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*Section meetings—  
getting to know  
other 99s*



# Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

As the vice-president, Conference for the National Intercollegiate Flying Association, I would like to thank the International Ninety-Nines for their invaluable assistance during the recent SAFECON at Waco, Texas. Everyone involved in intercollegiate flying competition knows that, without the many dedicated volunteers who come from all over the country to officiate, the level of safety and quality of the competition would suffer.

On a personal level, I would like to sincerely thank the International Ninety-Nines for the great honor of being chosen the Women's Achievement Award winner for 1985-86. When Hazel Jones called my name, I was absolutely thrilled. Be assured that the Amelia Earhart Medal is something I will cherish.

Once again, thank you for your continued support of intercollegiate flying competition, and I look forward to seeing you at Southern Illinois University next year.

— Marilyn Rouse  
Georgetown, Texas

Dear Editor:

Thank you to Lu, Nema and Nancy for jobs well done on *The 99 NEWS*. I savor each copy from cover to cover.

— Pat Cantrell  
Lubbock Chapter

Dear Editor:

I heard about the 99s a long time ago and now, since I've been a member for nearly a year, I am really proud to be part of such an association.

My name is Mirjana Ivanovic. I was born in Yugoslavia in 1959. My career in aviation started when I was in high school, when I started parachuting. I have 165 jumps to my credit.

After high school, I took a glider course and decided that I wanted to spend my life in aviation. I applied for Advanced Aviation School at the University of Zagreb. In 1981, I graduated at the top of my class of 30 students with a degree in aeronautical engineering and my SEL, MEL, instrument and commercial license.



Ruth Stafford and Mirjana Ivanovic are ready to take off in the Stafford Bonanza.

After college, I joined our national Women Pilots Aerobatic Team and gained some experience in that kind of flying. I flew as a charter pilot and a flight instructor at Vrsar and Portoroz Airports on the Adriatic Coast. I flew tourists on panoramic flights over the city and the bay.

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# Calendar

## JUNE

**June 14: USPFT Region 7 Rallye**, Danbury, Connecticut, hosted by Connecticut Chapter. Contact Sandra McDonough.

**June 14: Annual Poker Run**, sponsored by the Greater Winnipeg Chapter. Terminus airport is St. Andrews.

**June 14: Second Annual Purple Sage Open Fly-In Poker Run**, raindate, June 21. Contact Priscilla Barbee, 6001 N. Beaty, Odessa TX 79764, (915) 366-2626.

**June 14-15: Space and Aviation Fair**, Colorado Springs, Colorado. Seminars and static displays. Proceeds go to Space and Aviation Foundation. Contact Phyllis Wells, (303) 495-4505.

**June 15-19: 11th Annual International Flying Nurses Convention**, Harvey's Casino Hotel, South Lake Tahoe, California. Contact Jeanette Bell, (916) 988-7006.

**June 21-22: Aerospace America '86**, Will Rogers World Airport, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. An unprecedented celebration of aviation features 20 aerobatic acts and some 200 aircraft in static and airborne display. Contact Director Tom Jones, (405) 681-2361.

**June 21-22: Fifth Annual EAA Chapter 9 Fly-In**, Centerburg, Ohio. Contact Lalah Flynn, (614) 846-8766.

**June 21-24: 10th Anniversary Air Race Classic**, entires open February 28, close April 14. Start, Santa Rosa, California; terminus, Toledo, Ohio. Contact Pat Jetton, 2305½ Hermosa Ave., Durango CO 81301.

**June 22: Saskatchewan Poker Run**, raindate, July 6. Cash prizes. Prince Albert - Melfort - Wakaw - Tisdale - Nipawin - Humboldt. Contact Nadine Cooper, 3635 Hann Bay, Regina, Saskatchewan, 586-6654.

**June 29: Heritage Days Planes 'n' Pancakes Fly-In Breakfast**, Macomb, Illinois. Contact Jayne Schiek, (309) 833-2359, or Macomb Municipal Airport, (309) 833-3324.

**June 30: No deadline for The 99 NEWS.**

## JULY

**July 2-6: National Precision Flying Competitions**, DeQueen, Arkansas.

**July 5: Aspen Air Show '86**, Aspen, Colorado. Warbirds and aerobatics. Contact Airport Manager's Office, (303) 925-8698.

**July 6: British Columbia Coast Poker Run**, Victoria - Nanaimo - Gibson - Seckett - Pitt Meadows - Langley - Abbotsford - Chilliwack - Delta - Boundary Bay. Contact Mary Lee Burns, (604) 980-0751, or Lee Williams, (604) 298-7991.

**July 12: Okie Derby**, sponsored by the Oklahoma Chapter. Contact Susie Mitchell, 100 Sequoia Park Dr., Yukon OK 73099, (405) 354-2312.

**July 13-19: A Sentimental Journey to Cub Haven**, historic Piper Cub fly-in, Piper Memorial Airport, Lock Haven, Pennsylvania. Contact Raymond H. Schaefer, Box J-3, Lock Haven PA 17745.

**July 18-20: Forest of Friendship Ceremonies**, Atchison, Kansas. Contact Fay Gillis Wells, (703) 960-4632.

**July 18-20: Ottawa Valley Aerobatic Contest**, Carp Airport, Carp, Ontario, benefiting 1986 Canadian Aerobatic Team. Contact William Butler, 811 Tavistock Rd., Ottawa, Ontario K2B 5N3, (613) 829-5750.

**July 18-20: Tennessee Air Tour**, 725-mile route with stops at 16 airports. Contact Diane Gusky, Office of Aeronautics, Tennessee Department of Transportation, P.O. Box 17326, Nashville TN 37217, (615) 741-3208.

**July 25-26: 17th Annual Palms to Pines Air Race**, for women only. Kits, \$5, Chairman Claire Walters, Claire Walters Flight Academy, 3200 Airport Ave., Suite 16, Santa Monica CA 90405.

**July 25-27: Fall Northwest Sectional**, Port Angeles, Washington.

**July 31: No deadline for The 99 NEWS.**

## AUGUST

**August 1-9: EAA Oshkosh '86**, annual fly-in convention, Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

**August 9: Poker Run and Safety Seminar**, sponsored by Pikes Peak Chapter. Contact Phyllis Wells, (303) 495-4505.

**August 12-17: International Convention of The Ninety-Nines, Inc.**, Hilton Hawaiian Village, Honolulu, Hawaii.

**August 22-24: Northwest Petticoat Derby**, Bremerton, Washington, hosted by Greater Seattle Chapter. Limit 30 planes; women pilots only. Entry kits, \$5, Valleta Friedman, P.O. Box 1216, Gig Harbor WA 98335.

## SEPTEMBER

**September 7: Poker Run**, sponsored by Eastern Ontario Chapter. Contact Lorna deBlicquy, (613) 225-9957.

**September 12-14: Michigan SMALL Race**, Capital City Airport, Lansing, Michigan.

**September 12-14: Mile High Air Derby**, Front Range Airport, Watkins, Colorado, sponsored by Colorado Chapter. Race kits, \$3, Mile High Air Derby, 14437 W. 32nd Ave., Golden CO 80401, (303) 278-4435.

**September 13: Sunflower Air Rally**, Hutchinson, Kansas, sponsored by Kansas Chapter.

**September 19-21: South Central Sectional**, Dallas, Texas, hosted by Dallas Chapter.

**September 19-21: Southwest Sectional**, Asilomar, California, hosted by Monterey Bay Chapter.

**September 25-28: Annual WASP Reunion**, Sweetwater, Texas.

**September 26-27: Fourth Annual Capitol Proficiency Race**, Manassas, Virginia, sponsored by Washington, D.C. Chapter. September 20 deadline for \$25 entry fee. Entry kits, \$3, Gerda Ruhnke, 11560 Rolling Green Ct., #300, Reston VA 22091, (703) 476-5845.

## OCTOBER

**October 18: Treasure Hunt**, Meadowlake Airport, Colorado. Contact Joanne Wormsbacker, (303) 598-5889.

**October 24-26: 11th Annual Salinas His 'n' Hers Great Pumpkin Classic**, co-sponsored by Monterey Bay Chapter and Salinas Owners and Pilots Association. Race kits, \$3, Dennis or Carol Hill, 338 Maker Rd., Watsonville CA 95076, (408) 722-7969.

**October 29-November 1: Aircraft Owners & Pilots Association (AOPA) Convention**, San Antonio, Texas. Contact Ann Kilian, (301) 695-2052, or Patricia Weil, (301) 695-2156.

## NOTAM

### 1986 Convention Update

All chapters that want to have chapter sale item booths at the Convention should contact Shirley Moore, 8220 Curbaril, Atascadero CA 93422.

## NOTAM

The "How to USPFT" seminar will convene 1000-1200 hours August 13 during the Hawaii Convention. Come and meet the 99/USPFT Council to get and give more input. If you cannot attend, send a representative. We need to hear from you.

Support your team and help in regional and national rallyes. For more information, contact Doris Abbate or Jody McCarrell. Tax-deductible donations may be sent to 99/USPFT Treasurer Virginia Showers.



# THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



by International President Hazel Jones

This was to be my final message in *The 99 NEWS*. However, the special edition on the Amelia Earhart Scholarship Program required a special message, so my last became my next to the last.

As a matter of curiosity, I asked Loretta Gragg how much mail Headquarters processes each year, and the number is astounding. Something well over 17,000 pieces of mail are handled each year, depending on whether or not we are having a ballot election.

Routine new memberships require 17 different steps to enter the member in all the places she should be, and then to mail her membership card, information packet and pin. Other correspondence requires different types of handling depending on the nature of the letter. It might require research, archival retrieval, telephone calls or forwarding to someone else. I know many are forwarded to me for handling.

This year is a ballot year and that increases the mail and handling. This is an additional function since ballots must be processed into the computer. (Thank goodness for the computer, because we used to have a committee that had to hand-count the ballots.) We also have about 50 percent or less return on the ballots. That means that we send out over 6,000 and get back 3,000 or less. It would seem to me that the 3,000 who vote (and we do not know who they are) should be the only ones to fuss when things do not go to suit them.

Another problem arises each ballot year when ballots are not received. There is no way we can send another ballot. Loretta advises the person whose ballot is lost to forward her votes on a plain piece of paper notarized and sworn, stating that her ballot was not received.

A check of the sections reveals about the same percent of returns on ballots, which is really sad, but not surprising since the percentage of returns pretty much follows the US national average in presidential elections. I guess people feel that their one vote does not count, but believe me, it does. Each one of you is important, and

your vote counts. Please begin now and make it a habit to vote whenever asked. I remember working in my precinct one presidential election, and a Hungarian refugee who had become an American citizen came in and said, "Today again it is my privilege to vote." Need I say more?

There will be some interesting things voted on in Honolulu. Each chapter should be sure they are represented by votes at the Business Meeting. Each chapter chairman has received the Bylaws revisions up for discussion, so your wishes should be indicated by your votes. If no one in your chapter is going to Honolulu, give your votes to your governor or to someone in another chapter who will represent you. I hope the governors of each section will canvass their chapters to be sure they are counted when the voting begins.

The past two years have gone by so fast, I can't believe it. My family has learned to do a myriad of things and to tend to a myriad of problems while I have either been away or busy trying to keep up with the correspondence.

I have been gone from home about one-third of the last two years, meeting with 99s from coast to coast and border to border. I have met wonderful folks in sections and chapters, and I have renewed old friendships with those I already knew. I have been made to feel like a queen wherever I went. I cannot believe how truly wonderful all of you are. I have met with government groups, as well as international committees in England, France, Spain, Mexico, Switzerland and Canada. I have been allowed to tell the 99s' story wherever I went. I have asked and received great help for our projects from the FAA.

Thank you from the bottom of my heart for allowing me to represent you these past two years.

My Vice-President, Barbara Sestito, has been my strong right hand, and I have no qualms about turning the chair over to her as President-Elect. The Ninety-Nines are in good hands.



At the Southwest Section meeting in Tucson are Jackie Petty, Nancy Rodgers, International President Hazel Jones, Pat Roberts and Vera Arnold.



At the head table, Lorraine Newhouse, Stacy Hamm and Hazel Jones share a laugh.

## Letters continued

In April last year, I took my backpack and sleeping bag and toured the USA and Canada. I had a Greyhound bus pass valid for 30 days, so I decided to see as much of a new continent as I could. It is always fun to see old friends, so my first stop was Kansas City, where I visited Ruth and Sheldon Stafford. I met them three years ago in England at the European Women Pilots Convention and again in Yugoslavia during their tour around Europe in their Bonanza.

The next stop was Oklahoma City, where

I finally became a 99. I was very lucky that, at the same time, the Board was meeting, so I had the honour to be pinned by Hazel Jones. That evening, I was their guest for dinner, and I enjoyed a lot of conversation with the other members. I also got a lot of invitations to visit other cities for more pilot talk.

After Oklahoma City, my next destination was Memphis. I spent a day with Carolyn Sullivan, and we visited the famous Elvis Presley home and the Mississippi River.

Then I visited Florida, New Orleans,

Dallas and El Paso, and I took a break for a couple of days in Tucson with Chanda Budhabhatti. It was very interesting to hear experiences that women pilots have in India. Barbara Harper took us for a tour of PIMA Museum.

From Tucson, I continued via Los Angeles and San Francisco to Sacramento, where I spent the night at Barbara Sestito's home. The next day, we flew with Thelma to Phoenix for the Southwest Sectional, which I enjoyed a lot.

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# The Gathering Place and the Friendly Isle

by Joyce Wells

Truly the gathering place of the Hawaiian Islands, as well as the International Convention, Oahu is the state capital, business center and most populated of all the islands. Though it is only the third largest island, it has protected ports both at Pearl Harbor and Honolulu. One of the world's busiest, Honolulu International Airport is the hub of the Pacific for trans-oceanic flights. The major industries of Oahu are tourism, government, construction, manufacturing and agriculture.

Honolulu is a modern, growing city with tree-lined boulevards, skyscrapers, bright

lights, cultural activities and academic opportunities.

Waikiki, the resort beach area, is the most well-known part of the island and the state. Visitors and residents alike enjoy many restaurants, shops, hotels, clubs and fine white sand beaches.

There are many places to visit and explore in and around Honolulu. Most are available by public transportation, including the Honolulu Academy of Arts, Bishop Museum, Aloha Tainer, Kapialani Park Aquarium, Chinatown, Diamond Head, East-West Center, Foster Botanical Gar-

den, Iolani Palace, Kamehameha School, Kawaishasa Church, Kenato Basin, National Cemetery of the Pacific, Paradise Park, Queen Emma Summer Palace, Pearl Harbor and the University of Hawaii.

Oahu is not just Honolulu. The north shore has the finest surfing waves in the world during the winter. Fields of sugar cane and pineapple grow in the warm tropical climate. The parallel mountain ranges of Koolau and Waianae reach to 4,000 feet. The Koolau range divides Oahu into two sections, windward and leeward, and the sheer cliff of the Nuuanu Pali is the dividing line. Here the range drops from towering cliff to beach shelfland below at sea level.

Along the windward coast is the Polynesian Cultural Center, made up of villages representing Fiji, Tonga, Tahiti, Samoa, New Zealand, Marquesas and Hawaii. Brigham Young University has a branch here. Numerous bays, islands, parks, beaches and historical sites are also found on the windward side. Many islanders live on this quieter side and commute to work in Honolulu.

The "Friendly Isle" of Molokai is Oahu's closest neighbor, 22 miles to the east. Molokai has the greatest ratio of Hawaiians in the state. It warmly welcomes visitors, thus earning its nickname.

Built by three volcanoes, the western and central part of Molokai is flatland, planted mainly in pineapple. The mountainous eastern portion is known for its deer and wild goat hunting. There are beautiful waterfalls, a beach, lagoon and valley, once occupied by many families. The tidal wave of 1946 forced families to evacuate and few have returned.

