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have tasted flight, you
will forever walk the
Earth with your eyes
turned skyward, for
there you have been
and there you always
long to return."
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PERPETUAL CALENDAR

2002

FEBRUARY

2 — North Central Section Mid-Winter Board Meeting. Chicago, Illinois. Diane Cozzi, 630-495-6565 or e-mail dc1415@ameritech.com

MARCH

13-15 — 13th Annual International Women in Aviation Conference. Nashville, Tennessee. 740-452-6462

APRIL

7-13 — Sun 'n Fun. Lakeland, Florida. Barbara Sierchio, 727-347-8045

19-21 — South Central Section Spring Meeting. Corpus Christi, Texas. Hosted by Tip of Texas Chapter.

26-28 — North Central Section Spring Section Meeting. Chicago, Illinois. Diane Cozzi, 630-495-6565 or e-mail dc1415@ameritech.com

MAY

3-5 — Southeast Section Meeting, Miami, Florida

17-21 — Amelia Earhart Symposium. Oakland Airport, Oakland, California. Hosted by the Amelia Earhart Society, the Oakland Aerospace Museum, The 99s and several other organizations. Pat Ward, anchaerot@aol.com

JUNE

20-23 — Air Race Classic, Silver City, New Mexico, to Hampton, Virginia. Pauline Glasson, 361-289-1101

21-23 — International Forest of Friendship. Atchison, Kansas. Kay Baker, PO Box 99AE, Atchison, KS 66002 or phone 913-367-1419

JULY

16-21 — The Ninety-Nines International Conference. Kansas City, Missouri, and Atchison, Kansas. Sondra Ridgeway, e-mail Sondrabluesky@aol.com

23-29 — EAA AirVenture, Oshkosh, Wisconsin. Rita Adams, 847-913-0490

AUGUST

21-25 — Northwest Section Fall Meeting. "Warm Women-Cool Airplanes," Anchorage, Alaska. Sponsored by Alaska Chapter. Mio Johnson, 15321 Husky Street, Eagle River, AK 99577; home 907-696-3580, work 907-263-5408 or fax 907-263-5804

So long...it's been good to know 'ya...

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Stay well, do good work and keep on flying.
—Betty Rowley

SEPTEMBER

18-22 — American Bonanza Society Convention. Wichita, Kansas. Nancy Johnson, 316-945-1700 or e-mail bonanza2@bonanza.org

19-22 — Powder Puff Derby Reunion (AWTAR), San Diego, California. Contact Barb Evans, 4307 Quail Run Lane, Danville, CA 94506; Phone 925-736-1795, to update mailing list.

OCTOBER

8-10 — NBAA, Anaheim, California

NOVEMBER

1-3 — North Central Section Fall Meeting. "Celebrate 99 Years of Flight," Embassy Suites, Covington, Kentucky. Hosted by Greater Cincinnati Chapter

2003

APRIL

7-27 — Aviation World's Fair, Newport News/Williamsburg International Airport, Virginia. Phone 201-251-2600 or visit website <www.aviation-worlds-fair.com>

MAY

16-18 — North Central Section Spring Meeting. Hosted by Greater Detroit Area Chapter

JULY

8-13 — The Ninety-Nines International Conference. Huntsville, Alabama

SEPTEMBER

18-21 — Mid-Atlantic and North Central Sections Joint Fall Meeting. Canton, Ohio. Hosted by Greater Kansas City Chapter

OCTOBER

7-9 — NBAA, Orlando, Florida

2004

OCTOBER

TBA — The Ninety-Nines International Conference. Seventy-fifth Anniversary, Long Island, New York

Celebrate The Future
2002 Women Pilots International Conference
The Ninety-Nines, Inc.

WHEN I RECEIVED MY RENEWAL notice for the International 99s, I was reminded of the benefit of being a member. Throughout the years, 99s have participated in numerous aviation and aerospace education projects, fear-of-flying clinics, aviation safety seminars, airport airmarkings and a wide variety of flying events. But most important is the camaraderie with other women who love to fly! Whenever your anniversary date approaches, I hope you are motivated to renew immediately!

—Celma Higgins, Chairman Iowa Chapter

The Fall Board of Directors meeting was held November 7 through 11 at 99s Headquarters in Oklahoma City. President Vicki Lynn presided with all Officers and Directors present. Also present were a number of members of the Council of Governors and Committee Chairs.

99s Museum of Women Pilots

Our first day was spent in a very productive meeting with the 99s Museum of Women Pilots' Trustees. Fund-raising, maintenance, management, restoration, applications for grants and museum accreditation were among the vital issues discussed.

We have a very valuable resource in the MWP collection of historical aviation memorabilia and we are fortunate to have Trustees whose interest is focused toward the best preservation and presentation of our valuable artifacts.

The MWP Trustees are devising a comprehensive plan for the improvement and enhancement of the museum's collections.

Headquarters Report

Manager Faith Duncan cited the many accomplishments of the relatively new staff members. Janice Lewis, the Accounting Coordinator, Faith and Treasurer Liz Lundin have spent many hours diligently working together to improve the order of the financial records. Several new office policies and procedures have been implemented. Membership records have been updated and it is hoped that members will take note that efficiency at Headquarters has greatly improved. The Board commended the staff for their hard work and dedication.

Membership Directory – 2002-2003

The new Membership Directory will be back from the printer and in the mail soon. Heeding the preference request from many members, the format has been returned to that used previously. Members are listed under Sections and Chapters by name, including name of spouse (if applicable), address, home phone, fax number and e-mail.

Sales Catalog

It was announced that members who did not receive a copy of the new 99s Sales Catalog can view it on The 99s website. Ads can also be ordered and added to the catalog on the website.

New History Book

Plans are "in the works" for the preparation

INTERNATIONAL BOARD MEETING REPORT

BY MARTHA DUNBAR, International Director

and publication by Turner Publishing of a very special and different kind of pictorial history book about our organization. More to come later.

New Editor for 99 NEWS

The contract for editing and printing 99 NEWS/International Women Pilots Magazine has been awarded to 99 Roberta "Bobbi" Roe of Aviatix Publishing as of the March/April issue.

Members responsible for reporting news to the magazine should send it to Editor, 99 NEWS, 99s Headquarters, PO Box 950033, Oklahoma City, OK 73195, USA. Fax 405-685-7985 or e-mail: ihq99s@cs.com

Reports from 99s Trusts

Dr. Jacques Boyd, Trustee on the *AE Memorial Scholarship Fund*, reported that, under the guidance of Chairman Charlene Falkenberg, 16 Career Scholarships and seven Future Women Pilot Scholarships had been awarded in 2000-2001, making dreams come true for many 99s. The AEMSF committee members were applauded for their hard work and commitment.

Amelia Earhart Birthplace Museum Chair Sandra Ridgeway reported a great increase in the number of visitors, pointing out that fall is one of the busiest times at the museum. The Trustees voted to close the AEBM on Mondays and Tuesdays from December 15 through February 15 to coincide with the winter schedule of other Atchison museums. Members should be happy to know that the museum is now accepting credit cards for both donations and gift shop purchases.

Those who have donated funds for the brick walks will be pleased to learn that Lois and Bob Feigenbaum have devised a "Brick Locator System" containing more than 1,000 names. This new



Vicki Lynn Sherman

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Winston Churchill described an initial victory as: "It is not the end; nor the beginning of the end; but we may hope the end of the beginning."

Our challenge is to live with the constant threat of injury and death for us and our loved ones by agents who are committed to hate and hurt.

It is instructive, if not comforting, to know that others have learned to live with this threat as a fact of life and have endured. In Israel, India and many other places, the necessary restrictions for reasons of safety are annoying but endurable in the face of the alternative.

*Wishing you peace,
Vicki Lynn*

system will allow visitors to locate "their" brick(s) quickly and easily.

Judith Bolkema-Tokar, Chair of *The Ninety-Nines Endowment Fund*, reported the fund is growing. However, she pointed out that it is very important for members to continue to support the fund on a regular basis to ensure that the \$1 million goal can be met as soon as possible. No interest or dividend income can be distributed from the fund to help support the organization until that goal is reached.

Growth of the Endowment Fund is vital to the financial stability and success of The 99s organization. Those present were encouraged to spread the word at their Chapter and Section meetings of how they can be a part of it and that every little bit helps.

NASA's Aerospace Education project

Celia Vanderpool, winner of the President's Award at the Calgary Conference, was present to discuss The 99s Centennial of Flight Ambassadors Project with NASA. Sections operating within the United States have been invited by NASA to participate in a two-year grant. The intent is to work with community partners to increase national awareness of NASA's Aerospace Education products and programs.

The Azimuth Educational Foundation is distributing a brochure to publicize the project and The 99s compass rose logo is depicted in the brochure as the background for NASA's logo! Each U.S. Section should plan to take advantage of the opportunity to be involved with this wonderful program. More information can be obtained from Celia.

Membership is up!

Andrea Chay, Membership Chairman, reported our membership now totals 6,062 with 366 Future Women Pilots. Andrea was congratulated for the outstanding job she has done in implementing her ideas and stimulating the membership program.

Andrea proposed that the FWP membership time limit be extended by one year. This would involve a change in the bylaws, which the Council of Governors opted to support. The BOD proviso was that the change would be retroactively effective to July 2001.

Andrea suggested each Chapter designate a member to be its FWP program director. "Mentorship can be very important to the continued success of the FWP program," she said. "Remember when you were fledgling pilots and needed support and encouragement?"

New Hungarian Section

President Sherman and Director Mardell Haskins traveled to Budapest last summer to meet with some enthusiastic Hungarian women pilots. They set in motion plans to charter a 99s Hungarian Section, that has now been effected. Mardell says these new members are in dire need of aviation textbooks. For information on how to get textbooks to them, contact Mardell.

Aviation World's Fair 2003

With the landmark aviation centennial year 2003 fast approaching, some exciting news has emerged: The 99s are planning to participate in the Aviation World's Fair 2003 to be held April 7 through 27 at Newport News/Williamsburg International Airport, Virginia.

This is a major aviation event and a great opportunity to showcase the achievements of The 99s. There will be both international and national pavilions, corporate exhibits, flying demonstrations and specialized displays. A committee is being assembled to plan an extensive exhibit depicting the historical involvement of women in aviation. Watch for more about this project and mark your calendar and make your plans to attend.

Fund-raising and marketing strategies

Dr. Frank Mitchell from the University of Oklahoma was invited to speak to the BOD about fundraising and marketing strategies. He shared some innovative ideas with us and we are grateful to be the beneficiary of his expertise. Dr. Mitchell plans to return when his schedule permits to counsel with the International Fund-raising Committee/

Calgary was great success!

It's official: The Calgary Conference was a great success. The Calgary, Alberta, Canada, Conference final report was filed by Mary Oswald and Rosella Bjornson. Mary and Rosella and their dedicated committee members in the West Canada Section and the Alberta Chapter deserve much praise for providing a profitable, enjoyable and well-run conference.

"Celebrate the Future"

We are now looking forward to the 2002 Conference to be held July 16-21. Chairman Sondra Ridgeway reported on the extensive plans already in place to make this "Celebrate the Future" Conference one to remember. This Conference is being sponsored by the Greater Kansas City and Northeast Kansas Chapters, along with Trustees of the AEBM/

Attendees at the conference will spend three days in Kansas City, Missouri, and one day in nearby Atchison, Kansas. An old-fashioned Midwest picnic, jazz bands and fireworks over the Missouri River are only part of the events that will make this conference spectacular. You won't want to miss it so sign up right away! (Registration forms are included in this issue of the magazine.)

Spring Board of Directors meeting

President Sherman thanked all those present for coming and providing their helpful suggestions and commentary—and for their dedication to making The 99s such a wonderful and productive organization.

The Spring Board of Directors meeting will be held March 8-10 in Oklahoma City. All 99s are welcome to attend, but be sure to give Headquarters advance notice that you'll be there.



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Eastern Pennsylvania

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Las Vegas Valley
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Carole Sutton, *Nebraska*

AMELIA EARHART MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP TRUSTEE

Margaret "Peggy" Doyle
Old Dominion

The Nominating Committee has evaluated the following individuals' Intent to Seek Election information and found them to be eligible as Board of Director and Nominating Committee candidates for the 2002 election.

—Anna Taylor, Chairman, Katherine Barr, June Mills-Benson, Lois Erickson and Gayl Henze

ELECTION 2002

- Feb. 1 All ballots mailed; ballots air-mailed first-class to non-U.S. members
- May 1 Postmark deadline for ballots to be returned for tabulation
- May 10 Tabulation complete of all ballots post-marked by May 1
- June 1 Election results sent to Chapter Chairmen.

