this unique approach to learning-teaching was first employed shared with those of us present his experiences through a slide presentation he had prepared from his own classes. Mr. Seeds utilizes individual learning packets called LEGS (Learners Educational Guides) which allow the student to progress at his own pace. He has developed a most interesting and unique program.

With the conclusion of this last action report came the conclusion of a very rewarding Congress. It was hard to leave such a beautiful city and to say "good-bye" to our many new-found friends, many of them 99s, but Jo and I found consolation in knowing that we would meet them again at next year's Congress.

International Committee Report

SAFETY EDUCATION

Marilyn P. Hibner, Chairman

Although the last few issues of 99 NEWS did not contain a column for "Safety Education", don't think we're not working on methods, programs, contacts, etc. In the November-December issue of the NEWS, I outlined some procedures I wanted chapters and sections to initiate and put into operation, i.e., Section Governors (my committee members on the international level) appointing a Safety Education Chairman and a Chairman of a Speakers Bureau; Chapter Chairmen appointing a Safety Education Chairman for chapter level; initiating section meeting programs and chapter activities tied in with our safety education program as outlined in my article in the November-December issue.

I know, of course, that this is a new committee and will take a bit longer to get the ball rolling this year than other

committees that were in force in the past year(s). However, I have had a disappointingly small response in the form of names of these appointed chairmen. I hope the missing link is that you just haven't gotten the names on to me yet; and not that you haven't appointed these chairmen yet. And just in case I am a contributor to this missing link rather than making the program complete so that it can work effectively, I am not waiting any longer for names with which I can communicate and mail information. By the time this column goes to print, each one of my committee members (Section Governors) will have received from me complete SOPs for the International Safety Education Committee; forms to be completed and returned to me advising me of Section Chairmen for this program and Chapter Chairmen for this program; SOPs for the AWARE program; SOPs for the S.A.F.E. program; and a point system for Sections (including Chapters collectively) whereby award will be made annually to the Section accumulating the most points for the efforts of Safety Education. And for those sections that are smaller in number than some other sections, your chances will be equal; for the point system takes into account that increased membership in a particular section can give an "edge" to large sections, and therefore, puts all of you on a basis of proportionate comparison. Need I make it any more obvious that I want us, collectively to produce outstanding results and progress in Safety Education. Thanks to our President, Pat McEwen (who was at least one step ahead of me, if not more), the FAA has been informed of the AWARE program in every FFA Region; and FAA has been in touch with me to jointly promote the AWARE program in their various regions. I have been in touch with several major airlines to get their joint backing of the S.A.F.E. program; and I have also been in touch with the Local FAA in my area to promote a more intensive safety program for pilots — a voluntary progressive maintenance program of skills and knowledge for the pilot, very similar to the theory of progressive maintenance programs for aircraft and autos.

Section Governors — if you haven't yet advised your next hosting chapter to set up a Safety Education oriented program for your next Section meeting, do so. If you don't yet have your Speaker's Bureau lining up places to speak and spread the word of 99s and Safety, do so. Chapter Chairmen—if you haven't yet planned two safety-oriented meetings for the year, get them planned now. If you haven't yet contacted the FAA to sponsor or work on a safety seminar with them, or a safety check ride clinic, or a CFI Re-Validation clinic, do so. Have you investigated the AWARE or SAFE programs or Penny-A-Pound project to decide which will be your chapter's best way to make contact with the public for safety education and aviation orientation.

To those of you who have submitted names of chairmen to me and have gotten your programs started, many thanks.

We know "Safety is no accident", but we must also realize "Safety is hard work and devoted effort."

International Hot Line U.S. Report

**Lillian Snyder, International P.R.
KICKOFF—GAMA SAFE PILOT**

SWEEPSTAKES II SAFETY SEMINARS

When our President, Pat, committed us to 300 safety seminars; the 99s lost no time in getting things underway. The first two meetings of the Safe Pilot Sweepstakes Programs sponsored by FAA and GAMA were co-sponsored by the Michigan Chapter AND two 99 FBOs, Jan Olsen, Olsen Flight Service, Detroit City Airport and Imogene Ross, Flight Tech Inc., Bishop Airport, Flint. The meetings were SRO - typically 99 style.

When your chapter sponsors a safety meeting, make sure your local media has the details. Make your press release clear and concise; following the WHO, WHY, WHEN and WHERE formula. Releases should be typewritten, double-spaced. At the top of the page, type your name, your 99 chapter, your address and phone number along with the date and release date or "for immediate release" if that's the case.

Activities which benefit others as well as ourselves are public relations in action. Maggie Burch, Southwest Section Public Relations Chairman, sends along good advice. "It is good, as a chapter, to assist charitable projects in your area." "Help in their functions and fund-raising activities—and of course—get it publicized." Last summer the Michigan Chapter joined the local media pilots in the "Fly High for Muscular Dystrophy" project. They flew their airplanes, selling rides, for two days at two Detroit area airports with the



Al Lowman, Detroit News city editor, who keeps the 99s in print, received a long overdue Certificate of Appreciation.



99s Bonnie Krentler and Jackie Debbs, Michigan's Flying Folk Singers serenading our friendly media.

proceeds going to the Muscular Dystrophy Fund. For nearly half the "customers", it was their introduction to the light plane and general aviation. It was good public exposure for the 99s, for general aviation, for the airports and the money went to a worthy cause.

If you're looking for resource material on women in aviation and aerospace for your Speakers Bureau or for individual talks before local groups, there is an excellent article, "A Salute to Women in Aerospace", in the February 1975 issue of Aerospace, the official publication of Aerospace Industries Association. The period from 1910 right up to 1975 is covered. A lot of research went into it and it is well done. Copies are available on a first-come, first-served basis from Jean Ross Howard, Office of Public Affairs, Aerospace Industries Association, Suite 700, 1725 DeSales St., Washington, D.C. 20036.

Maggie Burch puts together a super PR newsletter for the chapters in the Southwest Section. Lots of good tips and ideas on what the chapters are doing in the PR area. Other Section PR Chairmen may be doing similar things. It's good communication between chapters. If any of you are publishing such a newsletter, please send me a copy. Let's communicate.

N.I.F.A. Committee Report

Joy Feak Chairman 1975-76

The 27th N.I.F.A. meet was marred by the loss of two students from Parks College. It was the first fatal accident in the history of N.I.F.A. We were all saddened and extend our sympathy to the families of the boys.

This year we had more applicants than ever for the 99s Achievement Award. 18 in all and with much difficulty chose Miss Susan J. King from Embury—Riddle Aeronautical University, Daytona Beach, Florida. My judging committee was gratefully helped by our International Vice President, Lois Feigenbaum who flew in to Santa Fe accompanied by her daughter, Susie. Kathy Fox, Chairman Abq. Chp. and Hafriet Brin, Santa Fe Area Chp. completed my committee. Mary Vial, N.I.F.A. board member tried until the last minute to fly over to Santa Fe but a front moved in the night before and fouled the plans. The Top Woman Pilot Award was won by Karen S. Coyle, University of North Dakota. Both winners received nambe ware bowls which are made in New Mexico, all done by hand and useful remembrance of the meet this year. We had a 99 luncheon with 32 in attendance which was arranged by the Santa Fe Area Chapter, all 2 members! The Abq. Chapter

members drove and flew back and forth 60 miles each day to assist and many worked several jobs in one day. Opportunities are opening up daily for the women and these gals are surely to be heard from in the future. There were 38 chapters contributing to N.I.F.A. this year and I'm still receiving contributions which are gratefully accepted. A brand new chapter, Blue Ridge, contributed, and far off Alaska! One memorable evening we all enjoyed the Indian dancers who tried to teach some of the students an authentic corn dance. It was entertaining and great fun for the students! THANK YOU to all the 99s who helped make this years meet successful.



Winner of the 99s Achievement Award Susan J. King, at Santa Fe, N.M. at the 27th N.I.F.A. meet.

SECTION REPORTS

NORTHWEST SECTION

NORTHWEST SECTION MEETING

July 29-30

Coeur D'Alene, Idaho

Since Northwest Section travellers contend with long distances and multiple mountain ranges, we've decided to set aside any difficult decisions between attending the International Meeting in Coeur d'Alene or the Fall Sectional normally held a month later. We're combining them so that Northwesterners need travel only once to participate in both.

The Sectional will convene Tuesday evening July 29 with Chairmens' and Board meetings preceeding during the day. The business meeting will reconvene after a Continental breakfast Wednesday morning with a luncheon, the only served meal, culminating the gathering. Activities will be informal and somewhat abbreviated so that by Wednesday afternoon Sectional attendees can be transformed into International Meeting hostesses.

Idaho Chapter is hosting the Sectional. Contact Chairman Ann Stott, 920 Argyll Dr., Boise, Idaho 83702 for additional information.

trips through that beautiful country. Some of us had to fly over, under and around a few rain showers to find our way there, however. On Friday night three busloads of 99s and a surprising number of 49½s arrived at the Pinnacle Restaurant for a delicious steak dinner served western style. The banquet Saturday night was a dinner dance, also with a western band and held at the Towne House.

The business meeting, Saturday morning, started with brunch and a fashion show. We were honored with special guest, Lois Feigenbaum, our International Vice-President. She gave us a charming talk and brought us closer to what is happening on the International level. The meeting itself was productive and informative. Sylvia Paoli of the Fullerton Chapter clearly explained Incorporation of the Section and the 501-C-3 Tax Exemption. She has researched this well. A unanimous vote was taken to assure that no member would be assessed more than \$5.00. Also we voted that a letter of appreciation should be sent to Mardo Crane for the great work she is doing as editor of the 99 News. A copy of the letter will also be sent to International Headquarters.

It was suggested that we all send a telegram or night letter to President Ford requesting that John Baker be appointed as the new F.A.A. Administrator. As you all know, he would be an excellent man for the job and he is favorable to General Aviation. Pam Vander Linden, Palomar Chapter, sent out another appeal for

contributions to the Powder Puff Derby and asked that every chapter hold an annual P.P.D. Day each year at an airport in their area. This is good publicity and a painless way to raise money.

We flew home Sunday with a nice warm feeling for the fellowship in the 99s and the friends we met again at Sectional.



At the business meeting of the Southwest Spring Sectional in Phoenix, Verna West, Vice-Governor, left, and Marion Barnick, Governor, enjoy hearing about activities at International from Lois Feigenbaum, Vice-President.



Verna West, Section V.P.; Lois Feigenbaum, International V.P.; and Margo Smith, Section Sec'y.

SOUTHWEST SECTION

PHUN AT PHOENIX

By Maggie Burch, S.W.P.R.

Del Webb's Towne House in Phoenix, Arizona, was the headquarters for the Southwest Spring Sectional on April 11, 12, and 13. The weather in Phoenix was cool and delightful for our sight-seeing

Chapter Reports

British Section

Sheila Scott, Governor

Congratulations to Suzanne Brooks, Freydis Sharland, and Jane Jarvis, who all took on the challenge issued by the famous Battle of Britain pilot, Ginger Lacey - that at least one Ninety Nine make her first parachute jump at the Amy Johnson Festival weekend at Grindale, Yorks. All upheld Ninety Nine traditions by landing gracefully, and remaining APT.

The meeting was held in the North of England both to join in Bridlington's Amy Johnson Festival, and to make it possible for the Northern Ninety Nines to attend more easily. As our members are spread all over the British Isles, we are trying to vary the venue of our meetings so that no one has the excuse that they can never make a meeting owing to distance and current fuel restrictions! We all attended the new aviation musical show 'Amy', the story of Amy Johnson's life, which was given its premiere during the same week. Lyn Williams opened the following day's airshow with her usual spectacular display of aerobatics in her Stompe. Sheila Scott christened the Girls Venture Corps new Jodel aircraft with champagne, and Northern 99 Dawn Turley with 49½ Alan helped the flying club with joy rides in their Piper Aztec.

Another farewell party, was also given by April and Jimmy Clavell at their lovely Fredley Manor in the South. They are leaving England for a year or two, but will also be promoting Jimmy's new book, 'Shogum', in USA, Canada and Australia, so hope to meet many Ninety Nines during their travels.

Our recent Lilienthal Award winner, Ann Welsh, is getting marvellous reviews for her latest aviation book, 'Pilot's Weather'. This is a very well illustrated book, but not merely a textbook, but rather one which you can sit down and enjoy while learning!

Connie and Alan Fricker have started their Summer treks around the European rallies. Connie is the organiser for foreign rallies for the British Women Pilots Association, so any visiting Ninety Nines who are interested in European Touring should contact her.

An Anglo-Rhodesian Section meeting almost took place recently as Frances Benn, Elizabeth Overbury and Sheila Scott were there from the British Section, and entertained very handsomely by the Flame Lily Chapter. A pity women pilots are not politicians—we would soon iron out man's problems!

Sheila Scott sends thanks to all the South African, and Rhodesian Ninety Nines, who entertained her so superbly during the months she was in Southern

Africa, and looks forward to returning there in December.



British Section's Freydis Sharland has now added parachuting to her numerous aviation accomplishments. She is the Aviation Chairman of the Girls Venture Corps (the equivalent to CAP in U.K.) and she is pictured here with the new GVC aircraft, christened 'Venturing Dove'!



British Section's newest member, Jane Jarvis, made her first parachute jump along with Freydis Sharland and Suzanne Brooks at a recent Section Meeting at Grindale Airport, Yorkshire.

Australian Section

AUSTRALIAN CHAPTER Rosemary Colman Reporter

Women flyers fared well in the 1975 New South Wales Air Race which had a world record number of entries. Of the 228 entries, 212 started from Bankstown, Sydney on Saturday 22nd March. The wonderful support received by the Air Race Committee is an indication of the growing interest in aviation. This is the second N.S.W. Air Race and undoubtedly will establish it as a traditional event.

Competitors were pleased that the event was run in accordance with the rules of the Federation Aeronautique Internationale.

Aircraft flown in the Race included a Mustang, Beech Barons, Cessna 310s, a Lockheed 12A, Comanches, Bonanzas, Hughes 500c Helicopter, Sportavia Sperb, Piper Colt, Corby Starlet, Klemm Swallow, Pitts Special, Fuji, Auster J5, SIAL - Machetti, Victas, Tigers, Mooneys, as well as the better known flying school fleets.

Tremendous publicity was given to the Race by radio, television and newspaper coverage beforehand and during the race. The prize for the outright winner was donated by the Sydney Morning Herald Newspaper. A measure of the standard of the event is that the Guild of Air Pilots and Air Navigators saw fit to support the event

with a trophy and cash prize aimed at stimulating young aviators into making themselves better performers.

The Commonwealth Bank of Australia trophy for fourth place was won by Mrs. Pauline Henry. The Bett Parker Award for 6th place was won by Mrs. J.J. McKay. The first Prize for a Tiger Moth was won by Mrs. Cynthia Nolan, whose husband received a consolation prize for coming in last. The best All Ladies' Crew Prize went to Mrs. Stitt, best Women's Crew under 30 years of age to Mrs. Trudy White. The International Award is now in New Zealand.

The start at Bankstown Aerodrome was a gay occasion. 99s in the Race included Anne Carter, Margaret Kentley, Rosemary Colman. Taking photos and farewelling people were Nancy Leebold, Layne Glanville-Williams, and Bozena Vrla.

The stop over was in Narromine where the competitors in the Race were given a tremendous welcome by the Aero Club, Apex, Lions, Rotary, Rotoract, 25 Club, Argonauts and the Shire Council. The National Heart Foundation held a "Queen of Hearts" in conjunction with the Race to raise funds. 99 Wendy Hare is an active member of the Heart Foundation. Narromine is proud of its aviation history. Jean Batten (New Zealand) landed there in 1934 as have many other famous aviators.

The Race ended the next day in Tamworth where again the reception was warm and many local bodies had helped the 1,000 or more competitors as well as organisers of the Race. An Air Show was held after the last plane had landed, and 20,000 people saw Hot Air Ballooning, Aerobatics in a Pitts Special, Radio Controlled Models, Agricultural Aircraft Display, Blanik Glider, Gyroplane, Formation Flying and Helicopter Demonstrations. The day concluded with dinner, prizes and speeches at the R.S.L. Club.

The next N.S.W. Air Race is planned for 1977.



99 Carol Eve and her co-pilot Tony Rees with the Beechcraft C23 they flew in the Second New South Wales Air Race. The Aircraft supplied by Hawker de Havilland, Australia, was entered by the Sun Newspaper, Sydney, for which Carol works as a Reporter and Tony as a Sub-Editor. Carol was a crew member of the winning team in the 1973 Race.

South African Section

Merle Ball, Reporter

What fun our sectional meeting at Maseru proved to be. Fortunately the snow

predicted did not materialise, and we were able to enjoy the exhilarating climate found among the peaks of Lesotho. We were treated to champagne on arrival and then left to roam about to decide which of the many amenities provided would interest us. The cocktail party that evening was enjoyed by all, and gave us a chance to become better acquainted with those members we had not yet met...leaving all business to be discussed at the meeting scheduled for Saturday afternoon.

We are delighted to have Sheila Scott with us in South Africa again. Jeanette van Ginkel organised a welcoming dinner for Sheila so that she could meet the 99s from the South Central African Section as well.

Our meeting was interesting and much was achieved with ideas and comments made by Sheila Scott.

It was decided that we would offer our assistance at the State Presidents air race, and the Air Show scheduled for May and July respectively this year.

Congratulations to Sheila Anderson on being the first woman pilot to get her parachute drop rating. We wish Jeanette and Ian Frazer-Jones many happy flying hours in their new 58 Baron. Wyn Kearns has left Zambia and is now living in South Africa where she plans to do her Comm License. Angela Heintz was unable to attend the meeting as she was participating in the Trans Kalahari road race, a particularly hazardous course through semi-desert areas.



Ladies at the Cocktail party were Sheila Scott, Beth Saltzer and Merle Ball. Kneeling, our Governor, Jeanette van Ginkel.



Amalia von-Maltitz (Centre) tells a flying story to Ingrid Adolphi, Jeanette Fraser-Jones, and Eva Hollingworth.



Relaxing at the pool, from left to right. Beth Saltzer, Val Hunt-Davies, Jeanette van Ginkel, Jeanette Fraser-Jones. In the foreground, Merle Ball and 49½ er Peter White.

SOUTH CENTRAL AFRICA CHAPTER Brigitte Hildebrandt, Reporter

Another bi-annual meeting been and gone (24.5.75) with most of us wishing we were still at Ranch Motel. As usual it was great to see everyone again and meet new members Kay Armstrong and Rosanne Sheldon.

Our present team of office bearers was re-instated unanimously: **Betty Ambrose, Governor; Hedy Greene, Vice-Governor; Ingrid Heinz, Secretary-Treasurer.** Our membership having reached twenty odd, good luck for the next term of office!

APT cards were awarded to Kay Armstrong, Penny Dixon and Zee Witham. We also decided to hold an APT day in Johannesburg during the last week in June, in time to make the roster listing, and are grateful to the Department of Civil Aviation for agreeing to conduct the check rides.

We stressed the flying angle this time by having a forced spot-landing competition judged by a DCA official, who, much to our relief, had the knack of joining in the fun, making us all feel very much at ease and yet not letting up for one minute on the safety and learning aspect. And learn we did—thanks to Al Colesky!

Congratulations to Penny Dixon for winning the first prize both on the accuracy of her spot landing and precision of her overall flying. Second place for good flying was taken by Myrtle Brooks in her Tiger Moth and third prize by Brigitte Hildebrandt—which I hasten to add only to offset the rather dubious distinction of having also been awarded the boob prize for the silliest aerial blunder committed since the last meeting. 49½er Ken Humphreys' hitherto unsuspected literary talents and after-dinner-speaker Allan Cockle's unparalleled presentation ensured that it all went down in good spirit (and you may take that in its double meaning).