The northern (windward) side of the island is an almost continuous towering cliff, broken up by deep gorges inaccessible except by small boats. The scenery is magnificent. Also on this coast is perhaps the most well-known area of Molokai — Kalaupapa. A flat peninsula jutting out from steep cliffs, Kalaupapa is the site of Hansen's Disease Leprosy Treatment Center. Father Damien, a Belgian priest, arrived in 1873 and spent the rest of his life here with the lepers. New medical knowledge has greatly reduced the contagion, and there have been no new admissions since 1969. The only access is by air, foot, muleback or sea.

The western end of the island has the largest settlement — Maunaloa. Once a Dole Pineapple Company town, it is now developing into a recreation and tourist center. A hotel and golf course are already completed. There is great concern over how much development to allow so as not to disturb the unmarred natural beauty and uncrowded life.

Hele mai ame ike — come and see!



Miles of white sand beaches in Waikiki attract thousands of visitors monthly. This view of Waikiki includes a small strip of a large beach that borders Ala Moana Park, the Ala Wai Boat Harbor and some of Waikiki's sophisticated hotels. Diamond Head is in the background.

Photo courtesy Hawaii Visitors Bureau

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The rugged north coast of Molokai is seen here from the Kalaupapa Peninsula. Hawaiians call the nose-shaped islet "pao doce" because it resembles a loaf of Portugese sweet bread that is popular with islanders.

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# FOCUS ON USPFT

by Doris Abbate  
USPFT National Coordinator

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Double whammy! The team selected at the US National Finals in DeQueen will have two chances to compete on the international level — Poland in 1986 and Finland in 1987.

USPFT goals are:

- Make Precision Flight an International Project
- Have 99s Worldwide on Teams
- Assemble a US Team that can win the World Championships
- Have More Women on the Teams
- Encourage all 99s to participate in a USPFT Rallye

- Urge all Chapters to Host a USPFT Rallye
- Appoint a USPFT Chairman for each Chapter
- Coordinate with FAA and FIA

How exciting, you say? And how lucky for five or six choice pilots! This is a wonderful opportunity for pilots who compete in local rallyes. Why not you? Yes, you, fellow 99. It's fun, it's easy, and it's safety-oriented. The FAA endorses USPFT as part of their "Back to Basics" safety program as they strive for a zero accident rate. Linda Dickerson, "Back to Basics" coordinator,

wants to know which chapters host the program. Let's try for 100 percent support of both these flying events. "Back to Basics" seminars can be held in conjunction with USPFT rallyes, held during the time when pilots have completed their flight plans, navigation and accuracy landing events, and are waiting for the final score.

Isn't this just what lady pilots have been asking for — instead of bylaws, business and coffee? Let's get out of the meeting rooms and back to the airport where we began! USPFT is an educational event that draws from many other groups in the aviation community — FBO, FAA, NIFA, CAP and others. Ask them! You will be surprised at the favorable response.

Region/Section Coordinators are Nancy Martino (1 Southwest North), Jan Niesky (2 Southwest South), Beth Lucy (3 North-west), Mary Wheelock (4 South Central), Judy Hall (5 Southeast), Chris Kurianowicz (6 North Central), Sandra McDonough (7 Middle East, New York-New Jersey and New England).

Doris Abbate and Verna West have been showing a slide presentation on USPFT, resulting in increased scheduling of local rallyes. Word of mouth is your best publicity. Each chapter that saw the slides has scheduled a USPFT rallye, encouraging members to work on a USPFT committee or enter as contestants in the selection of the US Precision Flight Team.

And kindly continue to host USPFT rallyes after Regionals and National Finals for next year's team!



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Miss Lu Hollander  
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Dear Miss Hollander:

Every issue of your magazine reaches my desk, but sometimes they reach my desk when I am not here or I am away.

I have yet to see any account of the passing of an old-time member, Ruth Reinhold. Ruth got her license back about 1932. She was a member of the Arizona Squadron of the Civil Air Patrol and flew many missions carrying mail and missions looking for enemy submarines. In addition, she became an instructor with every aeronautical rating, with the exception, I believe, of airline pilot and she may have held that too.

Ruth had accumulated approximately 20,000 hours of flying. She was very active in the 99 Chapter in Arizona. She flew, I believe, in several transcontinental races and she was instrumental in maintaining the interest in Arizona. She was a member of the Highway portion of the State Transportation Board, served on the City Board relative to airports and, to top it all off and to demonstrate to you that she was a heck of a good pilot, we flew together for probably twenty years as pilot and copilot of my rebuilt, twin engine Beechcraft.

Ruth had her first ride in a jet airplane with me, a T-33, and that little rascal, whose head was too small for her helmet, did rolls, loops and Immelman maneuvers as good as any student I ever instructed.

I thought you might like to run an article about her. She was a wonderful woman who contributed greatly to aviation and to the 99s.

Sincerely,

*Barr Goldwater*  
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**J. Glenn Brown**  
Major General, USAF, Retired

J. Glenn Brown, 49½ of Bay Cities Chapter member Eva Ayers Brown, passed on to New Horizons May 3, 1986, and was buried in Arlington National Cemetery.

Glenn was a United Airlines pilot both before and after World War II. He was also director of flight training for UAL.

by Ruth N. Rueckert

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#### 1986 Convention Update

The zip code printed on the Convention Registration form in the March issue of *The 99 NEWS* is incorrect.

The correct zip code is 96825



# International Forest of Friendship

by Fay Gillis Wells

Great news for aviation buffs. We will have a rare, operating Link trainer, thanks to the Yankee Air Force of Michigan. Edwin A. Link, the inventor of the flying simulators, will be one of this year's 50 new honorees in the Forest of Friendship Memory Lane. Marion "Babe" Ruth, our Michigan 99, will be Atchison to help operate the trainer. Babe was one of five women pilots licensed to instruct Air Force pilots on the Link trainer. For a small fee, today's pilot will have a chance to find out what it was like "in the good old days."

The International Forest of Friendship will have its own headquarters on the Mall this year. It will be in the building on the southeast corner of 6th and Commercial Streets, where the Link trainer will be set up. I will be there after July 1, so please drop in.

At least five International 99s will be honored in Memory Lane this year — Chanda Budhabhatti, India; Fiorenza de Bernardi, Italy; Jacqueline Cousin, Belgium; Yvonne Gallot, Morocco, and Lucie Wymans, the Netherlands. In addition, Shri Rajiv Gandhi, a long-time

accomplished pilot and prime minister of India, is planning to attend.

As this is a "birthday bash," not only for the Forest, but for five sections and 37 chapters as well, there will be many surprises, so come and help blow up the balloons.

All planes will be met, so send in your reservations and ETAs to the International Forest of Friendship, Attention: Sandy, P.O. Box 99-AE, Atchison KS 66002. See the January/February and May issues of *The 99 NEWS* for more details.



## Letters... ..

On my way to Canada, I made a stop at Walla-Walla, Washington, where I was the guest of Jean Davis. We had a lovely flight to Henley Airport in Northern Idaho. Once there, we visited Gladys Buroker, and I got my first flight in a Pitts with Steve Wolf.

I still had a couple of days left to use my pass, so I went to Vancouver and then to Calgary. In Calgary, I stayed with Liz Ebbert. She and her husband had plans to fly to Winnipeg the next day to visit their son. That was great. Instead of spending a whole day in a bus, I had a chance to log another five hours and enjoy Canadian scenery.

I had a lot of fun, so I decided to stay a little bit longer and get some more experience. The first thing I wanted to do was to obtain my FAA licenses. I spent two months in Miami, babysitting and taking (one by one) written tests up to CFI-I.

Then I came back to Kansas City, where I again stayed with the Staffords. Since they are ferry pilots with a lot of experience all over the world, it was easy to understand me and they helped me a lot. With them, I got a chance to see a lot of aviation activities in the USA. I was with them for a couple of CAF air shows, including a section meeting in Ft. Wayne. The family accepted me like one of them, which was a wonderful feeling — especially being so far away from home. It is really a great experience to live with such nice people and have a chance to share all the excitement they have with flying.

I also want to thank Executive Beechcraft, Kansas City, Loretta Jones, Janet Meinsinger and JoAnn Reindel for their efforts to get a worker-in-training visa to allow me to work in the USA in order to collect hours to make my ATP.

I am now waiting for the fall semester when I'll start at Central Missouri State University to work on my master's degree in aviation safety.

It is wonderful to be a 99. I want to thank all my fellow 99s and all Americans who have made my stay in the USA pleasant.

— Mirjana Ivanovic

Dear Editor:

On April 22, a student of mine, Marc Boucher, passed his Class IV instructor's ride. It was interesting to note that throughout his training all his instructors and Transport Canada inspectors have been female:

Private License — Bev Harvey-Essery

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Also, for the period September 1984-May 1985, the complete full-time flight training staff at Rockcliffe Flying Club, Ottawa, was female — just by chance.

Things have certainly changed in the 33 years since I received my initial instructor rating!

— Felicity McKendry  
Eastern Ontario Chapter



The all-female instructing staff included "Bep" Mattern, Cathy Fraser and Felicity McKendry. In the background is the new National Aviation Museum under construction.

Dear Editor:

Sure enjoy reading the magazine each issue and finding out what other 99s are doing. Your staff does a terrific job.

— Susan Pal  
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Americans will long remember the final launch of the space shuttle *Challenger*. Seven brave and dedicated pioneers of space became one with the clouds on that fateful day. Artist George Henson has expressed his feelings about the *Challenger* and its crew in a unique piece of art.

Using the art form of cast paper sculpture, Henson has combined detailed accuracy with abstract illusion to create a memory of that day. In the center of the art piece, the shuttle is carefully detailed. Revealed subtly in the clouds surrounding the shuttle are the faces of the seven crew members — El Onizuka, Christa McAuliffe, Greg Jarvis, Judy Resnik, Mike Smith, Dick Scobee and Ron McNair.

Henson, a Colorado Springs artist, well-known for his bird and animal art, meticulously prepared a master mold in clay. A wet paper mixture was then pressed onto the mold to create the "cast paper." Only 707 signed and numbered editions of this remarkable work of art will be produced. The first seven will go to the families of the *Challenger* crew, one will be placed in the Smithsonian, and the remaining pieces will be available through contributions to The Ninety-Nines, Inc. and the Space and Aviation Foundation.

The Space and Aviation Foundation began as the dream of a few aviation enthusiasts in Colorado Springs. It has grown to a nationally supported non-profit organization intent upon helping American's youth attain the dream of flight. The Foundation will provide continuing education and financial assistance to individuals with similar goals.

The Ninety-Nines have always had as one of their goals the promotion of educational activities related to aviation. With these common interests, Ninety-Nines and the Foundation are working together on the promotional sale of this piece of art. Any member of the Ninety-Nines may sell an art piece and earn \$100 for her chapter or for International. Checks for \$399 should be made payable to the Ninety-Nines and mailed to Headquarters. A name and address for UPS delivery should be included, along with the name and chapter of the member making the sale. For further information, call Patsy James, (303) 574-1765.



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by Marilyn Copeland

Chartists find historical parallels and then make forecasts on the basis of these comparisons. Currently, many chartists see lots to cheer about when they read about recent developments in the Ninety-Nines Headquarters Expansion Drive.

They believe that there will soon be a major rise in the contributions to the fund — partially due to the generous offer of the Mabee Foundation of Oklahoma to match

\$100,000 if we can raise our present contributions from almost \$300,000 to \$400,000 by August 31.

Further indicators speculate that this dollar-for-dollar match will inspire all those donors who have been holding back for the last race to dig deeper than they originally had planned. Others who tend to procrastinate until there is a deadline will be challenged to contribute before it is too late. Despite differences in timing, the underlying conclusion is that we will have the most

important peak in our Headquarters Expansion Drive in the not-too-distant future.

With the growing interest in chart analysis, *we must be right on the money* on August 31 — all \$400,000 of it! This is the final date for a place on the Wall of Wings in the new expansion area as well as for the 99s to be eligible for the \$100,000 Mabee Foundation Grant.

The art of success is a continuing upward spiral of progress. Ninety-Nines, let's give this campaign our full power!

## Female Pilots Unite

by Toni Brown

Saturday morning I flew to Douglas for a meeting of Wyoming 99s. "You did what?" I hear you ask. You know — the women of Wyoming who are pilots. "They do what?" I hear you ask again. And so I must explain.

Amelia Earhart established an international organization of female pilots before she flew off into nowhere. We now have a membership list, monthly meetings and an annual International Convention. But like many organizations, no one ever hears about us unless we do something disruptive. No one cares much about women who are pilots — unless, of course, we crash while flying. Then the entire state would have front-page articles. So, in spite of the fact that one of our annual goals is to offer an educational packet to anyone in the state who might be interested in space and flying, we probably won't get much response because we aren't radical enough in our opinions.

We did have a discussion about good adjectives that might describe us. Are we uncommon, unusual, rare, novel, queer, old or just different? Maybe we're distinct, contrary, varied, assorted or opposite? Or should we be considered strange, peculiar, eccentric, weird or bizarre? Possibly curious, nutty, unfamiliar or deviate? On the other hand, should we be called wanderers, tramps, vagabonds or hobos?

While each of us took a liking to an adjective that might fit our own personalities, we did finally come to a group decision. We decided we could not be called "women's libbers," unless we had a more specific definition. Most women are not pilots, so being a pilot and a woman at the same time makes us unusual. But rather than considering ourselves bizarre or peculiar, we decided we are unique — one of a kind — because each of us is a different individual; one is a dentist, one is a teacher, one is a commercial pilot, one is a secretary, one is a student and another is a housewife.

We decided we just wanted to be ourselves, without an all-encompassing label — a group of individuals who met because we liked each other as just plain old people as well as pilots. Some of us are wives and mothers, some are not; some are single parents and some are just single.

As individual as we are, it is encouraging to find so many women who believe in the future as much as I do. We feel an excitement about the future, possibly because we are pilots. We believe in the young people of our state, nation and world. Part of the rationale of making films and pamphlets available statewide is to educate youngsters as well as their parents in the fact both men and women can be active in the air and in space. We also happen to believe that, as we reach the 21st century, all

people may need to know how to operate an air vehicle to move from one location to another.

We as parents and grandparents may find ourselves adjusting to offspring in the military "inspace" instead of just overseas.

So we as a group of unique individuals are committed to flying, informing and a positive future.

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# World Congress — a host's opinion

by India Section Governor Mohini Shroff

There will be no two identical opinions about the success of the first World Aviation Education & Safety Congress sponsored by the Ninety-Nines, Inc., USA, and the Aero Club of India, February 22-26 at New Delhi's Taj Palace.

For the hosts, India Section and the Indian Women Pilots Association, it was a dream come true. Four years of dedicated work by 99s in India and abroad eventually did witness the first International project in Asia as a successful breakthrough. More such International projects by 99s outside the USA will certainly rejuvenate the whole organisation, making it more meaningful to its International members.

It was an honour for the organisation to have the prime minister of India, Shri Rajiv Gandhi, to inaugurate the historic Congress on the evening of February 22. Amidst the elite audience of 800-plus was India's first lady, Mrs. Sonia Gandhi, with delegates present from Australia, Bangladesh, Britain, Egypt, Japan, Jordan, Pakistan and the USA.

Having dedicated the Congress in tribute to our late prime minister, Mrs. Indira Gandhi, the invocation ceremony, a sanskrit song, was accompanied by slides capturing the different moods of Mrs. Gandhi. The visiting audience from abroad, though unable to follow the language, was moved by the theme.

In his inaugural speech, Mr. Gandhi congratulated the 99s and the Aero Club of India for their interaction in a well-meaning project of aviation education and air safety. He confirmed that the country is fully aware of its obligations and responsibilities to women, committed to progress not only in aviation but also in all fields of advanced technology. An infra-structure, he rea-

soned, is essential to build a nuclei from which the future astronauts, pilots and engineers can emerge. It was with this idea that the Indira Gandhi Flying Academy is being commissioned at Rae Bareilly. The first of its kind in Asia, there will be deserving and aspiring men and women be trained to meet future aviation requirements.