CANDIDATES FOR PRESIDENT

JODY MCCARRELL South Central Section

AFTER SERVING AS YOUR Treasurer and Vice President, I feel I am qualified to represent you and help you run your business. The 99s is a business and I feel that my business experience has helped put us back on a good and stable path. The financial records at Headquarters and all the entities are now in balance.

What qualifies me to be your President is that I care about The 99s and have been involved in many activities: Getting a 99s Coloring Book designed and printed led us into aerospace education and eventually into our connection with NASA, which is a very good thing for us. Setting up the first aerospace education workshop (1985). Setting up and running two World Precision Flying Championships, including being competition director in the 1996 WPFC—involving 400 of my fellow 99s from every section in the USA. Served with NIFA as chief judge and as 99s representative on the NIFA Council.

Have been instrumental in encouraging the International Committee Chairs to attend 99s board meetings and participate in discussions. Have worked very closely with your Governors.

With your support, I feel we can move into these coming years as a more active organization, working closely together to achieve our goals of getting industry more involved, sponsorships and letting the world know more about The 99s—to help educate our country as well as internationally on our goal of preserving aviation history and helping women fly. I would appreciate your vote.



Jody McCarrell

MARY MARGARET WUNDER Mid-Atlantic Section

AS A MEMBER OF THE WONDERFUL organization that is The 99s, I have enjoyed our unique sisterhood. I have been welcomed wherever I go and helped when my airplane or I needed it without question.

Shortly after receiving my pilot's certificate, I went to a Section meeting in Richmond. On departure, I discovered that my DG was not working. I returned to the airport and, of course, the maintenance shop was closed.

I must have looked confused because a woman walked up and asked if she could help. In a very short time, she fixed my airplane and had me on my way. This kind lady was Mary Feik, master mechanic—and a 99. We need to help others feel this kind of kinship to encourage membership—both longstanding and new.

As President, I will build better communications at all levels. I want to spread the word that this feeling is a membership benefit. I wonder where this emotion has gone when I hear members asking what they get for their dues.

As President, I will mobilize the tremendous talent within our organization to strengthen our financial position by raising funds to complement our dues. We know how wonderful 99s are and that there is a great amount of talent to be channeled. If you need something or need something done, just ask a 99.

So I ask you to help me PROMOTE our camaraderie, PROVIDE service to our organization and PRESERVE our great sisterhood for future generations.



Mary Margaret Wunder

CANDIDATES FOR OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

MARDELL HASKINS, Southwest **For Vice President**

A MEMBER SINCE 1980, I have served at all levels of the organization and am currently International Director and liaison to Public Relations.

The 99s have enabled me to challenge my personal limits, broaden my horizons, keep flying and racing airplanes and make many great friends around the world.



Mardeell Haskins

I strongly believe in our Mission Statement. I feel I have and can contribute toward this mission. For our organization to continue to grow and achieve our statement goals, it is necessary to increase and retain our membership, portray a more professional image, publicize our organization more widely, and develop close working relationships with other aviation groups. I also feel strongly that we should work on the International level.

A strong advocate of community involvement, I serve in community organizations, including the airport, and work with the youth of the community, and I have developed the local airport air show and Young Eagles flights.

It is always a slow process to make changes in any organization but feel that our organization is growing and making vital changes necessary to modernize it to keep up with the complex times we live in.

It is my belief that I can continue to play an effective leadership role in our organization. I would appreciate your vote.

ELAINE MORROW, North Central **For Vice President**

AS I PROGRESSED FROM secretary to manager and technology positions in my career, I had the opportunity to make presentations, set goals, organize teams, handle immediate crises, manage a staff, set priorities, live within budgets, survive in a constantly-changing environment, and learn that involving others resulted in better decisions and more commitment of participants to implementing recommendations.



Elaine Morrow

I gained experience at all levels of The 99s by serving in all Chapter offices, most Section offices, as Secretary and Director on the International Board, and many committee chairmanships on the Chapter, Section, and International levels. I have also volunteered in aviation activities such as NIFA (regional and national events), World Precision Flying Competition, and the EAA.

While installing the computer system (Louise) at 99s Headquarters and designing the new Membership Database, I had a chance to gain insight into the operations at Headquarters—working with the volunteers and Headquarters staff—and explored ways to provide information to benefit the Trusts, Museums, Governors and Chapter Chairs.

I would like to continue on the Board to help ensure fiscal stability through efficiencies and fund-raising, while maintaining services to the membership, so would really appreciate your voting for me for International Vice President. Thank you!

DONNA MOORE, North Central **For Secretary**

AFTER OBTAINING MY PRIVATE certificate in 1991, I was invited to join the prestigious organization of women pilots, The 99s. Little did I realize the impact The 99s would have on my life. Becoming quickly involved at the Chapter level, I soon was Chapter Chairman. In '94 I was a Charter Member of the Women With Wings Chapter that has grown from 15 members to 50 members. At the Section level, I was Secretary and Vice Governor.



Donna Moore

Currently serving as Governor of the North Central Section, I focus on communications and working for the members. This is also important at the International level where the Board represents members from six continents. It is important that the Board listens to and communicates not only with those members in the United States but also those members throughout the shrinking world. We are an International organization. In order for an organization to grow, communication must flow both ways. Also of utmost importance is membership growth. New members need to feel welcome and need to be encouraged to be involved. Members with longevity are a source of information.

Nothing is predictable except change. The 99s must continuously look at how the organization must change to meet the needs of the members. This is accomplished through communication and being objective.

My qualifications for the position of Secretary are evident in my professional history as a past manager and as a health care quality specialist. I have served on both professional boards and personal interest boards in various capacities, always giving 100 percent.

SUSAN LARSON, Southwest **For Treasurer**

MY GREATEST JOY IN LIFE has been flying and I look forward to serving you as the Treasurer of The 99s. Since becoming a member in 1978, I've served in various Chapter and Section capacities, including Southwest Section Newsletter Editor,

Treasurer and Governor. My professional qualifications, particularly as a certified public accountant and 25 years of small business management, uniquely qualify me for the position.

The Board of Directors has often been hampered in past years by the lack of timely and accurate financial information, resulting in delayed action or inappropriate business decisions. While I am Treasurer, the financial information will be accurate and timely so the Board can make the best decisions for the organization.

I am extremely proud of the role the Southwest Section members played when hosting the 2000 International Conference in San Diego. We were able to successfully work together although spread over many thousands of square miles to bring you "Flight to the 21st Century." As Chairman of that event, I found my batteries were invariably recharged with each meeting with my committee chairmen and I look forward to working with 99s on the international level to develop a similar camaraderie.

As a private pilot with instrument and helicopter ratings, I've logged nearly 2,000 hours, mostly on 99s-related journeys in my beloved Cessna 182. Whether flying to Chapter, Section or international meetings, to air races or just for the fun of it, aviation and The 99s have become a way of life.

Elizabeth Lundin, Northwest **For Treasurer**

I RECEIVED MY PILOT'S certificate in 1966 and joined The 99s the same year. I have been very active since joining and have held all offices at both the Chapter and Section level. At the international level, I have served as Bylaws Chairman, Board Member and financial committee member and Treasurer for the past two years.



Elizabeth Lundin

Financial stability and accountability to our members are critically important issues for our organization. We must administer our assets conservatively and yet continue to meet the desires and needs of our members. My entire professional life has been spent managing money, achieving long-range financial goals and finding solutions to financial problems without jeopardizing future financial security.

As International Treasurer for the past two years, I have seen a positive change by the staff at Headquarters in the accounting procedures. As Treasurer I want to work closely with the staff at Headquarters to continue to verify our records and provide accurate financial reports to the Board of Direc-

tors and the members.

We can do many things for the future of women in aviation and establish our position as a strong voice in the aviation community. However, to accomplish this, we must have people with financial and business experience on our Board in order to spend our money wisely. I have extensive experience working with our present system and would like to continue to use that knowledge to assure a secure financial position for our organization.

**BETTY PRAKKEN, Northwest
For Director**

I HAVE BEEN AN ACTIVE member of The 99s for years, serving in a variety of offices. As Governor of the Northwest Section and International Awards Committee Chairman, I have attended many Board meetings and have become familiar with its operation. I feel this experience has enabled me to better understand what is needed to serve as a Director.



Betty Prakken

I will work toward creating a sound financial

footing so we are not so heavily dues-dependent. We need to develop the planning and organization that furthers our fund-raising efforts.

Better communication with our Sections and Chapters is a prime concern. This has to be our main priority as the work of The 99s is done at the Chapter level, not in a boardroom. We must work closely with the Council of Governors to this end.

It is absolutely necessary to make sure that we continue to preserve the unique history of women in aviation through support for our museum as well as providing for the future with our scholarship programs.

The 99s has enriched my life immensely, and it would be my privilege to serve as a member of the Board of Directors.

**PATRICIA NOYES PRENTISS, Southwest
For Director**

MY INVOLVEMENT WITH The 99s began in 1982 and since that time I have served in several leadership roles. Currently, I am the Governor for Southwest Section and the International Public Relations Co-chair. Serving for two years as a Chapter Chairman, one term as Southwest Section Secretary and three years as Southwest Section Vice Governor, has given me an appreciation for the intricacies of our organization.

At the Chapter level, I have been actively involved in airmarketing, flying companion seminars, public speaking, charity events, fly-ins, racing, Section meetings, annual conferences and mentoring our Future Women Pilots.



Patricia Prentiss

My flying has taken me through an ATP certificate with type ratings in the Citation I, II, III, V and HS-125. I am currently chief pilot for a Part 135 company flying the Citation III and Hawker 700. Additionally, with a general contractor's license and experience building custom homes in Orange County, California, I have been asked to participate on a maintenance committee for our Headquarters building in Oklahoma City.

All of these accomplishments, along with a deep caring for our organization, have provided a background necessary to facilitate the needs of The 99s. We have a very special organization. It is important that we all participate in the challenge of "growth" and to recall how important it will always be to preserve our grass roots.

I look forward to serving you as an International Director.

CANDIDATES FOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE

There are two candidates from the West Canada Section. Article X, Eligibility to Hold Office, Section 2. B states "No two (2) members of the Nominating Committee may be from the same Section." Therefore, the West Canada candidate with the most votes will sit on the Nominating Committee.

**BONITA ADES, South Central
For Nominating Committee**

IT WAS AT A meeting on November 2, 1929 when 99 female pilots assembled at Curtiss Airfield in Long Island, New York, for mutual support and the advancement of aviation that The 99s was born. Their mission: Promote world fellowship through flight, provide networking and scholarship opportunities for women, advance aviation education in the community and preserve the unique history of women in aviation.



Bonita Ades

We have accomplished all of our goals. On September 11, 2001, aviation took a huge setback. The terrorists attacks hit The 99s at the heart of the thing we love the most—our freedom to fly.

Today, as 99s, we are not just commercial and general aviation pilots, we are involved in all aspects of aviation. We need to reaffirm all our goals, plus reassure the world that commercial and general aviation is safe and essential for our way of life. We have many, many 99s with the knowledge and skills to do this. More than ever, we need strong visible leadership to do this.

I would like to be part of the Nominating Committee to seek out these individuals to help us do this in this new century. We have the programs and individuals in our membership to accomplish

this. All of us, as 99s, need to recommit to promote aviation in our communities. I love The 99s and I know we can succeed in this new challenge.

**KAREN BAILEY, West Canada
For Nominating Committee**

I HAVE BEEN A MEMBER of The 99s for 24 years. The original focus and intent of the organization is becoming less relevant in today's society. We need to preserve the historical side of women's involvement in aviation and at the same time move ahead, keeping pace with change and redefine our focus to enable us to remain a vibrant, effective voice in the international aviation community of the future.



Karen Bailey

We need to attract younger members—both recreational and professional pilots—and consider adding associate members from aviation-related industries to The 99s. We cannot lose sight of our sisterhood and should remain unique with a female-only membership. We have become "big business" and have to start thinking like a major international corporation, not a local flying club.

If elected to the Nominating Committee, I would hope to help find suitable candidates to lead us positively ahead into the 21st Century.

**JOAN KERWIN, North Central
For Nominating Committee**

IN FEBRUARY 2002 I will have been a proud 99 for 32 years. This has been an exciting, fulfilling time of learning new responsibilities, meeting new people and traveling. I have worked with all levels of membership from Chapter to Section to International, serving as Chapter Chair in one of the largest Chapters in the organization, Governor of the second largest Section, initiating and serving as International Legislation Chairman for 11 years Bylaws/Standing Rules Chair for four years and previously as a member of the Nominating Committee.



