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On the Cover

Have you ever visited the smallest state in the nation? This year at the 2012 International Conference, you will discover the magic of Rhode Island — sun, sand, sea, soar, sky, stars — with 400 miles of breathtaking coastline, elegant mansions and superb cuisine. *Travel + Leisure* readers recently voted Providence, the state capital, one of America's Favorite Cities, offering a big city atmosphere yet retaining a small town charm. Tours include nearby Boston and Newport, a culinary exploration of Providence and a catamaran tour of 10 lighthouses.

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PERPETUAL CALENDAR

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MARCH

1 Due date for submissions to the 99 News for the April/May/June 2012 issue.

1 Deadline for submission of reports for the Spring International Board of Directors packet to Headquarters.

10 Across the Channel — Women Unifying Nations, Headcorn Airport, Tenterhen, England to Cote d'Opale Airport (LFAT), LeTouquet, France. For more information, contact Mirielle Goyer, 2live2fly@gmail.com or visit www.womenofaviationweek.org/channel/.

18 Famous & Fun – St. Patrick's Poker Run: Antelope Valley's 22nd annual Poker Run Flight and BBQ. The BBQ will be based at WJF near Lancaster, California. Rain or shine, we always have fabulous prizes, great food and lots of fun. BBQ tickets should be purchased before March 15. We always sell out! Contact Lynne, (626) 484-2898 or Carol, (661) 948-2478, or email lkhsia@aol.com or pncreukauf@verizon.net.

23-24 Spring International Board of Directors meeting, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

29 WASP Luncheon sponsored by The Ninety-Nines, Sun 'n Fun Fly-In at KLAL. Meet & Greet at 11:30 with noon luncheon, \$18. Advance reservations via check or PayPal must be received no later than March 19. On-site reservations can be made through March 27. Mail your reservation and check payable to Nancy Wright, 122 Highland Road, Tarpon Springs, FL 34689, 727-946-1050, wright99@tampabay.rr.com.

31 Elsie MacGill Northern Lights Award submission deadline for its 4th annual Awards. Named after Elsie MacGill, the world's first female aircraft designer, the awards honor outstanding women in aviation and aerospace who have demonstrated determination, perseverance, leadership and courage throughout their careers in four separate categories: Flight Operations/Maintenance, Business, Government and Rising Star. For more information and to nominate a woman in aviation and aerospace for the award, visit www.northernlightsaward.ca.

APRIL

27-29 North Central Section Spring Meeting, Dayton, Ohio, Dayton Marriott, 1414 S. Patterson Blvd. Fly into Dayton International Airport (DAY, commercial/GA) or Dayton-Wright Brothers Airport (MGY, GA). Email m.gardinier@gmail.com.

27-29 South Central Section Spring Meeting, Choctaw Casino Resort, Durant, Oklahoma. Hosted by Wildflower Chapter and South Central Section. Contact Cathy Wappler, cwappler99@hotmail.com.

MAY

4-6 Southeast Spring Section Meeting, Pinehurst, North Carolina. Contact Karen Baskin, golfingpilot@suddenlink.net.

4-6 Southwest Section Spring Meeting, Studio City, California.

JUNE

1 Due date for submissions to the 99 News for the July/August/September 2012 issue.

1-2 East Canada Section Spring Meeting, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada.

15-16 The International Forest of Friendship 36th anniversary ceremonies, Atchison, Kansas. This year's theme is "Flying, Forests and the Future," emphasizing links between green spaces and aviation/aerospace. Another focus is to highlight achievements by younger honorees, so we hope to encourage candidates who are under 35. Visit ifof.org for more information.

JULY

11-15 Ninety-Nines International Conference, Providence, Rhode Island, Marriott Providence Downtown. For Conference information and registration, visit womenpilotsnewengland.org.



AUGUST

23-26 Northwest Section Fall meeting, Walla Walla, Washington.

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JULY Ninety-Nines International Conference, Bozeman, Montana.

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INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE GUEST SPEAKER LT. COL. GRAHAM BUSCHOR

October — 1991

Winter conditions can make nor'easter storms a normal occurrence for New Englanders, bringing strong winds and rain or snow. But this time, a powerful nor'easter created by a rare combination of atmospheric forces over the Atlantic Ocean, including the most powerful event on earth — the hurricane — could not have been worse. Meteorologists watched in horror as three completely independent weather systems off the coast of New England aligned to form a hundred-year event...the "perfect storm."