Executive Chairperson Chanda Budhabhatti, in her welcome speech, emphasised the necessity of inducting women into aviation as a matter of national policy. Mrs. Gandhi, she indicated, always stood for progress of women in every field.

Immediate Past International President Marilyn Copeland, representing President Hazel Jones, enlightened the audience about 99s and their activities, both in the USA and abroad, discussing educational projects and Amelia Earhart Scholarships.

India Section Governor Mohini Shroff proposed a vote of thanks. At the presentation ceremony, silvery plaques were awarded to Prime Minister Mr. Gandhi and Captain Satish Sharma, president of the Aero Club of India and a 99. Presentations were also made in absentia to Mr. J.R.D. Tata and Dr. Biren Roy.

At the first general session, chaired by Dr. V.S. Arunachalam, president of the Aeronautical Society of India, in-depth discussions covered various revolutionary aspects of aeronautical designs, material chemistry, engineering metamorphisms and malleable human factors. He said that man, machine and interphase equilibrium need caution and detailed study. The overall subjective growth would be more pertinent. The human is not developed to make these achievements compatible and shall be outwitted. According to Dr. Arunachalam, a scientific and balanced approach to the

future is essential.

Keynote speaker John Baker, president of the US Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association, termed the Congress an historic event, hosted by the world's most populous and geographically diverse democracy. He said the goal of the Congress is to share ideas, knowledge and experiences on how to expand the benefits of air transportation in the world community. "It cannot be denied that all the nations of the world have benefited from air and space transportation," he said. "The loss of a single-engine aircraft is no less tragic than the loss of *Challenger*. Safety practice is an education by itself. Today women have participated in every phase of aviation and have contributed as much as any man to advance our collective knowledge, and participation of women is vital for a complete and full understanding."

Air Marshal Raje, director general of civil aviation, pleaded that certain nebulous beliefs and traditional myths must be broken through to bring women to the forefront in aviation. Lack of awareness of the opportunities in this field and orthodox outlook were the main handicaps, he said. He was chivalrous enough to say that we should take this responsibility on the national level, encouraging the fair sex to join the challenging field of aviation.

Britain's Sheila Scott, while rendering gripping encounters drawn from her adventurous background, humourously related the various aviation opportunities available to women all over the world. However, she contested the opinion that undue constraints due to physiological and psychological disposition deter the performance of women in aviation.

Major General Ken Perkins of British Aerospace gave a graphic description of the likely air travel of the future. He described the revolutionary aircraft designs and trends, which will alter the entire air travel concept into different shapes in terms of time, technique and means.

NASA's Dr. Curtis Graves, president of the World Aerospace Education Organisation, swept the audience off their feet while jetting them into space. He launched the audience into the year 2005, with likely human settlement on Mars, permanent platforms, satellites in space, and orbiting contrivances connecting every human with every other human through cordless telephones. He warned that the progress is so vast that it supersedes all human imagination.

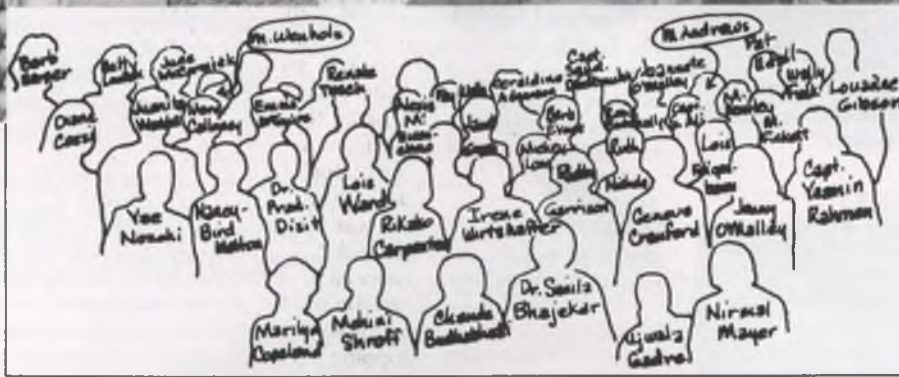
Kamal Naguib, chairman of the World Aerospace Education Organisation of Egypt, briefly outlined the progress of women in aviation, particularly those in the Middle East. He mentioned Egypt and Jordan, where many women are flying modern jets.

The Air Traffic Control Wing of India and Kate Beebe, president of ATC-USA, invited more women to actively participate in the profession, explaining that females are



Members of the International Executive Board of the World Congress in India include (seated) Rabia Futehally, Mohini Shroff, Chanda Budhabhatti, Captain Yasmin Rehman, (standing) Captain Saudamini Deshmukh, Dr. Sunila Bhajekar, Janet Green, Barbara Harper and Sheila Scott.





Katherine Brick traced the history of air races and women in Air Force Services in a historical manner.

Nancy-Bird Walton offered a nostalgic account of the growth of aviation in Australia and the paramount role played by women. Even the days of ballooning were recollected, and she narrated the format of the RAAF.

Fay Gillis Wells, chairman of the Forest of Friendship, recalled the earlier exciting days of 99s and requested that the present generation further strengthen the fraternity.

Astronaut Rakesh Sharma of the Indian Air Force kept the audience spellbound on his space odyssey. The salient features in training are discipline, persistence and patience. He discussed the entire voyage from blast-off to touchdown and admitted, with a winsome smile, that he has not stopped talking about his experience ever since he returned. He hopes that the day will not be too far away before India's woman astronaut goes up in the sky.

Captain V.K. Bhasin, Dy. managing director of Indian Airlines, gave a gripping and graphic account of accident analysis, covering the period of one decade. He elaborated on the human factors, cautioning that self-discipline occupies paramount importance in flying. Flight safety, he emphasized, concerns everyone. We must develop a safety consciousness and spend more time on prevention techniques.

Marilyn Copeland paid a glowing tribute to the India Section 99s for organising this Congress in such a grand manner. She was proud of the leading personalities directly involved in the project. The conduct of this Congress throughout was magnificent, she said, and materials presented were of excellent order. The basic objectives of 99s are well understood by people in responsible positions, she added, hoping this message will spread effectively.

ideally suited to ATC jobs. She added that there should be no sympathy or amnesty to defaulters who endanger flight safety.

Technical sessions on February 23 featured three brilliant speakers — Steve Brown on radar and ultralights, Lois Feigenbaum on USPFT and Barbara Evans on air racing.

The second day's general session was chaired by Dr. S.S. Sidhu, secretary of the Civil Aviation Department. In his opening remarks, he stated that the technical developments of this age, which have been rapid, have brought a systems revolution, an artificial thinking phase and a fly-by-wire concept, thus creating the necessity to develop a new culture. He congratulated the 99s for conducting the seminar, and he expressed hope for women in India to have equal opportunities to shoulder all responsibilities in aviation. India, he said, is now on the threshold of a new beginning, and he cited the new flight academy as an example.

Captain Shukria Ali Khanam of Pakistan presented a dispassionate analysis on the role of women in aviation. "We have to develop a reasonable scientific temper," she said, "which indirectly will offset psychological and physiological disadvantages and induce women." The aviation industry should indentify progressive areas for exclusively employing women, she said. "This challenge we must face together with understanding and reality."

Udo Stocker of Air Bus Industries, along with demonstration films, spoke exclusively

about the likely climate of the future in the aviation industry.

Wally Funk, II of NTSB (retired) captured the audience by introducing the intricate and meticulous methods of investigating aircraft accidents. Her emphasis was on proficiency, discipline and attitude, the basic essentials to ensure safety. Carelessness or a casual approach could be a major cause for air disasters. Safe flying is no accident, she said, but the result of deliberate action.

During his summary as chairman of the session, Admiral Tahiliani, chief of the naval staff and a test pilot himself, narrated a few parallel examples from naval aviation, cautioning that discipline, proficiency and attitude are the basic key factors to aviation safety.

In the second technical session, Captain P.R. Suri of Air India enhanced his talk about speed optimisation, sports potential and characteristics with a slide presentation on gliding.

Air Chief Marshal Da La Fontaine, chairman of the February 25 session, spoke about the vital role women played in the Air Force during World War II. The Women's Auxiliary Air Force was a shining example of their capability and adaptability even to war-like circumstances. He felt that they should seriously explore the fields where women could be effectively deployed in military aviation. While we may not commit women to direct combat services, he said, they could be used in reserve and as back-ups.



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**Richard L. Collins**  
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Richard L. Collins is presently the editor of *FLYING*, the world's largest circulation aviation magazine, having held this position since 1977. From 1968 to 1976, he served as senior editor. Prior to that, he was managing editor of *Air Facts* magazine.

In addition to other duties at both *FLYING* and *Air Facts*, Collins has prepared over 700 articles, columns and editorials. Author of seven hard-cover books, he has done extensive research in aviation safety, and served on many government advisory committees. He was a director of the National Aeronautics Association and National Pilots Association. A member of the Arkansas Aeronautics Commission from 1973 to 1977, he served as chairman one year. He also served in the U.S. Army from 1955 to 1957.

Over the years, Collins has won numerous awards, among them the Earl D. Osborn Award, Sherman Fairchild Air Safety Communications Award, Aero Club of Kansas City Distinguished Service Award and numerous Aviation/Space Writers Association awards and citations. In addition, *FLYING* won the Streibig Award for the September 1977 issue.

Collins holds honorary memberships in the Flying Physicians Association, Lawyer-Pilots Bar Association and the Civil Aviation Medical Association. An airline transport pilot, flight instructor for airplanes, instruments, multiengine and ground instructor, he has over 14,000 hours of flight experience.

**Donald D. Engen**  
*Federal Aviation Administrator*

Donald D. Engen is the first FAA administrator to have been named a member of the National Transportation Safety Board. A retired Navy vice-admiral, he also has been a combat pilot, engineering test pilot, air accident investigator and aviation corporate executive. He earned 29 decorations during a 36-year Navy career and was deputy commander-in-chief of the US Atlantic Command and the US Atlantic Fleet at the time of his retirement in 1978.

Following his retirement from the Navy, Engen was an executive with the Piper Aircraft Corporation and spent two years as senior associate with a consulting firm in Arlington, Virginia. He was appointed to the NTSB by President Reagan in June 1982 and

## "Amelia Outbound"

by Joyce Wells

Wendell Davenport, a friend of the Aloha Chapter, agreed to do a painting for the International Convention Program cover, as well as two other paintings. There will be three limited edition lithographs sold: "Amelia Outbound," "Ridge Soaring the Koolaus" and "Lanikai Fly-By." The original oil paintings will be sold at a silent auction.

Wendell was born and raised in the Bay Area near San Francisco. He moved to Hawaii 29 years ago to start his career as an art director in Honolulu. Several years ago, Wendell gave up his commercial art business in order to paint full-time.

A number of his paintings hang in private

collections. His oil, "Scud Running to Molokai," received the distinguished merit award at the 1984 art competition at Oshkosh, Wisconsin. Wendell is a pilot, and he regularly commutes to his home on Molokai in his one-of-a-kind experimental aircraft.

In 1985, Wendell's painting, "Slim Takes to the Silks" was acquired by the Lindbergh Museum in St. Louis as part of their permanent collection.

Come meet artist/pilot Wendell Davenport August 14, sip a mai tai, listen to a Hawaiian trio and view Wendell's new limited edition lithograph prints, including the Amelia Earhart "commemorative."





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served until his FAA appointment in 1984.

Engen began flying with the Navy during World War II and participated in the air and sea battles that accompanied the recapture of Guam, the Philippines, Iwo Jima, Okinawa and other islands in the Pacific Campaign. Among his 29 decorations is the Navy Cross, the Navy's highest award for valor, which he was awarded for his actions in the sinking of a Japanese aircraft carrier.

During his military and civilian aviation career, Engen has flown more than 220 different aircraft, including the Navy's first jets. His log book shows more than 6,000 hours, and he remains an active pilot, holding a commercial license with an instrument rating and a commercial glider license.

Born in Pomona, California, Engen holds a BA in business administration from George Washington University and is a graduate with distinction of the Naval War College. He has an honorary doctorate in science from the Florida Institute of Technology and, in 1984, was awarded the Society of Experimental Test Pilots prestigious Doolittle Award for Technical Management.

## Amoretta M. Hoeber

*Deputy Under-Secretary of the Army*

Amoretta "Amie" M. Hoeber was appointed deputy under-secretary of the Army on July 3, 1985. She previously served as deputy assistant secretary of the Army (research and development) from May 7 to November 13, 1981, and as principal deputy assistant secretary of the Army (research, development and acquisition) from November 13, 1981 until her present appointment.

A graduate of Stanford University with an AB in political science, she completed two years of graduate work in mathematics at Stanford, the American University and the University of California at Los Angeles. Hoeber was deputy to the director, Policy and Strategy Analysis Division, System Planning Corporation, from March 1975 until her assignment with the Department of the Army.

Prior to joining SPC, she was director of the Department of Military Policy Analysis, General Research Corporation, from 1974 to 1975. She was a consultant to several defense study companies from 1971 to 1974, and she managed a small consultant group.

Active in many professional societies, she served on the Board of Directors of the Military Operations Research Society (MORS) from 1977 to 1983 and as MORS president from July 1981 to July

1982. She was a member of the Science Advisory Group of the Joint Strategic Target Planning Staff from 1979 to 1983, and she participated in the 1980 Defense Science Board Summer Study on Chemical Warfare. Co-founder and executive secretary of the Women's Institute for International Relations, Hoeber is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations, an inactive member of the Board of Directors of the Committee on the Present Danger, and a member of the Board of Directors of the American Helicopter Society, U.S. Naval Institute, International Institute of Strategic Studies, American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA), and American Defense Preparedness Association (ADPA).

Hoeber has authored or co-authored numerous monographs, articles and books, recently including *The Chemistry of Defeat, Conventional War and Escalation* and *Soviet Strategy for Nuclear War*. Her numerous television appearances have included "The Deadly Winds of War" (PBS), a "60 Minutes" (CBS) special on chemical warfare, "Good Morning, America" and "Nightline" (ABC), the NBC "Today" show, "Panorama" (Metromedia) in Washington, D.C., and West German, Canadian and Spanish television broadcasts.

## Robin L. Jones

*Beech Aircraft Executive Vice-President*

Robin L. Jones was born in Brighton, Alabama, and received a BS and commission as a second lieutenant in the US Air Force from the University of Alabama in 1952. He immediately went on active duty in pilot training.

Stateside assignments for Jones have included Alabama, Florida, Indiana, Louisiana, Massachusetts and Texas. His interesting overseas assignments have included Belgium, Canada, France, Labrador, Spain and Vietnam, plus several short tours in Europe and Southeast Asia.

Pilot experience includes amphibian and bush pilot operations in the North Country, assault transports, aeromedical evacuation, special air missions and air refueling.

In addition to his pilot duties, Jones has served in administration, operations, maintenance, ROTC academies, protocol and as an executive and aide. His last assignment was as base commander of McConnell AFB, Kansas, for four years.

Jones joined Beech Aircraft in 1979 as assistant to the executive vice-president, and he is an active pilot.