Joan Kerwin

By attending at least 25 International meetings and 55 Section meetings—of which at least four were outside my own Section—participating in air races, including two Powder Puff Derbies, I have had the opportunity and privilege to meet and to know 99s from all over the world. I think this experience will stand me in good stead to evaluate and encourage good strong candidates for our leadership.

It would be my privilege to serve The 99s again as a member of the Nominating Committee.

JUNE MILLS-BENSON, West Canada
For Nominating Committee

THESE PAST TWO YEARS have encompassed an interesting learning curve from which I feel some benefit can be made. I make leave to offer suggestions that may help to further broaden the scope of the International non-North American continental members. This could be in the form of a pilot study to see if these members could become members of the Nominating Committee. This is because the advent of modern, rapid communication via e-mail has proven its worth. Rotation of member countries and other factors may have to be "hammered out" later.



June Mills-Benson

I remember at the Board meetings when Mrs. Bev Sharp was presiding that there was concern to find ways of involving these members, however, there was no funding. My plan may be one way to combat this, as it is non-monetary and could lead to improved representations as well as participation.

Since the September 11 terrorist attacks, all our lives have been turned upside down—and along with fear of flying. But this is not the time to let fear erect barriers to the outside world. Thus, we should foster our professional pilots abroad to help and guide us. Despite viruses, the Internet with its unparalleled mode of contacts is now safer than the anthrax-tainted surface mail.

PAT OHLSSON, NY/NJ
For Nominating Committee

AS A MEMBER OF THE Nominating Committee, it is my intention to return in some measure to The 99s the benefits I have received as a member of the organization for more than 25 years. My pride in the organization is demonstrated by an unbroken meeting attendance record of over 10 years and my contribution, on a regular and continuing basis, to a wide range of organization projects and activities, many of which include my participation as an active pilot.



Pat Ohlsson

My career, paralleling my aviation interest, has included marketing, manufacturing and production control experience. I have successfully owned two businesses: Busy Bee Airways, Inc., an aviation charter and sightseeing organization, and an apiary with in excess of 100 honey bee hives.

My relocation in the 1980s presented an opportunity to participate in the ownership and operation of a highly successful, aviation-oriented real estate corporation with my husband.

I am an FAA Accident Prevention Safety Counselor, and a dues-paying member of The 99s Suncoast, Long Island, North Jersey and Florida Spaceport Chapters. In the Aerocats Flying Club, I served as secretary and president. In the American Yankee Association, I am a pilot proficiency instructor. I belong to the American Bonanza Society, Women in Aviation, Silver Wings, Grasshoppers, Cardinal Club, Suffolk County Police Pilots Association and Long Island Earlier Fliers.

LORI ROBISHAW, Mid-Atlantic
For Nominating Committee

IN THE PAST YEAR, I have had the pleasure of working with many wonderful women from around the country while serving as International Public Relations Co-chair. I have also met and worked with many more from my membership in the San Fernando Valley Chapter on the West Coast and the Old Dominion Chapter on the East Coast.



Lori Robishaw

With 20 years of professional experience working in the nonprofit sector, I believe I have the ability to recognize and seek out officer and board candidates with the management, financial and communication abilities to direct our organization.

It is imperative that we identify new leaders who can continue to solidify our financial and facility management practices, along with our membership recruitment and retainment procedures. We also need leaders who understand how a volunteer board can work with Headquarters staff and consultants in raising the necessary funds that can assure our stability. And we must have leaders with the vision to position The 99s in such a way that we can achieve the visibility that is appropriate to an organization of our stature and history.

It is a lot tougher in today's climate to find volunteers with the time, skills and commitment who are willing to take on these somewhat daunting responsibilities. But I am convinced that our membership is full of such women, and I am pleased to be considered for the committee that tries to find them.

CANDIDATES FOR 99s MUSEUM OF WOMEN PILOTS TRUSTEE

ANITA LEWIS, Southwest
For Trustee

AS ACTING CHAIRMAN of the 99s Museum of Women Pilots, it has been my responsibility to organize and implement the wishes of the Board of Trustees. Over the past few years, we have accomplished the almost impossible task of getting the museum open and running.



Anita Lewis

It has been a challenge, it has been exciting, and it has been hard work. I believe we were able to get it done because of our strong belief that there needed to be a safe place to store and display The 99s archives as well as memorabilia of other women pioneer pilots.

Although my professional experience has been mainly in sales, marketing and public relations, I worked in an archival library in college. I have also been a volunteer worker for the Camp Fire Girls, a geology and mining museum and a small aviation

museum. I have helped to raise funds for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation and other organizations.

In The 99s, I have served at every level—from Chapter Chair to Northwest Section Governor.

I believe that obtaining sufficient funding from outside The 99s organization is critical to maintain the successful operation of the Museum. I plan to continue working to accomplish that goal.

VERNA STEELE WEST, Southwest
For Trustee

I AM SEEKING YOUR support to continue as a Trustee for the Museum of Women Pilots. The museum was completed with donations, not dues, just as we built the archives and 99 Headquarters offices. Now the more difficult challenge is to keep the museum operating and open to all.

I have been a 99 since 1965 and have served on most Chapter committees and offices as well as several Section offices, including Governor 1972-78. Served on the USPFT Council 1982-87. With the U.S. team to Norway - 1983,

National finals in Carbon-dale - 1983, DeQueen - 1984, Kissimmee - 1985 and U.S.-sponsored World Championship, Kissimmee in August 1985.

Served as International Nominating Committee Chairman 1988-90 and spent a year on the Verna Steele West Bylaws Committee working on complete rewrite 1991-92. Served on Credentials Committee for AWTAR 1972-77. Participated in the Amelia Earhart Peak climb of Yosemite 1987. Provided base camp support in 1997. Member of the Lockheed Hot Air Balloon Club - '70s and '80s.

I have photographed many conventions, air shows and air races, many of them used in 99 NEWS. Served as Chairman of Archives at the Resource Center at Headquarters 1994-96 and served as Southwest Section Historian since 1982.

I have the experience, the time and I am willing and able to continue to serve. Thank you for your vote.



Verna Steele West

CANDIDATES FOR THE NINETY-NINES ENDOWMENT FUND TRUSTEE

JUDITH BOLKEMA-TOKAR, NY/NJ For Trustee

I HAVE MANAGEMENT, computer and investment skills in businesses with real estate holdings and an annual income of more than \$10 million. My background includes a BA in art education, an MA in educational psychology and post-graduate work in learning disabilities.



Judy Bolkema-Tokar

I joined The 99s in 1990. I have served the North Jersey Chapter as Secretary, Vice-Chair and Chair. I chaired events including "Pennies-A-Pound," poker runs, airmarkings, student pilot forums bylaws, nominating and socials.

I developed materials that created the Chapter's scholarship. I have been NY/NJ Section Secretary, Vice Governor and am Governor. I sit on the Council of Governors. I was sentinel, timer and edited minutes at conventions. As a member of The Ninety-Nines 21st Century committee, I helped rewrite bylaws in 1996. I was elected Trustee of The Ninety-Nines Endowment Fund in 1998.

I believe an organization of this size cannot continue to be financially stable on dues alone. Ability to finance projects and expenses is already strained. The Ninety-Nines, Inc. needs a steady income and The Ninety-Nines Endowment Fund is the answer.

We worked for recognition, validity, account-

ability and growth. We invested the collected funds and the income from those funds will supplement our dues. We developed guidelines for fund-raising, collection, accounting and investment. We put fund-raising materials and projects in place. We made great strides; the fund is growing.

I wish to be re-elected Trustee to provide management continuity as the Fund develops into a robust asset of The Ninety-Nines, Inc.

HILDA RAY, Southeast For Trustee

I HAVE SERVED AS A Trustee for The Ninety-Nines Endowment Fund for two years and am currently seeking a third term. We are beginning to see real growth in the Fund now. With careful leadership, we expect to grow the Fund to a point where it will help support 99s activities and keep us from having to increase dues to cover the operating expenses of the organization.



Hilda Ray

I have been an active 99 for 29 years and have attended many International Conventions and many Southeast Section meetings. I have held every office in my Chapter and am currently the Southeast Section Vice Governor.

I love to fly and to help promote aviation activities. I am a member of AOPA and EAA.

DR. CAROLYN J. VAN NEWKIRK, Mid-Atlantic For Trustee

DO YOU REMEMBER the thrill when you took your first flying lesson? Do you recall the tingling sensation and the chills with excitement as you preflighted your trainer, and the feeling that no one had ever done what you were doing?



Carolyn Van Newkirk

This passion for aviation is what has bonded us together. We relish getting together, sharing experiences and creating a camaraderie centered around one activity—flying.

There are 6,000 or so like us as members of The 99s who have expressed our commitment to aviation by joining "the club." We sponsor aviation-related activities; we educate the public; we send pilots to school for advanced certificates or ratings; and we fund research related to aviation.

For this commitment to be sustained, an endowment fund has been established and interested ladies have become guardians of the fund. I would like to become one of the guardians and assist in adding new monies, to invest funds prudently and wisely to ensure the future of The 99s.

I have management and investment experience. I hold a commercial certificate and am instrument rated. I have flown in nine Air Race Classics and co-own of a Cessna 182. I am the recipient of an AE Research Scholar Grant. And I want to see The 99s continue to thrive socially, educationally—and most importantly—financially.

CANDIDATE FOR AE BIRTHPLACE MUSEUM TRUSTEE

CAROLE SUTTON, South Central For Trustee

CURRENTLY A TRUSTEE OF THE AEBM and Treasurer of the Nebraska Chapter. Since joining The 99s in 1973, have served all offices of the South Central Section and Nebraska Chapter. Earned private and commercial and then with the assistance of an AE Memorial Scholarship, completed instrument rating. Have logged more than 3,800 hours.

Served as Secretary of the AEBM when the restoration began and understand the fundamentals of how it operates. Goal is to continue to serve on the AEBM Board of Trustees and to be involved with the continuing efforts for the restoration, perpetuation, maintenance, improvement and enhancement of the museum and to maintain camaraderie with the citizens of Atchison. Willing to dedicate the time and effort needed to make the AEBM a lasting aviation historical memory for all to enjoy.

My husband and I own and operate an aerial spraying business. Earned my aerial application license in 1977 and was the first female certified for aerial application in Nebraska.

Other affiliations with aviation include the Flying Farmers, Nebraska Aviation Trades Association and the Kansas Agricultural Aviation Association. Presently serve as president of the Belleville Flyers, Inc. and work with the local Chamber of Commerce to promote aviation activities.



Carole Sutton

CANDIDATE FOR AE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND TRUSTEE

MARGARET "PEGGY" DOYLE, Mid-Atlantic For Trustee

I BEGAN FLYING IN 1984 after a lifetime of dreaming of what it would be like to fly like my Dad. I received my CFII with the help of the Amelia Earhart Scholarship and have been teaching since 1989. I have flown Part 135 and as chief pilot for a small technology company. I have been Chairman of my Chapter and Section Scholarship Chairman for the AE Scholarship.



Peggy Doyle

It was my honor to serve two terms on the Board of Trustees of the Scholarship and to be a part of awarding scholarships to so many of our outstanding members.

If elected back on the Board, I will bring six years of experience and an understanding of the qualifications required of an applicant to successfully complete a scholarship. My experience will be a valuable asset to whatever tasks I am asked to do. I feel honored to be considered.

THE 99s INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEES

There are many opportunities for members to get involved in the work of The 99s. The following short accounts have been provided by some of the International Committee Chairmen about what their committees do. Consult your Membership Directory to contact them for more information.

The Election Procedures Committee was formed to investigate and validate any complaints about campaign procedures. The committee is responsible for approving and preparing all official ballots and for reviewing and proposing Bylaws and Standing Rules as they pertain to election procedures.

If requested to do so by the International President, we serve as Tellers for any elections held at the Annual Business Meeting. With the approval of the Board of Directors, the committee appoints a Tellers Committee for the general election conducted in even-numbered years. —*Nancy Jensen*



Nancy Jensen

The Credentials Committee chairman collects data in accordance with The 99s bylaws and Standard Operating Procedures; prepares the data so Chapter Chairmen get their delegate slips in a timely manner; and operates the Credentials desk at the annual meeting.

Each Governor is given one vote for herself; each Chapter, Section and member-at-large is given one vote for every five members.

At the annual meeting, each delegate registers at Credentials Committee desk before the business meeting opens. The chairman then must determine if a quorum has been met in order that business may be conducted. A written report is sent to the International Secretary and to Headquarters. —*Thelma Cull*



Thelma Cull

The Bylaws/Standing Rules Committee assists the members in amending the Bylaws and Standing Rules, making sure that all proposed changes are in compliance with the Certificate of Incorporation and the aims and purposes of the Corporation.