While we're on the subject: One zealous aviatrix (whose name shall be disclosed when the above-mentioned trophy is to be re-awarded!), having good cause to impress the awesome personage in the right hand seat, carried out the flight of her life on her way home from the meeting. There wasn't an aspect of the airwoman's ship she neglected, strayed not a foot off the

assigned altitude, not 2 degrees off course, her radio work was exemplary; in short, she acted (and felt) like the epitome of an efficient, safe and altogether competent pilot. Until the engine quit! Meticulous changing of tanks to produce just the right balance had lured her into the trap and the final gurgle of the tip tank was detected just a fraction too late. The person in the right hand seat? The Director of Safety, Department of Civil Aviation himself!

May your next news reporter have less to blush about as she recounts the tales of this section. Barbara Thompson, who made her debut in the April-May issue will be taking over for a while. 99s of this section—please bear in mind that we have 2 members in the USA, Helene Robertson and Shirley Siew, who depend largely on this column for news of our activities; we're spread over Botswana, Rhodesia and parts of South Africa—the only way your news reporter can report to you all is by getting material from YOU! Please supply it, so that we and 99s in the rest of the world get an idea of what everyone is doing aviation-wise in Southern Africa.

RODESIAN FLAME LILY CHAPTER Betty Ambrose, Reporter

Sparkling sunshine at sparrow promised a perfect day for the visit to the Air Force Base at Thornhill. That promise was not quite kept weatherwise, but the day with the Air Force exceeded all expectations.

We were met soon after touchdown with tea and scones and a welcome from the Officer Commanding, Wing Commander McLachlin. An official photograph in front of the Hunter, then off in a bus to the Control Tower, where we were fascinated with the talk-down procedures.

Although poor weather hampered some of the aerobatics of the Hunter jet, this was to us even more exciting, the jet being restricted to being very close to us, with a ceiling of only a few hundred feet.

Every item during the morning was of great interest to our girls, from the guard dogs who were so well trained, to the supply and casualty evacuation demonstration by Trojan aircraft. The latter was most convincing; the blood-stained bandages of the stretcher case as he and his drip were handled so tenderly from the aircraft to the waiting ambulance.



"STOP chattering you birds and watch for this birdie!" Air Force photographer captures the excitement as Rhodesian 99s visit the Air Force Base at Thornhill.

L to R. Prospective 99s, Carole, Phoebe and Sharon, two sons of 99s, then 99s Rosemary Hall, Elizabeth Overbury, British Section, Barbara Thompson, Barbara Jones, Zee Witham, (Chapter Chairman); Group Captain McLachlin (O.C. Thornhill) Meg Stubbs, Penny Dixon, Betty Amrose (Governor) Sqdn. Ldr. Alan Cockle, Roseanne Sheldon, Shelagh Anderson (S.A. Section) Carol Davison ...and unfortunately Val Barbour and Cheryl Olds hidden by the camera.

The life-like display of fire-fighting included the "rescue" of an injured pilot from his blazing Vampire jet fighter; while firemen concentrated on the flames, silver clad rescuers whisked the airman into the helicopter that promptly materialised.

Next, a visit to No 6 Squadron and a talk on flying training. For many of the 99s, the highlight of the day was a visit to the Hunter simulator, where from the cockpit they were able to try their hand at flying the aircraft—which was much more difficult than many of us realised, judging by the laughter as some put the aircraft metres below ground.

The sun shone once more as the girls were treated to a delightful braai/veis lunch in the gardens adjacent to the officer's mess.

This was a fitting close to a tremendous day. The Air Force had been so hospitable and everyone had enjoyed the day. Farewells lengthened as one by one the aircraft left for their various fields.

We are greatly indebted to Val Barbour, one of Rhodesia's top lady pilots, who not only joined us, but brought along our friendly P.R.O. of the Air Force, Alan Cockle, and reporters and cameraman from R.T.V. (This gave rise to a couple of well-written articles in the local press—much crisper than this reporter can manage—and an excellent 10-minute film on T.V. news).

For the first time since becoming a Chapter we were glad to welcome Shelagh Anderson (S. African Section) along on our trip, and Meg Stubbs. Good to have you with us.

It was great to meet Elizabeth Overbury again. Her fleeting visit to Salisbury last year was all too short and we felt very privileged to meet not only the first woman jet pilot of the Western World, but a delightful person who is so very modest about her achievements.

Our next distinguished visitor will be Sheila Scott and we wish her a pleasant stay in Africa.

East Canada Section

EASTERN ONTARIO CHAPTER Marilou Comerford, Reporter

We've been doing all kinds of interesting things lately here in our Chapter. We've had Marshall Ney, Chief Engineer,



L to R Barbara Brotherton, Gov. East Canada Section, Jean McEachern Chairman Maple Leaf Chapter, Gillian Holden Chairman First Canadian Chapter, Nora Parish Reporter, Premier Wm. Davis, Wilsie Frosst Vice-Chairman First Canadian Chapter, Mandy Anvelt, Edith Denny, and Joan Chilcott. Photo courtesy Burlington Gazette.

R.C.M.P. Air Detachment give us a most informative talk, with the help of slides and charts, on mechanical problems inherent to light aircraft. On another occasion, 49½ Dick De Blicquy regaled us with tales of "flying in the Arctic". Measurement was the order of the day at one meeting when we held a Metric Night. One of our own Charter members was guest of honor in April—Judie Strome, who went on to become an air traffic controller. Judie let us fire all our questions at her and delighted us with her stories. Our Museum Chairman was with us in May—Dorothy Renwick from Toronto. Dorothy is doing a tremendous job compiling information on Canadian women in aviation and told us the histories of five women, five of many that she is tracking down. At our May meeting we welcomed no less than eight new and prospective members! We're delighted to be growing. Many hands make light work.

You will probably hear of our venture in honour of International Women's Year from the other Chapters, but in brief, our Prime Minister has issued a letter of proclamation attesting to women's efforts and contribution to aviation in Canada. This letter is addressed to each of the ten provincial premiers and is being flown on a relay basis by 99s to each premier.

We kicked it off from Ottawa April 30th when Governor Barbara Brotherton arrived to take the letters on their first leg west and Marilou Comerford and Mary Macmillan flew east to Montreal.

Lorna de Blicquy, Betty Jane Schermerhorn and Felicity McKendry are, at this writing, on the first leg of the Angel Derby. They went with our best wishes for success and above all, enjoyment.

June should find us at our Fly In to Finger Lakes for a visit with that Chapter. Safe flying to all!

FIRST CANADIAN CHAPTER Nora Parish - Reporter

On Thursday May 8, members of the First Canadian Chapter visited Queen's Park Legislature Buildings in Toronto Ontario, and were received by the Premier of Ontario, Mr. Wm. Davis. They presented a letter to Mr. Davis from the Prime Minister of Canada, Mr. Pierre Elliot Trudeau. A copy of this letter which recognizes women involved in flying will be delivered to each Provincial Premier by the various Ninety-Nine Chapters across Canada.

The members flew into Toronto Island Airport in five different aircraft including a Piper Colt, Piper Cherokee, Cessna 172,

Beech Queen Air and a Piper Aztec. A good cross section of flying was represented from the week-end private pilot, through commercial and air race pilots to world travelling pilots. This activity, called Cross Canada Flights was undertaken in connection with International Women's Year and hopefully will help to make the Canadian public more aware of the number of women who are involved in the various segments of the flying community. The week starting May 16 was also a very busy week for the First Canadian Chapter when we hosted the start of the Angel Derby from Mount Hope Airport, Hamilton, Ontario. It was a great pleasure to meet and get to know the contestants as they took part in the various activities planned for them. At this writing the winners are still unknown.

Southwest Section

ARIZONA — CALIFORNIA
HAWAII — NEVADA — UTAH

BAKERSFIELD CHAPTER Pat Church, Reporter

Bakersfield Chapter gals, with the able help of 49½s Bill Ayars, Vern Oldershaw 49½ and Ted Turner, painted the runway at Tehachapi. On June 7, we are planning to take brushes (rollers, really) in hand again to freshen up Wasco and Shafter.

Recently Mary Ann Laxague took our latest load of medical supplies to Santa Barbara.

We're still assisting the FAA with pilot meetings. On May 21 we supplied coffee and cookies for a meeting featuring density altitude, and on June 18 we will co-sponsor a meeting on survival.

Joan Paynter is spending most of June taking her family in her Bonaza to Canada and the eastern United States. Then almost on top of her return home, she and her sister, Shirley Cote of the Orange County chapter are flying in AWTAR. Good luck, Joan and Shirley!

Plans for the fall sectional are really beginning to gel. Friday evening's barbeque and a wine tasting party on Saturday are just part of a whoop-te-do weekend. All you Southwestern 99s keep the last weekend of September open for a couple of days you'll never forget!

The happiest news of all involves our charter member, and loveliest of flying ladies, Achsa Holfelder. After a whirlwind 51 year friendship, she and Albert Donnels are being married in Reno on June 8. Best wishes, Achsa, for a long and happy life with a very lucky man.

Happy landings!

BAY CITIES CHAPTER Vivian Harshbarger, Reporter

The Fourth Annual International Worm Races were a huge success, although Bay Cities had no winners. It was a beautiful day for a fly-in, race, lunch, and hangar flying. Great to see members of Sacramento, Santa Clara and Big Valley



Fourth Annual International Worm Races—Pearce Field, Clear Lake, Ca. L to R - Sally Roling-SCV, Vivian Harshbarger-BC, Shirley Winn-Sacramento, Joyce Wells-BC, Kathy Walton-BC, Abigail Wagg-soon to be BC.

Chapters. The Clear Lake Observer was so impressed by the Nigerian student pilot I brought that they took his picture, and included his name in a front page article. HE WAS SO IMPRESSED by the friendliness of the 99s, and their husbands, that he asks me everyday when we can go again. This seems to be SOP with 99 fly-ins, because an especially nice instructor (who works where I do) attended the March 22 Anniversary fly-in, and he too wants to go to our next one.

We'll miss Maureen Carter. In mid-May she left for 10 weeks in South Carolina, then 13 weeks in Alabama with the Army Reserves for Tower Controller training, then to the tower at Hamilton Air Force Base. Maureen tried to become a controller in the conventional way but her timing was off, so she found this other means to realize a long time ambition.

Rose Sharp has embarked on a new adventure, working for the San Francisco Convention Visitors Bureau, and what an assignment—Aerospace Medical Association Convention. Not only did she meet the top Aviation and Aerospace officials but one of her non-aviation oriented co-workers added to her delight by telling about a friend who "taxiis" airplanes from Oklahoma City to the West Coast (indicating 55 all the way I presume).

Memorial Day Weekend—Joyce and Hal Wells off to Trinity for vacation—Joyce resting up before PPD, Convention '75, Palms to Pines, and all those good things. Rose and Donald, Astra Johnson, and Dorsey Hadley off to Watsonville for the Antique Fly-In. A premiere of the feature length film "Sky High" (thanks to Bernie Stevenson) is the latest BAY AREA CHAPTER's project to raise funds for the 1977 International Convention in San Francisco. We plan six to eight showings around the area and are selling tickets for \$2. It's a real bargain, and we need SRO to reach our goal of a registration free Convention. For tickets contact anyone in Alameda, Bay Cities, Marin, Mt. Diablo, Redwood Empire, Sacramento Valley, or Santa Clara Valley Chapters.

I've been at my new job for almost five months now (Sierra Academy of Aeronautics) and have progressed through the Nigerian, Zaire, Gabon problems to the Japanese, Greek, and French. I'm learning all about the culture and Aviation customs in these countries. Perhaps that's why I enjoyed Amelia Earhart's "Last Flight" so much. She made stops across Africa, the

Middle East, Far East and Australia. We have students from all these places, and I wonder if her flight might have convinced the grandparents of these students that their grandchildren should learn to fly. Her unparalleled (at the time) knowledge of airplanes, confidence, and self-assurance must have made a lasting impression on all with whom she came in contact.

PLEA FOR HELP Will the Chapter in California that is working on marking taxiways for night please contact me. Your ideas sounded good, and since taxiing into a ditch the other night I think we should do something in this area.

FULLERTON CHAPTER

Sylvia Paoli, Reporter

The big news in Fullerton Chapter is "air racing." Avery Grey and Esther Grupenhagen have been in the midst of exciting preparations for the Angel Derby, which they are flying in Avery's 310. Just a little more than a week after they get back we launch our own "first annual" — the Shirts 'n Skirts Race — a speed race round-robin from Fullerton Airport, open to all licensed pilots, gals AND guys. There have been a lot of takers, and the local newspapers have picked up on the gals *versus* guys theme, to the advantage of our chapter in particular and 99s in general.

With additional funds in the treasury, we will be launching out on a number of community-oriented enterprises. We have been busy working to collect and raise funds for the Powder Puff Derby, and distributing boxes to doctors, dentists, motels, hospitals, etc. for those people to fill with DRF supplies.

It's already time for election of officers. Although our charter reads September, it was just a year ago at this time that we first met to elect some officers and get organized! Esther, as chairman, and Avery as vice-chairman and treasurer and Judy Stoh as secretary have all done a GREAT job, to say nothing about the time put in by Marcia Philip, Verna Lindsey and Mary Dyer — all new 99s — on the chapter's projects, and Mary Olsten and yours truly among the "old" ones. We have held a Pennies-a-Pound flight, made several DRF flights, became incorporated, received both California and Federal (510c3) tax exemptions, attended two sections, participated in several races, and planned another of our own. It's been a good year — we're looking forward to an even better one!

GOLDEN WEST CHAPTER

Melba Erickson, Reporter

Our belated 5th anniversary celebration will be a swim and bar-b-que party at Jeanne Abramson's, 3 p.m., July 26.

The Lake Shasta fly-in to visit ex-GW 99 Dorothy Reel and her sky-diving 49½ George, on July 19 is next. Then International at Coeur d'Alene, Idaho on July 30-Aug. 2.

At least 6 seats are available for the Coeur d'Alene trip. Prospective passengers may call Janie Postlethwaite, 341-4000 or Rae Gilmore, 591-5079 for information.

Another July event for two GW 99s is AWTAR. Pat Forbes, who co-piloted for Toni Levitt and placed 6th in 1972, will fly in from Chicago for the 1975 race. Carolyn Zapata will copilot for Pat.

Our own Mini-Derby, in June, sported 21 entries. Thirteen included at least one man.

June included not only the Mini-Derby, but an ARTC tour arranged by Dorothy Carroll; letters to our congressmen about user and gas tax bills encouraged by Kathy Wentworth; and the hashing over of lessons learned on recent fly-ins.

Carolyn, Geri, and Eldris Shogren learned the advantage of being female, when they used their wiles to get a new starter for a rented C-177 Cardinal at Imperial, en-route Mexico.

Janie learned a disadvantage in not having a back window in her 182, when she was leading Kathy back from Mexico after her generator gave out. One wonders what the controller at Calexico thought when Janie called to ask if she was being followed.

Prospective member Brigitte Miranda learned what a fly-in was like, when she flew with the other 12 members on that Mexico trip.

Rae, Carolyn, Cecile, and Lois Goularte learned what it was like to fly the Anza-Borrego Sky Trail when the temperature is 85 degrees at 7500 ft.

Betty Walsh found out how it feels to fly her very own 172.

And all GW 99s learned what it was like to fly in Australia, when Claudia Carlson from Santa Clara Valley Chapter, compared general aviation flying in Australia with that in the U.S.

LONG BEACH

Jean McConnell, Reporter

In March, the Long Beach Chapter gained a new and charming Honorary Member in the person of Tiny Broadwick. As guest of honor at a dinner meeting held at Rochelles in Long Beach, Tiny, who was parachuting from balloons and airplanes as early as 1908, entertained with slides of her early exploits, when her jump pilot was Glen Martin.

Mt. San Antonio College's "Classroom in the Sky" is again making available to 99s a few seats on their August 8 thru 17 charter flight to South America. This is a most unusual opportunity to see remote areas of Peru, Chile, Argentina and Brazil, with the additional attraction of a flight

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Several members are still kicking cactus off their heels after attending the Spring Sectional in Phoenix. The arrangements by the Phoenix 99s were outstanding and the warm Western hospitality extended will be long remembered by all those attending.

We extend heartiest congratulations to Colene Giglio, winner of the Flight Instructor of the Year Award for the Long Beach area, who went on to win the National Award. Colene, who is chief pilot at Eagle Aviation in Long Beach, has trained more than 500 students for certificates ranging from private up to air transport ratings. She is a member of the Professional Race Pilots Association, and holds the following certificates and ratings: Private, Commercial, CFI, Instrument, ATR, Instrument and Advance Ground Instructor, FAA Examiner and FAA Safety Counselor. As National winner, she went to Washington, D.C. in June to accept the National Flight Instructor of 1974 Award.

A big round of applause to Pat Thorpe who now holds an Instrument Rating; to Bonnie Zrust, who devoted both effort and hot air in obtaining her Hot Air Balloon Rating; to Gene FitzPatrick as First Runner-up for Flight Instructor of the Year from the Santa Monica GADO; and to Jean Schiffman on her recent appointment by the FAA as Accident Prevention Counselor at Torrance.

On May 21, 1975, our Chapter, along with other 99 Chapters in the Los Angeles area, joined to host a reception and dinner to welcome new FAA Western Regional Director, Robert H. Stanton. The general aviation community turned out in force with seven 99 Chapters represented, five aviation oriented local colleges and one high school as well as GAMA, Professional Race Pilots Association, Professional Helicopter Pilots Association, the Civil Air Patrol, Whirley Girls, WASPS and other groups participating in the program to make it a truly memorable welcome.

LOS ANGELES CHAPTER Grace McGettigan, Reporter



LA 99s, 49½ers and guests give Santa Monica Airport a new face lift! (Photo courtesy of Norma Futterman and Mary L. Firth.)

After being rained out the previous weekend, the Los Angeles Chapter suc-

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The LA Chapter feathered its nest with several honors in April. 49½ers Jim Stevenson and Bob Oppen placed third in the Jim Hicklin Air Race April 5th, and also won a trophy for the best Mooney. LA 99s Berni Stevenson, Lynne Oppen, Jeanne Rumm, Jan Dreyfus and Kit Wynn manned a fly-by spot during the Race.

Norma Futterman and Virginia Showers won second place in the Tucson Treasure Hunt April 11 and 12, and were also within an ounce of their estimated fuel consumption!

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Dorothy and Rachel enjoyed their Easter week trip even though they were unable to complete their flight plan to Denver. The skies were clear and sunny as far as Durango, but they were then snowed in for four days due to Colorado's record blizzard! Thereafter they toured Mesa Verde National Park in Silverton, but were unable to take a ride on the old railroad as the tracks were buried under several feet of fluffy white stuff.

The Chapter extends its official welcome to new members Susan E. Katz, Judy Campbell-Broom and Mary L. Firth. Mary, who has her own darkroom, has consented to act as our official photographer and we look forward to seeing many examples of her developing skill in the 99 News.

MT. DIABLO CHAPTER Fran Milford, Reporter

On Sunday, May 18th we had a delightful evening at Round Hill Country Club in Alamo. The occasion was to install our new officers: **President, Pauline Wade; Vice President, Fran Milford** (formerly Zanotto); **Secretary, Lou Rollen; Treasurer, Beth Fuhman.** Our guest speaker was Jim Gilliland who told us all about Hot Air Ballooning.

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PALOMAR CHAPTER Mary Pearson, Reporter

Our Fallbrook Powder Puff Derby Day was a tremendous success, especially since the weather left a lot to be desired. It rained early so that the pancake breakfasts had to move inside the hangar, but then the ceiling went up and showers stopped until we shut down around mid-afternoon.

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Our friend Lou Kaufmann, a collector of old military aircraft and a member of the Confederate Air Force, brought his Fiesler-Storch over from Palomar. The Storch is a German World War II reconnaissance airplane, the original STOL, I'm sure—fascinating! Unfortunately Lou had an engine malfunction enroute to another airshow, so the old bird has her feathers slightly disheveled and we got no photo. She lands so slow, Lou says you just can't get hurt.