## New Ratings

### CARIBBEAN SECTION

**Erka Moultrie** — AMEL

### WESTERN CANADA SECTION

**Anne Jefferson**, Greater Winnipeg — Night Endorsement, Float Endorsement

**Susan McKegney**, Greater Winnipeg — Float Endorsement

**Barbara Scalle**, Greater Winnipeg — Night Endorsement, Float Endorsement

### MIDDLE EAST SECTION

**Martha Nye Goppert**, Potomac Chapter — IFR

### NORTH CENTRAL SECTION

**Van Hamilton**, Kentucky Blue Grass — AMEL

**Debbie Johnson**, Kentucky Blue Grass — CFII

**Leslie Rosenbaum**, Kentucky Blue Grass — CFI

**Allison Turner**, Kentucky Blue Grass — IFR

**Mary Jo Myers**, Scioto Valley — IFR

**Amy Yursavich**, Scioto Valley — IFR

### SOUTH CENTRAL SECTION

**Nancy W. Aldrich**, Colorado — ATP ASMEI DC-10

**Shari Egan**, Colorado — IFR

**Joyce Treulleb**, Pikes Peak — AMEL

**Judy McLane**, South Louisiana — AMEL

### SOUTHEAST SECTION

**Alice Cutrona**, Florida Suncoast — IFR

### SOUTHWEST SECTION

**Lou Anne Gibson**, Long Beach — AMEL, Flight Engineer 727

**Suanne M. Windham**, Orange County — COMM, AMEL, IFR

**Jan Moon**, Santa Clara Valley — CFI



# THREE-YEAR COMPARATIVE REPORT ON AMELIA EARHART MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND CONTRIBUTIONS

CHAPTERS	1983-84	1984-85	1985-86	CHAPTERS	1983-84	1984-85	1985-86
<b>CARIBBEAN SECTION</b>	—	50.00	50.00	Cimarron	25.00	20.00	10.00
<b>EAST CANADA SECTION:</b>	—	—	—	Coastal Bend	5.00	—	—
Eastern Ontario	39.76	—	50.00	Colorado	100.00	145.00	150.00
First Canadian	—	—	—	Dallas	10.00	10.00	10.00
Maple Leaf	—	—	—	Dallas Redbird	60.00	10.00	10.00
Montreal	—	—	—	El Paso	25.00	150.00	100.00
<b>SECTION TOTALS</b>	<b>39.76</b>	—	<b>50.00</b>	El Worth	—	20.00	—
<b>WESTERN CANADIAN</b>	—	200.00	100.00	Golden Triangle	100.00	—	200.00
Alberta	50.00	100.00	100.00	Heart of Texas	20.00	—	—
British Columbia Coast	—	—	50.00	Houston	10.00	10.00	50.00
Canadian Rockies	—	—	—	Houston North	—	25.00	—
Greater Winnipeg	—	—	—	Kansas	15.00	—	100.00
Saskatchewan	20.00	—	25.00	Lubbock	25.00	—	50.00
<b>SECTION TOTALS</b>	<b>70.00</b>	<b>300.00</b>	<b>275.00</b>	Nebraska	50.00	50.00	50.00
<b>MIDDLE EAST SECTION</b>	—	100.00	100.00	Northeast Kansas	10.00	—	10.00
Central Pennsylvania	—	—	—	Oklahoma	25.00	25.00	—
Delaware	25.00	25.00	50.00	Omaha	—	10.00	—
Eastern Pennsylvania	—	50.00	100.00	Pikes Peak	—	50.00	—
Greater Pittsburgh	—	—	10.00	Purple Sage	—	—	—
Hampton Roads	100.00	175.20	250.00	Rio Grande Valley	—	15.00	15.00
Maryland	25.00	25.00	200.00	San Antonio	10.00	25.00	25.00
National Capitol	—	—	50.00	Santa Fe Area	25.00	25.00	25.00
Polomac	50.00	—	50.00	Shreveport	254.00	10.00	10.00
Shenandoah Valley	—	—	25.00	South Louisiana	100.00	25.00	—
Steel Valleys	—	—	—	Space City	20.00	25.00	25.00
Virginia	—	—	—	Texas Dogwood	—	10.00	—
Washington, D.C.	—	25.00	100.00	Tip of Texas	—	—	—
West Virginia Mountaineer	100.00	100.00	100.00	Top of Texas	50.00	25.00	50.00
<b>SECTION TOTALS</b>	<b>300.00</b>	<b>600.20</b>	<b>1,035.00</b>	Tulsa	25.00	—	50.00
<b>NEW ENGLAND SECTION</b>	—	64.37	—	Waco-Centex	75.00	50.00	100.00
Connecticut	50.00	75.00	250.00	Wichita Falls	10.00	10.00	25.00
Eastern New England	50.00	75.00	200.00	Wild Flower	—	25.00	—
Northern New England	10.00	10.00	—	<b>SECTION TOTALS</b>	<b>1,878.00</b>	<b>1,100.00</b>	<b>1,100.00</b>
Western New England	—	100.00	100.00	<b>SOUTHEAST SECTION</b>	—	—	—
<b>SECTION TOTALS</b>	<b>110.00</b>	<b>324.37</b>	<b>550.00</b>	Alabama	25.00	—	25.00
<b>NEW YORK-NEW JERSEY SECTION</b>	55.00	25.00	25.00	Blue Ridge	25.00	25.00	—
Central New York	50.00	—	100.00	Carolina	50.00	25.00	150.00
Finger Lakes	25.00	25.00	—	Deep South	50.00	—	—
Garden State	200.00	200.00	200.00	Embry-Riddle Daytona Beach	—	—	—
Greater New York	75.00	100.00	—	Florida Crown	—	—	25.00
Hudson Valley	25.00	—	—	Florida Goldcoast	100.00	25.00	100.00
Long Island	100.00	100.00	100.00	Florida Gulfstream	25.00	25.00	—
North Jersey	25.00	25.00	—	Florida Panhandle	20.00	—	25.00
New York Capital District	25.00	—	25.00	Florida Spaceport	25.00	25.00	50.00
Western New York	25.00	100.00	50.00	Florida Suncoast	25.00	250.00	250.00
<b>SECTION TOTALS</b>	<b>605.00</b>	<b>575.00</b>	<b>500.00</b>	Foothills	—	25.00	75.00
<b>NORTH CENTRAL SECTION</b>	50.00	100.00	100.00	Kitty Hawk	25.00	25.00	75.00
All-Ohio	125.00	125.00	—	Memphis	—	25.00	25.00
Aux Plaines	—	—	—	Mid-Tennessee	—	—	—
Buckeye Air Rally	450.00	450.00	500.00	Mississippi	50.00	—	—
Cape Girardeau Area	25.00	25.00	—	New Orleans	—	25.00	25.00
Central Illinois	100.00	50.00	50.00	North Georgia	—	25.00	—
Central Missouri	—	—	—	Tennessee	25.00	25.00	—
Chicago Area	100.00	100.00	100.00	<b>SECTION TOTALS</b>	<b>448.00</b>	<b>525.00</b>	<b>525.00</b>
Greater Detroit Area	100.00	100.00	200.00	<b>SOUTHWEST SECTION</b>	400.00	—	—
Greater Kansas City	—	50.00	25.00	Alameda County	—	200.00	200.00
Greater St. Louis	100.00	50.00	—	Aloha	—	—	—
Indiana	202.00	100.00	—	Arizona Sundance	50.00	50.00	200.00
Indiana Dunes	202.00	100.00	—	Bakersfield	100.00	—	100.00
Iowa	—	100.00	1,000.00	Bay Cities	100.00	100.00	500.00
Kentucky Blue Grass	25.00	25.00	50.00	Borrego Springs	—	—	—
Lake Erie	25.00	25.00	25.00	Cameron Park	50.00	99.00	—
Lake Michigan	—	—	—	Clear Lake	—	25.00	—
Michigan	100.00	100.00	100.00	El Cajon Valley	30.00	—	434.00
Minnesota	125.00	—	250.00	Fresno	—	100.00	—
Quad City	—	25.00	—	Fullerton	125.00	—	250.00
Scioto Valley	50.00	—	100.00	Gavilan	300.00	100.00	—
Three Rivers	25.00	—	—	Golden West	100.00	100.00	—
Wisconsin	—	50.00	—	Grass Valley	50.00	50.00	50.00
<b>SECTION TOTALS</b>	<b>1,612.00</b>	<b>1,485.00</b>	<b>2,625.00</b>	Hi-Desert	25.00	300.00	100.00
<b>NORTHWEST SECTION</b>	50.00	—	—	Imperial So-Lo	25.00	25.00	—
Alaska	25.00	25.00	100.00	Inland California	—	—	100.00
Central Oregon	100.00	50.00	—	Lake Tahoe	150.00	—	250.00
Columbia Cascade	50.00	100.00	—	Las Vegas Valley	75.00	75.00	—
Columbia Gorge	50.00	—	100.00	London Bridge Havasu	—	25.00	—
Cook Inlet	25.00	50.00	—	Long Beach	250.00	350.00	350.00
Eastern Idaho	25.00	25.00	25.00	Los Angeles	250.00	250.00	250.00
Eastern Oregon	—	100.00	—	Marin County	—	—	25.00
Far West	15.00	—	—	Mendocino County	—	—	—
Greater Seattle	100.00	100.00	—	Mission Bay	50.00	50.00	50.00
Idaho	25.00	50.00	1,000.00	Monterey Bay	—	200.00	100.00
Intermountain	100.00	100.00	100.00	Mount Diablo	50.00	50.00	500.00
Mar-Su Valley	—	—	—	Mount Shasta	—	—	—
Mid-Columbia	—	25.00	25.00	Orange County	500.00	500.00	500.00
Midnight Sun	—	—	—	Palm Springs	—	—	—
Montana	—	—	—	Palm	—	—	—
Mount St. Helen's	—	25.00	—	Palomar	100.00	150.00	200.00
Mount Tahoma	60.00	50.00	—	Phoenix	50.00	100.00	200.00
North Dakota	100.00	100.00	100.00	Placer Gold	—	50.00	50.00
Oregon Pines	—	25.00	—	Redwood Empire	100.00	50.00	50.00
Puget Sound	—	—	—	Reno Area	—	100.00	—
Rainier	—	50.00	—	Sacramento Valley	85.00	125.00	100.00
South Dakota	—	—	—	San Diego	250.00	250.00	50.00
Southern Cascade	25.00	—	—	San Fernando Valley	500.00	100.00	100.00
Western Washington	—	150.00	—	San Gabriel Valley	100.00	—	100.00
Willamette Valley	75.00	200.00	—	San Joaquin Valley	—	50.00	25.00
Wyoming	50.00	—	50.00	San Luis Obispo County	100.00	100.00	100.00
<b>SECTION TOTALS</b>	<b>875.00</b>	<b>1,225.00</b>	<b>1,500.00</b>	Santa Barbara	50.00	—	—
<b>SOUTH CENTRAL SECTION</b>	—	250.00	—	Santa Clara Valley	100.00	200.00	500.00
Abilene Area	—	—	10.00	Santa Monica Bay	—	25.00	—
Albuquerque	—	10.00	—	Santa Paula	200.00	50.00	99.00
Arkansas	10.00	—	25.00	Santa Rosa	75.00	50.00	50.00
Aspen	20.00	10.00	—	Siskiyou	—	—	—
Austin	—	10.00	—	Tucson	150.00	—	150.00
Chaparral	—	50.00	—	Utah	—	50.00	50.00
				<b>SECTION TOTALS</b>	<b>4,540.00</b>	<b>4,089.00</b>	<b>5,783.00</b>
<b>GRAND TOTALS</b>	<b>9,875.76</b>	<b>10,183.57</b>	<b>14,193.00</b>				



# Chapter News, Activities and Projects

## Getting to Know Other 99s at Section Meetings

### NORTH CENTRAL SECTION REPORT

The Kentucky Blue Grass Chapter sounded the "Second Call to Kentucky." Arriving in Lexington to answer that call were 148 section members from 19 chapters. A special welcome went to guests Betty J. Schermerhorn, Eastern Ontario Chapter (East Canada Section), and Mirjana Ivanovic, member-at-large from Yugoslavia. The event was ably chaired by Skip Gumbert May 9-11.

Those lucky gals who came by air were greeted at Blue Grass Field by the Kentucky Aviation

Association and Kentucky Blue Grass 49½s. Bruce McCollum and George Gumbert led the ground transportation brigade, and the friendly Lexington FAA reps were on hand to award fly-in prizes. At the hotel, Dorothy Arnett, Terry Donner and the hospitality committee demonstrated a true Southern welcome.

Friday evening we were off to the races. Skip Gumbert and the program committee arranged a delightful dinner at the Red Mile Club. The evening was spent on the terrace watching the harness races and guessing winners.

Saturday began early with a continental breakfast, round-

table seminars and meetings. Governor Joan Kerwin expertly led the chapter chairmen's meeting and, later, the business session. We enjoyed a delectable luncheon at Spindletop, the University of Kentucky's faculty center, with an optional tour of the mansion offered.

After lunch, we were off to see the thoroughbreds with a tour of the Spendthrift Training Center and Farms. Several of their four-hoofed champions, including Affirmed, paraded before an awed group. They were beautiful!

Saturday night at the banquet, we were privileged to hear Fay Gillis Wells discuss some of the

interesting events in her life. She is indeed quite a talented lady.

Awards were then made to chapters with outstanding contributions in various committee areas: Aerospace Education, Greater St. Louis; Joy Harvey Award for Air Marking, Central Illinois; Aviation Activities, Minnesota; Legislation, Chicago Area; Membership and 66 Membership, Kentucky Blue Grass; Public Relations, Three Rivers; and Scrapbook, All-Ohio. The Governor's Award, recognition to the member who has made the most outstanding contribution to her chapter, was presented to Mary Panczysyn of the Chicago



Seated at the head table at the Southwest Sectional are (left) Lorraine Newhouse, Hazel Jones, Wyn Hayward, Lois Erickson and Aina Bell.

Officers and officers-elect



From left, Hazel Jones, George Strickland (FAA), Harriet Fuller, Rosemary Gibson and Harriet Bregman.

When International Board members and candidates met with New York-New Jersey Section officers-elect, the group included (seated at left) Harriet Fuller, Judy Hall, Carol Sue Wheeler and Gene Nora Jessen, as well as (standing) Rosemary Gibson, Harriet Bregman, Mary Helfrick, Doris Abbate, Hazel Jones, Shirley Ludington and Rosemarie Sutherland.





Area Chapter. The section meeting Attendance Trophy again went home with the Chicago Area delegation.

Governor Joan Kerwin and the 1984-86 officers turned over the reigns of leadership to officers-elect Juanita Fineman, governor; Clara Johansen, vice-governor; Dorothy Niekamp, secretary, and Virginia Sutherland, treasurer.

Sunday marks the time to travel home, so we said goodbye to great Southern hospitality with an invitation to come again.

*by Martha Norman*

## EAST CANADA SECTION REPORT

Niagara on the Lake, a pretty little historical town on the

Niagara River, was the site of the spring East Canada Sectional the weekend of April 19.

Governor Betty Innes and Organizing Committee Chairman Sue Ehrlander hosted a wine and cheese party on Friday evening to welcome Canadian 99s and 49½s, as well as some special guests, including five 99s from the United States — Bernice Millar, Gini Sutherland and Mearl Frame from the Greater Detroit Area Chapter, Meigs Adams of Lake Erie Chapter, and Harriet Fuller representing the International Board.

A tour of a local winery (the Niagara Peninsula is a famous wine-producing area) and a tour of the Shaw Festival Theatre were highlights of the planned

activities.

The guest speaker at the Saturday night banquet was Michael Sifton, owner and operator of Buttonville Airport in Toronto. He spoke about the trials and tribulations, as well as the satisfactions (albeit, all too rare), of running an airport, a flying school, a charter operation and a commuter airline in these times of high expenses for airplanes, insurance, fuel and maintenance.

Also during the banquet, the section paid tribute to Russell Beach, president of the Canadian Owners and Pilots Association. In recognition of his continuing endeavours to inspire others through his personal example of leadership and selfless dedica-

tion, the section is sponsoring him as an honoree at the Forest of Friendship in Atchison, Kansas.

A particularly interesting feature on the final morning of the session sparked excitement during the breakfast. Adele Fogle, Margo McCutcheon and Daphne Schiff, members of the First Canadian Chapter, flew a Beech Baron in the 1985 New York to Paris Air Rally. They were on hand to present an illustrated description of their memorable and challenging flight, which covered 4,200 nautical miles, with landings in Quebec, Baffin Island, Greenland, Iceland, the Faroe Islands, Scotland and France.

*by Isabel Pepler*



Fear of Flying Clinic supporters include (left) Aminta Hennessy, Heather Innes and Jane Matthews, while past and current presidents of the Australian Women Pilots Association include (right) Nan Manthorpe, Peg Kelman, Jenny Houghton, Nancy-Bird Walton, Helen Henderson, Kathy Sutherland and Senja Robey.