All proposed amendments are circulated to pertinent parties to determine any legal, financial or procedural ramifications of the change. Then, after all opinions are attached, they are presented to The 99s BOD at the Spring Board meeting. After mailing the proposals to Chapter Chairs, they are presented for ratification by the delegates at the annual business meeting during at the International Conference.

The committee is responsible for providing a corrected version of the Bylaws/Standing Rules to Headquarters for inclusion in the Membership Directory. The International President appoints the Committee Chair who then chooses at least two members in good standing to assist her.

—*Jerry Anne Jurenka*



Jerry Jurenka

The Awards Committee receives nominations from Chapters and Sections of 99s and non-99s for awards to be made to those individuals or groups who have made significant contributions to aviation, aviation activities, science, aviation history or to The 99s organization. The deadline for submitting nominations each year is November 30.

There are five judges, including two 99s. The Awards Chairman sends the Letters of Nomination plus any additional data to the judges to be voted on and then gives recommendations as to the winners to the BOD at the Spring Board meeting. —*Betty Prakken*



Betty Prakken

The Membership Committee is the resource for membership recruitment and retention. I answer questions on rules for membership, refer new members to the correct local Chapter, and encourage every 99 to be an active recruiter.

There are new posters and coordinating brochures available to order from Headquarters. Brochures are available for the cost of postage, but there is a small charge for the posters.

Membership records are kept on the computer at Headquarters. Members should update their data by calling or e-mailing the Membership Coordinator at Headquarters.

I am preparing a new membership handbook and a recruitment and retention handbook for Chapters to have as their reference. A member is needed to take charge of the FWP program. If you are interested, please contact me as soon as possible. —*Andrea Chay*



Andrea Chay

The Public Relations Committee works to promote The 99s on the international level, especially in the aviation community, and to improve our image and visibility. We do that primarily by issuing press releases about newsworthy events (i.e., elections, awards, scholarships, convention, museum), promoting The 99s at major airshows and aviation conventions through program ads and our trade booth, helping Headquarters in maintaining a consistent image in promotional materials, sending holiday cards to aviation leaders, responding to press and general public inquiries, and assisting the President with her correspondence and other communication.

In addition to getting more coverage in the aviation press, we would like to get articles about women pilots and The 99s placed in national women's magazines so that more women are inspired to learn to fly (and then to join The 99s!).

If any members are freelance writers or have access to editors at aviation and women's magazines, we would welcome their participation. —*Pat Prentiss and Lori Robishaw*



Pat Prentiss



Lori Robishaw

The Safe Flying Activities Committee is a combination of the Safety and Flying Activities Committees.

Our committee's purpose is to facilitate sharing information among Sections, Chapters and individual members regarding aviation safety issues and flying activities. Safety can include everything from aviation skills to human factors to aircraft maintenance. Flying activities may be conducted for proficiency, fellowship and education.

Using The 99s Listserv, members can exchange ideas and information on ways to promote safety and conduct flying activities. Members are encouraged to participate in FAA Safety Counselor and Proficiency Wings programs. —*Ursula Davidson and Tamra Sheffman*



Ursula Davidson



Tamra Sheffman

The Ninety-Nines Annual International Conference — 2002

Kansas City Airport Marriott Hotel, July 16-21



The Trustees of Amelia Earhart Birthplace Museum and members of the Greater Kansas City and Northeast Kansas Chapters invite you to Kansas City—in the heart of the Midwest—to **“Celebrate the Future”**—of aviation and The 99s.

The theme of the conference mirrors the goals of The 99s Mission Statement: On Tuesday and Wednesday, early arrivals **PROMOTE WORLD FRIENDSHIP THROUGH FLIGHT**. On Wednesday, while the Board of Directors and Trustees conduct business, we start activities in the afternoon with seminars for Chapter Chairmen and first-time conference attendees. (All 99s are welcome to attend.) Seminar topics are: Celebrating a Successful, Fun Chapter; Presenting an Air Bear Program; and Presenting a Companion Flyer program.

On Wednesday evening there will be a K.C. Barbecue dinner and K.C. live JAZZ. We invite you to come in costume of the Jazz Era (1920s-1930s).

Thursday we conduct the business of The 99s Corporation. We send the 49 1/2s and other guests on a tour of the Airline



Kansas City, Missouri

History Museum at historic Kansas City Downtown Airport and a KC Royals baseball game.

On Friday we will **PROVIDE NETWORKING AND SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES** for women and aviation education in the community with a series of speakers and seminars.

Rod Machado, an outstanding aviation humorist, will inspire, educate, motivate and entertain. In the evening we will have our famous

Amelia Earhart Scholarship presentations involving this year's winners and all past winners.

Saturday we will be **PRESERVING** the unique history of women in aviation with a day-long visit to Atchison, Kansas. We will visit the International Forest of Friendship, enjoy the Amelia Earhart Festival activities and in the evening visit the Amelia Earhart Birthplace Museum where we will witness the most spectacular fireworks display you've probably ever seen.

We are looking forward to the celebration. Please fill out the forms on the next pages and we will see you there.

—Sondra Ridgeway, Chairman

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KANSAS CITY AIRPORT MARRIOTT HOTEL REGISTRATION FORM

**THE NINETY-NINES INC.
JULY 16 - 21, 2002**

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State/Province _____

Arrival Date _____ Time _____

Departure Date _____ # of Guests _____

Sharing Room with _____

Room Type Requested _____ Smoking? Yes ☐ No ☐

(see next page for options)

Kansas City Airport Marriott

The conference hotel, located on the grounds of the Kansas City International Airport, has easy access off the Airport Exit from Interstate 29 or 435. Please phone your reservations **DIRECTLY TO THE HOTEL** at 816-464-2200 or fax to 816-464-5613.

Airline Travel

Southwest Airlines is offering a 10-percent discount on most of its already low fares for air travel to and from the conference. You or your travel agent may call Southwest Airlines Group and Meetings Reservations at 1-800-433-5368. *Be sure to reference the I.D. Code R7153.*

Reservations Sales Agents are available from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday and 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. To take advantage of this 10-percent discount, you must make reservations five or more days prior to travel.

Other airlines serving Kansas City International (KCI) include: Air Canada, American, America West, Continental, Delta, Delta Express, Delta Connection/Comair, Frontier, Midwest Express, Northwest, TWA, United, US Airways, US Airways Express and Vanguard.

Kansas City Downtown Airport (MKC - Executive Beechcraft) and Lee's Summit Municipal (LXT) are the preferred airports for those flying in private aircraft.

Evening on the Plaza

The Country Club Plaza was designed in 1922 by J. C. Nichols as the nation's first suburban shopping district. The Spanish-style architecture and its many fountains and sculptures make it a very unique experience. Choose from numerous places to

dine around, enjoy an open air concert, shop 'til you drop, take a narrated fiesta cruise, or travel in style on an authentic horse-drawn carriage ride. It will be a night to remember!

Two Options

Option #1: A Museum Morning (Wednesday, 7 a.m. - 8:45 p.m.) — Come and have breakfast in the past. The Museum of Women Pilots is sponsoring a breakfast and **STYLE SHOW**.

There will be exhibits and artifacts on loan from the Museum of Women Pilots, in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. The Style Show will feature present day 99s wearing the flying costumes of their favorite aviatrix from the past century. You will see Amelia come alive and Pancho Barnes having a hooting good time. Demure Louise Thaden will be there and will tell you about her wonderful aircraft and how she won the Bendix Trophy. Come—have breakfast with the museum and enjoy a taste of history (\$30).

Option #2: History Museum Tour/Royals Game (Thursday, 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.) — Tour the Airline History Museum at the historic Kansas City Downtown Airport and hear the history of propeller-driven commercial air travel. You can take a walk through a restored Lockheed 1049G Constellation, Martin 404, or see the progress of the latest restoration project, the Douglas DC-3.

Then on to Kauffman Stadium at the Truman Sports Complex. Marvel at the "water spectacular" in operation at all home games at the home of Major League Baseball's Kansas City Royals. Lunch on your own and enjoy the game.

Bus transportation and tour guide are included (\$60).



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GUEST ROOM RATES FOR THE NINETY-NINES 2002 CONFERENCE

• Single or Double Occupancy (One king bed or two double beds)	\$ 94.00
• Triple Occupancy (Two double beds)	\$104.00
• Quad Occupancy (Two double beds)	\$114.00

Credit Card Information (for guarantee purposes)

Card # _____ Expiration Date _____

Card Holder _____

Signature _____

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Check-out Time 12:00 (noon)

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2002 Women Pilots International Conference
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Registration - Part One

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MEMBER REGISTRATION INFORMATION

First Name OR Nickname for badge:

Full Name:

Mailing Address:

City: State / Province:

Country: Postal Code:

Phone: E-mail:

Fax:

Chapter: Section:

Emergency Contact Name:

Emergency Contact Phone:

Please mark all that apply:

- ☐ A.E. Scholarship Winner (in 2002)
- ☐ AWTAR Alumna
- ☐ Boards of Trustees Member
- ☐ Chapter Chair
- ☐ Charter Member (Registration fee waived)
- ☐ Current Governor
- ☐ FAA Safety Counselor
- ☐ First Conference
- ☐ FWP (Future Woman Pilot)
- ☐ Int'l Board Member
- ☐ Int'l Committee Chair
- ☐ ISA

- ☐ Past President
- ☐ Under 35 years of age
- ☐ WASP
- ☐ Whirly Girl

GUEST INFORMATION for DAILY or FULL REGISTRATION

First Name OR Nickname for badge: ☐ 49 1/2

Full Name:

Mailing Address:

City: State / Province:

FLIGHT INFORMATION

☐ **VIA Private Aircraft to:** ☐ Kansas City Downtown Airport OR ☐ Lee's Summit Municipal Airport
(Shuttle by 99s available)

Aircraft Type: Reg #:

Arrival Date: ETA: AM / PM

Departure Date: ETD: AM / PM

☐ **VIA Commercial Airline to Kansas City International Airport (MCI):**

Arrival Date: If flying Southwest Airlines, use ID Code R7153.

Departure Date: Hotel shuttle service available at no charge from MCI to Marriott.

**Complete BOTH sides
& MAIL TO:**

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5664 Riley
Overland Park, KS 66202

Phone: (913) 236-9877
E-mail: kskliwer@aol.com

AE Banquet Choice:

- ☐ Prime Rib
- ☐ Vegetable Lasagne

Special Assistance Request:

Mail response requires
RECEIPT by June 29, 2002.
See registration procedures.

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Registration - Part Two

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CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FEES

Full & Daily Registration Rates	Event Description	Per Person Price	Quantity	Total
FULL-Early-Bird Registration	Postmark by 4/15/02	\$275.00		
FULL-Regular Registration	Postmark by 6/15/02	\$310.00		
FULL-Late Registration	Postmark after 6/15/02	\$325.00		
One-Day Registration	Wed & Thur OR Fri only OR Sat only	\$125.00		
Single Event Guest Tickets – (for guests of 99s only) (On-site ticket sales will be limited to availability) (Does not include access to Hospitality Suite, badge or printed materials)		Per Person Price	Quantity	Total
Wed - BarBQ Dinner & Live Jazz		\$50.00		
Fri - AE Banquet		\$50.00		
Sat - Kansas Picnic Supper - Atchison		\$25.00		
Fri - Rod Machado Seminar		\$15.00		
Conference & Tour Options		Per Person Price	Quantity	Total
Wed - Museum "Flying Style Show" Breakfast		\$30.00		
Thu - Men's Tour Day & Royals Game		\$60.00		
Fly Market – (limited space available) (to reserve a six-foot table for merchandise sales) See schedule for limited shopping hours		Per Person Price	Quantity	Total
Section or Chapter (enter name):		\$25.00		
Other (enter name):		\$50.00		
TOTAL DUE in US Funds: \$				

**LATE
REGISTRATION:**

Registration forms received after June 29, and by July 10, will be confirmed by fax or e-mail. Registrations received after July 10 will be processed subject to availability. After July 10 only, call Sondra Ridgeway, Conference Coordinator, at (785) 286-2050.

REFUND POLICY:

Before 6/15/02 – Full Refund
Between 6/15/02 and 6/29/02 – Partial Refund (payment less \$50)
After 6/29/02 – No refund unless approved by Conference Coordinator

PAYMENT INFORMATION

☐ Check enclosed (payable in US funds to "The 99s Inc.")