Mary Pearson and Harriett Booth are just back from the Angel Derby, having finished a disappointing 10th (all because we were so lucky last year). We took the long way around the bad weather, but we felt safe. Sue Adler made our flight to the start a threesome—we all wanted to see the Powder Puff Derby route and it was convenient to go that way to Canada. (P.S. to any frightened, first-time-solo Dallas Redbird—please arrive early for P.P.D. inspection so you will have time to work on charts---)

We were amused (and pleased, might add) to see that the two male entries in the Derby "did not qualify." That's why the Palomar Chapter has a men's race—we don't want to leave the guys out, but most of us still believe in the difference between girls and boys. Thank goodness.

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Our Pacific Air Race plans are perking along. Race kits will be available soon. Think CAVU for Oct. 4th, o.k.?

San Gabriel Valley Chapter

Betty Skiles, Reporter

April Meeting was held at Marion and Bob Marriott's lovely home in Alta Loma. After the meeting, films were shown of the Marriott's trip to Acapulco. Many of the 49½s were also on hand and we are always happy to have them attend any of our special meetings. Weather took care of any fly-ins for the month of April.

For our May meeting we were honored to have Mr. Phil Saltz, author of Pilots Liability Law. It was a very informative evening with Mr. Saltz explaining the new bill to us.

Only two members of our chapter were able to attend the Spring Sectional. Margaret and Dave Lawson driving and Bob and Marion Marriott flying over the bad weather. Many more members planned to attend, but were hoping for the weather to clear up, as they didn't wish to drive. Vi Dobbin was scheduled for a ride with Jack and Ilse Cook, but at the last minute got a ride to Hawaii, where her husband was at the time. Naturally she took it.



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Big Bear markings were postponed till next year due to retopping of the runway this summer.

All are rooting for our Beverly Mahoney and 99 Marge Robbins of the Los Angeles Chapter in both the Angel Derby and the Powder Puff Derby. Bev will fly her Comanche 250 in the Angel Derby and will fly Marge's Cherokee 180 in the Powder Puff Derby. Bev's family will meet her in Florida for a family trip cross country home. Good thing husband Mickey is also a pilot, the poor girl will probably need a rest by then.

San Joaquin Valley Chapter Rebecca Clayton, Reporter

Ten members of the San Joaquin Valley Chapter arrived by Auto at the Helen McGee home in Columbia for a luncheon meeting. Rain and snow was forecast for the day "April 8th" and it did just that.

Marie McDowell flew to Bullhead City Arizona and spent several days visiting her parents.

Jean Murray flew to Calastoga and took a glider ride. She says she can see how you could get "hooked" on soaring. She also flew to Columbia on a Sunday afternoon.

Laverne Gudgel had flights to San Jose, Fresno, Northern California and overnight in Southern Oregon. And Mother's Day dinner at the Nut Tree. Son Dan toured Beech factory in Wichita while ferrying home a new Bonanza.

Helen McGee with 49 1/4 Harvey and Son Tim flew to Washington D. C. "via" Cheyenne, Moline and home by way of Tulsa. Spent overnight with Daughter Nancy in Phoenix. Poor weather all the way, but the sun was shining over Boyne Mountain so did get to check out Powder Puff Terminus.

Diane Kaufman to Grand Canyon, Phoenix and Nogales for Easter.

Flying to Phoenix for the Southwest Sectional was Rosie Hijos and Rebecca Clayton, Barbara Glantz and 49 1/4 Howard. Joining us on Saturday was 49 1/4 Claud Clayton.

Participating in D R F flight from Modesto to Santa Barbara April 22nd was Barbara Glantz and Daughter Susan, Rosie Hijos and Rebecca Clayton, Norma Draper and cousin Arline Baker, Dottie McAllister, Helen McGee and D R F chairman Jean Murray.

Charlotte Morrill and 49 1/4 Chuck flew a patient from Stanford Hospital to Calexico for plastic surgery and surgical care. Spent a weekend at Sedona Arizona, and home by way of Tahoe.

May 13 meeting was in Chowchilla. Laverne Gudgel was our hostess. It was a beautiful summer day. Laverne served lunch pool side, to the twelve members present.

SANTA BARBARA CHAPTER Judy Roeser, Reporter

The Santa Barbara Ninety Nines had their first Treasure Hunt on May 10 and, although coastal fog delayed our start, it was a most successful afternoon. Rachel

Cowin not only designed the flight route, but executed the details of the organization for the hunt. Karen Charest and Charlene Hovey ably assisted Rachel with press releases and mailing while Jan Edmond handled the hamburgers. There were fifteen planes ranging from a J-3 Cub to a Cessna 414. The winners were Jerry Behm of Santa Barbara, who placed first in both the Treasure Hunt and the Spot Landing Contest, and Joanne Miller of Santa Paula. Rachel says she took a lot of notes because she plans to design a new hunt for next spring.

The Santa Barbara Chapter will be mightily represented in the Powder Puff Derby again this year by Joannie Steinberger and Evy Treen flying a Rockwell Commander 112A sponsored by Omni Aviation Managers, Inc. Evy flew the 1973 race with Joannie whose record includes seven P.P.D.s and who knows more about flying and airplanes than anyone. We are all rooting for them.

Shy Smith will be coordinating a Safety Meeting with GADO scheduled for early July. It will be interesting, informative and open to all pilots. Mr. Vincent Brophy will be presenting the program.

Congratulations to Marilyn Weixel who, with less than a year of flying under her belt, has obtained her instrument rating and is now working on her Commercial License.

Linda Sheidler and Pauline Flemming are new members. Linda, who learned to fly in Japan, has much to tell of her experiences there. Pauline moved to Santa Barbara from the San Fernando Valley where she was Chairman of the San Fernando Valley Chapter for two years. Their loss is our gain.

SANTA PAULA CHAPTER Gwen Dewey, Reporter

Our Second Annual Charter dinner party will see the installation of new officers: Evelyn Perry, Chairman; Della Abernathy, Vice Chairman; Joanne Miller, Secretary; and Betty Johnson, Treasurer.

Joanne Miller and 49 1/2 er, Johnny, flew to Big Bear Lake on Memorial Day in the beautiful, classic, red and white Bellanca Cruisemaster. Norma Williams, chapter chairman, went along for the ride.

The Millers, in their Bellanca the Williams, in their T-craft, and Evelyn and Frank Perry in the Colt, entered the Treasure Hunt, sponsored by neighboring Santa Barbara Chapter. Joanne captured a second place trophy.

Gwen Dewey and husband Jim, flew their Comanche to the Siletz Bay Airport in Northern Oregon. On the return trip, stopping off at beautiful Trinity Lake for a few days' camping and fishing. They took with them an orphaned baby, featherless Sparrow (probably the only Sparrow ever to fly at 11,500 MSA.) Incidentally, it soloed in a Bakersfield motel. A GREAT 99 mascot.

Sally Allen, our only Powder Puff Derby entrant, is ecstatic! (While the other nineteen Santa Paula 99s are green with envy.) But never-the-less, we're very proud of Sally. She is racing a Citabria 7KCB.

She also has entered her Citabria, named Jonathon, in the Mini-Derby.

Our 99 aerobatic champ, Betty Johnson, has been in several competitions. In the Apple Valley Regional, she placed 14th out of 28 contestants. This was her FIRST competition! In Delano, she placed 8th, and at Romona she placed 4th. They are flying their Pitts Special to the BIG Meet in Fon Du Lac, Wisconsin.

Gwen Davis and Husband Jim will be flying their Pride and Joy, a 1936 Lambert Monocoupe, to the Merced Antique Fly-in. Hoping to return home with a plane load of Kathy Yandell has just passed the ATP Check Flight.

We have a REAL FLYING 99 CHAPTER.

SANTA ROSA CHAPTER Ruth Foster, Reporter

We were able to chalk up another successful 3 Cents Per Pound Ride event for our chapter on May 18. The weatherman co-operated with us by supplying a perfect day, making the Santa Rosa area a picture post card sight. The 99s turned out in full force ready to go to work, and work they did! With the help of the staff at Sonoma County Airport, friends, and 49 1/4s we kept 5 planes in the air and were able 'to turn a nice profit.' There are many thank yous to be said, particularly to our youth groups. The Civil Air Patrol and a group of Girl Scouts contributed many hours staffing the various booths. The Girl Scouts are working on their aviation badges with youthful enthusiasm, making them perfect candidates for future 99s.

What is Stockton's gain is our loss. Faye Kirk and her husband moved from Ukiah to start a Building Supply business in that city. We miss Faye's delightful personality and her enthusiasm for flying. Now we have an extra incentive to fly to Stockton. Get ready Faye.

There was lots of talk about the PPD at the May meeting. We add another twosome to our list, bringing the grand total to seven members entering from our chapter. Cledith Bruener, who just received her Commercial Rating, and Melva Dunn flying as her co-pilot will be pushing their Arrow through the skies.

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Lynn Cary has added to her long list of ratings, by proudly displaying her Ground Instructor's Rating.

Our A.P.E. (Aircraft Proficiency Excursion) plans are completed for the 3rd weekend in July (Fly-in to Woodland). Claudia Ansaldo and Carol Valette report that reservations are pouring in for the flying and the fun.

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Oh, yes, I have been promoted!...to Second Vice Chairman on the AWTAR Board. (I think my territory includes everything WEST of Santa Barbara.) Anyway...next time you see me...a little more respect, please!

Our third "White Knuckle Clinic" is next week, May 27, 28, and 29. We have about 90 wives (or whatever) of pilots attending this time. They enjoy it, and we love to do it...gives us sort of a superiority complex or something!

Our Pacific Air Race plans are perking along. Race kits will be available soon. Think CAVU for Oct. 4th, o.k.?

San Gabriel Valley Chapter

Betty Skiles, Reporter

April Meeting was held at Marion and Bob Marriott's lovely home in Alta Loma. After the meeting, films were shown of the Marriott's trip to Acapulco. Many of the 49¼s were also on hand and we are always happy to have them attend any of our special meetings. Weather took care of any fly-ins for the month of April.

For our May meeting we were honored to have Mr. Phil Saltz, author of Pilots Liability Law. It was a very informative evening with Mr. Saltz explaining the new bill to us.

Only two members of our chapter were able to attend the Spring Sectional. Margaret and Dave Lawson driving and Bob and Marion Marriott flying over the bad weather. Many more members planned to attend, but were hoping for the weather to clear up, as they didn't wish to drive. Vi Dobbin was scheduled for a ride with Jack and Ilse Cook, but at the last minute got a ride to Hawaii, where her husband was at the time. Naturally she took it.



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Big Bear markings were postponed till next year due to retopping of the runway this summer.

All are rooting for our Beverly Mahoney and 99 Marge Robbins of the Los Angeles Chapter in both the Angel Derby and the Powder Puff Derby. Bev will fly her Comanche 250 in the Angel Derby and will fly Marge's Cherokee 180 in the Powder Puff Derby. Bev's family will meet her in Florida for a family trip cross country home. Good thing husband Mickey is also a pilot, the poor girl will probably need a rest by then.

San Joaquin Valley Chapter Rebecca Clayton, Reporter

Ten members of the San Joaquin Valley Chapter arrived by Auto at the Helen McGee home in Columbia for a luncheon meeting. Rain and snow was forecast for the day "April 8th" and it did just that.

Marie McDowell flew to Bullhead City Arizona and spent several days visiting her parents.

Jean Murray flew to Calastoga and took a glider ride. She says she can see how you could get "hooked" on soaring. She also flew to Columbia on a Sunday afternoon.

Laverne Gudgeon had flights to San Jose, Fresno, Northern California and overnight in Southern Oregon. And Mother's Day dinner at the Nut Tree. Son Dan toured Beech factory in Wichita while ferrying home a new Bonanza.

Helen McGee with 49 1/4 Harvey and Son Tim flew to Washington D. C. "via" Cheyenne, Moline and home by way of Tulsa. Spent overnight with Daughter Nancy in Phoenix. Poor weather all the way, but the sun was shining over Boyne Mountain so did get to check out Powder Puff Terminus.

Diane Kaufman to Grand Canyon, Phoenix and Nogales for Easter.

Flying to Phoenix for the Southwest Sectional was Rosie Hijos and Rebecca Clayton, Barbara Glantz and 49 1/4 Howard. Joining us on Saturday was 49 1/4 Claud Clayton.

Participating in D R F flight from Modesto to Santa Barbara April 22nd was Barbara Glantz and Daughter Susan, Rosie Hijos and Rebecca Clayton, Norma Draper and cousin Arline Baker, Dottie McAllister, Helen McGee and D R F chairman Jean Murray.

Charlotte Morrill and 49 1/4 Chuck flew a patient from Stanford Hospital to Calexico for plastic surgery and surgical care. Spent a weekend at Sedona Arizona, and home by way of Tahoe.

May 13 meeting was in Chowchilla. Laverne Gudgeon was our hostess. It was a beautiful summer day. Laverne served lunch pool side, to the twelve members present.

SANTA BARBARA CHAPTER Judy Roeser, Reporter

The Santa Barbara Ninety Nines had their first Treasure Hunt on May 10 and, although coastal fog delayed our start, it was a most successful afternoon. Rachel

Cowin not only designed the flight route, but executed the details of the organization for the hunt. Karen Charest and Charlene Hovey ably assisted Rachel with press releases and mailing while Jan Edmond handled the hamburgers. There were fifteen planes ranging from a J-3 Cub to a Cessna 414. The winners were Jerry Behm of Santa Barbara, who placed first in both the Treasure Hunt and the Spot Landing Contest, and Joanne Miller of Santa Paula. Rachel says she took a lot of notes because she plans to design a new hunt for next spring.

The Santa Barbara Chapter will be mightily represented in the Powder Puff Derby again this year by Joannie Steinberger and Evy Treen flying a Rockwell Commander 112A sponsored by Omni Aviation Managers, Inc. Evy flew the 1973 race with Joannie whose record includes seven P.P.D.s and who knows more about flying and airplanes than anyone. We are all rooting for them.

Shy Smith will be coordinating a Safety Meeting with GADO scheduled for early July. It will be interesting, informative and open to all pilots. Mr. Vincent Brophy will be presenting the program.

Congratulations to Marilyn Weixel who, with less than a year of flying under her belt, has obtained her instrument rating and is now working on her Commercial License.

Linda Sheidler and Pauline Flemming are new members. Linda, who learned to fly in Japan, has much to tell of her experiences there. Pauline moved to Santa Barbara from the San Fernando Valley where she was Chairman of the San Fernando Valley Chapter for two years. Their loss is our gain.

SANTA PAULA CHAPTER Gwen Dewey, Reporter

Our Second Annual Charter dinner party will see the installation of new officers: **Evelyn Perry, Chairman; Della Abernathy, Vice Chairman; Joanne Miller, Secretary; and Betty Johnson, Treasurer.**

Joanne Miller and 49 1/2er, Johnny, flew to Big Bear Lake on Memorial Day in the beautiful, classic, red and white Bellanca Cruisemaster. Norma Williams, chapter chairman, went along for the ride.

The Millers, in their Bellanca the Williams, in their T-craft, and Evelyn and Frank Perry in the Colt, entered the Treasure Hunt, sponsored by neighboring Santa Barbara Chapter. Joanne captured a second place trophy.

Gwen Dewey and husband Jim, flew their Comanche to the Siletz Bay Airport in Northern Oregon. On the return trip, stopping off at beautiful Trinity Lake for a few days' camping and fishing. They took with them an orphaned baby, featherless Sparrow (probably the only Sparrow ever to fly at 11,500 MSA.) Incidentally, it soloed in a Bakersfield motel. A GREAT 99 mascot.

Sally Allen, our only Powder Puff Derby entrant, is ecstatic! (While the other nineteen Santa Paula 99s are green with envy.) But never-the-less, we're very proud of Sally. She is racing a Citabria 7KCAB.

She also has entered her Citabria, named Jonathon, in the Mini-Derby.

Our 99 aerobatic champ, Betty Johnson, has been in several competitions. In the Apple Valley Regional, she placed 14th out of 28 contestants. This was her FIRST competition! In Delano, she placed 8th, and at Romona she placed 4th. They are flying their Pitts Special to the BIG Meet in Fon Du Lac, Wisconsin.

Gwen Davis and Husband Jim will be flying their Pride and Joy, a 1936 Lambert Monocoupe, to the Merced Antique Fly-in. Hoping to return home with a plane load of

Kathy Yandell has just passed the ATP Check Flight.

We have a REAL FLYING 99 CHAPTER.

SANTA ROSA CHAPTER Ruth Foster, Reporter

We were able to chalk up another successful 3 Cents Per Pound Ride event for our chapter on May 18. The weatherman co-operated with us by supplying a perfect day, making the Santa Rosa area a picture post card sight. The 99s turned out in full force ready to go to work, and work they did! With the help of the staff at Sonoma County Airport, friends, and 49 1/4s we kept 5 planes in the air and were able 'to turn a nice profit.' There are many thank yous to be said, particularly to our youth groups. The Civil Air Patrol and a group of Girl Scouts contributed many hours staffing the various booths. The Girl Scouts are working on their aviation badges with youthful enthusiasm, making them perfect candidates for future 99s.

What is Stockton's gain is our loss. Faye Kirk and her husband moved from Ukiah to start a Building Supply business in that city. We miss Faye's delightful personality and her enthusiasm for flying. Now we have an extra incentive to fly to Stockton. Get ready Faye.

There was lots of talk about the PPD at the May meeting. We add another twosome to our list, bringing the grand total to seven members entering from our chapter. Cledith Bruener, who just received her Commercial Rating, and Melva Dunn flying as her co-pilot will be pushing their Arrow through the skies.

Lilyann Leland received her Commercial and is now working on her Instrument. Lilyann and her husband are planning their second trip to Alaska this summer. Two years ago they flew the state for a month, camping here and there much of the time.

Lynn Cary has added to her long list of ratings, by proudly displaying her Ground Instructor's Rating.

Our A.P.E. (Aircraft Proficiency Excursion) plans are completed for the 3rd weekend in July (Fly-in to Woodland). Claudia Ansaldo and Carol Valette report that reservations are pouring in for the flying and the fun.

The results of the election for the officers taking over in the fall are: **Chairman, Joan Robbins; Vice Chairman, Sandy Peterson; Corresponding Secretary, Suzi Skoglund; Recording Secretary, Lynn Cary; Treasurer, Bev Crownover.** Congratulations to our hard working 99s.

TUCSON CHAPTER

Jayne Hunter, Reporter

All 99s should share our pride in our member, Dr. Joann Hansen, who has received a grant awarded by the American Association of University Women to do one year's basic cancer research at the University of Arizona Medical Center. Joann is one of only 85 recipients among 960 applicants. She and her 49½er, Gordon, are flying to Alaska to visit their son and on to Minnesota to see other relatives before she begins her research work on July 1st.

The 1975 Treasure Hunt is in the record books, however it is pertinent to add that the Chapter made a few hundred for its scholarship fund. The committee, headed by Barbara Welsh, decided at the post mortem that the profits probably work out to less than 1 cent an hour for the work involved but the fun of meeting the challenge and working together to put on a good Hunt and provide a memorable event for the participants is the real reward.

Jean Servaas, winner of the Treasure Hunt along with her 49½er co-pilot, Pieter, is going to receive another reward in addition to the Barry Goldwater Trophy and the Ruck Memorial Trophy—by the time this edition appears, Jean and the Chapter and the world will know that she is the Chairman-designate for the 25th Anniversary Year of the Tucson Chapter.

Terry and Dunc Robertson have flown every Treasure Hunt, but this year they changed seats with Terry using her new license as P-in-C and they came through it all smiling! Nancy Engebretson brought along a trio of young men to help with line duties at the Phoenix-Litchfield Airport where the Hunt terminated and their assistance was invaluable.