## AUSTRALIAN SECTION

Twenty-two members from all around Australia (as well as Chris Wills' three-month-old son, Xavier) attended the annual section meeting, which was held in Adelaide, South Australia, during the Annual Conference of the Australian Women Pilots Association (AWPA) in mid-March. A new committee was elected with Barbara Collins as governor, and sincere appreciation was expressed to Sue Burdekin and her team for their hard-working endeavours and very fine leadership while in office.

Nancy-Bird Walton and Jenny Houghton, who was recently elected federal president of the AWPA, attended the Congress in India. Jenny gave a short report about the very successful and inspiring Congress at our 99s meeting, providing us all cause to wish to attend an international aviation event in the very near future.

The AWPA Conference was a great success with favourable weather, old and new friends getting together with common interests, business and educational meetings, social events, a navigational trial and a few wins at the new Adelaide Casino, which happens to be right across the road from the Grosvenor Hotel where the conference was headquartered. The 99s Proficiency Trial, which is held annually enroute to the conference, was won by pilot Jan Martin and navigator June Perry.

The New South Wales Fear of Flying Clinic awarded five scholarships in 1986. For instrument ratings, the scholarships were awarded to women pilots so that they may use this expertise in a manner that will enhance the status of women in aviation.

Nancy Wells, Glenda Philpott and Aminta Hennessy, who have all been so involved with the NSW Fear of Flying Clinics, attended the conference and "The Sky's the Limit" banquet where the scholarships were presented to Lyn Butler, Jennifer Cox, Jan Edwards, Jane Matthews and Megan Sutherland.

In addition, the Nancy-Bird Walton Award, which is presented annually for the most noteworthy contribution to aviation by a woman of Australasia, was given to Shirley Smith by Nancy-Bird Walton. Shirley is an ex-governor of the Australian 99s and currently the Victorian president of AWPA.

Jan Hoopmann, AWPA conference coordinator and the new Australian Section 99s secretary-treasurer, has taken off on a whirlwind trip that will include a flight on the Concorde from New York to London and a train ride on the Orient Express. We all offered to carry her luggage. And Marie Richardson is organising a fly-in to Parkes to view Halley's Comet. Parkes is in the mid-north of New South Wales, noted as a prime viewing spot.

*by Thelma Pye*

## EAST CANADA SECTION

### Eastern Ontario Chapter

The chapter has participated in a joint government/99s project by hosting two open meetings at which the first of the "Back to Basics" programs were presented. A sizeable turnout of pilots from the general aviation community joined 99s to view the audio-visual slide presentation, "On Landings."

At the February meeting, Dr. Georgette Buch, who is supervisor of the Training Systems Evaluation Department of Transport Canada and very involved in their aviation safety programs, discussed the "Judgment Training Program" that has been developed jointly by the FAA, GAMA and Transport Canada. The program is intended to improve general aviation safety by teaching student pilots how to improve their decision-making skills. Proven effective in test situations, the program is now being readied for distribution to flying schools.

Part I of "On Landings" was shown at this meeting. It deals with the undershoot, cross-control stalls, hard and bounced landings and loss of directional control. Part II of "On Landings" was shown at a second open meeting sponsored by the chapter in April. It deals with landing long and the go-around. The third part of the program will be shown at a later meeting. The presentations are very informative, serving as excellent refresher courses in basic landing techniques.





Gordon Oswald carves the roast at the Alberta Chapter's "99s Catering Dinner."

## CHAPTER NEWS, ETC.

Four members attended the East Canada Sectional in Niagara on the Lake. Chapters and the section Executive have decided to become involved in public school Science Fair programs by sponsoring prizes for aviation/aeronautics-oriented displays. Science Fairs involve students in grades 7-13. The incoming Executive took office at this meeting. Donna Deacon of First Canadian is the new governor, Isabel Pepler of Eastern Ontario is vice-governor, and Helen Hems and Sue Ehrlander of First Canadian are secretary and treasurer, respectively.

*by Isabel Pepler*

### WESTERN CANADIAN SECTION

#### Alberta Chapter

The March meeting was held at Mary Oswald's home in Edmonton, where nine members gathered to learn the art of foiling glass pieces under the critical eye of 49½ Gordon Oswald. He has designed and cut hundreds of pieces of glass to be made into stained-glass sun-catchers. These will be used as luncheon table decorations during the 1987 Vancouver Convention. A second "work bee" to foil glass was held in Calgary in April, when eight members learned to work with narrow strips of copper foil, wrapping edges of small pieces of glass. There will be many more work sessions before all 5,500 pieces of glass are foiled.

"Have Chef, Will Cater" has been heard several times recently as Gordon and Mary Oswald have catered two small dinner parties on behalf of chapter fund-raising, with help from Susan deBeurs, Rosella Bjornson, Ruby Hamilton and Ruthanne Page. The guests, while enjoying delicious food, are always interested in hearing about the 99s!

The weather often has the last word whenever we plan to fly to a meeting. Our April meeting had to be hastily relocated, but 13 members gathered at the Edmonton Flying Club to cover a full agenda.

Jo Harris and daughter Joan recently

returned from a visit to Australia. They visited former Alberta 99 Leslie Smithers, who is presently flying charters out of Perth. Ruthanne Page has completed her special training and has moved to Newfoundland. She will now be flying oil workers out to ocean drilling rigs with a twin-engine Puma helicopter. And Edmonton area 99s bid bon voyage to Cheryl Merkel, who has left for New Zealand to work as a nurse for a year.

*by Mary Oswald*

#### Greater Winnipeg Chapter

Now that winter is behind us, flying activities are resuming.

Juanita Cousins and Ember Woroniuk flew a Cherokee Warrior on a March 19 cross-country flight from St. Andrews, Manitoba, to Ft. Frances, Ontario. Winds were 15 gusting to 25, so it proved to be an excellent opportunity to sharpen their winter flying skills.

On a recent holiday in New Zealand, Anne Jefferson rented a Cessna 172 and saw the countryside from aloft. She landed at Kitaia Airport, the most northerly airstrip in New Zealand, then flew down the 90-mile beach in the Cape Ringa area.

Linda Stoesz is now in charge of technical records for Manitoba Government Air Services. She is waiting for calm weather to get her Raven S-55 balloon into the air again. Irene Henley became senior flight training standards categorization inspector for the Central Region of Transport Canada as of December 1, 1985, and Gloria Danyluk, former instructor at the Winnipeg Flying Club, is now a CFI at Squamish Airport in British Columbia.

The regional manager of aviation safety programs for the Central Region of Transport Canada presented an informative seminar, "On Landings," March 22. Well attended by 99s, the cooperative project by the FAA, Transport Canada and General Aviation Manufacturers served as an excellent refresher.

*by Jeanne Allan*

### MIDDLE EAST SECTION

#### Delaware Chapter

The chapter celebrated its 10th anniversary April 10 with three of the 11 charter members present.

The charter was received at the Middle East Sectional, April 10, 1976, in Annapolis, Maryland. Chapter charter members included Virginia Batzel, Janet Churchill, Sandra Dzienis, Pepi Eskin, Anne Grussemeier Erickson, Martha Howell, Beverly Howett, Julie Jones, Elizabeth MacGlashan, Patricia Trainor and Phyllis Vetter; Batzel, Erickson and Eskin attended the anniversary. Other special guests included Andy Nonenmacher, chief controller at Greater Wilmington Airport at the time of the chapter's organization, and Kate Macario, a member of the Eastern Pennsylvania Chapter who was very helpful during the organization of Delaware Chapter.

Following dinner, Ginny Batzel showed slides and read a poem she had composed describing chapter activities during the past 10 years, which have included Pennies-a-Pound events, Flying Companion Seminars, FAA safety meetings, several air markings and many chapter parties.

*by Ann Butler*

#### Hampton Roads Chapter

April's meeting was held on the 1st, but the program was not one for fools! Our knowledge of the FARs — something of which we should always be cognizant — was tested by Linda Hollowell.

In May, we co-sponsored a safety seminar on the 3rd, followed by our regular meeting on the 6th. Outdoor events, our annual Pennies-a-Pound followed by an air marking at Wakefield Airport, were held the 10th and 31st, respectively.

*by Barbara L. Ramsey*

#### Potomac Chapter

Mary Feik spoke at the annual meeting of the Maryland Chapter of Silver Wings in March. Also in March, we were privileged to tour the National Air and Space Museum's Garber Facility. Not only did we learn about the process of restoring aircraft, including the Enola Gay, we also learned a lot about the history and development of aviation.

Harryette Deckelbaum hosted our April meeting with a scrumptious dinner. Sam Aaron, FAA, gave us a preview of the "Back to Basics" presentation, "Mid-Air Collision Problem," followed by a lively discussion. Jenny Roback reported on an AOPA product liability seminar she attended, and we welcomed Kansas transfer Janie Mee.

*by Ellen Hahn*

#### West Virginia Mountaineer Chapter

We painted parking T's April 26 at the Parkersburg Airport, and celebrated our 10th anniversary that evening with a dinner party aboard the *Becky Thatcher* stern-wheeler. The 25 guests included Linda Hollowell, section governor, when Morgan Hapeman was presented with the Lois Fida Memorial Scholarship. She will use it toward her CFI.

The following morning, we helped the Mid-Ohio Valley Aviation Association cook and serve a pancake breakfast at Parkersburg.

*by Marjorie Kirkpatrick*



**Greater New York Chapter**

Many 99s, including several from the Long Island and New Jersey Chapters, attended our annual Aviation Authors Night, April 10 at the Wings Club in New York City. Five authors, Diane Ackerman, Burton Bernstein, Richard Kline, Claudia Oakes and Norbert Slepyan, each spoke briefly about their books and flying experiences.

We learned a lot about landing tips and techniques, both VFR and IFR, from Henry Soliman, director of flight training at Panorama Flight School, Westchester County Airport, during our March meeting. Soliman has flown over 14,000 hours since 1936, winning the Eastern Region Flight Instructors Award in 1985.

ing was devoted to making future plans, including a second seminar for non-pilots and an ice cream social. Guests were prospective 99s Ellen Knackstedt of Barrington and Judy Smallish of Long Grove.

We are sad to report the resignations of member Sharon Greth and Chairman Sue Johnston. We will miss Sue's able leadership, but we will still have the benefit of her professional legal advice.

Virginia Rabung, elected to complete Sue's term as chairman, attended a Chicago Area safety seminar, March 15 at Addison, Illinois. A special presentation by Lieutenant Jack Bentley, Glenview Naval Air Station Coast Guard, on emergency procedures over water featured a recounting by a pilot who was forced to ditch with a passenger in Lake Michigan off Chicago.

The combination of expensive fuel and cutthroat airline rates has prompted vacationers to fly commercially. The Alberts went to San Antonio, and the Wests flew to Phoenix where they made daily flights around Carefree in their host's Cessna 210.

*by Clarissa Deed Holcomb*

**Chicago Area Chapter**

Peggy Rastetter recently went on an all-air safari to East Africa. She flew from game preserve to game preserve in small planes (six to eight-passenger). One of the game drives was in a hot air balloon and concluded with a champagne breakfast on the Serengeti Plain in Kenya.

Ruth Rockcastle presented a "Landings I" session March 13 to the Glenview Navy Flying Club, and we hosted 325 during our ninth annual Safety Seminar. Marion Servos, seminar chairman, had 30 members and six 49½s in her working crew for the "Back to Basics" program.

Diane Cozzi attended the World Aviation Education & Safety Congress in New Delhi, India. Diane and Polly Gikison also attended the National Congress on Aviation & Space Education in New Orleans, while Joan Kerwin attended the opening of the International Women's Air and Space Museum in Ohio.

Deanne M. Falduto has been named marketing representative for the Great Lakes Region of Aviotex, a California firm.

Jim Brown, 49½ just returned from Japan, where he attempted to contact member Kay Kimura, who moved there last year.

Marion Jayne recently flew to Texas to visit 99 daughter Pat, and then to California to visit her other 99 daughter, Nancy. She worked hard to get home since the autopilot was on vacation, too.

*by Debbie Karas*

**Greater Detroit Area Chapter**

Dave MacKenzie, aircraft builder and aerobatics performer, was the guest speaker at our April meeting, which was hosted by Sheri Soloway in Grosse Ile. A video on aerobatics was part of his presentation, and many found it fascinating to watch the performers "walk" and "act out" their routines on the ground prior to the show. Dave encouraged members to participate in aerobatics, describing the precision involved. Regretably, he remarked, airspace for practice appears to be diminishing as time goes on. At this meeting, Chairman Bernice Millar proudly announced that Gini Sutherland was elected treasurer of the North Central Section.

Pinchhitter planning is at its peak. Enrollment has increased to 38 applicants, and we have accepted an unusually high number of complex aircraft this year. We are experiencing another first as former student Dorothy Sims has enrolled for a refresher in the family 300-hp retractable-gear Lance. Pinchhitter Chairman Dorothy Gillis presided over a roundtable discussion at the Lexington section meeting.

Mearl Frame, Bernice Millar, Gini Sutherland and their 49½s flew to the Eastern Canada Sectional in April at the Prince of Wales Hotel, Niagara on the Lakes.

It's interesting how we recall the good times we've had flying especially well when they've been purposeful missions. I'm reminded of one in particular a few years ago

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**Long Island Chapter**

Doris Abbate, accompanied by Mae Smith, recently drove to Wilmington, Delaware, to show Doris' USPFT slides to the Delaware Chapter and the Experimental Station Pilots Association.

The annual Poker Run came off without a raindate this year. The weather was somewhat breezy, but 68 players flew 33 aircraft and bought 170 hands, which were carried for working 99s by flying 99s Joyce Malkmes, Mae Smith and Bozena Syska. Though Dorothy Campbell was working hard at one of the airports, she won the second prize, thanks to the gals who flew her poker hand for her. Barbara Mead from North Jersey Chapter also participated.

Our mother-daughter combo, Dolores and Debora Bonnard, recently joined Chairman Pat Rockwell to visit Cub Scout Pack 988 in preparation for the Cub Scouts to experience their first taste of general aviation. Nancy Davis returned from her Florida vacation, saving the best for last. She was allowed to join the three crew members of the 727, flying home sitting in the flight deck jumpseat. Eleven members attended the section meeting in Saddle Brook, New Jersey, and Terry Caputo has become the pilot for the early morning traffic report for WBAB Radio on Long Island.

Members have recently attended several safety events. Joyce Malkmes and Roberta Pistorious have taken their BFRs, and Mira Rosen passed her CFI written. In addition, VFR sectional charts and the flight computer were reviewed during our April meeting, which featured a short ground school by Debora Bonnard and Pat Rockwell.

*by Patricia Rockwell*

**Western New York Chapter**

Three members attended the section meeting in Saddle Brook, New Jersey. Ginny Hake was honored with a beautiful plaque as the section choice for an AE Scholarship.

## NORTH CENTRAL SECTION

**Aux Plaines Chapter**

April showers bring May flowers — and most certainly ideal flying weather! Our meet-

Mary Wedel and her daughter, Valerie, have been elected chapter delegates to the spring section meeting. With Mary's 49½, Carl, they recently enjoyed an informative and exciting motor trip to Delaware and Washington, D.C., visiting the Smithsonian Institution and some of their United Airlines friends. Another stop was at the museum at Wright-Patterson AFB, Dayton, Ohio.

Toni Reinhard has checked out in a Piper Warrior, flying about four hours this month. Johanne Noll will probably be turning over our monthly flying trophy to Toni, but that's what happens when one deserts the skies for the slopes.