☐ Credit Card payment ☐ Visa OR ☐ Mastercard

Amount:

Card #: Exp Date:

Signature (required for Credit Card payment):

Exact Name on card

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

The 99s International Conference – 2002 – Kansas City Airport Marriott, Kansas City, Missouri

Tuesday, July 16

All Day	Early Arrivals
3 p.m. – 6 p.m.	Registration Credentials
6 p.m. – 10 p.m.	Hospitality Room

Wednesday, July 17

7 a.m. - 8:45 a.m.	Option #1: A Museum Morning, A Flying Style Show (Breakfast - \$30)
8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.	Registration, Credentials, Hospitality Room
9 a.m. - Noon	Board of Directors Meeting Amelia Earhart Scholarship Trustees Meeting
Noon – 4 p.m.	Fly Market, Silent Auction
1 p.m. – 4 p.m.	Board of Directors Meeting Amelia Earhart Scholarship Trustees Meeting Museum of Women Pilots Trustees Meeting
1 p.m. - 4 p.m.	Chapter Chairmen, First Timers (All 99s Welcome) Seminars "Celebrate a Successful Fun Chapter" Air Bear Presentation Flying Companion Presentation
4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.	Communications Session ALL 99s MEMBERS
7 p.m. - 10 p.m.	Welcome to Kansas City and ALL THAT JAZZ PARTY and Barbecue Dinner (Costume Optional— feathers and fringe encouraged)

Thursday, July 18

6:30 a.m. - 7:45 a.m.	Continental Breakfast
7 a.m. - 8 a.m.	Registration and Credentials
8 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	First Session of Annual Business Meeting
9:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.	Option #2: 49 1/2s and guests depart for optional tour (\$60)
11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.	Fly Market, Silent Auction
1 p.m. - 4 p.m.	Second Session of Annual Business Meeting Installation of New Officers
5 p.m. - 10 p.m.	Bus Tour of Kansas City, Shopping at the Country Club Plaza Dine Around, Governor's Dinner

Friday, July 19

Speakers in General Session	
8:30 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.	Greg Feith Accident Investigation from the perspective of a former NTSB Air Safety Investigator
10 a.m. – 11 a.m.	Women Pilot's Careers Panel
11:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.	Colleen Barrett, President and Chief Operating Officer Southwest Airlines
10 a.m. – 1 p.m.	Post Conference Board of Directors Meeting

1:30 p.m. - 3 p.m.	Rod Machado Safety Seminar
3 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.	Latest Garmin Products
8 a.m. - 4 p.m.	Hospitality Room hosted by Angel Flight Central
3 p.m. - 5 p.m.	Fly Market, Silent Auction
5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.	Winners Reception - Amelia Earhart Scholarships
7 p.m. - 10 p.m.	Awards Banquet - Amelia Earhart Scholarships and Parade of Past Winners

Saturday, July 20

9 a.m.	Buses depart for Atchison
10 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	Visit Forest of Friendship and Amelia Earhart Earthworks
Noon - 1:30 p.m.	Amelia Earhart Festival Pioneering Award Luncheon
2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.	Symposium, Outstanding Women speakers or Downtown AE Festival Activities
3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.	Book Signing, Authors of AE books
5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.	Kansas Picnic Supper/99s Awards Program
7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.	VIP lawn reception and tours of the Amelia Earhart Birthplace Museum
8 p.m.	Early bus departure for the Marriott
9:30 p.m.	Spectacular fireworks display across the street from AEBM
10:15 p.m.	Depart Atchison for the Marriott

Sunday, July 21

All Day	Flyout Departures
8 a.m. - 10 a.m.	Weather Briefings

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION PACKAGES

Full Registration includes everything on this page

Wed. & Thurs. Registration includes

Wed.-Welcome to K.C. Jazz & Barbecue dinner &
Thurs.- Continental Breakfast & Bus trip to Plaza
Badge & printed materials/access to Hospitality Suite

Friday only Registration includes

Speakers & Seminars
Rod Machado
AE Winners Reception and Banquet
Badge & printed materials/access to Hospitality Suite

Saturday only Registration includes

Bus trip to and from Atchison
AE Festival Pioneering Award Luncheon
Kansas Picnic Supper, 99s Awards
VIP Reception at AEBM
Badge & printed materials

THE AOPA EXPO

Making friends from coast to coast

BY VICKI ANDERSON and SUSAN THEURKAUF



Tamra Sheffman, Florida Goldcoast; Ursula Davidson, Florida Goldcoast; Vicki Anderson, Orange County; Christina Zarrilli, space camp scholarship winner; and Bernice "Chickie" Alper, Florida Gulf Stream at 99s booth at AOPA Expo 2001.

What's the phrase, "...the best laid plans...? Whoever said that was not trying to ship a trade show booth using a multimillion dollar shipping company! From attending the University Aviation Association trade show in Tennessee to AOPA in Florida one week later, somewhere along the line UPS sent half the booth to Florida and the other half to California. Oops!

Yet, there is another phrase, "...have no fear, The 99s are here!" Who better to deal with an emergency than a woman pilot! The Fort Lauderdale area chapters came to our rescue. First up

was Lee Leger-Miller. Her convertible became the carryall for art and office supplies for a new display.

Racing from store to store with poster board streaming out of the back seat, we were trying to simultaneously catch a few rays of the glorious Florida sunshine. While we scurried around, Lee was busy phoning Ursula Davidson for possible photos to use. We met Ursula in a parking lot on her lunch hour for the "hand-off." Needless to say, we would not have had a display if it had not been for these two.

The booth on opening day of the three-day expo was womaned with more area 99s. From the enthusiasm of Cheryl Cichochi, Lee, Ursula, Lori Householder, Chickie Alper, Ruth Jenkins, Jane Sultan and Tamara Sheffman, we gained new members and talked a lot! In total, there were 66 members who visited the booth—from the Tip of Texas to First Canadian to the Hungarian Section and several chapters in between.

One of the highlights was a visit by a 10-year-old astronaut-to-be, Christina Zarrilli. Home-schooled by her mother, Christina's desire to go to space camp was published as a human-interest story in the Sunday edition of the West Palm Beach newspaper. Someone read the article, stepped in and sponsored her to the week-long event. Christina became "Most Outstanding Space Camper"—and The 99s have become a mentor to this incredible little gal.

Christina, an Eileen Collins look alike, came dressed in her flight suit and was put to work selling raffle tickets for a 99s throw blanket. She sold more tickets than all of our members combined. What a marketing ploy! This smart young gal is going places with her charismatic personality and winning energy. We are seeing the next generation of 99s.

We can't adequately express our appreciation for the help (and humor) of the Florida members. We have to admit, the two Trade Show Co-chairs from the West Coast are indebted to these members from the East Coast for our success at the AOPA Expo. They were all first-rate, and we formed lasting friendships as a result of our visit. Aren't friendships the essence of The 99s, no matter how far from home?

THE NINETY-NINES WELCOME THESE 133 NEW 99s, ACADEMIC MEMBERS AND FUTURE WOMEN PILOTs

NINETY-NINES: • Cheryl Gordon ARANAGA, *Florida Goldcoast* • Susan Kay BANDY, *Kentucky Bluegrass* • Hildegard BENDER, *Lake Erie* • Megan BLACK M.D., *Kitty Hawk* • Katie BRAUN, *Columbia Cascade* • Lynn N. BREDIN, *First Canadian* • Jane Henderson BRIGHT, *Member at Large* • Cynthia Ann BROWN, *First Canadian* • Patsy M. BUCHWALD, *Pikes Peak* • Glenda CARDONA, *Ventura County* • Nancy R. CARPENTER, *Garden State* • Margaret J. "Peggy" CHABRIAN, *Greater Cincinnati* • Hazel Ruth COLES, *Brazos River* • Wanda C. COLLINS, *Monterey Bay* • Lois Diane COLLUM, *Bakersfield* • Linda W. COLWELL, *Austin* • Linda Joann CONNOR, *Iowa* • Eliane De Oliveira COSTA, *Brazil Section* • Deborah S. ELLIS, *Garden State* • Colleen Kay Bradley FERRARESE, *Michigan* • Grace Jane FERRIS, *Santa Rosa* • Sandra Mauldin FINK, *Oklahoma* • Jennifer Lynn FOLTZ, *Alaska* • Mary T. GAFFANEY • Tonya Lynne GIEROK, *Aloha* • Ginger D. GORDON, *Indiana* • Barbara J. GRAY, *Brazos River* • Susan Keizer HASELMANN, *Long Beach* • Jolynn E. HURWITZ, *Greater Cincinnati* • Diane M. KELLY, *Florida Spaceport* • Christin Jill KIKKERT, *All-Ohio* • Susan H. LEE, *Brazos River* • Michelle Rose LEIPHARDT, *Santa Barbara* • Stacie Benson LINN, *Kentucky Bluegrass* • Charisa Ann LITTLE, *Yavapai* • Christine Marie LUCAS, *Colorado* • Abbe Louise LYLE, *Santa Clara Valley* • Faye Susan MAKARSKY, *San Antonio* • Roxanne R. MCCOY, *Florida Suncoast* • Linda P. MEYER, *Lake Tahoe* • Virginia M. MILLAR, *Florida Spaceport* • Melissa Beth MUSARRA, *Delaware* • Camille NELSON, *San Luis Obispo Co.* • Janice Gerber NIELESKY, *Fullerton* • Tracy Ann NIHDA, *First Canadian* • Donnie Lee O'BRIEN, *Phoenix* • Cynthia L. OBARA, *Scioto Valley* • Elizabeth M. OBARA, *Scioto Valley* • Heather Crittenden OGBURN, *Kentucky Bluegrass* • Faith Melanie OLEN, *Virginia* • Rebecca A. ORLOWSKI, *Brazos River* • Carol Anastasia PASS, *Alabama* • JoAnne PATTERSON, *Kentucky Bluegrass* • Lucy S. PLESO, *Kitty Hawk* • Katherine E. PREWITT, *Fullerton* • Dianna Kay RADFORD, *Arizona Sundance* • Patricia M. RANDLE, *Brazos River* • Morgen Ann REEB, *Old Dominion* • Diane ROZEK, *Florida Spaceport* • Anna Lisa SANTOS DE DIOS, *Utah* • Wanda Lee SCHRAMM-OGNE, *San Fernando Valley* • Geraldine L. SCHULTZ, *Florida Spaceport* • Margie Mozelle SIMON, *Kentucky Bluegrass* • Arthelle "Starr" SORENSEN, *Long Beach* • Nadine Fraser STACY, *Western New York* • Elizabeth Ann STODARD, *Michigan* • Colette STONE, *San Fernando Valley* • Christine

A. TAYLOR, *Austin* • Marilyn C. THOMAS, *Kentucky Bluegrass* • Kristin Rose TILLOTSON, *Connecticut* • Joan Gail TIPTON-HILL, *Oregon Pines* • Rebecca S. TOLBY, *High Country* • Bonnie Elizabeth TRIPLAT, *Antelope Valley* • Valerie Leonore TUR, *Florida Gulf Stream* • Nancy Earlene VAN HOWD, *Placer Gold* • Lakshmi VEM-

PATI, *San Luis Obispo Co.* • Judy L. WAYMAN, *Tennessee* • Eloise Ball WILLIAMS, *Florida Suncoast* • Patricia Y. WILLIS, *Fullerton* • Mary Luckey WOLLITZ, *San Joaquin Valley* • Mary-Elizabeth Susan WOODALL, *First Canadian* • Sheneda Renee WOODS-HOSKIN, *Chicago Area* • Mary E. WOOD, *Florida Gulf Stream* • Katie E. WRITER, *Reno High Sierra* • Stephanie L ZAHARI • **ACADEMIC:** • Renee L. HERSHBERGER, *Greater Cincinnati* • Deven Eileen KAMINSKI, *Southeast Section* • Kathleen A. RANDALL, *West Canada Section* • Katrin Anne Katy SKAFF, *Kentucky Bluegrass* • **FUTURE WOMEN PILOTS:** • Laura T. ALMERINI, *Garden State* • Glenna Lou BLISS, *Colorado* • Bonnie BLOESER, *Bakersfield* • Laurence E. BONNEAU, *Eastern Pennsylvania* • Elizabeth Ann BORNWASSER, *Kentucky Bluegrass* • Jennifer Leigh BUZZARD, *Kitty Hawk* • Elena Joy CALLWOOD, *Hampton Roads* • Christina Tina CASEY, *Orange County* • Sara Elizabeth COLWELL, *Kansas* • Charisma Tennille COURSON, *Shreveport* • Donna Kay DANCE, *North Georgia* • Karen Ann DANGEL, *Phoenix* • Alyssa Kay DAVIS, *Houston* • Anne Elizabeth DOROZENSKI, *Colorado* • Carrie Holden DUNN, *South Louisiana* • Charissa A. DYER-KENDLER, *Eastern Pennsylvania* • Stefania Angela GARERI, *North Jersey* • Darlene Keister GRANT, *All-Ohio*