Our Vice-Chairman, Wyn Hayward, is a candidate for busiest pilot in town; she is preparing to co-pilot TAR 20 with Lorraine Newhouse in the PPD, taking concentrated Aerobatic instruction toward competition flying, and going to Instrument Ground School to prep for that rating. Now that Lorraine and Wyn are contestants, Barb Welsh and Jayne Hunter are taking over their jobs as administrators of our co-sponsorship with Phoenix of the 1st PPD stop at PHX-Litchfield Airport. Patsy Brooks, also sharpening her aerobatic skills in her Pitts Special to a competitive edge, has sponsored Wyn for membership in the Aerobatic Club of America. Lyn McGrew, another of our aerobatic pilots, has been filmed in action in a color movie film made by a local photographer and we are looking forward to seeing our own female "Great Waldo Pepper" in an upcoming meeting.

Joan MacDonald is nesting her new RG Cardinal at AZ Frontier Aviation and working on her Commercial ticket there and Anna Mackey is working on her Instrument rating. More earthbound news from Cook manor where Ginny and Ken are concentrating on a new motor home and boat combo with fishing expeditions in view, and their 182 is up for sale.

Norma Wilcox plans to turn her Flight School over to her grandsons, Gregory and

Kevin Wilcox, on June 1st in order to join her 49½er in L.A. where Nate has been working for many months. Tucson 99s have had every airport in this vicinity "covered," with Norma at Ryan Field, Lyn at Freeway, Barbara Harper at the Aero Club at Davis-Monthan AFB, and Emily Haugh at U'Com and the desk at Avra Valley.

Northwest Section

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ALASKA CHAPTER

Margaret Wagnon, Reporter

In April the Alaska Chapter held the annual Pinch Hitter Course. Edy Miller, chairman of the project, did a great job. This is our main source for money for our scholarship fund. A very interesting item was the enrollment - 99 students.

Alma Williams received a scholarship from our chapter in April. She is attending a local flying school, has soloed, working on her cross country, and hopes to have her license this summer. Her flying career began when she enrolled in one of our Pinch Hitter Courses.

The University of Alaska has had funds to administer a scholarship for the Chapter to a woman meeting certain requirements. Gracie Kendall, a private pilot, received \$500 to aid her in completing her aviation course. She plans to work for FAA in a Flight Service Station.

Many of our 99s helped with the FAA Accident Prevention Program, Operation Wives-Girlfriends Assist.

Since spring means house cleaning and getting rid of junk, we held a Rummage Sale in May. The money will be used to help with the expenses for six or more 99s planning to attend the Sectional and International Convention in July.

Our May meeting was a House Warming party held at Anita Benson's new home. Anita is also working in a tail dragger these days.

Joyce Bergstrand is now APT.

COLUMBIA CASCADE CHAPTER

Mary Wohlgemuth, Reporter

Our chapter did it again! Another Pinch-Hitter course. The first session was held in February, attended by 55 students, the April 28 & 30 course attended by 35, most of whom could not be accommodated in the first class. Lee Wrenn, a ground school instructor, and Lillian Wager, a CFI, conducted the classes in both sessions. We had great coverage by TV Channel 12 who filmed during the class, then a few days later filmed Dorothy Mercer and Billie Dutcher in Dorothy's plane and Pegge Blinco and Mary Wohlgemuth (Calvert) in Pegge's plane flying up the beautiful Columbia river while 49½ Dale Dutcher flew the cameraman and news reporter Sylvia Stinson (of the airplane family and an almost licensed pilot). This was

combined for a very nice, short story on the Pinch-Hitter and 99s in general on the evening news May 26.

Monies from the PH is being put to use covering the costs of the Survival Kits (600 of them) for the International Convention. Our meetings lately have been work parties on these kits, plus the gals sewing, collecting, purchasing and making the "goodies" to go in them between meetings.

Dorothy Mercer and 49½ Bob report that they thoroughly enjoyed their recent month-long flight down the west coast of Mexico, thru Guatemala, Belize (British Honduras) around the Ucatan Peninsula up the east coast of Mexico...about 7200 miles and around 46 hours of flying with not a single incident to mar the trip. All of that and the only place they were weathered in was Lancaster, California!

Our local GADO offices are now in a beautiful new building at the Hillsboro airport. Several of our chapter members delivered a potted chrysanthemum (via air) to add to the beauty and was given the grand tour by Mr. Dick Henderson.

EASTERN IDAHO CHAPTER

Lois Bauer, Reporter

We are in the process of rebuilding our chapter membership, which had hit a low in the past year due to illnesses and members moving. Elaine Partridge moved to Salt Lake City and Carole Depue moved from Pocatello to Boise and now back to Las Vegas. We miss both gals since they were active members and pilots. With new members, Jeanenne Ellsworth and Sharon Laird, plus some past members who have rejoined us, we are looking toward a bright future.

Pocatello FAA Tower held an open house May 17th to show off their new "highrise". You can truly see for 3 days, as one of the operators commented. We worked as guides and information officers for the day. Plans are progressing with our part of the International Convention in Couer d'Alene on July 30-Aug. 3. We hope you are planning to attend. The beauty of that part of Idaho is really beyond belief. If you need a rest stop along the way, set down in Idaho and call a 99, we will be pleased to chat with you.

One of our members, Mary Kilbourne, has been appointed to the U.S. Citizens Advisory Committee on Transportation Quality by the U.S. Secretary of Transportation. As always, we are proud of Mary.

Plans are in the mill for a flight to Jackson, Wyo. about June 18th.

EASTERN WASHINGTON CHAPTER

Daryl Ann Kyle, Reporter

Eastern Washington 99s were pleasantly surprised by the arrival of Ruby Pappas, 99 from Alaska, at our May 3 meeting held at Gladys Buroker's home overlooking Henley Aerodrome. Ruby reporter that Alaska 99s are eager to come to Round Up '75!

Our meetings have now stepped up to two a month and are the "work" variety. We've stuffed envelopes, pasted stickers, and held endless discussions on the seemingly infinite details of an International Convention. We're now waiting to meet YOU at Round Up '75.

Our tale this month involves 99 Lana Basler who is an A & P student. She and a fellow female student went to Henley Aerodrome to fly a J-3. Upon arrival they found the only available plane, a Fizzler Storch, was down for repairs. Lana and her companion fixed the plane, had it signed off with high compliments by a mechanic, and enjoyed a flight in the now airworthy machine.

FAR WEST CHAPTER **Mary Cole, Reporter**

The Far West Chapter met in April to plan activities for the spring and summer. On May 3, an all day Aviation Seminar, sponsored by our chapter, will be held in Port Angeles. The program will include subjects such as mountain flying, FARS, air traffic control, airplane owners maintenance plus associated FAA films.

Also in May, a fly out is planned to Couer d'Alene, Idaho, to look over the scene of the International 99s Convention in July. Auburn Radar Center will be the target for a June fly out.

Meredith Grimes was voted into membership by our chapter.

Several of our members are busy working toward new ratings and the need for all members to be APT is being stressed.

GREATER SEATTLE CHAPTER **Carol Cansdale, Reporter**

We made it! Greater Seattle finally got out from under the weather and we found ourselves flying to Salem, Oregon for the April 9 meeting. A larger-than-usual crowd was on hand and following lunch in the airport restaurant, we met downstairs for the business meeting.

More plans were discussed for the International Convention banquet, and much to our delight, it was reported that Greater Seattle chapter president Sandy Sullivan will M.C. the event!

Iona Funk reported on the proposed 99 display at this year's Paine Field Air Fair, which also has been designated as the official air fair of Washington State. We hope to get other area chapters involved with us in this.

Visiting us this meeting were: Pegge Blinco and Betty Prakken from Columbia Cascade chapter, Ellie Cunningham from Rainier chapter, and Marge Thomas from the new Stillaguamish chapter. In addition, a warm welcome to prospective members Priscilla Cox, Suzie McGuire and Dorothy Haubert.

Greater Seattle met in Port Angeles for our May 14th meeting. Although a bit windy, the weather was fine, thanks to an agreeable weatherman. And a pot-luck picnic lunch was enjoyed by all

The Seattle Times newspaper featured Greater Seattle Chapter in their Sunday magazine this month. Originally scheduled to be printed in late Fall of 1974, it was postponed several months for an unknown reason. Better late than never!

Further plans were discussed for International Convention and we are all looking forward to seeing everyone there.

Marge Thomas from the new Stillaguamish chapter was our guest once again. Also, a special welcome to Lavelle Betts of Anchorage, who was in Seattle for the weekend.

A special treat to report on next month. Our fly-in will be to author Ernest Gann's island ranch on Friday Harbor for our 2nd annual hayride and potluck lunch fly-in. In the meantime...get APT!

MONTANA CHAPTER **Dorothy Albright, Reporter**

The May meeting was held in Billings, Montana, where a money raising project was held on the airport. A plane (far from plain) and car wash was held. There were several "vehicles" washed by but a few gals, and some enjoyable friendly fun was had too.

Some previous activities include an air marking project at Augusta which is near Great Falls, Montana. That particular day was a warm, lovely time to appreciate the beauty of the Rockies from just the eastern slope of the rugged crags. These projects are worthwhile.

Because of such snows as the Big Sky Country had during this past number of months there were many months with Fly-Ins cancelled; however in April there was a "drive-in" gatherin in Roundup. The local Civil Air Patrol was represented to aid "incoming pilots" as well as the Chamber of Commerce officials on hand as greeters. Highlighting the day was a visit to the Montana Art Bronze, which is well worth the effort to stop and take a look-see. Artists are receiving into the four figure for bronze items, nationally recognized, too.

RAINIER CHAPTER **Cindy Knechtel, Reporter**

Our last two meetings were held at members' homes located on two different airports in our area. There are advantages and disadvantages to this.

On May 1st at Elli Cunningham's home at Crest Airpark, in Kent, we elected chapter officers. We also watched Jan Markey, one of our CFI members, instructing Pat Jogtich in her Cessna 210. Watching all of the takeoffs and landings from Elli's living room is distracting, but always enjoyable.

On May 4th we had a workshop at Elise Smith's home on a beautiful grass airstrip, South Prairie, to work on our decoration project for the Coeur d'Alene International Convention. We actually accomplished quite alot between watching two Stearmans dogfighting overhead and Cliff Howard practicing his championship aerobatic act over and around South

Prairie. This live entertainment at these meetings is great!

Washington weather is still keeping our group in suspense. We were all looking forward to a fly-in lunch at Friday Harbor, one of the San Juan Islands north of Seattle, but we were weathered out. It was even too low for us to get to our alternate, Thun Field, only a ten minute flight away!

Jeri Reynolds is the proud mother of Aaron Curtis Reynolds, a new eight pound junior pilot, born April 10th.

Linda Rolczynski and Sharon Vincent are both APT after several busy months without being in the air. The weather this winter did not allow any Washingtonians to wear our wings out, unfortunately.

Elli Cunningham is now multi-engine rated in a Beechcraft Travel Air. To reward herself, she departed May 5th in her newly painted Bonanza for Washington, D.C. with companion Dan McElroy and her pet Scotty, Kirsti. They were to stop enroute to visit Elli's parents in Phoenix, Arizona. I am the chief "line girl" and assistant manager of Crest Airpark, and Elli pulled in to get fuel before she left. I was a little embarrassed when I told her it looked like a great day to fly somewhere for coffee, and asked her where she was going. She calmly informed me that she was leaving for a month to go to Washington D.C.

Oh, well, the news reporter is always the last to know...

YAKIMA VALLEY CHAPTER **Jan LeCocq, Reporter**

Our new chapter is getting under way with Gini Richardson our leader. Our basic goal will be continuing education in aviation and the history of flying in the Yakima Valley.

Shall report on our charter members and bring you up to date as we progress.

Blasting off with Gini Richardson, former winner of the Powder Puff Derby flying for the 22nd time. She has been a past Governor, Vice Gov. and Secretary of the N.W. Section. Daughter Jill and niece Debbie Lindeman are both freshman at the U of Washington with commercial licenses. Jill also is active in training and showing Hunters and Jumpers. Cindy Lindeman still another niece pilot works here in town and her extra time goes into making jewelery and macrame.

Kathi Mercy is another gal interested in training and riding horses and worked on the Wash State Open Horse Show. Shirley Patnode besides a private pilot likes motorcycling, snowmobiling, waterskiing and is a church organist. Pilot Nita Van Amberg is education Chairman on the Board of the Yakima Valley Memorial Hospital Auxiliary in charge of the High School Medical Careers Program. Then Mary Williams enjoys week-end flying with the family to their cabin on Lopez Island and she is a real tennis buff. Jan LeCocq besides flying and tennis keeps busy with tender loving care going into the fruit crops. And would you believe ending up with another flying Gini Epps Whitaker. Also a flying family—father, six brothers,

two are fixed base operators and two commercial pilots and husband Bill is right in there.

We have three or four more to bring into the fold and shall report on them next time.

Look forward to seeing you Couer d' Alene.

South Central Section

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ABILENE, TEXAS CHAPTER

Marjorie Andrews, Reporter



Abilene Chapter members Alice Foeh, left, and Betty Heise, third from left, greet Oklahoma members Jan Mauritsen and Lee Brown at the Spring South Central Sectional in Abilene.

'Twas the night after Sectional (South Central, that is)

Not a Ninety-Nine stirred in Abilene Town. For as soon as clouds lifted, our visitors flew,

To the places far and near that each best knew.

Windsox were furled and sent with much care,

To Hazel and Bax, two of those with a flair.

Fine Ninety-Nines, Abilene version, Drempt dreams of nice people, pretty planes,

Blue bags in profusion,

And many warm feeling of working team-like

Amid well, maybe a LITTLE confusion

Hopefully all those who attended,

Had half as much fun we Abilenians intended

We really and truly loved having you here!

If one of the purposes of a Sectional is to generate enthusiasm, participating in this one as deeply as we did certainly accomplished that aim. We came away with a new respect and admiration for Ninety-Nines individually and the organization as a whole.

May 1 was Ninety-Nines' Day in Texas and our chapter bought and helped plant a live oak tree in the public parking area at Abilene Municipal Airport. Our May meeting was a combination sack lunch fly-in to Brownwood Municipal to see the Confederate Air Force planes that are usually in the hangar there, and a bon voyage party for Marj Andrews who

deserted dishes and duties to watch Nervous Navigator Mac conduct his final meeting as President of Retail Furniture Association—in Lausanne, Switzerland.

Betty Heise was invited to speak for Ninety-Nines at the local Lions' Club luncheon on May 23.

ALBUQUERQUE CHAPTER

Becky Lutz, Reporter

The National Intercollegiate Flying Association competition is over, but we'll long remember the enthusiastic and competitive young flyers that swarmed Santa Fe in April. The following awards were presented by the 99s: Karen Coyle of North Dakota was awarded the Arlene Davis Memorial Trophy for Top Woman Pilot. Susan King of Embury Riddle was given the Woman's Achievement Award sponsored by 99s International. The Albuquerque Chapter presented a Safety Plaque to Cypress College for their outstanding safety procedures during the meet.

Joy Feak and Kathy Fox interviewed over fifteen candidates for the Woman's Achievement Award while the other girls were kept busy assisting with registration and serving as check pilots for the navigation portion.

99s were present from several states including international vice president Lois Feigenbaum. The Santa Fe chapter also hosted a luncheon for 99s.

In other news...our newest member is Jewel Lundgren, a Cessna 182 owner. She reports some interesting flying this past month when she flew the right seat to Sisoguichic, Mexico, in the Cherokee Six as part of the St. Jude's Express crew. St. Jude's Express regularly flies medical supplies to the Tarahumara Indians in the Chihuahua and Guaymas area.



Getting together in Little Rock for a meeting in April were the following: Kneeling left to right: Nancy Miller (Memphis), Cary Hunt (Arkansas), Carolyn Sullivan (Memphis), and Helen Wray (Shreveport).

Standing left to right: Ruth Gray (Arkansas), Chris Brown (Memphis), Kay Newth (Arkansas), Camellia Smith (Arkansas) and Linda Hargraves (Arkansas).

After some delays caused by weather, we finally airmarked 7-Bar by adding the word "Alameda" on the east-west runway. Claudia Beckner is preparing for the DOUBLE I checkflight while B.J. Slawson decided to try the J-3 Cub. Becky Lutz flew Beech 88R to Puerto Vallarta. Linda Swann logged some cross country time with a Farmington trip.

ARKANSAS CHAPTER

Marguerite Nielson, Reporter

The film "A Powder Puff for Joan" was shown at our April meeting in Little Rock and was thoroughly enjoyed by all. It brought back lots of memories to those who have flown the Derby. Special guests at the meeting were Carolyn Sullivan, Nancy Miller and Chris Brown from the Memphis Chapter and Helen Wray from the Shreveport Chapter.

The Spring Sectional held in Abilene was attended by Linda Hargraves, Chairman. She brought back lots of information. The Abilene Chapter had a wonderful meeting.

Marge Nielsen has been appointed South Central Section Flying Activities Chairman.

Kay Newth is our nominee for the Jimmie Kolp Memorial Award. Kay devotes many hours to the 99s besides being very active in the Civil Air Patrol and numerous air races. Now she is busy making plans for the Arkansas Air Derby to be held June 13-14 at the Hot Springs Municipal Airport and the Sky Lady Derby to be held August 1-2 at the North Little Rock Airport.

Congratulations are in order to Peggy Mayo and 49½ Robert for obtaining their seaplane rating. Peggy is a Wisconsin 99 who is temporarily living in Arkansas. They took advantage of the facilities offered at the Anthony Island Seaplane Base in Hot

Springs to add this rating to their accomplishments.

Linda Hargraves just completed a 6 weeks commercial ground school and passed the written with flying colors.

Our newest member is Reva Kaye Beason of Little Rock, whom we welcome.

CIMMARON CHAPTER

Patty McClure, Reporter

The April meeting was called to order at Liberal Aircraft, Liberal, Kansas, and after the business meeting, Jack Harrison and Mike Brandenburg of National Aviation Insurance Underwriters from Dallas, Texas, presented a very interesting and informative program explaining Aviation Insurance terms and coverage for General Aviation owners and pilots. This program would be interesting and helpful to any 99 chapter.

We are happy to report Gail Smith has passed her instrument written...Now we hope to have another instrument rated member real soon. Gail wasn't able to attend our April 99s meeting as she had taken her plane and some students of the Aviation Fraternity Seward County Community College on a trip to Denver.

We are proud to report the Safety Guide we turned in on Dodge City has resulted in the FAA taking action to correct the confusing runway numbers on runways 02 and 20.

Cimarron Chapter 99s provided cookies for the refreshment break at the Pilot Educational Clinic at the College in Liberal, Ks. 4-29-75. Our chapter gets good local publicity for this project and our members enjoy and benefit from the program.

Our May meeting was a fly-in-trip to Lindsborg, Kansas. Twenty four members and guests enjoyed sight-seeing, lunch and shopping in this small Swedish community.

DALLAS CHAPTER

Jerry Melton, Reporter

Dallas Chapter's Sue Maddock had an experience of a lifetime while visiting in London just by chance at the time of the British Section's 10th Anniversary Celebration. Sue and her husband Frank turned out to be the only representatives from the United States and joined the ranks of royalty and celebrities for the occasion. Sue was honored by being seated next to the Princess during the awards ceremony and found her to be a delightful woman, interested and informed about aviation. Sue thought the British 99s were marvelous and she speaks highly of her new found 99 friends and the highlight of her European trip. Meanwhile, back on the home front, Dallas Chapter is busy as ever with many activities. We would like to announce the arrival of two new 99s-to-be: Marcy Jane Marquess on Feb. 15 and Jennifer Gersbach on Feb. 26. Both have already attended their first 99 meeting!

The Dallas Chapter Proficiency Air Race was held at Love Field on May 17th.



Dallas Chapter's Sue Maddock visits with England's Princess Alexandra and Governor Shiela Scott at 10th Anniversary Celebration of the British Section.