*by Virginia Rabung*

**Central Illinois Chapter**

Wanda Whitsitt, founder and coordinator of Lifeline, Inc., an organization of private pilots who fly in emergencies, has been elected to the Illinois Aviation Hall of Fame. Four FAA accident prevention counselors — Barb Brusseau, Barb Jenison, Lynne Trupin and Jean West — are in our midst. Marilyn Blake is proud of her husband's progress with his pilot's license. They now toss for PIC of their Cessna 172. Bloomington, their airport, is one of our favorite breakfast spots. Jayne Schiek will have more time for our monthly meetings since she has completed her degree in computer science. She serves on both the EAA Board and Macomb's Airport Authority in addition to all her work at Oshkosh. And Ginny Butler can be counted on for a spot landing contest at Coles County meetings, whether the weather is cold or Illinois-hot.

Thanks to Susan Hull, our 1986 new look (99-imprinted blue shirts) gives inspiration for flying activities. Lynne Trupin and Kathy Palmer co-chaired our flying companion course during the Department of Transportation IFR-VFR Seminar, with help from Anita Albert, Barb Brusseau, Linda Hamer, Libby Kaiser, Kim Strickland, Wanda Whitsitt and Marcy Williams. Several also assisted at the Champaign safety seminar.

April was to be "air mark Frasca" time with paint supplied by Lucille Frasca. Jean West climbed up on the hangar to lay out the letters, but the wind gusted about the time the paint pilots were to begin. Then it rained, so the chalk job must now be repeated.



when another 99 and I flew my Cherokee 180 across Lake Michigan to Wisconsin. Each attendee was given a tiny blue spruce tree to plant upon return home. From my kitchen window, I can now see a two-foot tall, very round, full tree growing and standing proud.

by June L. Beers

#### Indiana Dunes Chapter

The chapter held a Flying Companion Seminar April 19 at The Gathering Restaurant in Valparaiso, with 25 receiving information on what makes an airplane fly, airport communication, instruments, radio procedures, charts and navigation, computer usage, pre-flight and emergency procedures. Charlene Falkenberg and Phyllis Webb made the presentation, assisted by 99s and 49½s. The successful day ended with a surprise award to Charlene for her contributions to our chapter and the International Ninety-Nines.

The chapter is enthusiastically getting the word out to schools about aerospace education, attending safety seminars and planning a USPFT Rallye with some other chapters.

by Diana Austin

#### Kentucky Blue Grass Chapter

The chapter has been extremely busy preparing for the May 9-11 section meeting in Lexington. Activities are to include voluntary participation in the FAA safety check of licenses and medicals upon arrival at the airport. Those 99s who wish to flash their credentials at FAA personnel will be eligible

for a door prize of an altimeter clock or an airplane teapot.

The trolleys will depart Friday evening for the Red Mile Harness Race Track, where a race has been named in honor of the 99s. After business as usual Saturday, the trolleys will again depart for the Spindletop Mansion for lunch with Martha Layne Collins, governor of the State of Kentucky. Then we'll be off to Spendthrift Farms for a tour of the thoroughbred race horse farm.

Charter Member Fay Gillis Wells will speak at the Saturday evening banquet.

by Terri Donner

#### Lake Erie Chapter

Members met at Grace United Church of Christ in Akron for their annual April memorial service for deceased 99s from our chapter, Ellen Baker and Ruby Mensching, as well as Amelia Earhart and Jean Hixson. The business meeting followed at the Quaker Hilton, where members previewed the scene of the fall section meeting.

The May meeting was held just prior to the FAA safety meeting at the Mayfield Activities Center. AOPA accident statistics indicate a 10-percent decrease in general aviation accidents. Since this was the 11th session sponsored by our chapter since September, we feel gratified at having been part of the safety education effort.

Several members attended the Voyager banquet March 25 in Cleveland, sponsored by EAA Chapter 325 with speakers Dick Rutan and Jeana Yeager.

We welcome returning member Barb Sima.



Kentucky Blue Grass Chapter members meet at the home of Sheila Wagner to plan the spring section meeting



Lake Erie members at the memorial service include (front row) Dodie Jewett, Sandy Stokes, Evelyn Moore, (back row) Marj Juhasz, Helen Sammon, Pat Stark, Bernice Barris and Meigs Adams.



Winners of the Michigan Chapter Easter Egg Hunt are Bonnie Davis, Valerie Palazzolo and Nancy Walters

#### Michigan Chapter

We gathered under the roof of the St. Clair International Airport to escape the precious life-giving rains of April. We quickly settled into present business and future activities, then departed to the hangar across the field. Carefully invading the nest of Skyhawks and Cardinals under the watchful eyes of wary Cherokees and low-crouching Cheetahs, we harvested 99 colorful Easter eggs. Valerie Palazzolo proudly claimed first place with 17 eggs, followed by Nancy Walters with an even dozen. Third place was claimed by visitor Bonnie Davis with 11. Also sharing in our hunt and box lunches were 49½ Fred Lienemann and visitor Cheryl Ingham.

We co-hosted an FAA safety meeting with the Olson Flying Service of Detroit. During the April 8 evening presentation of the Wings Program by Accident Prevention Specialist Ronald Koenes, Valerie Palazzolo and Nancy Walters received Phase V Wings, while 49½ Ronald Walter received Phase III Wings.

by Grace Lienemann

#### NORTHWEST SECTION

##### Alaska Chapter

The chapter gained eight new "line boys" at the March meeting.

UNDER OATH, I Vernon Lynn

as a 49½er, hereby promise to provide and maintain a suitable, safe aircraft for my 99 or pay smilingly and willingly all bills for her flying time.

I SHALL cheerfully accomplish all flight planning, navigation and weather checking when requested to do so, but never presume to carry out these tasks without authorization from my 99

I SHALL avoid any expression of disbelief when listening to my 99's flying stories.

I SHALL insist that all damage to wing tips, under carriage or other appendages was due to material failure.

I SHALL always assure those within earshot that my 99's rough landings and staggering take-offs are due to gust conditions.

I SHALL promise to provide a baby-sitter, housekeeper and cook to relieve her of household duties if my 99 should decide to fly the Powder Puff Derby.

With tongue-in-cheek and fingers crossed I accept membership into the Mystic Realm of a 49½er

On this 12th day of March, 1986

Vernon Lynn

personally appeared before me and affixed his signature to the above OATH

ATTEST Barbara Bruerman





Husbands Bob Cassell, Jack Fisher, Dwight Hill, Sid Johnson, Vern Lynn, Bob Moore, Guenter Rostin and Glen Upton joined the ranks of 49½. MC John Rogers raised his rolling pin gavel and 99s tied on their aprons while the 49½s took their oath.

The oath was duly signed by Chairman Barbara Bowerman and notarized, lest the new 49½s try to renounce their sworn pledge at a later date.

Alaska 49½s admire their aprons and notarized certificates.



Dallas Wilson, still new to the world of flying, spoke to Columbia Gorge members about his love of flight. With him are Jan Mlnarik, Helen Fargher and Carolyn McCord.

the FAA because travel was cut from their budget. We turned to our friend and veteran pilot/instructor/FAA designee, Clyde Wells. The audience of 65 pilots was captivated by his slide show, humorous stories, and display of survival gear and safety literature.

Election of officers gives us Chairman Helen Fargher, 150 owner and copilot of husband Mug's 206. Joan Hutson will serve as treasurer, and our new secretary is Jeanne Hillis, also the designer of the section patch.

Egg Hunt traveled to various airports in the area to pick up eggs. During registration, each contestant brought in her eggs to be tabulated. At that time, each received a participant's label button.

Although bad weather prevented many contestants from attending the April Easter Egg Hunt Awards Luncheon, several door prizes were presented. Carolyn Dietzman and Easter Bunny Karen Wolf presented prizes to the contest winners, which included Gladys Buroker (oil change), Darlene Peterson (two hours dual with a CFI), Barbara Van Arsdale (two hours with a CFI), Sandy Passmore (\$100 off an annual), and Ruth Mohr (first prize — a condo for the weekend at Sunriver, Oregon). Ruth told the group that she and her husband were going there for their 46th wedding anniversary.

In addition, speaker Ken Zura recounted various experiences as a pilot.

by Anne English

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### Columbia Cascade Chapter

Flying activities for the chapter's Easter Egg Hunt were canceled for the West-of-the-Cascades-Pilots due to low freezing levels, thunderstorms and snow, making our famous Gorge impassable.

Our 11th annual April Pinchhitter was again successful — and why not? With an active participation of our members teaching all those non-pilots some interesting and helpful facts, the session even included a delightful buffet lunch.

Members planning to attend the Honolulu Convention are busy designing matching garments in a floral print fabric to represent Portland, Oregon — the "City of Roses."

by Peggy Blinco and Mary Wohlgemuth

### Columbia Gorge Chapter

Dallas Wilson, low-time pilot, discussed his love of flying at our March meeting. He earned his license when he was 68 years old, and he is still in awe of his ability to fly — four years later. He now owns three planes and has sponsored student pilots who have gone on to make their living in aviation.

We sponsored our annual safety seminar April 9, this year without the cooperation of

We'll have a run-off for vice-chairman in May.

Jan Mlnarik recently visited Alaska, checked the 99 Directory and had lunch with Cook Inlet 99s Ruth Jacobs and Cleo Webb. What a great way to meet other 99s! And hey! That was our Donna Davidson in the January issue of *The 99 NEWS*, galivanting around South. She's back there again with husband Ben, who is in helicopter school in Alabama.

by Jan Mlnarik



Veteran mountain pilot Clyde Wells was the main speaker at the annual Columbia Gorge safety seminar.

### Mid-Columbia Chapter

From mid-March through April 12, contestants for the second annual chapter Easter



Mid-Columbia Chapter Easter Egg Hunt winners include (above) Darlene Peterson (Intermountain), Barbara Van Arsdale (Eastern Oregon), Easter Bunny Karen Wolf (Mid-Columbia), Sandy Passmore (Idaho), Ruth Mohr (Intermountain) and Gladys Buroker (Intermountain). Because it hailed, passengers Darlene Peterson, her 49½ and volunteer Anna Rademacher (below) appreciated transportation provided by the Walla Walla Antique Car Club.



### Southern Cascade Chapter

Members sponsored our first Pinchhitter ground school for non-pilot flying partners in March. The excellent turnout proved there's a need in the Rogue Valley for assistance to those who fly but are not pilots.

April's meeting featured a flight to Klamath Falls and a meeting with Susan Maule, captain for Wings West Airline. The day was perfect for flying and proved even better for getting together with 99 flying friends.

by Laura Smith

Laura Smith explains the control surfaces of an airplane to Southern Cascade Pinchhitter class members.



### Eastern Idaho Chapter

The chapter service project for this year is to identify public-use airports in Eastern Idaho that need new windsocks — and replace them. We have found that airport operators in Idaho are responsible for the upkeep and replacement of windsocks. You have only to fly over a small airport once without a windsock for reference to realize their importance, especially if you happen to select the wrong way to land on a short runway.

When the Idaho Department of Transportation learned about our plans, they offered to pay half the cost of the replacement windsocks, provided they be used only on public-use airstrips.

by Sandi Bills

The weather was beautiful and the winds even cooperated the day Eastern Idaho 99s replaced the windsock at Preston.





**Abilene Area Chapter**

We sandwiched in an extra meeting April 7. First, we sacked 200 flour "bombs" to sell to bombardiers at the "new hangar" dedication ceremonies April 12 at Graham. We have a little outhouse with a bulls-eye painted on top. The planes fly over at a predesignated altitude and drop the "bombs" at the target. If a direct hit is made, the walls fall down and a lady dummy is shown with her protesting arms extended toward the sky. Everyone seems to enjoy this activity, and the exercise is great precision flying practice.

The second activity of the evening was meeting and congratulating graduates of the Pinchhitter course. We applauded as they were handed their "diplomas" — printed on their very own sick bags! Jolene Toman did her usual excellent job coordinating the course, which was attended by several potential 99s.

Jan Terrell was featured in the *Breckenridge American* April 7. The write-up was titled "Breckenridge Woman Reaches Plateau," and it stressed the fact that she gained her pilot's license, instrument and multi-engine ratings, commercial license and written exam for CFI rating in only five years. The article also included a two-inch explanation of the 99s. In addition, Jan recently got to fly copilot in a Piper Lance, transporting four people from Breckenridge to Albuquerque.

Eddie Holmes, coordinator of the ninth annual Breckenridge Air Show, outlined our responsibilities during our April 14 business meeting at Abilene Aero. Approximately 150 WWII planes are expected this year. We will accept their landing contributions and help park planes.

Wanette Bergman's 49½, Bill, has made our own set of templates for our next air marking venture. Along with Lana Perry's 49½, Bill, he has helped us so much in Graham during the bombing runs.

*by Penny Montgomery*

**Dallas Chapter**

Early in April, we completed the promised air marking at Redbird Airport. It was gratifying to be so warmly welcomed by everybody from airport administrators to controllers, other pilots and even restaurant workers. We have big plans to return in May and paint a compass rose.

Several members recently attended an FAA safety meeting. We came away with renewed safety consciousness and enthusiasm to earn Pilot Proficiency Wings. Sue Matlock is the latest member to complete Phase I, and she's ready to get on with Phase II.

*by Margie Carter*

**Dallas Redbird Chapter**

April marked the chapter's 15th birthday. We celebrated with lunch at Raphael's, a wonderful Mexican restaurant on the south end of Addison's runway. We honored chapter charter members Helen Wilke and Katherine Long with charms and flowers.

Before the luncheon April 26, we met at the Addison control tower. Bill Miller took us on a very interesting tour, which included the film, "The Wind Shear Factor," and examination of the latest equipment in the engineering room.

May 2 found section members aboard a riverboat on the Missouri River with songbooks in hand. Entertained by a trio, 99s were encouraged to sing along as we all got into the spirit of the weekend at hand.

Sales were brisk Saturday morning at the Market Place, where many chapters sold merchandise. Following the chairmen's meeting, Governor Carole Wheeler conducted the morning's business meeting. Afterward, members dispersed to one of several seminars; Pat Ward presided over a "how to" session about hosting a section meeting, while Jody McCarrell briefed 99s on hosting a USPFT local or regional rallye.

The afternoon included trips to dog or horse races, followed by the installation of officers. International Secretary Gene Nora Jessen presided over the evening banquet as Governor Pat Mlady, Vice-Governor Sue Halpain, Secretary Pat Ward and Treasurer Judy Reinhart were installed. MC Pete Petrashek changed positions and became "Peter the (Near) Great" as he amazed the audience with magic tricks.

The weather briefer was on hand Sunday morning for a farewell buffet breakfast, and members departed from the northernmost chapter in our section in strong southerly winds. Members of the small Omaha Area Chapter certainly outdid themselves as they put together this informative weekend for some 125 people.

*by Nancy Smith*

Oklahoma 99 Charlene Davis (right) checks routing before filing her IFR flight plan to return home.



Section members consider budget items (below) at the morning business meeting

International Secretary Gene Nora Jessen installs new section officers (above) Governor Pat Mlady, Vice-Governor Sue Halpain, Secretary Pat Ward and Treasurer Judy Reinhart.



He introduced us to the controllers on duty and explained their jobs while we observed them in actual observation. Melitta Card, Mary Ann Deutmeyer, Shirley Forner, Bryant Hutchinson, Elinor Johnson, Elizabeth Jordan, Kathy Long, Kitty McGee, Elaine Meronyk, Fran Shelton, Margie Taylor and Helen Wilke enjoyed looking over the shoulder of controller Jim Cox.



Redbird 99s were on hand April 9, helping at the FAA safety meeting, "On Landings," at North Mesquite High School. Mike Conlin and Elinor Johnson distributed literature and helped with registration for a very large turnout. Others present were Shirley Forner, her 49½ and Margie Taylor. The FAA introduced the Pilot Proficiency Wings Program, which we all thought we would be interested in completing.

*by Margie Taylor*



Bill Miller conducts chapter members on a tour of the Addison control tower (above), while Redbird 99s Mike Conlin and Elinor Johnson (right) help with registration at the FAA safety meeting, "On Landings."



### El Paso Chapter

The chapter cooked and served over 200 breakfasts at the West Texas Airport fly-in to benefit the US Aerobatic Team. Some pilots participated in the spot-landing contest, flour bombing competition and "a little aerobatic flying." Following this April 6 event, members again prepared breakfast April 13, but we had to move indoors due to one of our West Texas duststorms. This didn't keep the pilots from showing up though — if not by aircraft, then by road vehicle.