Listen to a storm-at-sea story that beats them all, as told by one of the two helicopter rescue pilots that ditched in the Atlantic Ocean in the middle of that storm. Lieutenant Colonel Graham Buschor was Commander of the 101st Squadron at the 106th Rescue Wing of the New York Air National Guard on Long Island. Surviving for five hours in the frigid water with over 60-foot seas and 120 mile-per-hour winds before being rescued by a Coast Guard ship, Lt. Col. Buschor will take you into the heart of the storm and describe a pilot's mission to save lives while placing his own life in peril. The episode is detailed in the Sebastian Junger book, *The Perfect Storm*.



View 10 historic lighthouses on one of the 2012 Conference tours.

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Waterfire on the Providence River will be a Saturday night highlight of the Conference.

President's Page

BY SUSAN LARSON, International President

This past holiday season, a season of giving back, I was reminded of a dear 99 friend who passed away not long ago, Fran Grant of the Santa Clara Valley Chapter, a continuous member since 1941. After a stroke in 2000, she never fully recovered and was confined to a wheelchair but always maintained her membership.

Women like these reside in nearly every one of our Chapters, women who are a testament to the passion of flight and to the organization that encouraged them to share that passion. In the years between her stroke and her death, a number of Bay Area Ninety-Nines took Fran flying at least once every year, cruising low along the California coastline, filling her every sense and fulfilling her need for flight.

I want to encourage every member who is 'current' with the requirements of her country's aviation administration to locate these women, whether current or past members, and get them out for a flight as soon as possible. It's all about sharing our passion.

Two new kiosks are up and operating at the Museum of Women Pilots in Oklahoma City. These kiosks were acquired through a \$25,000 grant from the Fleet Family Foundation. In November, MWP Chairman Linda Marshall received the kiosks, and past MWP Chairman Carolyn Smith and husband Larry set them up. One is in the children's area and designed with interactive displays at appropriate grade levels, while the other highlights many aspects of the history of women pilots and features photos from the Museum's collection. Every visit to our Museum in Oklahoma City offers something new, so head on over to Oklahoma, visit our Headquarters and Museum and check out the kiosks.

Also in November 2011, Fran Bera was honored at the National Aeronautic Association's fall awards banquet in Washington, D.C. with the Katherine Wright Award, presented to a "woman who has...made a personal contribution to the advancement of the art, sport and



science of aviation and space flight over an extended period of time." She was the only solo award recipient to receive a standing ovation, and the after-banquet party in her room exhausted the youngest of us. The woman is a dynamo at 86 years young!

Also receiving awards were 99s Carolyn Van Newkirk and Carol Church for their record-setting flight, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma to Mobile, Alabama in a Cessna 182. This record was set during the Air Race Classic over a recognized course in a specific class of aircraft at 153.46 mph.

This year Women of Aviation Week (WOAW) will be celebrated March 5-11 throughout the world. In support of 99 Mirielle Goyer's vision, Ninety-Nines are encouraged to participate, fly a female for an introduction to aviation and log the flight on her website at womenofaviation-week.org. The highlight of this week will be a re-enactment of Harriet Quimby's flight 100 years ago, the first woman to cross the English Channel. In support of the mission, female non-pilots will participate as passengers.

Welcome to our newest Chapter, Sleeping Giant, in the Thunder Bay region of the East Canada Section. With 12 members, eight of them new to The Ninety-Nines, we welcome you and wish you great success in your Chapter and aviation endeavors. We look forward to meeting you soon.



Ninety-Nines Peggy Doyle, left, and Roni MacPherson congratulate Fran Bera, center, after she received the Katherine Wright Award presented by the National Aeronautic Association.

PROVIDENCE

RHODE ISLAND

JULY 11-15, 2012

BY GLENNA BLACKWELL AND PEGGY LOEFFLER
2012 International Conference Co-Chairmen

Location! Location! Location!

Rhode Island may be the smallest state in the union, but it's a big destination! The Providence/Warwick area is the perfect launching pad for day trips throughout New England. Rhode Island's 400 miles of breathtaking coastline, the elegant mansions of Newport, Mystic Seaport and Olde Mystic Village in Connecticut, and historic Boston are all within an hour's drive. A few hours ride will take you further to New York City, Vermont, New Hampshire, Maine or Cape Cod and the popular islands of Martha's Vineyard, Block Island and Nantucket.

Travel + Leisure readers recently voted Providence one of America's Favorite Cities. Big city sophistication with a vibrant arts culture, seven colleges and universities and historic landmarks, Providence retains the graceful charm of a small town. Its compact downtown makes Providence a walkable city with cobblestone streets leading to some of the finest restaurants and historical sites in the country, department stores and boutiques, an array of entertainment options and a lively nightlife.

Flying in? T.F. Green International Airport, just 15 minutes from downtown, boasts a new transportation complex with a glassed-in skywalk giving travelers easy access to rental cars, bus transportation and hotel shuttles. Nearby North Central Airport also serves GA pilots.