EL PASO CHAPTER

Norma Kudiesy, Reporter

At our monthly meeting at Jean Cartier's house plans for our second annual MS breakfast and the AWTAR flyby in July were discussed. All chapter members are working on the AWTAR stop. The MS breakfast on Sunday May 4, at the El Paso International Airport, in a hangar donated for our use by Southwest Air Rangers, our success this year exceeded expectations. Flyers were mailed to various chapters and poster distributed to local stores. Members APT are Ruth Deerman, Cheri Speir, and Kathy Lindley. Kathy was voted in as a new member at this meeting giving our chapter a mother and daughter team. Polly Thomas now has an instrument rating. Evelyn Underwood, a commercial and instrumented rated pilot is attending ground school to brush up on the latest in flying. Evelyn has rejoined the El Paso chapter after a long absence now that her Air Force husband is retired. Cindy Williams flew to Jacksonville, Florida the middle of May. Governor Briscoe of Texas proclaimed 99 day throughout the state and for the festivities Ruth Deerman and husband Charlie attended the ceremony May 1st in Austin. Louise Mitchell spent a week in Baboragami, Mexico working with DoCare, Inc. on a clinic project to provide health care for people living in remote areas of that country.

FORT WORTH CHAPTER

Jean Bishop, Reporter

Our April meeting was a dinner meeting with our 49½ers. Our guest speaker was Duane Cole, who told us of his early days flying airshows and showed us a film on the EAA and Oshkosh.

Carol Wheeler and Edna Whyte flew the Angel Derby. Edna Whyte and Tony Page attended the 1975 Annual Rededication Banquet sponsored by the History of Aviation Collection and the Humanities Research Center of the University of Texas. The guest speaker at the banquet was astronaut Neil A. Armstrong.

Auleen Hall flew to Washington, D.C. to enjoy the Cherry Blossom festival and also to Pebble Beach, California, for a vacation and to visit friends. Jean Bishop flew to California with her husband Tom. Tom won first place in his first aerobatic contest at Apple Valley, California.

Several of our members were interviewed, along with members of the Golden Triangle Chapter, for the Fort Worth Star-Telegram. They are doing a special feature on local women in aviation.

On the way to the starting point for the Angel Derby, Carol Wheeler and Edna Whyte stopped off in New York where Edna unveiled her OX-5 bronze at the Curtis Wright Aviation Museum.

Our new chapter officers have been elected: **Chairman, Carol Wheeler; Vice-Chairman, Henrietta Pence; Secretary, Nancy Armstrong; Treasurer, Juanita Waddell.**

GOLDEN TRIANGLE CHAPTER

Linda Hooker, Reporter

April began with a Safety Seminar at Tarrant County Jr. College at which we had an attendance of approximately 250 area pilots. The following week at our regular monthly meeting, Mr. Dick Schoolcraft of MED-EVAC was our guest speaker. MED-EVAC is a new emergency helicopter ambulance service which will serve the Dallas-Fort Worth area and their surrounding cities and countries. The next weekend found 19 of our 32 members in Abilene, Texas for the SCS Spring Section Meeting. On April 19th sixteen Golden Triangles stormed Granbury Municipal Airport by air for a Fly-In and Airmarking session. The name and elevation were layed out and painted and the runway numbers were painted again. A big thanks to 49½ers T.W. Wheelock and "Bud" Brooks who helped out. Saturday, April 26th, 12 members of the Golden Triangle Chapter became "victims" of an airplane-airport disaster. The occasion was the 1st "Disaster & Evacuation Drill" ever staged anywhere at a major airport. The D-FW Airport Authority, the FAA and those airlines servicing D-FW, the world's largest and most modern airport, teamed up in an effort to show how quickly and orderly a disaster and evacuation could be handled under emergency conditions. Participation in this event was by invitation only and Golden Triangle felt very honored to be a part of the effort.

May 1st, 1975, was a historic day for 99s in Texas. On that day the Texas State Legislature honored 99s across the state for their contributions to general aviation and flight safety by formally proclaiming it "99 Day in Texas." The bill setting May 1st as "99 Day in Texas" was sponsored in the House by Representative Charles Evans (49½ of Pat Evans) and in the Senate by Senator Peyton McKnight. Golden Triangle hosted the activities surrounding this momentous occasion which began the evening of April 30th with a reception honoring Texas 99s and State Legislators. A banquet-type breakfast the next morning, May 1st, with Texas Aeronautics Commissioner Rex Cobble as guest speaker and honoring Texas Charter Member 99s, Retha McCulloh Crittenden and Josephine C. Wood Willingford, started the day's activities. The breakfast was then followed by the official Proclamation Ceremony at the Capitol

Building in Austin. Over 60 99s from all parts of Texas attended the "99 Day in Texas" activities. May 10th found chapter members on the roof at Arlington Municipal Airport for another airmarking and on May 22nd the University of Texas at Arlington was the site of another Golden Triangle sponsored Safety Seminar. One airmarking in a month was not enough for the girls, so on May 24th we journeyed to Cleburne to leave our mark on their runway. In addition to all the above activities, Golden Triangle joined with the other Dallas-Ft. Worth area 99 chapters to sponsor the Southwest Regional Flight Instructor of the Year Award Banquet in Denton, Texas on May 23rd.

HOUSTON CHAPTER Stephanie Vickery, Reporter

The Houston Chapter extends a big welcome and congratulations to the newly chartered Space City Chapter of the 99s. We are happy to have another 99s Chapter in the Houston area.

The Houston Chapter held an aviation safety seminar at David Wayne Hooks Memorial Airport at Tomball, Texas, on May 21. Dr. Jack Kirby spoke on the effects of the everyday drugs on flying, and an FAA aviation safety film was viewed.

A new meeting night has been temporarily adopted. During the summer the Houston Chapter will meet every third Tuesday evening in the home of a Houston 99.

May 1, 1975, was designated "Ninety-Nine Day in Texas" by the Texas Legislature. Among those attending the Proclamation Ceremony at the state capitol in Austin were Adele Baker, Ann English, Betty Fruitts, and Alice Seaborn of the Houston Chapter.

Congratulations to Audrey Haley who earned her multi-engine rating in her Cessna 310 on May 12. New member Patty Vick has just passed the written exams for a commercial license and instrument rating.

The Houston Chapter welcomes new members Chris Storms Demi and Patty Vick. We were also glad to have Shreveport Chapter member Elba Bond at the May meeting.

Alice Seaborn attended a meeting of the University of Texas History of Aviation Museum in Austin April 11; from there she went to Abilene for the Spring meeting of the South Central Section. Alice is again APT.

M.E. Oliver was named Information Officer of the Year by the Texas Wing of the Civil Air Patrol. She was awarded a plaque at the Wing Conference in Austin.

Joyce Johnson and Pat James will pilot the 45th plane to start in the 1975 Powder Puff Derby July 4-7.

KANSAS CHAPTER Carolyn Westerman, Reporter

Our May meeting was a fly-in at Atchinson, Kansas with the Topeka Chapter and the Greater Kansas City

Chapter. We toured the Atchinson County Museum, the Atchinson Historical Home, saw and walked around the yard of Amelia Earhart's home. The people of Atchinson treated us royally.

The Kansas Chapter in conjunction with the local FAA had a very successful Safety Seminar. It was estimated that almost 500 people attended. Since the weather did not cooperate with us, we were very pelased with the turn out.

Pat McEwn has been chosen as the recipient of the International Women's Year Transportation Award for the Region VII Federal Regional Council. She was selected as the woman in this region who has made the greatest contribution for improving the status of women in the field of transportation. Pat was chosen for her contribution to the promotion of safety in aviation and for proving that there is a great opportunity in the field of aviation for women. Needless to say that the Kansas Chapter is very proud of her.

Two Kansas Chapter teams have entered the Powder Puff Derby - Jackie Luke & Pat Mlady and Pat McEwen and Marilyn Copeland.

We are proud to announce Jackie Luke has obtained her Commercial License.

The Kansas Chapter is saddened by the death of Margaret Yourdon.



Kansas Chapter & FAA safety seminar. L to R: Wanda Cummings, Speaker, a 99 from Dallas Texas; C. Don Cary, speaker, Beech Aircraft Corporation; Pat Mlady, Chairman—Kansas Chapter; Marilyn Copeland, Kansas Chapter - Mistress of Ceremonies; Willard "Pete" Pederson, speaker, Safety Coordination Division, office of General Aviation, Washington, D.C.

NEBRASKA CHAPTER Sharon Meyer, Reporter

Plans are shaping up for the Lincoln Stop on the 1975 Powder Puff Derby route. Evelyn Sedivy and Betty Alfred are serving as Co-Chairmen for the Lincoln Stop. Committee Chairmen are Shirley Amen and Carmen Stineman, Operations; Diane Bartels, Publicity; Nancy Alley, Hospitality; Sharon Meyer, Housing; Sally Van Zandt, Leg Prizes; and Sally Clark, Transportation. The Official Timers for the Lincoln Stop will be Paulie Perry, Chief Timer, Dottie Adcock, First Assistant, and Martha Purdy, Second Assistant.

A new organization, the Nebraska Association of Aerospace Educators, was formed recently in Kearney. We're delighted that the president of the brand new organization in Nebraska 99, Evelyn Sedivy. The organization was formed through the cooperative efforts of the Nebraska 99s, the Nebraska Department of

Aeronautics, and the Nebraska Aviation and Trades Association.

Our annual Flying Poker Game was rained out the scheduled weekend in April, but the May weather was more cooperative and we did get to hold it on May 17. The route this year was Millard, York, Fairbury, Beatrice, and Lincoln. Prizes of \$50.00, \$40.00, and \$25.00 were awarded to the top three poker hands. Also, FBO prizes were awarded to the top hand started at each airport. Vera Bartunek did an excellent job of organizing the poker game.

Our May meeting was at the Superior Airport. Carmen Stineman and Gay Boardman, wife of the FBO, were our hostesses. In June, we will be meeting at North Platte.



Members of the Lincoln Powder Puff Derby Stop Committee are Nebraska 99s (left to right) Nancy Alley, Hospitality, Evelyn Sedivy, Chairman, Diane Bartels, Publicity, and Shirley Amen, Operations. Shirley will also be flying in the 1975 Derby with Jan Heins in TAR 53.

OMAHA AREA CHAPTER Pat Krueger, Reporter

As spring finally rounded the corner our April 20th meeting was held in Utica at the Flying V. Winter was finally over and we were flying again.

Cheri Smetana and 49½ Lou are once again busy introducing aviation. As Lou flew over Crestridge on May 6th a group of 120 kindergarteners watched and listened as radio contact was established with Cheri on the ground. Then on to the buses and off to Millard Airport for a first hand look at an airplane. Prospective Member Jeanne Kautter had her plane available as well as Cheri & Lou and the working parts of an airplane were explained, ending with sitting in the pilot's seat.

Plans are in progress to Air Mark South Omaha Airport as soon as weather permits.

Early June will find Rosemary Block and 49½ Max, Georgiann Ryneerson and 49½ Bill, Suanne Townsend and 49½ Gary on a flying fishing trip to Canada. Sounds like fun.

Laurie Cox and 49½ Tom are the proud owners of a Cessna 140 and progress continues on the rebuilding by Gail Tonnesen and 49½ Paul of their Clipped Wing Cub, and Pat Krueger and 49½ Dean of their Funk.

SAN ANTONIO CHAPTER Pamela H. Crane, Reporter

Regular business meetings of the San Antonio Chapter were held on April 12th and May 10th at the airport meeting room

(at Gen-Aero, Inc.) and routine business was transacted.

A topic of considerable interest at both meetings was the San Antonio Chapter's entry in the 1975 AWTAR, Dorothy Colvard and Cynthia McGarry, who will be flying Dorothy's Mooney.

The oft rescheduled airmarking of the Guadalupe County Airport (Seguin, Texas) was finally begun on April 19th, and the numbers were completed, but time and weather ran out, so painting of the name (quite an undertaking!) is planned for June.

Chapter members who attended the South Central Sectional in Abilene in April in their own aircraft had quite a time getting back to San Antonio. Texas weather this spring has definitely not been favorable for aviation-oriented activities.

Peggy Kemble and 49½er Charles, represented the chapter at the "99 Day in Texas" breakfast in Austin on May 1. Charles presented the invocation at the breakfast.

Your reporter and husband Carl are off again on May 15th, this time to Cambridge, Massachusetts, where Carl is an invited observer at the Guidance and Control Biennial Symposium of the NATO Advisory Group for Aerospace Research and Development.

Plans are underway for the second annual chapter picnic in July, to be held again at the ranch home of Betsy Hogan and 49½er, Bill. We are deeply indebted to them for their generous invitations for so many of our chapter activities.

Safe flying to you all for the spring and summer!

SHREVEPORT CHAPTER **Marjo Wright, Reporter**

Six planes of Shreveport 99s and 49½ers flew to Abilene, Texas for the Spring Sectional and fun was the by-line for the stories about the trip. The Shreveport Chapter won the Attendance Award and the beautiful trophy is on display in the Downtown Airport. Helen Hewitt won the spot landing contest in her Bellanca. Our Chapter was 100 per cent APT this year and

were awarded the APT Trophy. A 99 penant done in needlepoint was auctioned off during the meeting to raise money for our chapter.

Local fun happenings are on tap too. A Fly-In dinner and camp out was held the first week in May...Oil City, Thackers International Airport which is a pretty grass strip owned by the Thackers. A fish-fry, May 24th, Toldeo Ben Lake. Our hostess 99 Marion Piper and 99 friend Amy Pilkinton caught, dressed, and fried the fish, hush puppies, and french fries. Evelyn Snow and Jere Saur brought cole slaw made by a recipe that feeds 100 people. The recipe reads, a peck of cabbage etc.

Several of our 99s have been chosen for special honors - Helen Wray has been selected to serve on the National Aero Space Committee. Evelyn Snow is running for the Section Nominating Committee and is filling the unexpired term for Vice-Governor.

Helen Hewitt and 49½ husband, Forrest, are attending a banquet in Denton, Texas honoring the Regional Instructor of the Year. Helen, was the winner from District GADO 11. Also, attending are Mary Jo Voss and Bennie Voss, who is the GADO 11 Accident Prevention Specialist.

Airmarking - this time Alanta, Texas...Some flew and some rode in Mary Jo Voss's motor home. All enjoyed the day, including the 49½s that came to help.

SOUTH LOUISIANA CHAPTER **Betty Jones, Reporter**

New Member—We welcome Mary French of Baton Rouge. Mary is a professional photographer with Jan's Photographs.

99s going here and there...Pat and Roger Ward will vacation by camping trailer in the Eastern Rockies, particularly at the Black Forest in the Colorado Springs area during the month of July, and on to the EAA Fly-In at Oshkosh—Eleanor and John Lowry plan to attend the Fly-In also.

Fran Taylor—to Las Vegas Nellis Air Force Base with the Civil Air Patrol, May 19, 20 and 21st. Military flight - C130 from New Orleans to fly F111 simulators at Nellis.

Mary S. White—to Le Salvador on May 17, under Partnership Plan, for one week to teach physics.

Gloria Holmes 49½ Dave, spent a week as a crew member on a 39 foot racing sailboat from Cozumel, Yucatan peninsula to Gulfport, Mississippi—Gloria was one of three lady pilots featured in a very nice article about women in aviation in the local newspaper.

Eleanor Lowry is 65 per cent complete with the wings for her RV-3, and waiting for the delivery of material for the fuselage and tail sections...also constructing a new house on her farm in Northwest Arkansas...and by next meeting hopes to have her instrument rating.



Cal Meredith and Beverly Titzer were hostesses for the Houma "stop" of the Louisiana Air Tour. Several 99s, from various states were among the guests who were treated to a crawfish boil at the John Montierre home. The following day they were moto-caded to the gulf for a shrimp boat ride and shrimp gumbo and jambalaya dinner.

SPANISH PEAKS CHAPTER **Joan Alyea, Reporter**

April's activities were capped by our Seminar on Women in Aviation, held April 23 at Southern Colorado State College. Flying activities that month were minimal, due to high winds and dust storms.

May's meeting found us filling out reports, marking ballots and celebrating Shannon Hawthorne's acquisition of a one-fourth interest in a "new" 1946 Stinson, in which she has been getting a lot of tail dragger dual.

This reporter will be "grounded" for 7 weeks during the summer, due to an educational-business-vacation sojourn in Mexico City and Puebla. The trip will be commercial but will try to make contact with a few pilots down that way and check out a few airports. And if anyone is thinking of a Colorado vacation, be sure to stop in Pueblo and give us a call.

TOPEKA CHAPTER **Sondra Ridgeway, Reporter**

Charlotte Kenney and Sondra Ridgeway were invited to present the program at the annual Amelia Earhart dinner meeting of



Spanish Peaks members sponsored Seminar on Women in Aviation at Southern Colorado State College in April. Shown left are members and guest speakers: Ann Courtright; Joan Alyea; Chris Berry; Marily Sidwell, FAA Inspector, GADO, Broomfield, Colorado; Shirley Marshall, Black Forest Glider Port; Shannon Hawthorne; Mary Adams, Colorado Chapter; and Grace Mayfield, Aerospace Education teacher and CFI, Denver.

the Topeka Chapter of Zonta Clubs on February 20. Our slide presentation of the 1973 Powder Puff Derby **must stop** was accepted enthusiastically by the group. They had many questions and comments about the race in particular and 99s in general.

March 8 found 6 Topeka 99s, one 49½ and 2 guests flying away to Omaha for lunch and joint business meeting with the Omaha Area Chapter. A lot of visiting went on with Gail Tonneson and Laurie Cox who both transferred to Omaha from the Topeka Chapter.

Newly elected officers for the 1975-76 year are: **Barbara Ruhnke-Chairman; Virginia Marshall-Vice Chairman; Marge Suchsland-Secretary and Mary Landis-Treasurer.**

Two Topeka 99s Virginia Marshall and Charlotte Kenney are currently working on instrument ratings and Sondra Ridgeway is still plugging away at CFI.

Sondra and Dale Ridgeway attended Operation Raincheck at Kansas City Air Route Traffic Control Center for 4 nights in April.

Hazel and Tom Neely represented our chapter at the South Central Section spring meeting at Abilene, Texas on April 11-12-13.

Six Topeka 99s joined members of the Kansas and Kansas City chapters for a joint fly-in and business meeting May 10 at Atchison, Kansas. We toured the Amelia Earhart exhibit at the Atchison Historical Society and visited the house where she was born on a beautiful tree-lined street overlooking the Missouri River. A quick trip to the site of the proposed "Forest of Friendship" ended a day of fellowship with our 99s neighbors.

Tar 64 with Sondra Ridgeway, Topeka pilot and Barbara Eldred, Little Rock, Arkansas co-pilot will be winging its way to Riverside in a few weeks for the P.P.D. start. Another first for our small chapter.

Coming events include an iarmarking at Manhattan, Kansas June 14, assisting with Airport open house at Manhattan on July 19 and a safety seminar still in the planning stages for October.



Virginia Hocker, Zonta Clubs International (L) and Sondra Ridgeway, Topeka 99s discussing 1973 PPD.

TULSA CHAPTER **Jan Mauritsen, Reporter**

One of the most outstanding events of the spring was our April meeting at the

home of Sue and Ken Duncan. The homestead includes "Neversweat" airport, a fly-in meeting. The setting for the house and airport is picturesque and was exceptionally beautiful this spring season. The Duncans have a multitude of bird houses and feeders around their yard and have the most impressive variety of birds, besides the metal ones, that one might see outside of an Atrium. A living room picture window looks out onto a valley where the airport is located.

Ken invited everyone down to the hangar to see his bright red experimental aircraft known as Long Dong. Then he put the bird in action and gave us a real airshow.

On April 6 we airmarked Pryor Airport and have a couple more scheduled in the near future.

During the meeting at Sue's, Deanna and Johnnie reported on the Section meeting at Abilene. In April Deanna Robertson got her double I rating.

The May meeting was held at the new home of Jan Mauritsen, who was unable to attend the previous meeting at the Duncan's, since that was moving week-end.

Most of the May meeting was spent in making and confirming plans for the AWTAR stop in Tulsa. Following the business meeting we had two exceptionally good movies: "Thunderstorms" and "The Unchained Goddess", also on weather - very timely for the season in this part of the country. We added two new members to our group. Earline in teaching another ground school class. Deanna has several students now and just last week soloed her first student - which is probably more exciting for the Instructor than the student. Jan is in the air almost from daylight tofark and had difficulty finding time for her moving project.