Twila Lewis, 66, is well on her way to becoming a 99 after making her solo flight April 8. She was surprised to learn upon landing that her parents had been in the control tower.

CAP member Mike York attended our last meeting to discuss the planned Hangar Party on Armed Forces Day, May 17, in the NASA hangar. He obtained the support of 99s for the event, which will be open to members of the aviation community. Members are also excited about attending a firing at Ft. Bliss this month, which was arranged by El Paso Councilwoman (and 99) Suzie Azar.

A new fun thing to do has been started by the chapter. We meet for lunch once a month at a different place in town.

by Lynn N. Stover

### Ft. Worth Chapter

The first Saturday after Easter brought our group together to air mark the words, "Hicks Airfield," before a barbecue lunch. Sandy Harpole, a prospective member, flew in from Meacham Field to help. She is a private pilot working on her commercial license and instrument rating. Ernie and Gladys Latham allowed the use of their new hangar for our business meeting.

The NIFA SAFECON air meet at Waco's TSTI Airport went smoothly, thanks to Carole Wheeler and other 99s. North Dakota State University was named this year's National Champion.

by Kelli L. Hughes

### Houston Chapter

The chapter decided that a USPFT competition was worth a try. We enjoyed the first West Houston Air Rallye so much, we may try another one!

The rallye opened the evening of April 11 with an FAA "Back to Basics" seminar. By 0730 the next morning, a team of 99s was marking the runway for the landing event and setting up coffee and donuts. Our plans to begin promptly at 0900 were foiled by the weather, but we did manage to complete the landing event by noon.

We brought in trays of sandwiches from a nearby deli for lunch, and enjoyed an hour of relaxation before the afternoon navigation event. The flight planning session made all the contestants realize how rusty some skills had become, but the actual flying was fun as well as challenging. The 100-nm secret course included turns at Eagle Lake, El Campo and Boling. Members, 49½ and CFI friends served as check pilots to make sure contestants held altitude, followed the course and used only pilotage to navigate.

We finished the day with an awards party at the airport, enjoying chips, dips, fruit, cheese, hamburgers, hot dogs and all the trimmings.



El Paso 99s cook breakfast at West Texas Airport to benefit the US Aerobatic Team.



NASA Flight Controller Kitty Haven, Space City 99s, speaks to fellow 99s and the Ft. Worth Zonta organization.



Lubbock 99s help Sky Pals participants plot their course to Abilene (above), while Christi Besak discusses an aircraft instrument panel during the seminar.



Six Houston 99s competed, with Dawn Anderson winning the "Best 99" trophy as well as earning an invitation to regional USPFT competition.

Our participation in the FAA "Back to Basics" program and USPFT has given this year's membership drive a big boost. We are proud to welcome Susie Bradley, Barbara Johnson and Janelle Lear as our newest 99s.

by Cathy Wappler

### Kansas Chapter

The April program was "Women in the Air Force." After a light brunch, Lieutenants Cathy Clothier and Debbie Kirkhoff, along with Airman Cynthia King, discussed their reasons for joining the Air Force and the duties they perform. Clothier is a KC-135 copilot, Kirkhoff is crew commander of missile operations, and King is a boom operator. All three are based at McConnell AFB. Clothier recently flew a mission that took her across the Mediterranean and into Saudi Arabia. On their return trip, they lost

VHF radios, so Cathy was responsible for making phone patches for the entire trip. It's nice to know your Air Force is at work when you need it!

Marilyn Copeland recently returned from New Delhi, India, where she was a delegate to the World Aviation Education & Safety Congress. During the inauguration ceremonies, she made a presentation to Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi before an audience of more than 850 international delegates.

Janet Yoder recently discussed aviation with a group of fourth-graders in Valley Center. She reported they were very enthusiastic, and she believes they learned a lot about the world of aviation.

by Debbie Klein

### Lubbock Chapter

Beautiful weather, the perfect meeting place at Town and Country Airpark, well-prepared 99s for instructors and 26 enthusiastic students were the ingredients for a most successful Sky Pals Seminar March 1. Eva Akata, Jane Bartos, Christi Besak, Angela Boren, Mary Ann Harrison and Mary Trusler each had specific topics of instruction, while other 99s handled team teaching duties.

Not every chapter has the opportunity to meet under the wing of a Super Cub on a pretty spring night in a pressed wood siding hangar, but 14 did on a quiet (except for friendly passing trains) April 7 night at Cantrell's Biggin Hill Farms Airport. Mona Roberts was welcomed as our newest 99. She's an A&P who works at Crosbyton Airport, just southeast of Lubbock. Mona brought her enthusiastic mom, who will begin instruction soon. Cathy and Glenna, our 66s, related their newest cross-country experiences, and Pat was armed with scarves and blouses to take to the section meeting.

Suzanne and Sam Copeland have replaced their 172 with a Bonanza, so she can get a lot of new hours in a retractable. Mary was one of five selected from the section as an AE Scholarship finalist, and she is anxiously awaiting national results.

For our Treasure Hunt, Eva and Christi designed a super logo that was silk-screened on the shirt of our choice. In spite of 25-knot winds, the raindate for the hunt, April 26, was used. First place was taken by Trey Speck, who won two round-trip tickets to Dallas; second place, Terry Lee, a microwave; third place, Don Schardt, 20 gallons of gas. The first-place Poker Run hand belonged to Bill Harr, \$99; second and third place prizes, a racquet club membership and \$49.50, both went to Dan Boone.

### Oklahoma Chapter

A program on aviation insurance was presented by Susie Sewell April 13 in the home of Carol Sokatch. She covered the many facets of this type of insurance, including minimum and maximum coverage, rental insurance, and repair and salvage estimates.

Members migrated north for the May 2 section meeting in Omaha. Sue Halpain was installed as vice-governor, and others attending from Oklahoma included Shirley Brown, Diana Burton, Gwen Crawford, Charlene Davis, Lu Hollander, Nema Masonhall, Jody McCarrell, Susie Mitchell, Helen Moulder, Poochie Rotzinger, Nancy Smith, Gina Thomas, Norma Vandergriff and five 49½s.



Pikes Peak 99s hold their first USPFT Rallye at Fremont County Airport (left). Winners include (center) Craig Lebbitt (first place), Rock Skowbo (second place) and Jim Williams (third place); 99 competitors (right) Alma Ray and Phyllis Webb placed fourth and fifth, respectively.



Gina Thomas has been practicing for the aerobic competitions in her Pitts and will be competing in the advanced class this year. When awards were presented at the NIFA SAFECON banquet in Waco, Texas, JoAnn Carpenter was the recipient of an Alpha Eta Rho scholarship. We welcome new members Mary Nunn and Nancy Reinhart, and congratulate Charles Perry on his recent marriage to 99 Jan Million.

by Nancy Smith

chapter unanimously agreed to hold another one. If your chapter has been reluctant to stage a rallye, take our advice. The rewards far outweigh any reasons for hesitating.

by Phyllis Wells

### Shreveport Chapter

We successfully sponsored the Holiday in Dixie Open House at Downtown Airport. Eileen Anderson chaired the annual April

near Denton, visited a museum on the field and lunched with Starr Stone, our ambitious member who is working toward her master's degree at North Texas State University.

We completed two air markings within one month, with more on the agenda. Our new air marking chairman, Lisa Garrett, carries a big stick and plans to keep us occupied.

by Helen Hewitt

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### Pikes Peak Chapter

It is difficult to put into words the feeling of pride and accomplishment felt by our members following our USPFT rallye. The two-day event was carefully orchestrated by Sharon Roush and Judy Wark with 16 members working or competing. Three 99s from the Colorado Chapter and several 49½s also gave their support.

The first day of the event was spent in the hangar because of 30-knot winds and low overcast. Some 50 people attended the session that included an FAA "Back to Basics" program, a workshop on how to fly a rallye by national winner Carolyn Pilaar, and a navigation planning exercise.

The second day brought sunny skies, but the wind continued at 20-25 knots. Not to be discouraged, contestants performed landings and flew the course, and the day was filled with surprises. For example, power-off landings were the most accurate, while mild turbulence made holding altitude a real challenge. One contestant, fascinated by a train crossing over her turn point, lost 500 feet of altitude. Concentration was so intense that none of the contestants realized their course took them directly over a nudist colony!

Everyone benefited from the experience of competing or working in the rallye, and the

event, which included static displays of antique and World War II aircraft, radio-controlled plane performances, parachute jumpers, hot air balloons and a superb airshow. All this plus guided tours of the control tower helped convince the public that general aviation is not only very safe, but also a marvelous hobby.

We are happy to announce that Evelyn Snow battled high, gusty winds with an FAA inspector to remove the waiver from her Class II physical. She is now ready for action, so get in line for your BFR.

Leona Connell, who is regent of Pelican Chapter DAR, and Immediate Past Regent Mary L'Herisson take advantage of opportunities to promote aerospace education through the DAR. First Lieutenant Pamela Melroy, who flies a KC-10 from Barksdale AFB, was the speaker for the annual patriotic luncheon recently attended by several area DAR chapters. A graduate of Wellesly, Pamela aspires to become an astronaut. Her audience of over 100 was inspired as she compared the role of women in the American Revolution with the exciting role of women in today's Air Force.

Evelyn Snow piloted her Cherokee, with Joan Carroll, Lisa Garrett and Jere Saur as passengers, for our first fly-in of the year. They landed at Hartley Airfield, a sod strip



Eileen Anderson, general chairman of the Holiday in Dixie Open House at Downtown Airport, Public Relations Chairman Marjorie Hardcastle, and Sandra Shaw, who chaired the static display of WWII planes, antique aircraft and homebuilts, work out last-minute details for the event.

### South Louisiana Chapter

Pat Ward, elected section secretary, will attend the Omaha and Hawaii meetings. In addition, she and Jan Scheunnaman have been invited to appear on local television to discuss our chapter's 20th anniversary celebration in May.

Shirley Penton has been tracking down the chapter's charter members. She reports that Helen Hooks is now Helen Hands in Hammond; Jeannette DeJarnette, Metairie, is still instructing; Mary Jean Prestridge is in Scotts Plains; Jan Phillips, Lafayette; Pat Ward,



Oklahomans Diana Burton, Susy and Phil Mitchell, Sandy and Helen Moulder, and Sue and Bill Halpain enjoy the fresh air on the upper deck of the riverboat during section activities in Omaha (left). Susy Mitchell assists Peter the (Near) Great during banquet festivities (right). And Oklahoma Chapter members convene for a short business session of their own following the section business meeting (right).



Gloria Holmes, and Foy and Phil West, Baton Rouge; Yvonne Fort, New Orleans; Dee Comeaux, working for the state as an appraiser in Wilson; and Nita Delaroderie, now Nita Johnson, lives in Gainesville, Texas. All have been invited to attend the May 10 anniversary celebration, which will be held in conjunction with the Baton Rouge Ryan Airport street renaming and dedication.

Judy McLane has been named to the Advisory Board of the new Ascension Parish (that's what we call a county in Louisiana, ya'll) at Gonzales Airport, and Lou Rieger has been asked to serve on the Aviation Advisory Panel with the Parish Airport Authority.

Of the 30 entries submitted for the chapter's aerial photography contest, the winner will be named at the Louisiana Balloon Festival & Airshow, May 30-June 1 in Hammond.  
by Gloria Peterson

### Texas Dogwood Chapter

With plans always in the offing, hard-working Chairman Jan Maxwell has been fortunate to find many volunteers willing to be pressed into extra service. We combined with Zonta members to present International President Hazel Jones a speaker for the well-attended Amelia Earhart Luncheon at the Ramada Inn in Tyler.

Next was a trip to Longview, where Jan and several other members reside. The focal point in this center of aviation is always a visit to the Gregg County Airport and its fine facilities. Incidentally, we have often had speakers from LeTourneau College in Longview, which has a strong aviation program.

Cathy Massey, who operates the Glade-water Airport with husband George, invited the chapter there for a meeting to plan for the upcoming USPFT meet on May 10 in Glade-water. Jerry Jurenka hastened to Waco for the NIFA SAFECON to get pointers from the seasoned veterans who judged that contest.

by Elaine White

### Tulsa Chapter

Earline Biles organized the CFI re-certification clinic held the first weekend in April. Attendance was down due to stiff competition; the US Thunderbirds were in Tulsa that Saturday for an airshow. Carol Thompson worked at the gate selling tickets most of the day while the rest of us enjoyed the show.

Phyllis Scott, safety chairman, arranged the April meeting at Potter's Flying Service. Speakers included Ed Becton, tower chief from Tulsa International, and Larry Grider from Riverside/Jones Airport. Ed discussed the Tulsa ARSA, while Larry reviewed approaches and departures from Jones and Harvey Young Airports.



**ALABAMA CHAPTER** members Harriett Hall, Rachel Hunt, Renee West, CPA Beverly Petty, Claudia Conn, Miriam Pullins, Ruby Dickerson, Janet and Rick Mayfield and their children traveled to Talladega to paint a compass rose. Ruby served as chief engineer, while Janet and her children are shown are right painting the numbers on the compass rose.



AOPA has initiated a program for pilots to take controllers flying, and suggestions would be welcome from cat-loving pilots who have developed methods to keep felines off sectional charts while trip planning.

## SOUTHEAST SECTION

### Florida Suncoast Chapter

Doris Briggs hosted the Venice Airport air marking and lent her hangar as project headquarters. She joined Lee Easom, Ruth Hubert, Sophia Payton and Barbara Sierchio to mark the letters the day before the paint crew arrived with highway yellow paint.

Florida Suncoast air markers include Lee Easom, Ruth Hubert, Doris Briggs and Sophia Payton.



A newspaper reporter from Sarasota took pictures of the 50-foot letters from the air. We enjoyed a potluck lunch in the hangar, and Mary Fletcher presided over the business meeting.

The chapter sponsored FAA safety meetings in March and April at the USF St. Petersburg campus, while Nancy Brantly, Mary Fletcher and Barbara Sierchio attended the spring section meeting in St. Augustine.

by Barbara Sierchio

### Memphis Chapter

Kay Dement sure knows how to put on a safety seminar. She runs the show so efficiently that speakers, slides, refreshments, helpers and, most of all, plenty of pilot-participants seem to fall into place naturally. We expected 75 to 100, but 150 came; that is the kind of problem we like!

Memphis 99 Mary Needham and husband Lester traveled all the way to India to attend the World Aviation Education & Safety Congress in New Delhi. Riding an elephant was just one of many things they enjoyed while there.



### Tennessee Chapter

Sponsors of a statewide Air Tour include the Tennessee Department of Transportation, the Civil Air Patrol and the local 99s chapter.

The Air Tour has been planned by state aviators to celebrate aviation's contributions to the state. As part of Tennessee Homecoming '86, a year-long celebration of the state's past, present and future, virtually every community and hundreds of groups are sponsoring special events.

A 725-mile route has been planned, with stops at 16 airports over a three-day period, July 18-20. No registration fees will be charged. Details are available from Diane Gusky, Office of Aeronautics, Tennessee Department of Transportation, P.O. Box 17326, Nashville TN 37217, (615) 741-3208.



Other 99s who helped included Chris Brown, Dora Dunavant, Charlotte Gordon, Carolyn Ingram, Jamie Louks, Fern Mann, Nancy Miller, Mary Needham, Caron Brian Smith, Carolyn Sullivan, Rosemary Williams, Karen Yates and Jean Zielke. The program was on takeoffs and landings with slides courtesy of the FAA.

We have lost one of our most valued members to the Mississippi Chapter. Janice New McWilliams and husband Bill moved to the Gulf Coast in January. On the plus side, however, we welcome the return of Nancy Miller from Michigan, as well as new pilots Caron Brian Smith and Karen Yates.

by Rosemary Williams

## SOUTHWEST SECTION

### Hi-Desert Chapter

Our March meeting ended as a baby shower for Vicky Wingett, member of the El Paso Chapter. She is on maternity leave from Southwest Airlines, where she flies in the captain's seat of a Boeing 737.