Driving? The Marriott Downtown Providence, located just behind the state capitol, is easily accessible from the highway and offers free on-site parking.

However you arrive, the Marriott staff will welcome you to newly-renovated rooms, free wireless Internet, a new fitness center and an on-site spa/salon where they promise to pamper you.

AQUA: an outdoor lounge at the Marriott features an indoor/outdoor pool, fire-pits, intimate spaces and luxurious cabanas. It's an oasis in the middle of the city and the site of our Thursday evening reception.

Ready to explore? Begin at your doorstep — the hotel is within walking distance to downtown, or the hotel shuttle van will take you to your destination. Hopefully, you've worked up an appetite. The state of Rhode Island is the gateway for the freshest seafood, claiming "out of the ocean that morning — on your plate that evening." Providence is home to the world's largest culinary educator, Johnson & Wales University, and has more degreed chefs per capita than any other city in the country.



SUN • SAND • SEA • SOAR • SKY • STARS

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For a taste of Italy, Federal Hill is lined with Italian restaurants, cafes, bakeries and butcher shops. The Food Tour will give you an opportunity to enter the kitchens of Federal Hill and sample recipes, watch ravioli makers and visit bakeries, guided behind the scenes by an expert chef.

Other universities and schools in the city include Ivy League Brown University, Providence College and the renowned Rhode Island School of Design. One of the country's top art and design colleges, the RISD Museum of Art, is a few blocks from the hotel and displays more than 80,000 works, including Greek and Roman sculptures and French Impressionist paintings.

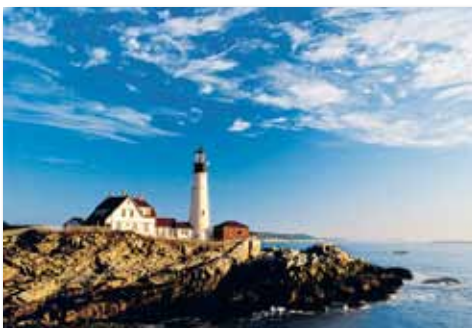
You may choose to stroll down nearby Benefit Street where immaculately preserved homes and buildings reflect Rhode Island's colonial history since its inception in 1636. In nearby Newport, a time capsule of American history, you'll be impressed by some of the 200 homes that are more than 200 years old. History will surround you as you tour the elegant mansions along the majestic shoreline.

Ready for an offshore adventure? Join the 90-minute cruise on Narragansett Bay to view 10 of Rhode Island's most beautiful lighthouses. Or plan your longer excursion to one of the East Coast's famed island resorts of Martha's Vineyard, Nantucket or Block Island.

At Downcity, the heart of Providence's downtown, you can enjoy the modern amenities afforded by the mall at Providence Place and the trendy boutiques on and around Westminster Street. The Rhode Island Convention Center complements the city's historic architecture, and nearby Waterplace Park is surrounded by pedestrian walkways and parks that border the Providence River.

For a truly unique urban experience, we hope WaterFire will light up your Saturday night. The award-winning multi-sensory art installation created by artist Barnaby Evans is Providence's signature event and draws hundreds to the banks of the Providence River during the summer. A series of 100 bonfires lit by torch-bearing fire tenders create a string of fires that blaze above the surface of the water. Extraordinary music from all over the world and street performers add a rich accompaniment to the sounds and senses of the crackling fires and the sweet scent of pine and cedar logs burning. As the artist states, "WaterFire bonfires bring people and light and celebration to the dark streets and silent waterways of Providence, creating a magical evening and a spirit of community."

The New England Section is confident you'll discover your passion with us — whether it's history, arts, music, dining, the sea, sand, stars or sparkling nightlife. Rhode Island's small size means you can take it all in — at the Ninety-Nines 2012 International Conference!



2012 INTERNATIONAL 99s CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Marriott Providence Downtown

1 Orms Street, Providence, Rhode Island

July 10 ~ 15, 2012

Preliminary Schedule - subject to change

Tuesday, July 10

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Tour of Boston Optional

Wednesday, July 11

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Pre-Conference Board of Directors Meeting

Scenic Newport and Breakers Mansion Tour Optional

Registration

Fly Market / Authors' Table / Hospitality

Historic Tour of Providence Optional

Lobster Bake Optional

Thursday, July 12

7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

8:45 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.

9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

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10:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

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4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

6:00 p.m.

Past Governors and Presidents Breakfast..... Optional

Experience Providence Italian Style Optional

Credentials

Registration / Fly Market / Authors' Table

Hospitality

Scenic Newport and Breakers Mansion Tour Optional

Lighthouses Boat Tour Optional

99s Leadership Session

Pre-Business Meeting Communication Session

Welcome Cocktail Reception ~ AQUA Lounge

Friday, July 13

6:30 a.m. - 8:15 a.m.