Excitement is high about the AWTAR and hope to welcome many contestants who stop in Tulsa.

WICHITA FALLS CHAPTER **Lou Ellen Foster, Reporter**

Big things were planned for 11 May meeting. Didn't work out. Lou Burnett our airmarking had to move suddenly as husband Jerry was tranfered back to Dallas. Our dinner buffet and meeting was successful. Those attending were Ruth and Paul Renton, Lewis and Lou Ellen Foster, Tom and Carolyn Sanders, Bob and Lindy Nicholson, Nan Park and Sue Stilley. After the dinner the men were left to hanger fly and our business moved to other quarters.

New officers for our chapter are **Nan Park Chairman, Lindy Nicholson vice-chairman; Lou Ellen Foster Secretary; Margie Harris treasurer.** Other officers will be appointed later.

We are proud of our three new members. Sue Stilley of Nocona, Texas; Carolyn Sanders and Mona McKee of Wichita Falls.

Lou Ellen and Lewis Foster presented a portion of the seminar on "Vacation Flying" arranged by Redbird Chapter of Dallas on 10 May. Fosters subject was "Island Flying". Everyone is looking

forward to vacations, international in Coeru d'Alene then section in Denver.

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ALL-OHIO CHAPTER **Charleen Mehaffie, Reporter**

Meeting in April at Clermont County Airport, Batavia, with Rosalie Burchett and Mary Miller as our hostesses, a proposal was presented to us by Doris Scott, who is on the Aviation Council of the Dayton Chamber of Commerce, that the Ohio 99s be the official hostesses for the Dayton Air Fair (July 26 and 27, 1975) at Cox Municipal Airport. We would conduct guided tours, help the news media people find events they wish to cover, and so forth. We voted to accept this invitation.

Bonnie McSwain has been working hard putting our poker party together for June 15.

In April, Marcia Greenham spoke to the Middletown American Business Women's Association on "Flying as a Hobby." Sandy Storhok chaired a workshop on "Women in Flying" at the Central Ohio Conference of the Childhood Conservation League. Marilyn Miller and Bonnie McSwain made the TV news in Columbus on getting ready to fly the Angel Derby. Marilyn is our first member to be APT for the 6th consecutive year. Bonnie McSwain received her Commercial.

On March 23, Doris Gill flew to Ann Arbor, Michigan, to compete in the regional competition for the U.S. Precision Flight Team. She didn't qualify but did quite well considering her competition was 98 per cent male and very capable.

Our May air marking meeting was held at Delaware Municipal Airport, Delaware and our hostesses were Charlotte Kuhn, Nancy



Many of the All-Ohio members participated in the "Spring Bonnet" contest during the April 20 meeting at Clermont County, Batavia.

front: Joan Repik, Doris Gill, Doris Scott, Marilyn Collette, Joan Cord, Joy Shaver, Rose Wyse

on stairs: Lois Taylor, Virginia Thomas, Jeane Wolcott, Anne Esselburne, Patti Wolfe, Clara Thorpe, Marilyn Miller, Bonnie McSwain, Rose Burchett (kneeling) Jane Weislogel (in her flying helmet) and Carol Ferris.



All-Ohio Chapter members took part April 20 in the 99s participation in Earth Week, April 20-26. A six-state, six-stop relay flight from Parkersburg, West Virginia, to the site of the International Forest of Friendship, in Atchison, Kansas focused on the three themes of the Bicentennial - Heritage, Festival and Horizons. Taking part in the ceremony at Clermont County, Batavia, Ohio were Clara Tharpe, Rose Burchett, State Senator William H. Mussey, Jane Weislogel (rear Barbara Baron (Lake Erie and pilot from Parkerburg to Batavia), Doris Gill (pilot from Batavia to Valparaiso, Indiana), Pat Fairbanks, State Representative Harry C. Malott, Sue Grethel (Clermont Bicentennial Committee), Betty Bobo (kneeling) and Virginia Thomas (on wing).

Shaw, and Cam Stomberg. The weather co-operated and we put "Delaware, Ohio" on the taxiway.

We had several members compete in the Angel Derby in May. Sophie Payton and co-pilot Pat Fairbanks placed third in a Mooney; Dottie Anderson and co-pilot Marilyn Miller placed fourth in a Cherokee 180; and Bonnie McSwain and co-pilot Doris Gill placed 25th in a Grumman-American Tiger donated by Hausserman Aviation in Columbus.

Welcome two new members: Shirley Joanne Repik, Springfield, owns a Cessna 182, and Marion Alice Blossom who owns a Bonanza and is planning to compete in the Powder Puff Derby.

CAPE GIRARDEAU CHAPTER Sue Long, Reporter

Everyone has gotten spring fever. Lois and Feigenbaum and I traveled to the Southwest spring sectional in Phoenix. We both had such a marvelous time seeing old friends and meeting new ones. Lois told what the board has been doing and how our beautiful new headquarters building is coming along. She showed the new Amelia Earhart medal, which is lovely. From Phoenix we traveled to Santa Fe, New Mexico, for the NIFA (National Inter-collegiate Flying Association) meet. There were so many young girls in competition this year who learned from the 99s about the organization.

Evelyn Braise has been busy at the Dyersburg, Tennessee, airport. She co-ordinated a CAP sponsored "airlift" to take twenty-seven teenage cadets on their first familiarization flight. She also helped an

Explorer Scout Troop earn its aviation badge; besides conducting several pilot ground school sessions!

Chairmaine Freeman gave a speech on aviation to the Junior High school in Dyersburg and took two groups of preschoolers on tour of the airport.

Our May luncheon meeting was in Paducah, Kentucky and attended by many including my Jeffrey (age 2) and Jacqueline (age 3 1/4). The Cape Girardeau Area Chapter has donated the Ninety-Nine Insignia door handles that have just been placed on the front doors of our new headquarters building. They are lovely! The flight home was pleasant with Jeffrey exhausted and on his mommy's lap and Jacqueline flying right seat, in front with her hands on the controls. As I dozed off I heard her grandma Feigenbaum saying-----"This is the artificial horizon—keep the line straight." When we got home Jacqueline said "When can I be a 99 grandma?" We all smiled.

Happy Flying.

CENTRAL ILLINOIS CHAPTER Jean Boyd, Reporter

It was a beautiful day for the April 5th joint meeting of Central Illinois chapter and Quad Cities and Greater Chicago race board members. Thirty-eight were present for the race business meeting held at Willard Airport, Champaign, Illinois.

Following a fine luncheon, we celebrated the 30th anniversary of the Central Illinois Chapter charter with a beautifully decorated, delicious cake and coffee.

Back at the airport, the regular business

of our chapter was called to order by vice chairman, Libby Kaiser. In conjunction with Earth Week and the Bicentennial Celebration, 99s will fly a five-handled spade to be used to plant trees in the International Forest of Friendship. The shovel will be flown from Parkersburg, West Virginia to Atchison, Kansas. We will fly it from Decatur, Illinois to Moberly, Missouri. Jeanne Morse, acting nomination chairman for Theo Sommer presented the slate of officers for the 1975-76 year. Jayne Schiek, membership, introduced Betty Huffman and Barbara Parker, both student pilots from Paris, Ill., who joined as 66s, and new members Marjorie Hughes, Sarah Allen, and Sherry Hartley. Margo Hughes and her husband are farmers near Sparland. They have 3 children, are active in AOPA, Flying



Central Illinois Chapter members with the five-handled shovel that is to plant a tree in Atchison, Kansas for Earth Week. Pausing to have a picture taken, before taking off, was Joan Boyd, pilot of the plane that was taking the shovel to Moberly, Mo. (L to R): Thurman Stearns (FAA Controller) Ruth Ritter (99), James Rupp (Decatur Mayor), Joan Boyd (Pilot of Plane), Jean West (99).

Farmers, and just plain flying from their own farm strip where they keep a Cessna 150 and a Bonanza. Sarah Allen, from Peoria, is an accounting major at Bradley University there and also works at Caterpillar. Sherry Hartley and her husband are the new managers of the Salem-Leckrone Airport. They just moved from the St. Louis area where Sherry had attended several meetings previously.

Jeanne Morse had a wonderful time presenting flying to 200 plus Boy Scouts and parents at their annual Blue and Gold banquet. Ruth Teel goes even further and teaches an annual unit on aviation to her sixth grade class. Their culmination is a field trip to Capitol Airport at Springfield.

Barbara Jenison has been traveling again—first to Atlanta and then to Chicago to the Midwest Forum on Aerospace Education. There were people from 8 states, FAA, and GAMA there.

Jan Vanatta was the 99 hostess for the Coles County Safety Seminar at Mattoon, Illinois on April 10th. Coffee and donuts were served by the 99s. Barbara Jenison also gave a short talk to everyone there about the 99s.

Addendum—May 10th meeting was held in Decatur. The following slate of officers was elected for 1975-76: **Chairman, Libby Kaiser; Vice-chairman, Joan Boyd; Secretary, Ruth Ritter; Treasurer, Bobby Kesterson; and Reporter, Ruth Teel.**

CHICAGO AREA CHAPTER
Sandy Klock, Reporter



Happy participants in Chicago Area's Achievement Awards contest show off their prizes—(l. to r.) Dorathea Lough, first place in overall points; Elsie Wahrer, third; Charlene Falkenberg, fourth; and Joan Kerwin, seventh.

The biggest event of the year for Chicago Area Chapter—our annual Achievement Awards banquet was held March 22nd at beautiful Nordic Hills Country Club in Itasca—with AA Chairman Jean Ingle and her co-chairmen Ann Haller and Rosemary Pepin in charge of this big event. During the course of the year, participants send the chairman monthly summaries of various individual flying and chapter participation activities, each of which is worth a certain number of points. There are winners in special activities categories, a "new member" winner, and winners for highest total points. Our total points first-place winner this year was Dorathea Lough; second-place Gail LaPook; third-place Elsie Wahrer. A special treat to top off the evening was a showing of the movie "A Powderpuff for Joan."

Our April meeting was held at the Snoopy-decorated Antique Airplane Hangar at DuPage County Airport on the 20th. EAA Antique and Classic Division treasurer Gar Williams was our speaker and brought with him the EAA 1974 Oshkosh fly-in film.

Sandy Klock and Madeleine Kimotek attended the March meeting of the Wisconsin Chapter, and Ruth Frantz attended their April meeting. The March Indiana Chapter meeting was attended by John and Polly Gikison, Joan Mallin and friend, Tom and Lee Zeller and son, Diane Cozzi and her dad, Walt and Joan Kerwin, and Ellen O'Hara. We do like to travel!

Caroline Smith, 49½'er George, and son Wally flew their turbo Comanche 250 on Valentine's Day down to Columbia, Missouri to attend the Stephens College performance of "The Music Man"—their lovely daughter Marguerite played the lead role of Marian the Librarian.

Virginia Coffeen and 66 Toni Zag set up a 99s booth at the Lewis University open house April 20th. R.D. Aviation, Lewis-Lockport Airport (on campus), donated a free introductory flight lesson to 3 gals who won the drawing sponsored by our chapter.

Barb Silagi got herself a seaplane rating from the famous Jack K. Brown at Winter Haven, Fla. during spring vacation.

Tom Goldthorpe, 49½'er of Gail, was recently appointed a designated examiner

for private and commercial licenses. The Goldthorpe's T&G Aviation at Midway Airport now offers a ground school taught by 99 Karen Irvin.

Chris Winzer has a new job with the FAA GADO Office at DuPage—that of Accident Prevention Specialist.

Pam Stowell has been missed around these parts lately, as she has moved to Indiana and taken a job as manager of Aviation Associates, an FBO in LaPorte. Besides her managerial duties, Pam also doubles as flight instructor, line gal, and jill-of-all-trades. Stop in and see her when you're in the LaPorte area.

GREATER KANSAS CITY CHAPTER
Dorothy Stratton, Reporter



IT WAS FLAG DAY at Amelia Earhart Memorial Airport April 26th as representatives from three organizations unfurled their Bicentennial flags. Holding the flags above are from left, Lew Mahoney III, chairman of the Benedictine College Bicentennial Committee; Father Gerald Senecal, president of the college; Mayor David Laurie and Dr. Frank Carpinelli, member of Atchison's Bicentennial Committee. Kneeling in the foreground are three 99s, Marge Engelman, president of the Greater Kansas City 99s; Jean Wilson, vice pres. and Dorothy Stratton, corresponding secretary for the group.



A FIVE-HANDLED SHOVEL at Atchison Kansas tree planting ceremony. L to R 99s pictured Marge Engelman, Pauline Clendening, Dorothy Stratton, Jean Wilson, Virginia Pacey, Janyne Bluse and Karen Ballowe.

A fivehanded shovel was the center of attention at Amelia Earhart Airport, Atchison Kansas April 26th during the informal program. The event marked the end of a week-long observance of Earth Week. Mayor David R. Laurie gave the welcoming remarks to 99 members, Atchison Bicentennial Committee members and others attending. Representative trees from the Midwest

states of Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, Nebraska and Iowa were delivered to the airport to be transplanted in soil at the International Forest of Friendship at Warnock Lacke. The forest is a Bicentennial project of the City of Atchison and 99s.

Five Benedictine College students also were on hand and took part in the planting ceremonies. They acted as ambassadors of their respective states: Nebraska, Oklahoma, Kansas, Iowa and Missouri.

The five-handled shovel, representing America's heritage, was manufactured by Ames and McDonough Co., Parkersburg, W.Va., founded in 1774, and was flown to Atchison by 99 pilots. One 99 flew each of the five legs of the relay flights. Also aboard as the planes shuttled west were boxes of medical supplies destined for California, the 99s Bicentennial flag and a tree from the city of Parkersburg. Because of weather conditions, members of our Kansas City chapter had to drive to Atchison for the ceremony.

were: Marge Engelman, Jean Wilson, Karen Ballowe, Dorothy Stratton, Jayne Blust, Virginia Pacy and Pauline Clendening.

Our chapter brought back the attendance trophy from Spring Section, fourteen members attending.

May fly-out was to Atchison, May 10th. We met with Kansas and Topeka chapters and toured historical homes and museums.

GREATER ST. LOUIS CHAPTER
Jan Pocock, Reporter

We in STL are proud of the fact that we now have two commercial rated helicopter pilots in our chapter. Both Sue Matheis and Val Johnson received their ratings in April; Nelda Lee passed her Instrument check ride; 16 of our group attended the fun filled Spring Sectional, beautifully hosted by the tiny Central Mo. Chapter, where the business meeting was "Governed" by our own Amy Laws; Mary Lowe, with Co-pilot-daughter Sylvia, will be flying in the Angel Derby in her brand new Piper Arrow—ditto Val Johnson in her Bonanza; the 99s won a prize for best attendance at the May 14th STL GADO Aviation Safety Seminar; many of our gals are actively involved in at least one other aviation organization, ie: Irene Rawlings and Val Johnson serving on the Board of Directors of the Missouri Pilots, Betty Board the Secretary to the Greater St. Louis Flight Instructors Assn., and the list goes on and on! Heck, we even get to be proud of our STL Alums! Former St. Louis member, Ruth Taksel Benedict is assistant editor for the F.A.A. Aviation News and was sent by the F.A.A. to the Spring meeting to bring us up to date on the latest thinking in DCA with respect to a thing called Aviation!

We continue to gain enthusiastic new members, like Phyllis Morganthaller, who received her pin at our March meeting and attended her first Section meeting in May. Better than that, our "not-quite" member Jeannie MacGregor also joined us at the

Lake of the Ozarks, as well as our first Chapter Chairman, Adela Scharr.

Our April meeting included some timely tips on weather, supplied by the winner of the St. Louis District Flight Instructor of the Year award, Gerry Gunkel. In May, the livingroom of our hostess, Gloria Cash, was literally stuffed with 23 99s and 7 guests who were entertained by Laura Sellenger's slides of a STL 99 Air Show that took place, uh, several years ago ("Is that really me?") and a 99 tour of Europe. Then we watched a movie of the 1972 AWTAR that had all of us eager to fly the race. This year, we can cheer for our TARs, Mary Lowe, Tex Wickenhauser, and Val Johnson. At least, our weather has improved and all the little birds have been out and about, testing their winter-weary wings.

IOWA CHAPTER

Annetta Haack, Reporter

The best news of all—Some good flying weather in Iowa!!

Would you believe "Two good meetings days in succession, with good weather for Sectional thrown in!"

Many of us took advantage of the weather for the April meeting at Fort Dodge, for there were over 50 members and guests in attendance. Don Kersten of Ft. Dodge gave a very interesting presentation, complete with slides of hot-air ballooning.. Oh that preflight before finally soaring aloft! This reporter has been to Indianola during one of the annual meets, and they are indeed a beautiful sight.



Iowa 99s and 49½s meet new friends and enjoy Central Missouri's hospitality at North Central Section meeting.

May weather also brought many of us out for the meeting at Fairfield. FAA personnel from Ottumwa gave us a very good review briefing on various types of control areas and on "how to get a good weather briefing."

In between April and May meetings was the delightful Section meeting put on by "mighty Central Missouri." Sixteen 99s and 49½s from Iowa enjoyed their hospitality.

This has been the year of broken legs in Iowa. Fran Doherty started off the procession last fall, followed by 49½, Tom Kenny. (Both are now mended). Jean Ellingson is the latest member of that elite group, but is "on the mend."

Welcome back to Pat Jensen Henderson. Pat and husband recently moved from Ft. Collins to Ft. Dodge, where they are now FBO operators. Before moving to Ft. Collins, Pat was at Ames where she was flight department manager of Goodrich Aviation.

LAKE ERIE CHAPTER

Helen Keidel, Reporter

Our chapter wanted to get an early start on airmarking this year, but the weather was totally uncooperative. Cuyahoga County Airport (Cleveland) was first on the list but April 13th was cold and windy. In the 50 degree temperature, the 20' high letters were sketched out on the hangar roof but the actual painting was delayed two weeks. Again it was cold but the wind was not so penetrating. Next scheduled project is June 7th.

Well represented in the Angel Derby, Lake Erie had three aircraft entries: Annete Fedor with Rosemarie Mintz; Margaret Wellington with Bernice Barris; and Mario Stacks with Tina DeBlasey. Although not in the winners' circle, we'll probably see them trying again in the Powder Puff Derby.

On August 16 (rain date, the 17th) the Silver Air Flight, a proficiency flight for all pilots, will be held at the Cuyahoga County Airport sponsored by the Lake Erie Chapter. The name comes from the airport celebrating its 25th anniversary in 1975 with special events scheduled in August. Entry kits available at \$3.00 from Helen Keidel.

Taking advantage of our short summers, August will also see the members coordinating a rummage sale from which they hope to build their treasury. Contributions to the various worthy projects have been rather slim during the first year of the Chapter's existence, but the future looks better.

LAKE MICHIGAN CHAPTER

Evelyn Borst, Reporter

Our March meeting was held in Lansing at the Terminal Building. Chet Nottage of the Michigan State Police, and a helicopter pilot, showed a film on the many uses of the helicopter to catch speeders and locate criminal suspects. Marie Emery was welcomed as a new member!

Mary Creason and Eloise flew the Angel Derby in Eloise's Bellanca and Maisie Stears and Esther Bennett will also fly the Derby in Esther's Cherokee 180. Both couples plan to fly the PPD. 'Babe' Weyant Ruth has passed her Instrument written. She is also Flight Simulator instructor at Lansing Community College. Margaret Boschetti flew the right seat of a chartered plane to Marquette in IFR weather. Esther Bennett is doing charter work with an Aero-Star.

June 14th is Poker Run Day for our Chapter with 9 airports to choose from making 5 stops.

Evelyn Borst and 49½er Larry, are spending 2 wonderful weeks in Hawaii. Doing four islands and taking lots of pictures.