• Lee Anne GRINDINGER, *Pikes Peak* • Giselle Meredith HARTL • Victoria Kay JARVIS, *Kentucky Bluegrass* • Karen JASCHKE-WATKINS, *Arizona Sundance* • Linda Lee KOCISKO, *Ventura County* • Koreen Louise LAIL, *Columbia Cascade* • Holly Frances MASTERSON, *Eastern New England* • Jaime Lee MCCOIN, *Indiana Dunes* • Roxanna Ewalani MCKENNEY • Megan Suzanne McNEELY, *Oklahoma* • Susan O'BRIAN, *Maryland* • Kathleen Mary O'NEIL, *Colorado* • Judith Fisher OETINGER, *Kentucky Bluegrass* • Maryann ROWE, *Finger Lakes* • Marthelle May SHELLBERG • Kristina A. SHERWOOD, *Kansas* • Heather Dawn SMITH, *Eastern Ontario* • Jennifer Kaye SMITH, *Kentucky Bluegrass* • Diane Rene SPICER, *Pikes Peak* • Elizabeth J. STENNING, *Manitoba* • Amanda Faye STUBBLEFIELD, *Alabama* • Rachel L. TANZER, *Los Angeles Palms* • Ashley Jane THARP, *Utah* • Shane O. TURNER, *Utah* • Jacqueline Davis WAHL, *Kentucky Bluegrass* • Christina Terese WESTLER, *Palomar*

MEMBERSHIP BY SECTION

Arabian	8
Australian	33
Brazil	17
British	10
Caribbean	4
East Canada	146
Far East	11
Finnish	7
German	28
Hungary	5
India	8
Israeli	6
Member at Large	43
Mid-Atlantic	398
New England	186
New York-New Jersey	290
New Zealand	15
North Central	946
Northwest	506
South Central	992
Southeast	662
Southwest	1,659
West Canada	65
TOTAL	6,035

FLAG RUN ACROSS AMERICA

BY DONNA MILLER, Colorado Chapter

ON MY FIRST PUSH out of the gate after 9/11, United Airlines and American Airlines ground personnel hurriedly drove a blue AA pickup truck near the side of our 737. It is one of the many trucks these guys use to do their jobs and they gathered around it or clamored to the back of the truck held up a huge US flag and waved it for our flight to see. As the tug was moving us forward, they followed with us, off to our left. The joint UA-AA men unrolled a large banner for us to read: "America we stand. United We ARE. God Bless America from the ground employees of United Airlines and American Airlines, Miami," with UA and AA symbols on both sides.

I had tears in my eyes. They followed us out until they could follow us no more. And they waved and we waved back.

Yes, we are American, and we are United, and we are Citizens of this Great World. And we are all the other wonderful diversities that make us special and unique. Yes, we are women, and we are pilots. And we will continue to be, even though there are those who want to diminish us—to take away the way we live, what we do, and what we love and hold most dear. And we won't let them.

—Janet Patton
Ambassador Chapter



Donna Miller and Tina Jenkin

I love The 99s. Every time I turn around, there is a 99 who reminds me how rich my life is because of them. Fellow 99 and American Airlines pilot Jenny Beatty has been keeping an informal network of furloughed pilots going, which has kept our morale up while keeping us informed since the September 11 tragedy.

In early November, I headed from my home in Golden, Colorado, to Albuquerque to participate in a "Flag Run Across America" that volunteers had organized. The plan was to run a flag from Boston to Los Angeles to symbolically complete the United and American Airlines flights that did not complete their flights on September 11. Having been furloughed after just three flights from my dream job flying the 737 at American Airlines, I thought this would be a worthwhile thing to do.

I e-mailed South Central Section Governor Anna Taylor in Albuquerque to see if she wanted to get together for lunch or dinner while I was in the neighborhood for the long weekend. I had only seen her once since she moved from Colorado to Albuquerque three years ago. She replied immedi-

ately that she was helping Tina Jenkin, a brand new 99 and former FWP, make a T-shirt with The 99s logo to wear in the same run. She invited me for dinner at the same time so I could meet her.

It was great to see Anna again. I realized how much I had missed her sense of humor. After a wonderful dinner, Anna completed a very cool shirt for Tina to wear in the run, and I had a running buddy.

I brought along a tent and sleeping bag but Anna wouldn't hear of it. She showed me the guest bedroom and bath, and made signs on her computer to put on my car to indicate I was a runner. I was in heaven!

Running with the American flag was a wonderful healing experience. I ran in uniform in honor of my fellow pilots who were killed. Tina ran with the New Mexico state flag that was traveling with the American flag from border to border. From Albuquerque, we drove to the Very Large Array. (Remember Jody Foster in "Contact"?!)

Arriving at the VLA at sunset was an amazing sight. The line of satellite dishes stretched across the desert like a string of enormous pearls. By 10 o'clock, several of the runners had wandered in, but there weren't enough runners, so we decided to each run extra legs. A few hours later I was off and running with run's organizer, Mike Burr, and a couple of others on the midnight-to-1-o'clock shift. The command vehicle trailed us at a watchful distance, piping "You've Lost That Lovin' Feeling" from the truck's megaphone. Shortly after 1 o'clock, we turned the flag over to the next crew. Since our group couldn't decide whether it was the end of a long night or beginning of another long day, we ended up with both beer and doughnuts.

I slept for a couple of hours, waking at about 4 in the morning. Although I wasn't scheduled to run again until 6:30, I wanted to make sure there were enough runners. So I shook the cobwebs from my head and set out for the starting point at the visitor's center. The parking lot was black and empty, but on the road two lone runners were carrying the American flag and the New Mexico state flag up and down the road; their whispered words were barely audible over the desert's night sounds.

We couldn't cross the Continental Divide at night, so runners volunteered to keep the flag moving at the VLA until morning when fresh runners would arrive. Suddenly, my mood changed from a fun-loving, "isn't-this-a-goofy-thing-to-do-in-the-middle-of-the-night" to a deep respect for all the runners who kept the flag moving. What would



Donna Miller (in uniform) with other participants in the "Flag Run Across America" running through the large satellite dishes or VLA (Very Large Array) near Albuquerque, New Mexico.

On the last mile we were joined by the families of the crews that were killed, along with walkers holding flags from all 50 states.

happen if they parked the flag and started fresh from the VLA the next morning? Nothing. But that wasn't the point. Our mission was to run the flag continuously from Boston to LA, symbolically completing the flights of the American and United Airlines flights that did not make it on September 11. So these runners, barely shadows under the watchful eye of the distant satellite dishes, kept the promise, and the flags, along with the spirits of those we lost that day, continued on.

The following morning Tina and I ran a few legs to the next town of Datil where we brought the flag to an elementary school. Watching the kids with the flag made me realize I couldn't teach them anything about patriotism. In fact, I would learn a lot from these small-town children. From there, Tina returned to Albuquerque. Her gallant effort to run while recovering from walking pneumonia was honorable. I continued through Quemado and Pie Town and eventually to the Arizona border. It was bittersweet turning over the flag to the next group of runners. Before dawn we stood in the dark and said the Pledge of Allegiance and watched the flag that had been in our care disappear into the darkness.

I drove back to my home in Golden, with a renewed sense of patriotism. After a couple of days of restlessness, and encouragement from Linda Grimes, a runner I had met in Albuquerque, I was on my way to Los Angeles to see the flag to "shining sea."

Linda and I ran several legs on the last day of

the run. It was a joy to hold the flag again, although it was a different atmosphere in a big city. We ran the last several miles through LAX to the beach. On the last mile we were joined by the families of the crews that were killed, along with walkers holding flags from all 50 states. A lone bagpiper cloaked in black played as the group walked along the beach to the ceremony—ending the month-long journey of the American flag. I felt sad; I felt proud. I felt tired—but rejuvenated. This was an experience I will never forget.

My trip ended with a joyous day spent with Charter Member Bobbi Trout. The day following the conclusion of the flag run, I drove down to San Diego and had lunch with Bobbi and fellow 99 Cheryl Baker. We laughed and joked and told stories. (Bobbi always has the best stories!) I hated to leave, but had to fly back to Denver the following day.



Charter Member Bobbi Trout and Donna Miller

On the ride back I began to process the previous events—a difficult emotional experience that was softened by the camaraderie of 99s. I am forever grateful and proud to be a member of such a close sisterhood of amazing women.

In 1996, Donna Miller was an Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarship winner which she used to obtain her multi-engine rating.

THE EARLY YEARS...

BY MARGARET "TOMMY" WARREN, Charter Member

Forest of Friendship

*"You haven't seen
a tree until you've
seen its shadow
from the sky."*

—Amelia Earhart

For 47 years I wanted to know what happened to The 99s and felt sure that Fay Gillis Wells could tell me, if I could locate her, and I did, finally. She was the White House Correspondent for the Storer Broadcasting Company. She answered my letter right away.

May 15 1976.

How delightful we've found you. You have been on the 'Address Unknown' list of the 99 Roster for ages And now that we've found you, how about joining us for the 99 Bicentennial Horizon program, the dedication of the International Forest of Friendship in Atchison, Kansas..... it is going to be old home week

—Fay

I was ambivalent about accepting Fay's invitation. What would the young modern day women fliers with the crowded skies, their instruments and orders from airport towers be like? So long out of touch, I was hesitant to step back into a world nearly forgotten. Still, Fay's letter was warm, and it would be nice to see her and whomever else I might know.

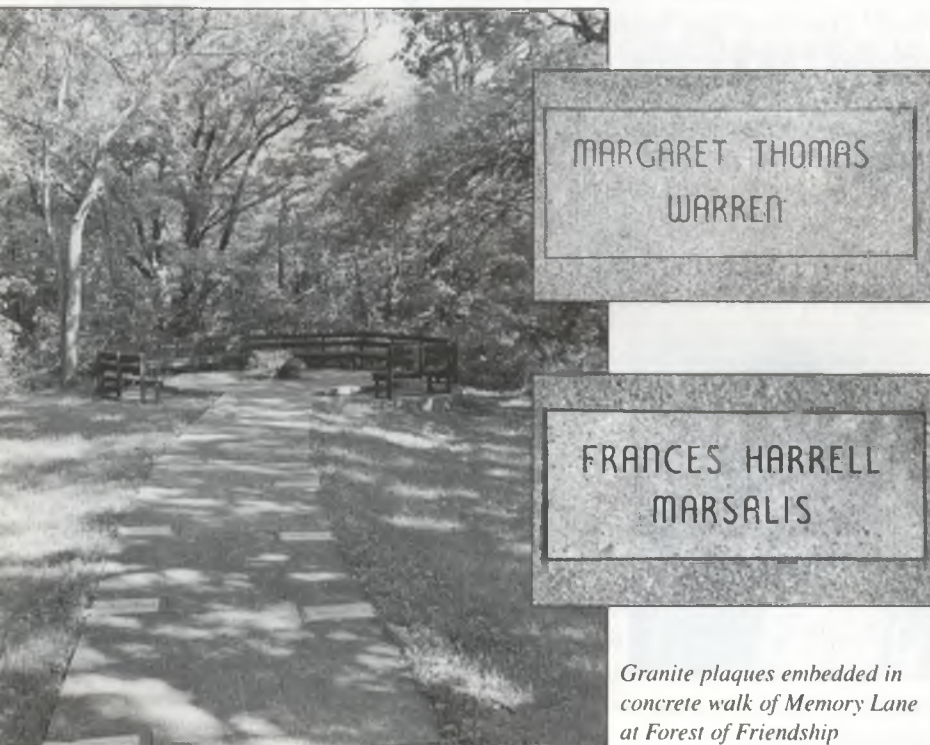
In the International Forest of Friendship a portion of the National Recreational Trail is designated Memory Lane, and the names of those who have been part of aviation are etched on granite plaques and embedded in a concrete walk. So, in the end it was Memory Lane that made me decide to go.

I wasn't sure why, but I wanted to sponsor Frances Harrell Marsalis' name. I thought of her death and funeral, far from her place of birth, mourned by no kin. I thought of Roosevelt Field, now a shopping centre and soon there would be no one who flew there alive to remember it. Having Frances' name etched in granite would be a gesture, at least, a protest against so many places and people disappearing forever, like jet vapour trails in the sky.

And so I find myself on the way to Atchison on the aisle seat of United Airlines Flight 242. I was reading a paperback edition of *Everyman's Life of Buddha* to keep myself from speculating about the next two days. A voice ordered us to fasten our seatbelts. I marked my place in the book, Chapter 3, "The Characteristics of a Future Buddha." The man across the aisle leaned toward me and grinned. "What are the characteristics of a future Buddha?" he asked. "To have the Ten Perfections," I answered glibly. Somehow I felt better.