7:00 a.m. - 8:15 a.m.

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8:30 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Buffet Breakfast

Credentials

Registration

Annual Business Meeting

Tour of Herreshoff Marine Museum and free time in Bristol, RI... Optional

Lighthouses Boat Tour Optional

Fly Market / Authors' Table / Hospitality

Historic Tour of Providence Optional

AEMSF Trustees Meeting

Endowment Trustees Meeting

Cocktail Reception

Annual Awards Banquet

Saturday, July 14

7:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.

9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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6:30 p.m.

Buffet Breakfast

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Seminars

Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarship Awards Luncheon

Post Conference Board of Directors Meeting

Fly Market / Authors' Table / Hospitality

Seminars

Farewell Buffet Dinner / Waterfire

Sunday, July 15

8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Visit Mystic Seaport and Olde Mystic Village Optional





Providence Marriott Downtown



There are many hotels in Providence, but we are confident of our selection of the Providence Marriott Downtown as the best site for our 2012 Conference.

With 351 newly renovated rooms on just six floors, the Marriott's smaller size will allow our group to fill the hotel with 99s during our stay.

A popular gathering place for us will be AQUA ~ the outdoor lounge ~ with a full bar and intimate conversation areas around the pool.

The G. Salon is a full-service salon and spa for both men and women. For a sampling of their services, visit thegspotsalon.com.

The Marriott is located just behind the state capitol and is within walking distance of downtown. The hotel offers free shuttle service to any downtown destination.

It is only 11 miles from T.F. Green International Airport and 8 miles from North Central Airport. Shuttle service to area hotels from T.F. Green Airport is provided by Airport Limousine Service. The shuttle departs daily every hour on the hour from 5 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tickets can be purchased at the kiosk located by the north baggage claim area. Cost for a one-way ticket is \$11. Taxi service is available for approximately \$30. Also inquire about rail transportation.



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2012 INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE TOURS

TUESDAY, JULY 10 — BOSTON TOUR — 9 A.M. TO 5 P.M., \$79 PER PERSON



Upon arrival in Boston, the "Birthplace of American Revolution," a tour guide will board the motor coach and conduct a driving tour of the city. There will be opportunities to visit the campus of Harvard University Law School, Beacon Hill and the Old North Church, made famous by Paul Revere's ride. (Walking stops are dependent on traffic and tour timing.)

After the tour, guests will have free time to dine and shop at Faneuil Hall, located near the waterfront and today's Government Center. It has been a marketplace and a meeting hall since 1742. It is now part of Boston National Historical Park and a well known stop on the Freedom Trail.

Includes: A tour escort for the day, private charter of a motor coach from the Marriott Downtown Providence, a step-on guide for the narrated driving and walking tour of Boston, plus all applicable taxes and gratuities. Cost of meal is not included. Minimum 30 persons.

WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY, JULY 11 & 12 — NEWPORT TOUR INCLUDING BREAKERS MANSION — 10 A.M. TO 3 P.M., \$79 PER PERSON

A visit to Newport would not be complete without a tour of the area, including the colonial section, with its many authentic historical buildings and restored homes...the world famous Ten Mile Ocean Drive, renowned for the rugged beauty of its spectacular coastline...and Bellevue Avenue, the most magnificent collection of homes in the country, where the millionaires built their fabulous "summer cottages."

The famous Breakers Mansion, Newport's most palatial summer residence, was built for Cornelius Vanderbilt. The symmetry of design, opulence and lavish use of alabaster, marble, mosaics and antique woods rival the magnificent northern Italian Renaissance palaces after which it was modeled. This seventy-room mansion has a spectacular view overlooking the Atlantic Ocean. The new audio tour will take visitors into several previously unseen areas and share stories about the Vanderbilt family and their servants that have never been heard before. Free time will be available in downtown Newport for shopping. The city-by-the-sea's historic waterfront downtown is filled with cobblestone shopping wharves lined with antique stores, art galleries, resort clothing shops and boutique shops.



Includes: A tour escort for the day, private charter of a motor coach from the Marriott Downtown Providence, a step-on guide for scenic narrated tour of Newport, admission fee and audio tour of Breakers Mansion, free time for shopping in downtown Newport, plus all applicable taxes and gratuities. Minimum 30 persons.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 11 — LOBSTER BAKE — 6 P.M. TO 9 P.M., \$65 PER PERSON

Join us for a traditional New England Lobster Bake at the Edgewood Yacht Club, one of the oldest clubs on the Providence Harbor, originally founded in 1887. The Club is located only six miles south of the Marriott in Cranston, Rhode Island. Dinner includes lobster or BBQ chicken, New England clam chowder, steamed clams, corn on the cob, cole slaw, watermelon, dessert, iced tea and coffee. Full bar available (not included). Relax under the tent 10 feet from the water!