Ruth Kersten will be flying back to Anchorage, Alaska the latter part of May with her Cessna 182. We'll miss Ruth Friend Merrell (Couch) Davenport is flying her plane to Kalamazoo for a new paint job.

Plans are being finalized for the 28th Powder Puff Derby with the terminus at Boyne Mountain. Natalie Kreeger is Chairperson for Inspection and Wanda Jubb is Chairperson for Impound area in July. These girls need all the volunteer help they can get.

The April meeting was held at Eloise Smith's home and guest speaker was Merrill Davenport who is Training Supervisor of RAVCOM (Approach Control) of Anchorage Alaska. He showed some beautiful color slides of scenery in that area while flying his own aircraft. Ruth Kersten had lots of pictures also. We had a wonderful evening.

MICHIGAN CHAPTER

Bette Crook, Reporter

In April, the Michigan Chapter met at the Tri City Airport. Our hostess was Beverly Price, and the program featured Jerry Whittimore who spoke on sailplanes. A special meeting was called for May 10 at the Capitol City Airport in Lansing to cover the extra business details.

On May 17 the chapter held a Pilots Poker Party which awarded a first prize of \$99. Chairman was Elna Blass with Lois Broyles serving as chairman for prizes. June Pailthorpe organized the terminus at Flint.

The lunch bunch flew to Grosse Ile in April and to Holland during the Tulip Time Festival in May.

Winne DuPerow and Maretta Simpson made a trip to Boyne Mt. on April 12 to finalize arrangements for the PPD Terminus. When entries closed on May 1 there were five planes entered from the Michigan Chapter. Suzy Parker and Elna Blass will be flying a PA-30 Twin Comanche. Lois Broyles and Kathy Gerhold will race a Cessna 177RD Cardinal. Alice Markee and Judy Aagesen are entered in a Rockwell Commander 112. Sammy McKay will fly a Cessna 210J with Iris Critchell of California as co-pilot. Jean Reynolds will be co-pilot for Mary Clark (Lake Michigan Chapter) in a Piper PA 28 Cherokee. Shirley Cote (Orange County Chapter) preflw the PPD route, spending one night in Gaylord where she gave Suzanne Whyte a call.

Two of our members should receive special recognition as co-sponsors for the Safe Pilot Clinics which were held in April—Janet Olsen of Olsen Aviation, Detroit City Airport and Imogene Ross of Flight Tech, Inc., Bishop Airport.

Joyce Odom, Mearl Frame, Doris Kilanski, Dorothy Herring, and Nancy Hecksel attended the NC Spring Section Meeting at Lake of the Ozarks, Mo.

Our chapter was saddened to learn of the death of Carol Welch, who was a member of the Ninety-Nines for thirty years. She will be missed.

Lois Broyles received her instrument rating April 12th at Romeo.

Winnie DuPerow received a Michigan Minuteman Citation awarded during Michigan Week by the Greater Michigan Foundation.

A chapter charter party was June 14th for the newly formed Detroit Area Chapter which is another outgrowth of the Michigan Chapter.



Pictured from left to right, Geri Rodegen, Joan Sommerfeld, Ways and Means Chairman, Rita Ann Orr, Gail Vail, Chapter Chairman and Gil Lundquist, FBO, are some of the people who worked hard to make 2 cents per pound air rides successful.

MINNESOTA CHAPTER Clara Johansen, Reporter

When the Minnesota State Dept. of Aeronautics and Accident Prevention Specialist, Andrew Detroit, GADO, sponsored a safety seminar in April, 99s Ruby St. Onge, Peggy Johnstone, and Jan Porter helped with registration and refreshments. When the NIFA meet was held in April, our Chmn Gayle Vail and our NIFA Chmn Jan Neilsen flew a Bellanca to Santa Fe. Minnesota 99s flew to the Spring Sectional meeting at Lake of the Ozarks for a friendly time there.

In spite of hip surgery in April and getting around with a pair of crutches, our 99 Rita Orr very actively helped Ways and Means Chairman, Joan Sommerfeld with the many details that made our 2 cents a pound plane ride on Sunday May 19, a huge success. 11 planes (172's, 182's, Bonanza, Cherokee, Citabria) 19 Minnesota 99s, nine very dedicated 49 1/2s and members of the Faribault Pilots Club all contributed to the success. The weather was perfect, the publicity on Faribault radio and in the newspaper had been great, and the people came! Over 370 enjoyed the air rides, free pop and drawing for prizes. Our chapter not only earned money for our various projects, but introduced flying to many "1st-time-in-a-small-plane" passengers. Comments were: "It was really fun"; "I never knew how beautiful it looks from up there"; and the 71-year-young lady who has traveled cross country by jet but had never seen her farm from the sky until she took this ride in the Citabria, said, "I saw my family waving to me" (she'd called them from the airport). Mrs Joseph McCarthy was one of our most enthusiastic passengers and wants to fly again!

QUAD CITY AREA CHAPTER Judy Hodges, Reporter

The April meeting was a fund raising event for our Chapter for which we had a garage sale at Norma Smith's house.

Our May meeting was a business meeting at the Quad City Airport to work on plans

for the Illi-Nines Air Derby and the Powder Puff Stop. For being a small chapter, we sure are busy this summer but it's lots of fun.

May 23-25 was the Illi-Nines Air Derby in Champaign, ILL. We do hope all of the racers enjoyed it as much as the Illinois Chapters enjoyed putting it on. We feel we had a good race. We hope to see all of you again next year at the Illi-Nines Air Derby.

Our next thing at hand will be airmarking for our June 14th meeting, after which we'll go into full swing for the Powder Puff Derby stop in Moline over the 4th of July week-end. We have already had the pleasure of meeting some of the racers who have stopped in Moline and are looking forward to seeing more here over the 4th.

Backing up just a moment, I must say that everyone who attended the Spring Sectional at the Lake of the Ozarks, had a great time. There were five 99s along with our 49 1/2ers who attended from our Chapter.

Not long ago we had the pleasure of dining and visiting with Lois Feigenbaum while she was in Moline with her husband on a business trip. She is a most enjoyable lady and we certainly benefitted by her visit.

Carolyn Pobanz and I recently flew to Warsaw, Ind. for a Cessna 170 Assoc. Fly-In Breakfast and happily came home with the trophy for flying the farthest distance.

Von Alter flew a friend to Carbondale, ILL. for breakfast the other day and had an encounter with thunderstorms on her way home.

Our two newest members are both Air Traffic Controllers at the Moline Airport. We are very proud to have them aboard.

For Norma Frier—"INCREDIBLE"!

WISCONSIN CHAPTER Betty Willmore, Reporter

Attendance at the April meeting at Oshkosh must have set a record. Thirty of our 43 members attended and brought 16 guests! Thirty-four of those attending flew in!

Ramona Huebner, Oshkosh, was hostess at the brunch held at the new airport restaurant. Ramona and hubby, Jewel, are

retired and finally settled in their beautiful new home located at the south end of the airport. Their home will be on the Oshkosh Home Tour in May. There isn't a square room in it. It's all stone and glass and offers a spectacular view of runway 18-36.

Carolyn and Alvin Arnold, who usually fly their Cessna 140, showed up in a King Air! Classy! Alvin, now a corporate pilot, was on his way to Michigan. Carolyn is half way home on the instrument rating. She got the written out of the way!

Marie Grimm received the annual Aviation Award presented by the Wisconsin Council on Aeronautics at the Wisconsin Aeronautics Conference. It was the first time it was awarded to a woman. The tribute to Marie cited her many and distinguished contributions to aviation progress in Wisconsin. Marie, we're all proud of you!

Two Wisconsin gals are buying matching outfits and getting mighty excited these days. They're going to fly the PPD. Marilyn Donagan and Caroline Morey are going to push a 172 as far past 122 mph as possible!

Middle East Section
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CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER Mary Galbraith, Reporter

Beautiful weather greeted all members and guest attending the Middle East Spring Sectional which was hosted by our chapter and held at Hershey, Pa. What a lovely place. Our theme for the event was geared to the compass rose as N (Ninety-Nines) E (Enhance) S (Skies) W (World-wide). The speaker following our luncheon was Merv Enck from Avco Lycoming who spoke to us on the care of an aircraft engine. We were delighted to have our International Secretary, Thon Griffith, along with Fran Bera fly in from California to attend our meeting.

In May our Chapter along with Piper Aircraft Corporation sponsored a Safety Seminar at Lock Haven. Alice and Bill Fuchs worked hard in making the meeting a great success. Members of our Chapter as well as husbands too supported the program by manning static displays and exhibits and presenting amusing skits depicting Do's and Dont's of flight preparation. Dr's. Champe and Marjorie Pool spoke on the medical aspects of flying.

Our Chapter honored the late Kathy Higgins at her home base airport in Somerset by presenting an inscribed plaque to her children. Carol Windsor made the presentation.

Two of our newest members, Betty Parthemer and Kathy Leidigh, are preparing to race in the Powder Puff Derby this year. Kathy will be pilot and Betty co-pilot. Shirley Weinhardt will also enter the Derby solo.

EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER

Gail Lingo, Reporter

Our newest members are Jean Smallwood who flies out of Pennridge Airport and Anna Worth, a student of veterinarian medicine at University of Pennsylvania-flies out of West Chester.

Our Chapter has a fun thing each month - "Lunch with a Bunch". We fly into a different airport within 100 mile radius of Philly and just eat and chat and meet some wonderful 99s. Have great turnouts, especially when the weather is perfect like the last two months. April we met in Trenton at Mercer County Airport with 16 gals attending. Joan Bertles made the arrangements for lunch. Liz Watkins also passed her private flight test with Joan that morning. We were happy to have Mary Galbraith, Martie Pool and Ann Turley from Harrisburg-Central Pennsylvania Chapter join us. They came in Mary's Navion Rangemaster. They offered to host the "Lunch" in May at Carlisle Airport and what a day they came up with for us. It was one of those rare see forever days and it brought 22 99s out in eleven planes...looked like a mini-derby! We arrived back at the airport to find Martie Pool handing out beautiful carnations to all the girls, compliments of a local florist in town.

Merle Starer and Ann Lemmon are flying a Bonanza in the Powder Puff Derby and Yvette Hortman is flying solo.

Yvette is taking her two sons Walter and Herbie along to the West Coast with her. Traveling around a bit are our members Ann Shields and Helen Zubrow who went to Florida for 8 days and visited with former member Marie and Marv Apfelbaum. Joan and Bob Jones have been flying around in a 310-a day to Tangier Island then to Providence, R.I. where Joan picked up a 206 and ferried it back to PNE. Nancy and Buzz Diemand (now that he's retired) are flying their Bonanza either to Mexico or their home in Vermont. Navion N4885K took Gail and Jack Lingo and two sons to a convention in Florida, Disneyworld and Treasure Cay, Bahamas for a couple days. Except for a few thunderstorms the weather was most agreeable.

Judy DeMarco and Louise Sacchi arranged a meeting in Doylestown and had Marv Small of Beechcraft present his program which was geared to show a community how it benefits from general aviation.

What an exciting meeting Eleanor Davis and Dot Langley planned for us in May at Kutztown Airport. We all brought box lunches and auctioneer Eileen Weigand got top dollar for them. Then...20 stout-hearted gals took glider rides and what a thrill for the first timers. It was a breezy day and lots of thermals.

Our Penny-a-Pound was held at Pennridge Airport with the wonderful cooperation of Marge and Jack Bryant. There were eight planes available for rides including a Stearman flown by 49½ Tom Macario—the other half is Kate who was

organizer of the events of the day. Despite a TRW in the middle of the day (completely unpredicted) our treasury did fatten and these profits will aid the A.E. Scholarship Fund and AWTAR.

MARYLAND CHAPTER

Paulette Jones, Reporter



Mr. Richard Rice of the Goddard Space Flight Center, Greenbelt, Maryland (on platform) looks a bit puzzled by a question asked by one of the Maryland 99s—he really wasn't. The day long tour of the facility was thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended—99s, 49½s, and children.

"Introduction to Aviation" classes taught by the MD 99s for girls at Oldfields School Glencoe, MD, were completed last week when each student received an orientation-instruction flight at Aldino-Churchville Airpark. Each girl was given about a half hour of instruction in a Piper Cherokee 140 with CFI Kay Bays plus a First Flight Certificate and a log book. While some were flying, others were learning on an ATC 510 Flight Simulator with 99 Ginny Vogel. Three classroom sessions had been held at Oldfields School that included information on 99s and general aviation, aerodynamics, radio communication, air charts and navigation, flight instruments, airports and landing patterns, weather, and aviation career opportunities. An added feature was a trip to BWI Airport for tours of the control tower, radar room, and weather services.

MD Chapter Speakers Bureau is doing great. 99 Donna Hawkins has written up a fantastic dialogue to go with a slide presentation (including many of her own slides) on general aviation. She presented it for our May meeting.

Many MD members attended the spring sectional at Hershey, PA. A grand time was had by all. Thanks to the sponsoring chapter. Several of our group are planning to attend the Avco-Lycoming engine Troubleshooting Course as mentioned by Mr. Enck, Avco-Lycoming, at the spring Sectional. Everyone is looking forward to this course.

Looks like MD Chapter will be in charge of the Registration Booths for the '76 Convention and AWTAR Terminus '76. 99s Barb Marder and Harryette Decklebaum are co-chairmen for the activities. Fund raising ideas are being planned.

Airmarking chairman has scheduled us to paint the taxiway at Aldino-Churchville Airpark in June. The a fly-in to St. Mary's County is set for July. It's the good old summertime again.



17 (count 'em) members of the Maryland Chapter attended Spring Sectional meeting at Hershey, Pa. L to r, front: Joan Williams, Harryette Deckelbaum, Joan Bates, Lenora Eaton, and Chairman Rene Birch. Second row: Jo Ann King, Kay Bays, Monica Reilly, Jane Noyes, and Catherine Grover. Standing: Barbara Marder, Donna Hawkins, Jeannie Ball, Paulette Jones, Ginny Vogel, Doris Jacobson, and June Hanson.

Southeast Section

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ALABAMA CHAPTER

Juanita Halstead, Reporter

Alabama Chapter members converged on Luverne again Sunday April 6th. Plans were for finishing up their painting job, center of lining of the runway. However, the paint had not arrived and the gals just relaxed and had a fun meeting.

A short business meeting was held, with Mariom Pullins, Chapter Chairman presiding. Section officers were nominated and delegates for Southeast Section Meeting.

On May 2nd three planes from Alabama flew into Franklin, N.C. for our S.E. Section Meeting. There were eight members there.

The business meeting went smoothly with Gov. Bee Reid, presiding. That over and after lunch, there were buses to carry everyone who wanted to mine for gems to the mines some ten miles out. We were a real sight to behold, strung out in the rain with our buckets of mud searching for gems.

On Saturday night a banquet was held and as promised, no speakers. A group of young square dancers entertained after dinner and were great.

Sunday morning saw most birds leaving for home. Weather was good and finished up a perfect week end. Thanks again to the Carolina girls for a well planned week end.

BLUE RIDGE CHAPTER

Virginia Gilreath, Reporter

Our April 26 meeting was held at Spartanburg Airport in South Carolina. A "State" spotlanding contest was held and 9 of our chapter members entered. A.P.T. chairman, Betty Caldwell of Gramling, S.C. won first place and a beautiful trophy. Carolyn Pilaar won 4th place and Dorothy Penney was 5th.

The chapter has a new member, Gary Wheeler of Simpsonville, S.C. We had 9 of our members attend the Southeast Sectional in Franklin, N.C., May 2-4. About 116 women were present and the "Ruby Hunt" at the mines was very rewarding for many of those who found precious stones. The Carolina and Kitty Hawk Chapters did a marvelous job hosting the affair.

On May 5, our chapter was hostess for the F.A.A. Safety Seminar in Greer, S.D., at Stevens Aviation. Louise White, Chapter Chairman, was one of the guest speakers, explaining what the Ninety-Nine Organization is all about. Over 200 pilots attended.

Virginia Gilreath and Louise White flew to Dallas, Texas and attended The Golden Triangle 99 Chapter meeting, later went to Abilene, Texas for the South Central Sectional. Virginia and Louise also went to the Powder Puff Derby luncheon and drawing for the race numbers. Marion Banks, Chairman of the AWTAR, took them to see the new headquarters at Love Field in Dallas, Texas. They were greeted by Kay Brick who was hard at work in the office getting the race kits ready for the contestants. Everyone loves and admires Kay Brick, who has done such an outstanding job for many years as the past Chairman of the AWTAR. We all "salute you", Kay, for your devotion. President, Pat McEwen was present at the luncheon in Dallas and is also a race contestant in the P.P.D.

On May 18, our chapter members sold tickets to the Airshow in Asheville, N.C. Thousands of people came to enjoy the aerobatics and the Navy F-8-F Bearcats. It was sponsored by W.N.C. Pilots Association of Asheville.



Betty Caldwell, winner of the South Carolina State Spotlanding Contest at Spartanburg Airport in her Cessna Aircraft.

Our May 26 meeting was held at Wilson Airport in Wilson, N.C. Joyce Munford and Shirley Stell greeted all the "99" chapter members. In June our chapter will elect new officers. Mary Ellen Castellloe, Lucielle Johnson and Carol McKinney are on the nominating committee.

An auction is under way!!! Dr. Tom and Rosemary Longmire of Escondido, Ca. gave our chapter a \$2.00 bill and requested that all chapter charter members sign their names on the bill and auction it off to the highest bidder. It will be framed and given to the winner. The Longmires started the bid at \$50.00, it is now up to \$200.00. Rosemary is a 99 in the Palomar Chapter in California. We appreciate their help in letting our chapter treasury grow. Anyone can bid on this!!! It will be auctioned off in the very near future!

DEEP SOUTH CHAPTER Betty W. McNabb, Reporter

Our Esther wins Angel Derby! Deep South Chapter members are elated and proud of Esther Wright, Thomasville Georgia Holiday Innkeeper, who defeated a field of 53 aircraft to win the International Air Race, (Angel Derby), from Canada to Titusville, Florida.

Esther has been racing for several years and has been making a name for herself in the race world, but now she hit the top. Her pilot proficiency is unparalleled; she is one of those people who makes trial speed and fuel runs and does everything possible to achieve top capability in both her own skills and the condition of her Cessna 182K, 999EW—and this time, it paid off. Many of her chapter were at the Thomasville Stop to cheer her on as they worked the stop. Gail Sims of Spaceport also helped with stop. Stop Chairman was adopted Deep South member Dr. Ann Roethke of Fort Myers, formerly of the Wisconsin Chapter.

Deep South shared with North Georgia 99s, the fun (and work) of helping Georgia Gado and Aeronautics Bureau with a Take-off and Landing Seminar at Cordele, Georgia, in April.

On-site hostesses were Deep South 99s Pat Darley and Jean Vance, who did a fantastic amount of organizational work prior to the seminar as well as during its course. Assisting were North Georgia chapter members as well.

The affair was a very fine upgrading exercise, plus the participants had a chance to register for the GAMA \$40,000 airplane. Barbecue—gala Saturday evening—solid ground-school, demonstrations by manufacturing companies in their airplanes, supervised landing and take-off practice, video-taped for critique, and a spot-landing contest in which Deep South Jean Vance placed third.

Despite weather, some 150 people participated and the consensus was that the seminar was most valuable proficiency-wise. It was master-minded by Herb Schaaf, Safety Specialist, Atlanta GADO; the ground school was taught by CFII John Morgan, Gray Air Service, Albany, Ga.

Deep South's Betty McNabb has been



Thomasville Angel Derby Stop, (Ga.) Back row: Jean Vance, Deep South; Chairman Ann Roethke, Wisconsin; Betty McNabb and Maggie Fields, Deep South; Front: Gail Sims, Space Port; Nancy Peterson, Judy Hall, Deep South.

appointed by Governor Reubin Askew to Florida's State Accreditation Board for Independent Post-Secondary Vocational and Technical Schools.