I was to be met at the airport by members of the Atchison Zonta Club. I wondered how they would know who I was, but I was barely through the gate when two young women came toward me. "Are you Mrs. Warren?" they asked. I nodded and they said "We thought you looked like a flier!" You did? What does a flier look like, I wondered, but I was pleased all the same.

As we drove through the rolling countryside they pointed out the tobacco fields and peaches already ripe on the trees. It was somehow very nice to be with these Midwestern women, so friendly and with pride in their state and their town, Atchison, which was also the hometown of Amelia Earhart. The early afternoon temperature had reached 100 degrees when we reached Benedictine



*Granite plaques embedded in
concrete walk of Memory Lane
at Forest of Friendship*

College where I was to stay in a dormitory. The college was located on a bluff that rose straight and sheer above the Missouri River.

Fay, whom I hadn't seen since the early 1930s, was already there. She had married the dashing foreign correspondent, Linton Wells. Together they had covered nearly all the world until they settled in Washington in 1962. Now a widow, it was Fay who conceived the idea of the International Forest. Will she be stuffy now, I wondered.

I got my answer late that afternoon. Outside heat shimmered over the dry grass, while inside the iced tea cooler dripped with sweat. Fay pattered barefoot about the dormitory common room, hair loose and falling over her shoulders. She was dressed in a long robe and, I suspect, nothing else. She somehow looked beautiful, even in the heat. A young Benedictine student in the office carefully paid no attention, but another man did. "Fay," he said, "if you're going to go around dressed like that, I won't make any promises!" Fay just grinned.

Nancy Tier and Betty Gillies were there—both 99s Charter Members who had flown to Atchison in their own aeroplanes. Nancy came from Connecticut, Betty from California. I hadn't known Nancy, but Betty looked about the same as in 1935—small, pretty, self-assured.

We greeted each other about the same, too—amiably enough, but without enthusiasm, politely. Blanche Noyes was there, her legs unsteady but her eyes observing and direct, her smile warm and friendly. Blanche was one of the great women fliers. "We're glad to have you back," she said. "When people have asked what ever happened to Margaret Thomas, I always wondered where you were."

There were 99s from other countries, too. Anesia "Shorty" Machada was up from Brazil. Shorty comes up to my shoulders and I'm only five foot two. She moved incessantly, striding about the room—sitting, standing, walking again. Shorty has the oldest woman's active pilot's license in the world—she has flown more than 50 years.

Dr. Sunila Bhejaker, Rabia Futehally and Chandra Sawant

arrived in late afternoon. I marveled at how they flew in from India and still managed to look fresh and pretty in their silk saris. I wondered how they would be able to endure the night and day ahead, with no chance to catch up with their jet lag.

Tonight there would be a banquet, with guest speaker Captain Ronald Evans, command module pilot for the Apollo 17 moon mission; the dedication of the Forest of Friendship tomorrow, July 24, was Amelia Earhart's birthday.

One person I felt especially drawn to was Sheila Scott, from England. Sheila is one of those fine-boned English beauties whose unruffled, quiet good looks give no clue to what is beneath. When I later read her book, *Barefoot in the Sky*, written in 1973, I could scarcely believe I'd never heard of her, but I hadn't. She has flown in a small light aeroplane around the world several times, and was the first solo pilot to pass over the North Pole in a light aircraft. We talked of flying, and agreed that the interesting thing was not *that* we fly, but *why* we fly.

That night at the banquet I met other old friends and, after dinner, listened avidly to Captain Evans' description of what it was like to walk on the moon. "It was such great fun," he said. I thought about that, then said to myself, "Maybe, but I bet it wasn't as much fun as hedge-hopping over the barbed-wire fences and mesquite trees of Texas."

It had been a happy day and evening. I was glad I had come to the Forest of Friendship.

Charter Member Margaret Thomas Warren believes she might have been the youngest Charter Member of The 99s—only 17 when she joined. She was not present at the first gathering of women aviators on Long Island in October 1929, but did go into New York with Frances Harrell for the second meeting on December 14 at the home of Opal Kunz and was appointed to represent Texas.

Tommy wrote a book, *Taking Off*, about her early flying experiences that was published in 1993 in England. This hardcover, fully illustrated, 218-page book is available for \$20 plus s&h. For ordering information, e-mail schullbooks@eircom.net.



Clockwise from left to right are Sheila Scott, Betty Gillies, Blanche Noyes, Fay Gillis Wells, Nancy Hopkins Tier, Frances Harrell Marsalis, and Anesia "Shorty" Machada surrounding the statue of Amelia Earhart at Forest of Friendship in Atchison, Kansas.



SOUTH CENTRAL SECTION

The Fall Section meeting was held in Shreveport, Louisiana, October 5-7. Due to the closure of all Air Force bases to the public, we had to do some major changes at the last minute as many of the events had been planned for Barksdale Air Force base. There were many more registrations than expected so some meetings had to be moved to larger rooms.

Our business meeting was held in the Vintage Car Museum about three blocks from our motel. Governor Anna Taylor reported that the Dispatch can be accessed on the members' section of The 99s website.

She also reported that since some Sections did not participate in NASA's fund-raising opportunity, the Southwest Section received some extra money for a total of \$2,666. It was given to the AE Scholarship Fund for FWP scholarships in the coming year.

Among other things, Jody McCarrell, International Vice President, reported that the new directory will become available on CD-ROM, as well as on-line in the members' section of our website.

Judy Humphries and Sherry Lemaster are working on a Chapter Chairman's manual and Andrea Chay, International Membership

Chairman, is working on a New Member manual. The AE House has a website that is linked to The 99s website.

Following the meeting we all trooped over to the Hollywood Casino for lunch and wonderful conversation. Our speaker at Saturday night's banquet was Amy Lou Pilkinton, a member of the Shreveport Chapter who told about how she became interested in aviation and went on to be an FAA Safety Inspector-Operations.

Our Spring 2002 meeting will be held at the Emerald Beach Holiday Inn in Corpus Christi, Texas, on April 19-21.

ORANGE COUNTY

Have you ever attended a Chapter meeting where your spirit soared, but your feet never left the ground? That's what happened at our "Salute to New Members" night on November 14.

Ninety-Nines International Past President and chapter member, Thon Griffith, graciously invited us to her lovely home in Newport Beach where nearly 40 members, including Future Women Pilots, came to hear our new members share their personal aviation history.

Contagious enthusiasm filled the room as a new member told just what it was that led to her initial interest in aviation, as well as experiences on the way to her goals, and her dreams for her future in aviation.

As each one took her turn, those attending could relate to what she was saying as they had also "walked in those shoes" or better expressed, "flown under the same canopy." What an inspirational and exciting experience for the attending Future Women Pilots. The meeting was such a success, no one wanted it to end!

The brilliant "framers" of this meeting were Linda Eldridge, Southwest AE Scholarship Chair-

man; Patty Murray, Southwest Section Future Women Pilots Chairman; and Vicky Anderson, Orange County Chapter Chairman.

As our new members were introduced, they were presented with a bag full of goodies, including their new name badge, and a certificate very professionally designed and created by Brenda Jackson.

We heartily welcome our new members: Teresa Amescua, Trudy Briscoe, Nani Byleven, Sandra Bullock, Nicole Cagnolatti, Erin Conley, Dori Dixon, Carol Eastman-Lewis, Nohema Fernandez, Kimberly Harding, Katherine Riley and Gail Whitney.—*Mary Van Velzer*



Gretchen Lindelof watches new member Katherine Riley with door prize at Chapter's "Salute to New Members" night.

SAN GABRIEL VALLEY

Members hosted a booth at the Chino Air Fair where we promoted The 99s and sold aviation place mats and aprons to earn money for our scholarship fund. We also did an airmarking at Flabob Airport. Members participating in these events included Adriana Attar, Melody Batchelor, Maggie Byrne, Virginia Harmer, Linda Hayden, Diane Hershkowitz, Helen Horsey, Kathy Malinski, Penny Moynihan, Sheryl Sandhagen, Cathy Jameson, Loreen Wynja, Dianne Fredrick and me.—*Judee Wilson*

COLUMBIA CASCADE

The Chapter's October meeting was held at the new Center for Airway Science's building (a building restoration in process) at Hillsboro airport, Hillsboro, Oregon. We rolled up our sleeves to

prepare the building for its first students with paintbrushes and cleaning supplies in hand (along with a cash donation from our treasury).

The building will house the after-school program giving junior high kids an alternative to drugs and the streets with aviation as the motivator.

It is a highly successful program operating for the last eight years at the Boys and Girls Club building in North Portland with many success stories to its credit. The nonprofit CAS has restored and renovated the dilapidated Hillsboro building with its own raised funds and elbow grease.

The Columbia Cascades applaud and support the efforts of CAS's CEO Robert Strickland and will continue to lend our assistance to this superior after-school program.—*Amaryllys Khat*



BLUE RIDGE CHAPTER - Madelyn Smith, Carol Theiler, Cara Landacre, Janie Multhaler, Allyson Acker and Lee Orr participated in the South Carolina Aviation Association's First-Ever Wings Weekend in October.—*Carol Theiler*

CHICAGO AREA

On Saturday, October 27, Chicago Area members Rita Adams, Marjorie Anderson (with 49 1/2, Arthur), Fran Huritz, Esther Noffke and FWP Carol Thompson (with FWP 49 1/2 Butch Bejna), plus Aux Plaines Chapter members



Clark Weber and FWP Carol Thompson

Bunny Foley and Virginia Rabung attended a special luncheon program hosted by the Silver Wings Fraternity, Illinois Chapter. Held at the Compass Rose Restaurant at Palwaukee (PWK) Airport in Prospect Heights/Wheeling, Illinois, the program featured two celebrity speakers.

First on the program was long-time Chicago radio personality, Clark Weber. Mr. Weber began flying in 1953 and holds private single engine, multiengine and instrument ratings. He has owned a Cessna 172, referred to fondly as "Old Blue," and a 182. He related stories and anecdotes about his varied flying experiences, both

for work and for pleasure.

The second speaker was Charles "Chuck" Showalter, who retired with the rank of Captain. Mr. Showalter received his wings in January 1943, after three months of intensive training. He was sent overseas to Port Moresby, New Guinea via Australia. Once there, he was assigned to the Fifth Air Force, 90th Bomb Group, "Jolly Rogers" 400th Squadron. He flew a B24 D, completed 51 missions, and flew 307 hours of combat during World War II. Mr. Showalter's stories of training and combat gave a vivid, personalized view of the war.

—Carol L. Thompson



Charter Member Fay Gillis Wells (center) was a guest speaker at a Spruce Creek Flying Club dinner in Daytona Beach, Florida. About 120 people attended. Among the 99s were Reudean Ravlin, Gloria Apple, Pat Ohlsson, Marilyn Patierno, Dot Arnett, Nelda Ewald, Cherie Keemer, Jane Jones, Jane Rockhold, Lolly Shaw, Diane Moore, Gina Millar, Sue Simpson, Dolores Vitullo, Alice Hegedus, Diane Shaw and Sara Bean.

MANITOBA

At the Winnipeg Flying Club Wing's Banquet held in November, the Rosella Bjornson Scholarship, awarded annually by the Manitoba Chapter of The 99s, was won by Stephanie Zahari. Stephanie plans to complete her commercial certificate and then move on to an instructor rating. She received \$1,000 on her account at Flying Colors to be applied to flight training. Stephanie also received a membership to The 99s.

Stephanie has really caught the flying bug having recently obtained her private certificate in December 2000. A working mother of four children, she is following a new career path which she believes will lead her to either flying a single engine airplane for a small company or an A320 for Air Canada.

Stephanie has been very active in promoting women in aviation through organizing various aviation events. She has demonstrated her love for flying and will no doubt be a good role model for her children and other young women aspiring to a career in aviation.

The Manitoba Chapter orga-



Lou Milhausen - Manitoba Chapter Treasurer, and Stephanie Zahari - 2001 Rosella Bjornson Scholarship Winner

nizes a Poker Derby and undertakes other fund-raising activities to award a flying scholarship each year. The scholarship fund is maintained with The Winnipeg Foundation.

Anyone wishing to donate to the fund will receive an income tax receipt. Donations may be sent to: Manitoba Chapter Ninety-Nines Scholarship Fund, c/o The Winnipeg Foundation, 1350 One Lombard Place, Winnipeg, Mb R3B 0X3, Phone (204) 944-9474 or Fax: (204)942-2987 or e-mail: info@wpgfdn.org.

—Lou Milhausen



Barbara Jennings, Tj Shaum and Diana Meyer pose with Brad Cavanaugh in front of samples of his work displayed at the VPZ terminal.