Includes: transportation.



THURSDAY, JULY 12 — PROVIDENCE: ITALIAN STYLE — 8:45 A.M. TO 12:45 P.M., \$139 PER PERSON

This tour boasts Providence's heavy Italian influence and unique experiences guaranteed to captivate you. Enjoy a behind the scenes tour provided by a renowned chef that will provide intoxicating sights, smells and the tastes of Italy! Mario Batali describes Federal Hill as "One of the top 10 Little Italy's in America." Experience an old-style bakery, a chef-owned restaurant and perhaps an infamous market. From there a Providence tour guide will stroll with you through the heart of the beautiful "downcity," exploring sculpture, architecture, history, and geography, all with an Italian connection. And, what would an Italian experience be like without food? Enjoy tasting samples along the way on Federal Hill. *Travel + Leisure* magazine voted Providence as one of "America's Favorite Cities." Please wear comfortable shoes.

Includes: A tour escort for the day, private charter of a motor coach from the Marriott Downtown Providence to Federal Hill, private behind the scenes tour of Federal Hill artisan shops and bakeries, sampling of local foods throughout the tour, private guide for walking narrated tour of downcity, plus all applicable taxes and gratuities. Minimum 12 persons.



THURSDAY & FRIDAY, JULY 12 & 13 — RHODE ISLAND LIGHTHOUSES BOAT TOUR —1 P.M. to 5 P.M., \$69 PER PERSON

The Rhode Island Lighthouses tour will take you throughout Narragansett Bay bringing you up close to historic Rhode Island lighthouses. You will be visiting 10 historic lighthouses: Poplar Point, Plum Beach, Dutch Island, Whale Rock, Beavertail, Castle Hill, Lime Rock (Ida Lewis Yacht Club), Newport Harbor (Goat Island), Rose Island and Conanicut. Don't forget to bring your camera and binoculars! Enjoy the tour on the largest, most luxurious sightseeing catamaran in all of New England, The Millennium. The vessel has three viewing levels, outside sun deck seating and climate controlled interior seating. Light fare and beverages are available on board.

Includes: Meet and greet service at the Marriott Downtown Providence Hotel, private charter of a motor coach, tickets aboard the Millennium Catamaran for tour of Rhode Island lighthouses (public tour), all applicable tax and gratuities. Minimum 30 persons.



FRIDAY, JULY 13 — HERRESHOFF MARINE MUSEUM AND DOWNTOWN BRISTOL — 9 A.M. to NOON, \$85 PER PERSON



Upon arriving in Bristol, the group will tour The Herreshoff Marine Museum and America's Cup Hall of Fame. The museum is dedicated to the education and inspiration of the public through presentations of the history and innovative work of the Herreshoff Manufacturing Company and the America's Cup competition. The Museum, bordering beautiful Narragansett Bay, is one of the nation's most important historic maritime treasures. The America's Cup Hall of Fame honors individuals who have made outstanding contributions to yachting's most distinguished competition.

Includes: A tour escort for the day, private charter of a mini coach from the Marriott Downtown Providence, admission and tour of the Herreshoff Marine Museum and American's Cup Hall of Fame, free time on own in downtown Bristol, plus all applicable taxes and gratuities. Minimum 15 persons.

WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY, JULY 11 & 13 — PROVIDENCE TOUR, JOHN BROWN HOUSE AND RISD MUSEUM — 2 P.M. to 5 P.M., \$90 PER PERSON

Rhode Island's capital city of Providence is truly a historic gem. You'll find it's a town with a fascinating past, worthy of a Spielberg epic. Your guide will meet you at the hotel to begin a brief driving tour of the city. Continue on to the John Brown House, an 18th century Federal mansion. Completed in 1788, this National Registered Landmark was one of America's grandest mansions and was home to John Brown, a businessman, patriot, politician, China Trade pioneer and slave trader who participated in the debates and practices that shaped the new nation and the world. Last stop is Benefit Street, "Mile of History" to the Rhode Island School of Design. The RISD's Art Museum is Rhode Island's leading museum of fine and decorative arts. With more than 85,000 works of art to appreciate, it contains something for everyone. The artwork encompasses some of the finest examples worldwide.

Includes: A tour escort for the day, private charter of a motor coach from the Marriott Downtown Providence, a step-on guide for the narrated driving of Providence, admission fee and guided tour of the John Brown House, admission fee and self guided tour of RISD Art Museum, plus all applicable taxes and gratuities. Minimum 30 persons.