FLORIDA SPACEPORT CHAPTER Bonnie Quenzler, Reporter

Our April meeting was held in Cedar Key. After lunch, members proceeded on to Tallahassee for an overnight stay and a tour of the State Capital. Hostessed by members Gail and husband Senator Walter Sims and Joan Davis, our Ninety Nines observed sessions at the Senate and toured the city before returning home the next day. True to form, Tallahassee weather was IFR. But the departing aircraft were all properly rated and returned to the "sunny south" sans incident.

Margaret Stannah won the spot landing contest in her Cessna 150 at the Kissimmee Treasure Hunt last month. It couldn't have been luck because at the annual Florida Grasshopper's Derby at Bartow she repeated the feat. Now she needs a trophy case.

Betty Dodds of Fort Lauderdale as Angel Five was preparing to depart to the Space Port meeting and continue on to the Derby Race start. At breakfast she picked up the newspaper and was horrified to read that 55 aircraft at her airport had been destroyed by a tornado. With heart in mouth she raced to the airport and discovered her race ready Cherokee 180 sitting pertly unscratched amidst overturned twins and twisted wreckage. Her usual tie down was occupied by a Cessna 172 deposited unceremoniously into the wing of a nearby Constellation. Betty's D-18 Beech was also spared from damage.

May we met in Titusville for last minute preparations to host the AWIAR terminus. We had 103 participants. Our Ninety Nine hostesses flew in from around the state to help Angels enjoy the weekend.

Following the Derby Terminus in our chapter's last major undertaking of the season, Space Port Ninety Nines will help judge Florida Institute of Technology's NIFA meet.

Our June gathering is planned as a fly-in breakfast to Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport's new Skytel Restaurant.

KITTY HAWK CHAPTER Nita Melvin, Reporter

The weather this year hasn't been for any kind of bird, feathered or man made! On January 11 we met at the Rocky Mount Downtown airport, rain or shine. Unfortunately it was more rain than shine, but it still didn't prevent our members from attending. Three of our newer members, Diane Tunnell, Lorris Tunnell, and Kay Atkins, were our hostesses for this meeting. We had an interesting talk by an FAA Specialist, John Burgwyn. Air Care, Inc., at the Rocky Mount airport, donated an 8 band radio as a door prize for the occasion, our first fly-in to Rocky Mount. Our vice president, Jan Clemen was the lucky winner.

On Friday night, Feb. 21, our chapter co-sponsored an FAA educational meeting

with Raleigh Durham Aviation in their hangar.

March blew in like a lion and stayed for our chapter meeting on Saturday, March 8. It didn't stop two of our members from flying in though, in spite of a direct crosswind at Laurinburg, N.C. Hostess Katherin Weber was there to greet everyone. Helene Robertson then entertained us with a slide presentation of her flying days in Africa and of one of our past fly-ins. We enjoyed her amusing stories. We were delighted to welcome visitor Laura Otwell, from Raleigh, as a guest once again, and soon she will be our newest member.

MEMPHIS CHAPTER **Belle Hedges, Reporter**

The "Gorgeous Gulfcoast" at Gulfport, MS was the April playground of Memphis 99s and 49½ers. It was a glorious weekend of great golf, tennis, food and flying.

Chairman Nancy Miller, Secretary Carolyn Sullivan and Chris Brown enjoyed the Arkansas Chapter hospitality at Little Rock. Weather turned the fly-in into a drive-in to see the film "A Powder Puff for Joan".

Absolutely the most exciting single-day sightseeing Belle and Posey Hedges report was their jaunt to the Staggarwing Museum Foundation at Tullahoma, TN. The sight of the beautifully restored aircraft, the thrill of aviatrix history depicted in the Louise Thaden Library plus the genial hospitality of Ninety-Nine Charlotte Parish and her husband John make it a must stop for every pilot's schedule.

Congratulations to Fern Mann who earned her instrument rating exhibiting excellent flying skills!



Fern Mann, Memphis Chapter Treasurer and Newsman Joe Lessem shooting film of the March fly-in to Pocahtontas, AR for a spot about the Ninety-Nines on Channel 5, Memphis, TN.

MISSISSIPPI CHAPTER **Jenny McWilliams, Reporter**

Cindy Bass and Peggy McCormick are the fourth and fifth in our Chapter to be APT for the 1975 year.

We welcome three new members to our Mississippi Chapter, Ruby Dickerson of Clinton, MS., She is Commerical and Instrument rated and Advanced Ground Instructor and Instrument Ground Instructor; Karen Bearss of Jackson, MS. Karen plans a career in General Aviation, and is currently flying Co-Pilot on a D-18 Beech and cargo runs in Cessna 206; Then Sara Willis of Canton, MS, who owns a Cessna 172 and bases it at the landing

strip in her backyard. Her husband is not a flyer, but she is proud of the fact that her 17 year old son recently soloed the 172.

Cindy Bass, 49½er Don Bass, and Jenny McWilliams flew to the Spring Section Meeting in Franklin, N.C. in April. Peggy McCormick flew a Skylane with Judy Peteet and Harriett Hall as her passengers.

The Mississippi Chapter is the host-chapter for the 1976 Spring Section Meeting. It will be held in Baton Rouge, Louisiana and we will have joint social events with the South Central Section. Following this Meeting, the Magnolia Air Tour will depart from Baton Rouge and tour Mississippi and Louisiana.

We were very saddened to learn of Molly Stockwell's death. Molly Stockwell was serving as vice-Chairman of the South Louisiana Chapter, but she started her membership in the Ninety-Nines as a member of the Mississippi Chapter. It is a terrible loss for our sisterhood.

In April, we placed the Bicentennial Logo on display at airports in McComb, MS and in Raymond, MS. These F.B.O.s are home base for Jackie Enochs and Ruby Dickerson, respectively.

Janet Green visited the Memphis Chapter in March when they held a chapter meeting in Biloxi, MS. In April, Janet went to the South Central Section Meeting in Abilene, Texas. In April, Janet went to the South Central Section Meeting in Abilene, Texas. It is just great to have one of our International Officers at Section Meetings—**Lois Fiegenbaum was at our Southeast Section Meet.**

Our April Meeting was held in McComb, MS with Jackie Enochs as Hostess. Jackie was also hostess for the McComb Stop of the Louisiana Air Tour in April.

Membership was the theme of our May Chapter Meeting, which was held at Janet Green's lovely home in Ocean Springs, MS. Barbara Freeman helped with the arrangements for luncheon and 49½er Don Green took our rather large group through their Ferson's Optical Plant. We had several prospective 99s in attendance. Of the total number of eligible women pilots in the state of Mississippi, we have 26 members, which figures out to be 32 per cent, a touch above the International average.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO "US" in June 1975—we will be 14 years old, and have a festive day planned for June 14!! Is anyone else planning to get a proclamation in June for "National General Aviation Week for 1975"?? MS is!!

NORTH GEORGIA CHAPTER **Lois Lacy, Reporter**

The weekend of April 18th found North Georgia 99s, along with the Deep South Chapter, helping to host the F.A.A., D.O.T. sponsored "Take-off and Landing Seminar" at Cordele, Georgia. This was the first in the country and proved to be beneficial to all. There were about 300 pilots registered at ground school and roughly 1,300 folks visited over the three days. Bobby Wilkes, our National Accident Prevention Specialist, was here to study

and evaluate the seminar. 99s helped register pilots and manned the scoreboard for the accuracy landing contest. There were 24 entries in this event and our own Carolyn Upton placed seventh. Pat Darley of the Deep South Chapter did a wonderful job coordinating the seminar.

Several North Georgia 99s attended the Spring Section meeting at Franklin, N.C. The Kitty Hawk and Carolinas chapters made it a weekend to remember.

We have two new ratings in our chapter, Carolyn Upton, Instrument and Virginia Yates, Flight Instructor. Congratulations. There were two guests at our April meeting, Marian Toubruk, private pilot and Sherrill Richey, First Officer with Piedmont Airlines who really gets in a lot of flying. At this time, we are busy planning the Fall Section meeting to be at Stone Mt., Georgia.

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GARDEN STATE CHAPTER **Dolores Jane Zilincar, Reporter**

Our "Apt Day" on April 12th at Monmouth Airport was, as usual, a tremendous success with the guidance of Mr. John Karp of the F.A.A. and two fine and generous instructors—Mike Winton and Floyd Pratt. More than half our active membership have completed their Apt rides.

After the Apt rides, Claire Kurica conducted a stimulating meeting. Bonny Mikulla was welcomed as a prospective member and she has volunteered to assist Ann Daly in her work as representative of the Garden State Chapter for Ways and Means—1979 International Convention. The New York, New Jersey Section is hosting the Convention on the 99s 50th Anniversary.

Our chapter was also busy taking registration at the April 27th meeting of the Northeast Aero Historians at the Holiday Inn, Spring Valley, N.Y.

99 "Steve" Gredsted stepped in at the 9th hour as a substitute for July Meltner to speak to students at Toms River High School on Aero-Space and the many careers open to alert and interested students in the field of aviation. She reported the young people were fascinated and thirsty for more information. Jerry Roberts did her thing, too, with the 6th grade students at Monmouth Middle School and reports of her performance were equally glowing.

Alma Hitchings was appointed chairman of "Powder Puff Derby Day" sponsored by the Garden State Chapter. Alma will also be chairman of the Nominating Committee which includes former Chairmen, Flo Walsh, Judy Meltsner, Jerry Roberts and Gay Maher.

John Karp invited us to co-sponsor, together with the Aviation Advisory Council—which we recently joined—a Safety Seminar in September. Mr. Karp asked for one of our girls to speak as a representative of women in aviation and who could be more qualified than our zesty Flo Walsh! Flo is so generous with her time and talents and we are most proud to have her as our standard bearer.

Janice Blackburn gave a detailed progress report on our Garden State 300 and everything is running smoothly. We've been receiving our prescribed \$10 donations for our program and have accepted many other very generous gifts. We have another "Hit" on our hands—And that's the truth!

NEW YORK CAPITAL DISTRICT CHAPTER Peg Weiss, Reporter

NYCD Chapter was happy to welcome our visiting NY-NJ Section Governor Ruth Dobrescu and her airline captain husband Charles at our April meeting. A large number of members, prospectives, and guests filled Ruth Green's flight school office, where John Sheehan from the Albany GADO FAA gave a great program. The first film, loaned by Doris Miller of Hudson Valley Chapter, was of air show aerobatics in a wide range of craft from the WWI vintage planes at Old Rhinebeck Aerodrome to the sleek jets of the Thunderbirds and the Blue Angels. What exciting photography! The second film, "Density Altitude", dramatized well the need for safety checking all atmospheric conditions on every leg of every flight.

Our May meeting, held at Betty Elliott's home, was strictly business. Chairman Nancy Fitzroy and Sue Polsinello reported on their attendance at the Spring Section meeting in Rochester. We promised help for the Empire State 300 this fall. Mary Scher was appointed to the Section Ways and Means Committee for the 1979 International Convention. Harriet Bregman is our liaison to the Northeast Pilots Association Political Action Committee.

Betty Elliott has joined the elite ranks of the instrument rated! Congratulations!

We welcome three new members to our chapter: Lyn Wood, Barbara Cheles, and Estelle Polsinello.

PALISADES CHAPTER Helen Egan Levy, Reporter

It's called a "COMBO", gals! That's what it takes and that's what it gives in our 99s! It's a combination of cooperation, concentration and camaraderie all rolled in to making our 99s an hub in this big world of aviation...When Hudson Valley Chapter held their Aerobatic Fly-In at Kobbelt Airport, our new member, Gerry Nelson, along with quite a few of our Chapter members, and our great "Guv", Ruth Dobrescu, had an opportunity to whirl around the sky in her Decathlon, which was offered for the occasion.

Our Chairman, Betty Barlia, and numerous members of the Chapter, assisted in keeping the program going by ushering in an FAA Safety meeting called "Skywatch", held at the Cameo...

A "thanks" to Rochester and the Finger Lakes Chapter for hostessing a delightful mini-convention week-end Section Meeting.

CBS Radio and Television were astounded by our activities and took time out to view and report our airmarking at Caldwell-Wright Airport on May 17. Paint, burshes underfoot and sticky hair didn't ruffle our Chapter "artists"...you can now find us with those bright, perfect letters CALDWELL AIRPORT!!

With a spick and span, blue and gold PALISADES Chapter banner, whipped up in a professional manner by our new member, Mary Ann Neri, a background was set for presenting Women in Aviation, the Powder Puff Derby and our Ninety-Nines to myriad shoppers viewing "The Sky Above" in Willowbrook Mall, Wayne, N.J. for three days in April. GADO, flying schools, airlines and aviation in general shared the spotlight in order that those shoppers would know just a little bit more about that "pie in the sky" called flying. All this added 14 new prospects to our Chapter list.

June 14 was our POKER RUN. The FAA-GADO—cohosted and was a success.

Louise Galfas "aired" women in aviation on WNEW and your reporter brought the Angel Derby out of the local sky for Stan Brooks of WINS...the air waves.

WATCH OUT! That's right - watch out for our watch! It's been approved, and our Chapter will have it for sale soon...99 blue and white. Make it a real combo and meet in Idaho...Safe summer soaring!!



Betty Barlia, Chairman, Palisades Chapter, manning booth at "Sky Above", Aviation Demonstration at Willowbrook Mall, Wayne, N.J., April 17, 18, 19 - featuring 99s and Powder Puff Derby.

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CONNECTICUT CHAPTER Vivian Utko, Reporter

April brought March winds and chills but we managed one good April weekend for our Spring Section at Mystic Seaport, Conn. Honored by the presence of Pat McEwen, the weekend was made extra special for all. Our featured speaker was Nicholas P. Cardwell, a Hartford lawyer and multi-rated pilot. He spoke of aviation insurance and FAA precautionary steps relative to aircraft accidents. He awakened

many of us to the fact that we aren't as well covered as we'd like to think we are. The large turnout of 99s and 49½s made the weekend a success with a big plus for the weather which brought many by air.

Membership in the Conn. Chapter is now up to 31 with prospectives showing every month. Our newest member, Lorraine Bruck is a welcome transfer from the Greater N.Y. Chapter. APT chairman, Ruth Zimmerman, is receiving completed APT forms in hopes of 100 per cent status this year.

April's "Fly-In Lunch" was to Minute Man Airport in Mass. with Bobbie Herbert, Peg and Don Davidson, and Vivian Utko representing Conn. We were delightfully surprised to find five members of the Eastern New England Chapter waiting for us when we arrived, making it an enjoyable CAVU afternoon.

Cynthia Kemper, our very active member with the Air Education Program, joined Stanley Ball of Am. Airlines and Bill Clegg of TWA on a most interesting visit with Clarence Chamberlin of Huntington, Conn. They chatted about aviation, black when Mr. Chamberlin made the 2nd successful Atlantic crossing in the Columbia wrote "Record Flights". Cynthia should have had a tape recorder.

At this writing: Pres. Evelyn Kropp is enroute in the Angel Derby flying co-pilot with Jean Batchelder...Lorraine Jencik has received her CFII rating...Connie and Rollins MacLiesh have just returned from a fabulous trip to Fla. in their 182 with good weather to make their trip even more enjoyable. Without an encoding altimeter they took the adventuresome trip under the N.Y. TCA and up the Hudson River at 1100'.

Charter member, Nancy Tier, flew to Lawrence, Mass. to meet with the Eastern New England Chapter and showed her films of the earlier days in aviation and also the slides of her trip to Israel.

99 Tiles, for sale in roster through Cynthia Kemper, are dwindling in supply so if you fancy to own one order now, since they are not going to be replenished.

"Glimpse you ere the green ray,
Count the morrow a fine day".



Presiding at the New England Section meeting are, L.-R. Pat McEwen, International President; Bobbie Herbert, Mildred Doremus, Virginia Bonesteel, and Martha Lee Barnes. Photo by Carol Phelps.

EASTERN N. E. CHAPTER Lucille Flynn, Reporter

38 were present for our May meeting at the Merrimack Valley Motor Inn. The day was lovely and members arrived at Lawrence Airport in a variety of planes,

including a De Havilland Tiger Moth. Gov. Millie Doremus was present. Our guest, Nancy Tier, a 99 Charter Member, entertained us with old news films featuring a Curtiss Flying Boat, an OX-5Waco, a Monocoupe, a Fleetwing and fascinating shots of the Graf Zeppelin crossing the Atlantic. There were exciting glimpses of Jimmy Doolittle and Pete Brooks as well as some footage of Charles Lindbergh's take-off for his historic Atlantic Flight.

Highlight of the day were the exquisite slides of Nancy's journey to and through Israel. Her knowledge of Biblical history plus her explanation of present day conditions in Israel made for a most enlightening and entertaining afternoon.

During the business meeting, Harriet Fuller welcomed transferee Bette Bach and guests, Barbara Wright, Jean Doherty, Holly Howard, Miriam Shafner, Agnes Cattell, and Brenda Colvin. Harriet pinned our newest member, Janet Lantner from Lynn, Ma.

It was noted that 5 of our members are presently APT and that several will be entering various races. The Angel Derby has enticed these two teams: Dot Butler and Sue Linsley; Martha Dunbar and Helen Rhodes. Marie Lepore and Anne Baddour are heading for the Garden State 300, while the following are preparing for our own All Woman New England Air Race: Pam Hawes and Helen Kolazyk; Sandi

Silverbush and Madeline Caron; Lillian Emerson and daughter Chris.

We congratulate Pam Hawes and Sue Haselmann. Pam has passed her CFI Writtens and is working on Flight Instructor and learning to tow Gliders. Sue is now a full-time instructor at Plymouth Air Service and preparing to solo son Michael while finishing her own multi-engine training in a Beech Baron. She is doing aerobatic dual to be ready for the IAC meet at Jaffrey, N.H., the end of May. Sue is offering free APT rides in your own plane. Miriam Shafner and Janet Lantner are building-up flying experience in a Cherokee 140. Sara Hayden is planning to attend a WASP Convention in Reno during June. Mona Budding went to Washington on May 14, for a Helicopter Forum and Whirly-Girl "Hovering." Pat Thrasher and 49½ Tom, spent month of March exploring Costa Rica. They flew a Cessna 320 to the Panama Coast. Gene Woodworth will be spending the summer in San Miguel Allende, Mexico, in order to learn Spanish. Harriet Fuller is getting her baptism in Aerobatics by flying her son's clipped-wing Cub, N99HF. Bette Bach, the owner of a Tiger Moth, N206DH, has joined us this past month and is now living on Plum Island, Ma., where she is an aircraft restoration trainee. Jeanne Ohnemus, Lillian Emerson, and Lucille Flynn, and their respective husbands, flew through

the winds and the rain to attend a Comanche Pow-Wow in Williamsburg, Va. Having survived that, the Flynn's and Emersons went on down to Key West to dry-off Comanche 9265P.

NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND CHAPTER Anne Good, Reporter

Members of the Northern New England Chapter attending the Spring Section Meeting at Oly Mystic Connecticut in April were Rae Tally, Lois Chesterly, Jane Hutterman and Lorraine Richards and Guy and Betsy Alexander flew in. Martha Barnes and her family drove to the meeting from Amherst, New Hampshire.

The guest speaker, Nicholas P. Cardwell, cautioned all women pilots to check the insurance coverage, in case of negligence, when renting an airplane from a Fixed Base Operator.

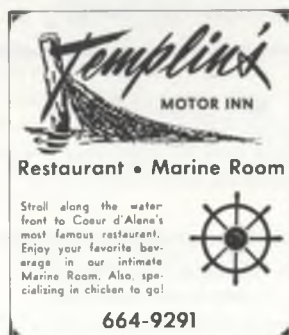
Alma Gallagher Smith has written a history for the Northern New England Chapter for inclusion in the All Woman New England Air Race Program that will be sold at the Air Race on June 21, 1975, Manchester, New Hampshire.

Air Markings at the Bangor International Airport and surrounding towns were discussed and are being considered as projects for this summer.

Congratulations to Elizabeth Brown and Dianne Turcotte for recently passing the Instrument Written Test.

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