We had a terrific turnout for air marking, April 12 at Inyokern Airport, in spite of winds that were gusting to 25 knots. Many local people, including the airport manager and three airport district members, showed up to help us spread the 75 gallons of paint. A potluck barbecue followed — the food was good, but the hangar flying was even better.

Judge Carol Koppel, a student pilot from Victorville, was the meeting speaker in April at the Hesperia Airport Cafe. We welcomed new members Cathy Span, Apple Valley, and Connie Trippensee, Lancaster.

by Linda C. Moors

### Monterey Bay Chapter

The turnout was terrific for our section workday and potluck barbecue at the home of Geneva and Doug Cranford. The weather didn't cooperate, but we got much accomplished before the rain drove us into the carport. Maryellen Eisemann entertained us with her accordion while we ate. Then 17 members plus 49½s and friends pitched in to work on the decorations and prizes for the fall section meeting, under the direction of Co-Chairmen Geneva and Helen Shropshire.

Gene FitzPatrick was the guest speaker at the April meeting of the Salinas Owners and Pilots Association. Gene's background in aviation includes WASP service during WWII. Gene is currently flight operations officer for Squadron 13 of the Civil Air Patrol.

We air marked Watsonville Airport the last Sunday in April. Unlike recent chapter air marking, a strange phenomenon was observed. The sun was shining! We hardly knew how to proceed without wind, rain or at least a cold overcast. Air Marking Chairman Harriet Brin managed to paint herself into the point of the "A," while friend and future 99 Shirley Jackson was present to help until fun called in the form of a decathlon. Other 99s who earned sunburned noses and a sense of satisfaction for their efforts were Lisa Baird, Mary Crawford, Carolyn Dugger, Anne Haile, Dell Hinn, Lygia Ionnitui, Diana Peterson and 49½ Bill Brin. And Lynne Hsia, chapter chairman, is to be thanked for hauling all those buckets and brushes from Salinas in her little Subaru.

by Diana Peterson

*I'm so glad I'm a glamorous 99 pilot  
So I can string and chalk and paint a lot  
And when I go home and climb in bed  
Visions of compass roses dance in my head.  
I'm so glad I'm a glamorous 99 pilot  
So I can slice, dice, toss and cook a lot  
And when the party is over and done  
All the dishes go home except one!  
I'm so glad I'm a glamorous 99 pilot  
So I can time and greet and drive a lot  
And when the racers are all away  
I can just collapse and say, "hurray!"  
I'm so glad I'm a glamorous 99 pilot  
So I can sell pop at airshows when it's hot  
If that's not enough, they said, "Look here, Honey,  
You can sell hot dogs, too, and make less money."  
I'm so glad I'm a glamorous 99 pilot  
So I can decorate and ride on floats a lot  
In a rodeo parade I'm a real hoot  
And I've never even owned a cowboy boot  
I'm so glad I'm a glamorous 99 pilot  
So I can wash and clean my plane a lot  
I am a Mt. Shasta 99 and I fly with flair  
But I have no time to get in the air!*

by Bev Tickner  
Mt. Shasta Chapter

flight engineering student at Arizona State University. She was welcomed as a 99 and named recipient of the chapter's Memorial Scholarship, which is awarded annually to a student enrolled in an aeronautical course at one of the state's colleges in order to alleviate the financial strain. Robyn is a junior with a 3.25 grade average.

The chapter's participation in the Fly-a-Controller program has been very well accepted. Thus far, 25 controllers from Falcon Field, Williams AFB, Luke AFB and Phoenix Sky Harbor have climbed into our airplanes for a pilot's view of the system they control. Confidence levels have ranged from shaky to steady — shaky at the start and steady at the finish.

We toured the new FSS in Prescott, which is equipped with a sophisticated computer system, and three specialists flew with us. Barbara Teague, project coordinator, flew her C-152, assisted by Kathleen Browne (C-172), Stacy Hamm (Bonanza), Sue Harper (C-210), Nancy Nay (C-152) and 49½ Paul Patino (C-182).

## CHAPTER NEWS, ETC.

### Orange County Chapter

April got off to a great start at Million Air, an FBO at Orange County Airport, and the regular meeting the following week at the home of Barbara Ward. During the social, we were entertained by the Oshkosh tower crew, and the evening program at Joan Hill's home featured home movies of Oshkosh '85.

A fly-in to Amelia's at Van Nuys Airport for brunch on the 13th was followed by a Flying Companion Seminar the 19th. Our primary event, the seminar was attended by 26 members and 29 students. Carol Ford, Peggy Hart, Charlene Hengesh, Mary Ann Jamison, Pam Mahonchak, Bev Niquette and Cynthia Shofer contributed their skills and talents in planning and presentation.

by Mary Lee Mershon

### Phoenix Chapter

At the April meeting, two awards were made to Robyn G. Olson, an instrument-rated

Additional flights are planned to accommodate the controllers who minded the store while their buddies flew.

Robyn Olson, aeronautical engineering student at Arizona State University and a new instrument-rated 99, is the 1986 recipient of Phoenix Chapter's Memorial Scholarship.



Helen Shropshire, June Knapp, Sally Plummer and Dee Goulding receive instructions from Geneva Cranford on how to lay out terrarium decorations for the fall section meeting.





All too seldom do we recognize the unsung stalwarts whose efforts keep our organization ticking when it should be ticking, tocking when it should be tocking. One such person, Ann Newcombe, should be applauded for her dogged determination to keep the *Cloud 99* presses rolling. Undaunted by several sessions of corrective surgery to repair feet damaged in an accident, she forages for news, makes it readable, types it, prints it, prepares it for mailing and delivers it to the postmaster; she disclaims responsibility from that point.

*by Mary Lou Brown*

#### San Fernando Valley Chapter

Jaye Howes, proud Navion owner and member of the chapter since 1982, takes the helm as our new chairman, assisted by Vice-Chairman Melinda Lyon. Next term's treasurer will be Paula Sandling, while recording secretarial duties will be handled by Jeanne Kirhofer. And the new corresponding secretary will be Liz Dinan.

Jeanne Kirhofer, who has volunteered her expertise as director for the past four years, was assisted by JoNell Kocisko in coordinating the recent CFI Revalidation Clinic at nearby Glendale College.

reviews, with a waiting list already started for the fall.

The regular April 17 meeting featured a humorous presentation by Ray Ferrell on the subject of tandem skydiving. It appears that about half the chapter members want to jump out of a perfectly good airplane with Ray.

*by Debby Cunningham*

#### Tucson Chapter

As a delegate from the US to the World Aviation Education & Space Congress, Barbara Harper had the honor of presenting a bouquet of roses to Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi. She said he is a very handsome man, most cordial and interesting to talk to. She reports that the Congress was beautifully organized and a great success.

After classes, meetings and seminars, there was still time for visits to the Taj Mahal, a very turbulent flight over the Himalayas and a trip on a houseboat. While there, Barbara met Pat Udall, a former Tucson member, now working with the Peace Corp in Nepal. Barbara said the very tight security at all the airports sometimes resulted in a two-hour wait for boarding.

In 1942, the first class of Chinese cadets arrived at Thunderbird Field, Glendale, Arizona, for flight training. At the invitation of these former students, 44 years later, 25 instructors and their wives were urged to be guests in Taiwan.

Charley Jenkins was one of the instructors for this first class, and four of his former students were among the host group. These pilots now form the nucleus of the present Republic of China Air Force. Most are now generals, high-ranking officers or successful businessmen in other fields. As guests of this outstanding group, Charley, Dorothy and the others were treated to elegant accommodations and many social functions, including lunch with the general in command of the Army at Kimnin and a trip by way of Macau into Red China and Hong Kong.

Closer to home, Jean Servaas organized a bus trip to Whipple Observatory on Mt. Hopkins in our own Santa Rita Mountains. Scientists no longer observe the stars through telescopes, laboriously recording the data manually; rather, all sightings and other information is fed into computers. (It's undoubtedly more efficient, but it doesn't sound like as much fun!)

Kaye Craig has been busy with entries for an art and essay contest for students in grades 6-9. The entries were displayed in our booth at the Tucson Mall during Aviation Week. Each winning student was awarded a plaque and an airplane ride, to be accompanied by his/her teacher and one parent. Second place entries also earned plaques.

*by Maggie Schock*

## CHAPTER NEWS, ETC.

#### Sacramento Valley Chapter

Our April meeting was a Make-a-Wish Foundation audio-visual presentation and discussion. This organization grants last wishes to dying children.

The events calendar is filling up quickly. Lynn Hoelscher reports that two "X's" will be painted on the runway at the Davis University Airport April 26, an FAA "Back to Basics" safety program will be held May 14-15, our annual Aviation Fair is slated for May 17, and a Regional USPFT Rallye will be held at Davis University May 24.

Now that weather is cooperative, a Saturday Night Flight to Concord was made by Florence Breen, Dorothy Flynn, Isabel War-moth, Walt and Bobbie Campbell, Orin and Jacqui Koukol, and Bonnie and Jim Neely.

*by Shirley Sandlin*

#### San Diego Chapter

The chapter celebrated Lynn Briggs's 80th birthday at a potluck meeting April 21 in the home of Betty Wharton. Members of the El Cajon Valley and Mission Bay Chapters also attended.

Lynn learned to fly during World War II and joined the Los Angeles Chapter. She became a charter member of the San Diego Chapter when it was formed in 1946.

*by Marian Banks*

Nearly 100 flight instructors updated their knowledge and teaching techniques during the two-day seminar. Ninety-Nines assisted with registration, provided refreshments and generally kept the sessions running smoothly. This clinic, which allows local flight instructors to meet FAA requirements for revalidating their certificates, is our major fund-raiser of the year.

It was smorgasbord time when, as a special spring treat, our May meeting was held at the Swedish Inn in Woodland Hills. Members enjoyed socializing and the great Scandinavian fare as we discussed our plans for the upcoming Van Nuys Airport Open House.

*by Jan Goforth and Susan Skalla*

#### Santa Clara Valley Chapter

Beale AFB attracted 22 members and 49½ for an April 7 tour of the SR-71 plane and adjacent facilities. We visited the physiological support unit that makes pressure suits for astronauts, as well as U-2 and SR-71 pilots. We also observed the operation of the pressure chamber, which was then being used by a civilian cancer patient for pre-surgical treatment. While we were there, a U-2 made touch-and-go landings.

Lots of participation by members signaled a successful semi-annual Flying Companion Seminar for 63 participants. Directed by Claire Florio, the seminar received rave

San Diego Chapter Chairman Betty Wharton watches as Lynn Briggs blows out the candles on her 80th birthday cake.



#### NOTAM

ALL CHAPTER CHAIRMEN  
AND MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMEN

Six months past the due date, the  
member reinstatement fee is \$10



# Air Racing News

July 19-27

## Air Rally of Quebec

The nine-day Air Rally of Quebec will "explore" (in the true sense of the word) a country not well known. Indeed, the group made up of some 50 private airplanes will have the opportunity to view the Province of Quebec as it is — a huge peninsula with 10,000 miles of coastline and a north-south spread greater than the distance from Miami to New York.

Twins and singles from California, Pennsylvania, Connecticut, Ontario and Quebec have already registered for what promises to be a fanciful on-going fly-in.

It will be an occasion to get acquainted with its relatively small population of six million. Although surrounded by 300 million English-speaking North Americans, these people for 450 years have managed to retain their French language.

To visit such a vast area, mostly uninhabited, rally organizers quickly realized that camp set-ups would be required, and they've gone all the way — including candlelight and champagne gastronomic dinners at the three "rough-it-up" stops at Matagami, Caniapiscau and Anticosti Island.

However, upon reaching civilization in Montreal, Sept-Iles and Quebec City, tuxedos and formal attire will be more in style for the gala dinners at first-class hotels.

Quebec is renowned as an outstanding fishing territory, as well as for its French cuisine, but few people ever get the chance to glimpse its northern natural attractions due to the lack of roads. For example, the rally will enable the participants to scrutinize Anticosti Island in the St. Lawrence Estuary, a 130-mile

preserve inhabited by just 320 persons. The area is covered with a multitude of lakes and rivers, a waterfall 180 feet high, a canyon 450 feet deep, and long stretches of sandy beaches with wild deer that come to eat out of human hands.

The rally fleet will start the 1,646-mile trek from Montreal's St. Hubert Airport at the southern tip of Quebec, flying 550 miles north to the shores of Hudson Bay and swinging onto a heading of 090° for 650 miles and a three-day zigzag to eventually reach the town of Sept Iles on the shores of the St. Lawrence River — all this over thoroughly wild territory. Then it will be easy going. Keeping a southwest heading on the compass, just follow the scenic shores of the river for 350 miles, overfly a herd of 500 white whales at the mouth of the Saguenay River, and finally land at Ancienne Lorette, Quebec's Airport, where crews dressed in their distinctive tan bush flightsuits will be greeted by the local flying club members of Ailes Quebecoises.

It will then be time for relaxation and a tour of this 378-year-old walled city where 95 percent of the population is French-speaking.

This is a photo safari land, whether you're on the ground or in the air. Participants will have an opportunity to show those exceptional photographs that they will have snapped during the three-week trip, and their fellow excursionists will then judge the best ones. Awards will be presented on July 26 to winners of the aerial contests that will have taken place throughout the Canadian adventure.

Because all airstrips have runway lengths with a 4,000-foot

minimum and nearly all of them are paved, this air rally is open to nearly any type of aircraft. Entrants are urged to display sponsor advertising on their planes in order to help defray costs. The entry fee of \$1,500 US includes all sleeping accommodations, all meals, tours, ground transportation, flightsuit, maps, cocktails and much more. Passengers are

welcomed and may apply for entry as copilots.

To reserve entry and to receive the general regulations, pilots must send \$50 US to RAIM, 6200 Airport Rd., Suite 101, St. Hubert, Quebec, Canada J3Y 5K2. For more information, call Jean Vinet at (514) 651-5445 or Dominique Delbast at (514) 670-4413.

## 1<sup>st</sup> AIR RALLY OF QUÉBEC 19-27 JULY 1986



September 13

## Mile High Air Derby

The 1986 Mile High Air Derby is open to both female and male pilots, competing September 13 with impoundment September 12.

The race route will begin at the Front Range Airport, Denver, Colorado; fly-by at Flagler Airport, Colorado; full stop at Raton, New Mexico; fly-by Las Vegas Airport, New Mexico; and finish at the Santa Fe Municipal Airport, New Mexico.

The event is open to all licensed pilots flying stock model, non-turbo aircraft from 145 to 570 horsepower total. The 411-mile event is a speed/time/distance competition, and it will demand attentive navigation. Winners will be determined by a best speed over handicap formula.

Prize money will be presented to the top three finishers, with product prizes going to the other winners at an Awards Banquet in Santa Fe, New Mexico. The top prize is \$1,000.

The derby is sponsored by the Colorado Chapter for the purpose of promoting interest in the 99s and safety in general aviation.

Entries are limited to 50 and will close August 1. The \$50 fee covers both pilot and copilot. Race rules and entry forms are available for \$3 through the Mile High Air Derby, 14437 W. 32nd Ave., Golden CO 80401-1475.

July 25-26

## Palms to Pines Air Race

The 17th Palms to Pines Air Race for women will start at Santa Monica Airport, California, with terminus at Bend Airport, Oregon. The two official timing/refueling stops are in California — Modesto and Redding. All participants will remain overnight in Redding.

The Palms Chapter, based at Santa Monica Airport, organizes the race each year, and 99s in each area will help with the race.

Aircraft must be stock, from 100 to 600 horsepower. Entrants must hold a current private pilot rating or higher; copilots and passengers need not be rated, but must be at least 16 years of age.

For kits, send \$5 to Race Chairman Claire Walters, Claire Walters Flight Academy, 3200 Airport Ave., Suite 16, Santa Monica CA 90405.



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