SUNDAY, JULY 15 — VISIT MYSTIC SEAPORT AND OLDE MYSTIC VILLAGE — 8 A.M. to 3 P.M., \$115 PER PERSON

The tour will begin at Mystic Seaport, the museum of America and the sea. A private guided tour of the seaport, including highlights of the museum showing the seaport then and now. You will be escorted through the village, visiting the historic and seafaring buildings that made the Seaport such a valuable resource. The group will also tour the shipyard where they can see the final restoration stages of the Charles W Morgan, the last sailing wooden whaling ship, built in 1841. Following the tour you will have free time on own to explore the remainder of the seaport. Climb aboard an historic tall ship, explore exhilarating exhibits or take more time to see the working shipyard in action. After the tour, guests will be transported to Olde Mystic Village for free time on your own. Take a step back into the 1700s and experience early American charm and beauty. You can linger in more than 40 quaint shops, which may feature many unique items from around the world found only at Olde Mystic Village. Or visit the Mystic Aquarium where you will encounter ocean animals in an exciting new way – no scuba gear required! Reach in and touch a ray, go beak-to-nose with a penguin and feel the splash of a beluga whale. Meet a variety of animals, from African penguins and Steller sea lions to sharks and blue-tongued skinks.

Includes: A tour escort for the day, private charter of a motor coach from the Marriott Downtown Providence, admission fee to Mystic Seaport, private guided tour of Mystic Seaport, including Mystic Museum and shipyard, free time to explore the seaport on own, drop off for free time for shopping in Mystic Village or the aquarium (on own), plus all applicable taxes and gratuities.

Minimum 30 persons.



REGISTRATION / RESERVATIONS

Ninety-Nines International Conference

July 11-15, 2012

Marriott Providence Downtown, Providence, RI

DEADLINE FOR ON TIME REGISTRATION
AND RESERVATIONS:
JUNE 1, 2012

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Last Name _____ First _____ Name on Badge _____

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City _____ State/Province _____ Country _____ Zip Code _____

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Chapter _____ Section _____



If you have special needs, please attach a separate letter.

1. **MEETING REGISTRATION** (Please mark the appropriate Registration below.) **Full Registration** Includes: Welcome Packet, Option to Take Tours, Hospitality Room, Fly Market, Authors' Table, Seminars, Welcome Cocktail Reception, AEMSFS Luncheon, two Buffet Breakfasts, Comm Session, Annual Business Meeting, Keynote Speaker, Awards Banquet, and Farewell Dinner. **One-Day Registration** includes: Welcome Packet, Option to Take Tours, Hospitality Room, Fly Market and as shown per day.

99s FULL REGISTRATION:

	Deadline Date	Rate
____ Early Registration	March 30	\$320
____ On-Time Registration	June 1	\$335
____ Late Registration	After June 1	\$355

ONE-DAY REGISTRATION:

	Rate	Includes:
____ Thursday, July 12	\$100	Welcome Cocktail Reception
____ Friday, July 13	\$175	Breakfast, Awards Banquet
____ Saturday, July 14	\$200	Breakfast, AEMSFS Lunch, Dinner

Awards Banquet Menu Selection: ____ Beef ____ Fish ____ Vegetarian

AEMSFS Lunch Menu Selection: ____ Check if Vegetarian Preference

WOMEN'S APPAREL WITH CONFERENCE LOGO:

_____ \$22 Sleeveless Pique Polo	<input type="checkbox"/> Blue	<input type="checkbox"/> White	<input type="checkbox"/> S	<input type="checkbox"/> M	<input type="checkbox"/> L	<input type="checkbox"/> XL	
_____ \$24 Classic Pima Pique Polo	<input type="checkbox"/> Blue	<input type="checkbox"/> White	<input type="checkbox"/> S	<input type="checkbox"/> M	<input type="checkbox"/> L	<input type="checkbox"/> XL	<input type="checkbox"/> 2XL
_____ \$18 Classic Tee	<input type="checkbox"/> Blue	<input type="checkbox"/> White	<input type="checkbox"/> S	<input type="checkbox"/> M	<input type="checkbox"/> L	<input type="checkbox"/> XL	<input type="checkbox"/> 2XL
_____ \$22 Hanes Classic Long Sleeve	<input type="checkbox"/> Black	<input type="checkbox"/> White	<input type="checkbox"/> S	<input type="checkbox"/> M	<input type="checkbox"/> L	<input type="checkbox"/> XL	<input type="checkbox"/> 2XL

Samples can be viewed at womenpilotsnewengland.org

GUEST REGISTRATION: Includes Name Badge & Holder, Schedule, Welcome Packet, Option to Take Tours, Seminars, Hospitality Room, Authors' Table and Fly Market. Guests' registration is required in order to purchase activities below:

	Rate	# Persons
GUEST (NON-99) REGISTRATION:	\$15	_____
Thurs, 7/12 Welcome Cocktail Reception	\$39	_____
Fri, 7/13 Pre-meeting Breakfast	\$30	_____
Fri, 7/13 Awards Banquet	\$75	_____
Sat, 7/14 Buffet Breakfast	\$30	_____
Sat, 7/14 AEMSFS Luncheon	\$50	_____
Sat, 7/14 Farewell Buffet Dinner	\$60	_____

Select: ____ Beef ____ Fish ____ Vegetarian

____ Check if Vegetarian Preference

Total Registration Fees: \$ _____

Please check all that apply:

____ First International Meeting	____ Current Section Governor	____ Trust Board
____ Associate Member	____ Past Section Governor	____ 2012 AE Scholarship Winner
____ Chapter Chair	____ International Board	____ Past AE Scholarship Winner
____ Section Officer	____ Past Int'l President	____ AWTAR Alumna
	____ International Committee	____ ARC Alumna

2. **HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS:** Marriott Providence Downtown

Deluxe Guest Room @\$149 # of rooms needed : _____ Concierge Level Room @ \$179 # of rooms needed : _____

Arrival: _____ Departure: _____ # of nights: _____ # in room: _____

Special Request : _____

*If sharing the room with another 99s member, please provide the name _____
I need a roommate. _____ (NOTE: TPI will not assign roommates but will provide contact information to each person requesting assistance in finding a roommate).

3. **AIRLINE RESERVATIONS:** (Please mark as appropriate below and complete any information required.)

Please quote air transportation from (city) _____ arrive in Providence on (date) _____

and return on (date) _____. Airline Preference (if any) _____

Frequent Flyer # _____ Seating Preference: _____ Window _____ Aisle _____

4. **PRIVATE AIRCRAFT INFORMATION:** Type of Aircraft _____ Registration # _____

Arrival Date _____ ETA _____ Departure Date _____ ETD _____

Airport: T.F. Green (PVD) _____ North Central (SFZ) _____

5. **OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES:** (Per person based on 2011 rates and subject to change) (Please check tour & indicate # of persons.)

(Tour prices inclusive of taxes, gratuities, and transportation where appropriate.)

Tuesday, July 10

• Boston Tour (9:00am – 5:00pm) @ \$79 x _____ person/s \$ _____

Wednesday, July 11

• Newport and Breakers Mansion Tour (10:00am – 3:00pm) @ \$79 x _____ person/s \$ _____

• Providence Tour, John Brown House, RISD Museum (2:00pm-5:00pm) @ \$90 x _____ person/s \$ _____

• Lobster Bake (6:00pm-9:00pm) @ \$65 x _____ person/s \$ _____

Thursday, July 12

• Experience Providence – Italian Style (8:45am – 12:45pm) @ \$139 x _____ person/s \$ _____

• Newport and Breakers Mansion Tour (10:00am – 3:00pm) @ \$79 x _____ person/s \$ _____

• Lighthouses Boat Tour (1:00pm-4:30pm) @ \$69 x _____ person/s \$ _____

Friday, July 13

• Herreshoff Marine Museum & Downtown Bristol Tour (9:00am-12:00pm) @ \$85 x _____ person/s \$ _____

• Lighthouses Boat Tour (1:00pm-4:30pm) @ \$69 x _____ person/s \$ _____

• Providence Tour, John Brown House, RISD Museum (2:00pm-5:00pm) @ \$90 x _____ person/s \$ _____

Sunday, July 15

• Visit Mystic Seaport and Olde Mystic Village (8:00am-3:00pm) @ \$115 x _____ person/s \$ _____

Total for Optional Activities: \$ _____

6. **SUMMARY/METHOD OF PAYMENT**

1. Registration \$ _____

2. Marriott Providence Downtown; one night deposit required per room (only if paying by check)* \$ _____

5. Optional Activities \$ _____

TOTAL CHARGES: \$ _____

***NOTE: Hotel will guarantee reservation to credit card provided and payment will be made upon checkout.**

____ Check Enclosed (Make check payable to: Travel Planners) ____ Pay by credit card:

Select credit card: ____ Visa ____ MasterCard ____ American Express ____ Discover

Account #: _____ Exp: _____ Security Code: _____

Billing Name: _____

Signature: _____

NOTE: If you wish to make payment with more than one credit card, please provide credit card information and a detailed letter of explanation. **I have read and understand the deposit, change and cancellation policies as listed below.**

Signature _____ Date _____

DEPOSIT POLICIES: REGISTRATION: Full prepayment at time of booking. **HOTEL:** Credit card required to guarantee reservation or 1 night room and tax if paying by check.

OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES: Full prepayment at time of booking. **AIR RESERVATIONS:** Full prepayment at time of booking. Air fares quoted are not guaranteed until payment is received.