INDIANA DUNES

Members met at the Porter County Airport to hear Brad Cavanaugh tell about his aerial photography business and inspect one of his helicopters

and the gyro stabilizer he uses to keep the camera steady for aerial shots. The program was most interesting and attracted many guests.—Joy Valek

AIRMARKING



ALBUQUERQUE

The Albuquerque Chapter members, 49 1/2s, and future pilots painted Santa Rosa and the Route 66 sign on the east-west airstrip at Santa Rosa, New



Mexico. The airstrip was part of Route 66 at one time and therefore the reason for putting the sign back on the airstrip.

—Barbara Fricke



Nan Salomon, Bill Dade, Mardi Drebing, Shirley Hoerle, Joanne Bolton, Nancy Morgan, Diana Dade and Karen Stumpf pose on their newly completed Compass Rose.

CENTRAL NEW YORK

Twelve members of the Central New York Chapter painted a "Mt. Shasta" compass rose at Oneida County Airport (KUCA), Oriskany, New York, over the weekend of September 7-9 Count-

ing the total hours of the 12 members —only two were under 60 years of age—we spent 178 hours on the project and used 35 gallons of paint.—Mardi Drebing

SCIOTO VALLEY

Thirteen pilots and two other willing workers converged on the Raton, New Mexico, airport to paint a compass rose. The thing that makes this unique is that most of them were from the Scioto Valley Chapter in Ohio!

Our Chapter has painted six compass roses in Ohio. One of our members is a part owner of a B7B Casa near Cimmaron, New Mexico, and flies into the Raton Airport, which is the closest field to the Casa del Gavilan. She showed a photo to the FBO of a compass rose we had painted on the Delaware (Ohio) Municipal Airport and they wanted one, too.

Plans were made in 2000 to do it, but the logistics didn't work out. So in 2001, plans were made and the 70-foot diameter piece of functional art was painted on the airport's main taxiway. Connie Copeland and 49 1/2 Ray, Janie McIntire and 49 1/2 Woody, Mar-

jorie Anderson and Marilyn Miller came in the Copeland's Cessna 340. JoAnn Prater and 49 1/2 Jim, Abby Rice and Myra Jamison made up the rest of the Ohio contingent. Myra's daughter, Carolyn, came from Colorado Springs and former Chapter members now residing in Colorado, Bev Giffin and 49 1/2 Walt as well as Carol Countiss and friend Richard Carlson.

We had a wonderful time, the weather cooperated beautifully. When we were through painting, we were treated to a splendid picnic and introduced to local dignitaries. JoAnn was interviewed on the Raton radio and was interviewed by a reporter from the Albuquerque Journal. Said Marjorie Anderson, an oncology nurse, "I like the service projects we do. It provides me with a group of people who are healthy and happy."

—Marilynn Miller



Eastern Pennsylvania 99s at Pottstown Municipal Airport airmarking.

EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA

The Eastern Pennsylvania Chapter airmarked the taxiway at Pottstown Municipal Airport in September. The taxiway was marked in 10-foot letters. The elevation, the Unicom frequency and "N47" were painted in 20-foot letters. The work took approximately five hours and we had a great time.

Those who assisted were Pat Devlin, Nancy Jane and John God-

frey, Laura Fonseca and Mickey, Kate Macario, Judy Cadmus, Eileen Tonkinson, Alice Wright, Elise Hanlan, Ginny Fanfera, Canivet Macario, Lola Tonkinson, Knicki Knickerbocker, Dustin Armstrong, Adelle Bedrossian, Barbara Gillander, Diane Jackson, Alison Chalker, Mary Wunder, Claudia and Jerry Garner, Janet and Gary Henshaw.

—Carol Knickerbocker



Scioto Valley 99s with Compass Rose painted at Raton, New Mexico, airport.

I AM LOOKING FOR ANY anecdotal or personal information on the following women who flew for the British Air Transport Auxiliary during WWII: Opal Anderson Averitt, Myrtle (Mikki) Allen Carter, Peggy Lennox Drown, Virginia Garst, Una Goodwin, Evelyn Hudson Richards, Louise Schuurman, Edith Foltz Stearns, Kay Van Doozer, Aline Rhonie Brooks and Sheila Garrett

—Jacque Boyd, 817-439-1810 or e-mail JacqueBBoyd@cs.com

I am a new 99

Jane McRae, Alabama Chapter

During World War II, my husband was with Gen. Patton somewhere in Europe. At home, my dream was to be a WASP and fly all kinds of planes to faraway places. I received my medical certificate from the Civil Aeronautics Administration on April 20, 1944. I was ecstatic...I can fly! I can fly!

I took my flying lessons with a glider pilot who would frequently turn off the engine and ask: "What are you going to do now?" He gave me confidence that I could safely land the plane, even on a makeshift runway. I soloed with delight, and soon flew my triangled map to other cities and returned jubilant that the pilot's license was almost in my hands.

But in December 1944 some men stopped the WASP flights. The women pilots begged to continue with only a dollar a year for pay. But no, no, no, the men told the ladies. The WASPs were heartbroken. So was I—my dream was over.

In January 1945, pilot certificate in hand, I went to Atlanta, Georgia, to the CAA to request a job. I hardly sat down before I was asked to be an Air Traffic Control tower operator in North Carolina, Washington, D.C. or Miami, Florida. I chose Florida.

The Miami tower was a very tall red and white building in the very middle of the largest airfield of all airports at the time. Every day and night we climbed those 100 steps: two girls,

four men and the director.

The Miami tower had two landing patterns on parallel runways: one for commercial planes on the right and military on the left about a mile away. Tower operators rarely stopped communicating with landing planes and those taking off. In addition to parallel runways, the tower controlled a highway that crossed the north-south runway with a light gun. A seldom used train track crossed this same runway and was also controlled by operators. All in the tower had to be very alert.

Each controller carried an airman I.D. card with photo and finger prints. Each week we might work with a different controller—some very intelligent, some humorous, some shy, some lazy. We had really great parties. One pilot had a pontoon plane. What a delight to land and taxi in the water. Some of the pilots on base would take the girls flying in an AT6—open cockpit, great fun.

A very bad hurricane came along and our tower suffered a lot of damage. Though not named at that time, I called it the "Bully, Bully." The military offered a small temporary one-story building for two months where we could see the runways on the military side but hardly any of the rest of the field. When our tower was almost ready for occupancy, German prisoners close to the airport were assigned to paint it.

After settling in after the "Bully, Bully" hurricane, the very first jet plane flew down from Nashville to the Miami airport. What a



Jane McRae with her flight instructor Sidney DuBose

beautiful picture as the pilot buzzed our field right by the tower.

The war ended in Europe. Troops returned to help end the war in Japan. My husband arrived for Christmas, handsome and healthy. We enjoyed three months together before we went home to Birmingham.

I began to work for the Girl Scouts where I started the first Wing Scout program in Alabama. Four years later, our own little "wing scout" flew into our lives, then another and another.

I still have my private pilot flight record and log book, medical certificates, but most of all, I am very pleased to receive my private pilot card for June 2001. Most wonderful of all, I am now a member of The 99s and wear my beautiful pin with great pride.

RATINGS

Donna Cash	Alabama	Commercial
Kyoko Kimura	Ambassador	Commercial
Carol Theiler	Blue Ridge	Seaplane

WINGS

Linda Mattingly	Indiana Dunes	Phase XIII
Marilyn Horvath	Indiana Dunes	Phase XI
Elaine Morrow	Minnesota	Phase VI

AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS

MASTER CFI

Colleen M. Hammill, Ambassador Chapter, has been designated a Master CFI (Certificated Flight Instructor) by NAFI. Colleen is an Aviation Safety Counselor for the Willow Run FSDO and a resident of Ypsilanti, Michigan.

To help put this achievement in its proper perspective, there are approximately 81,000 CFIs in the United States. Fewer than 300 of them have achieved that distinction thus far. The last six FAA

National Flight Instructors of the Year were Master CFIs while Colleen is one of only 10 Michigan CFIs who have earned this prestigious "Master" title.

Questions regarding the Master Instructor program should be addressed to G. Alexander "Sandy" Hill, Director of Education, National Association of Flight Instructors at NAFIMasters@aol.com or 303-485-8136, or visit its website at www.nafinet.org.

TOUCH & GO'S

- **Traci C. Leider**, Reno High Sierra Chapter, passed her commercial check ride in December.
- **Jesse Brightman**, Ambassador Chapter, is flying C-5s for the U.S. Air Force instead of B-767s for American Airlines. Her reserve squadron was called up in October to support military operations in Afghanistan.
- **Heather Monaghan**, Chicago Area Chapter, was recently selected as the recipient of the 2001 Illinois Pilots Association Memorial Scholarship. FWP Heather is from West Dundee, Illinois, and a student at Lewis University in Romeoville, Illinois, majoring in aviation flight management. Heather's goal is to become an airline pilot. In addition, Heather belongs to the aviation fraternity Alpha Eta Rho and the American Association of Airport Executives (AAAE).
- **Heidi Theile**, Tucson Chapter, is a brand new first officer for Chautauqua Airlines.
- **Aileen Watkins**, Ambassador Chapter, has recently landed a job flying 737s for Pace Airlines.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Bonnie and Archie Gann Memorial Scholarships

Entries will be open March 7 to April 15 to qualified women and men pilots for the annual Bonnie and Archie Gann Memorial Scholarships. Two scholarships of \$1,000 each will be awarded to pilots in the southeast section of the United States for CFI/CFII ratings. The two winners will be announced at the Southeast Section meeting in Miami, Florida, on May 3-5. Winners do not have to be present to accept.

Contact C.M. Beers, Spaceport Chapter, 925 N. Halifax Ave., #501, Daytona Beach, FL 32118-3704 or e-mail: CYBEERS@msn.com for applications.

NEW HORIZONS

The 99s extend their prayers and thoughts to the families of these 99s.

DOROTHY HAUPT-SPANGLER, Greater St. Louis Chapter, lost her long battle with cancer on September 24. Dorothy had held every office in the Chapter and was central to Chapter operations as 401(c) 3 chairman and treasurer of the Scharf Memorial Scholarship. She was the second recipient of the North Central Section Governor's Award. In her earlier days, she ferried new Cessnas from Wichita. She competed in (and won) several air races. She was active in the St. Louis Aviation Museum and the Missouri Pilots Association and never missed a NC Section meeting until recently. Her sharp wit and sense of fun kept everyone on their toes—and laughing.

—Barb Wilper
Greater St. Louis Chapter

ELLY W. JONES, Member-at-Large, and Life Member, died October 29 at Shelby Baptist Hospital in Helena, Alabama, after a lengthy battle with leukemia. She was a former member of the Bay

Cities Chapter, the Alameda County Chapter and the Clear Lake Chapter. Elly and I started taking flight lessons in 1961. We attended many International Conferences, including one in Canberra, Australia in 1978. When I had lung cancer in 1969, Elly went to school and became a nurse. The two things she was most proud of was being a 99 and being a nurse.

—Roy Jones

MARY LOWE, Greater St. Louis Chapter crossed to New Horizons early in October following a very long illness. She had been unable to participate in Chapter activities for many years.

—Barb Wilper
Greater St. Louis Chapter

Howard F. Wilds, Jr., 49 1/2 of Connie Wilds, Florida Goldcoast Chapter, lost his valiant flight with complications from six major surgeries on August 20 at Kindred Hospital, Coral Gables, Florida.

CLASSIFIEDS

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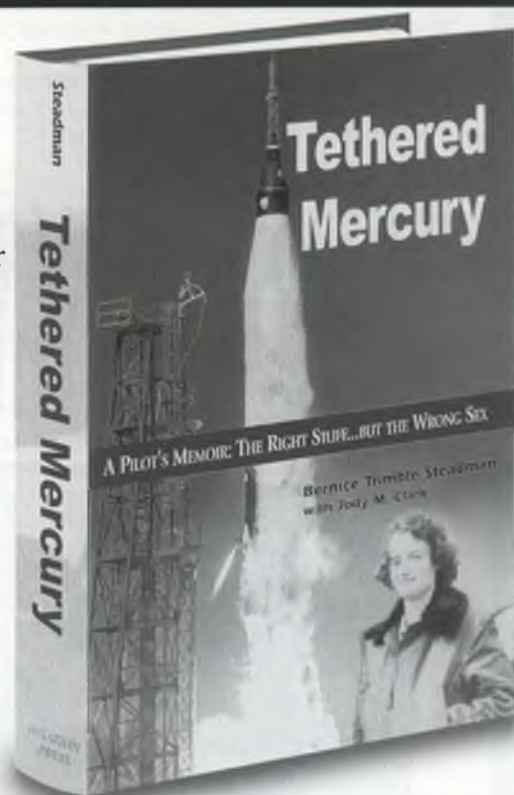
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