CANCELLATION POLICIES: REGISTRATION: Registration must be made in writing via online or by completing the written form (submitted by fax, email scan or mail).

Registration refunds: If cancellation is received in writing postmarked on or before **May 31, 2012**, full refund less \$25; postmarked between **June 1 and June 15, 2012**, full refund less \$75; NO refunds will be given after **June 15, 2012**. Paid registrations must be received at Travel Planners, Inc. no later than **June 1, 2012**.

HOTEL: \$50 at any time: After **June 1, 2012** plus one night room and tax. **OPTIONAL TOURS:** After **June 1, 2012:** no refund.

Documented emergencies will be considered.

Ninety-Nines Elections 2012

BY TRISH SAUVÉ
Election Procedures Chairman

It will soon be time to vote for a new President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and two Directors. We will also be electing the Nominating Committee and many Trustees. A ballot will be mailed to you no later than March 1, 2012 and must be postmarked by May 1, 2012 to be counted. Please make sure Headquarters has your current address on file now, don't delay. PLEASE VOTE!

PRESIDENT (1)

PAT THEBERGE

Eastern New England Chapter
New England Section

A WASP introduced me to The Ninety-Nines one day before my Private check ride in 1989. It seems like just yesterday, but 22 years of participation and service to the organization have led me to places and people I would never have imagined. My past leadership in The Ninety-Nines has included Chapter and Section Offices, including Governor and Council of Governors' Spokesperson and six years of experience on the International Board of Directors as Director, Secretary and currently as Vice-President.

My leadership training includes a University of Massachusetts Fellowship from the Center for Collaborative Leadership with an emphasis on Non-Profit Organizations. My non-aviation background has been focused on Project Management, which involves business knowledge, problem solving, task completion, communication, team building and collaboration, all skills that I will utilize while leading The Ninety-Nines.

The International Board of Directors has been focused on increasing membership, increasing benefits, assuring financial stability, planning for the future and maintaining our legacy. In these ever challenging times, I will maintain that focus by finding resources, tools and technologies that will improve communications with members and the aviation community, maintaining a business model that will allow us to thrive, and listen to you, the membership, to find the right direction for the future.

I am amazed by women who formed The Ninety-Nines and thrilled to know you, who are part of it today. It would be an honor to serve as your President for the next term.



MARTHA PHILLIPS

Ventura County Chapter
Southwest Section

After earning my private pilot certificate, I joined The Ninety-Nines in 1996. Since that time The Ninety-Nines organization has been a big part of my life. I have served the Ventura County Chapter as Secretary, Chapter Chairman and Membership Chairman, and served on many committees including Budget, Nominating and Girl Scout Day. I have been very active in our Chapter's fundraising activities that have provided benefit to the entire organization through major donations.

At the Section level, I have served as Treasurer, Governor and recently as Co-Chair of the 2010 International Conference in Hawaii.

At the International level, I have served on the Council of Governors, Finance Committee, Nominating Committee, and am currently International Treasurer.

As a volunteer organization, The Ninety-Nines depends on the strengths of its members. My varied background in the business world includes corporate management, sales and marketing and teaching positions. Prior to my retirement three years ago, I owned and was president of a successful, profitable business for 20 years. My strengths include the abilities to manage a corporation, to deal with administrative and personnel issues and to understand and apply financial principles to sustain controlled growth and profitability.

I have the skills and the time to work toward financial stability, membership growth and retention, and bringing us to the forefront of the aviation community as the international organization for women pilots. It would be an honor and a privilege to serve as your President.



VICE PRESIDENT (1)

FRANCES LUCKHART

Tulsa Chapter
South Central Section

I joined The Ninety-Nines in 1992. Since joining, I have served as South Central Treasurer, Vice Governor and Governor. I have also served on the International level as Director and Secretary and various International committees. All of these positions have afforded me the experience that is necessary to understand the needs of our ever-changing and growing worldwide organization. As we continue to change, we must remember that we are a strong organization, one that is highly recognized in the aviation industry and the outside world.

During my tenure on the International Board, I, along with other Board members, had to address the financial stability of our organization. Thus, prudent decisions were made to keep us moving forward through tough economic times. By implementing some temporary adjustments to our membership benefits and securing a tenant for our rental building, we achieved that sought after financial stability.

It has always been my goal to strive for a unity of purpose for The Ninety-Nines. The future of our organization depends on our members, new and seasoned, each holding dear a pride of ownership. I, too, am proud to be a Ninety-Nine, and I look forward to the opportunity of serving again as your International Vice President.

Thank you very much for your vote!



JAN MCKENZIE

Colorado Chapter
South Central Section

The Ninety-Nines' most valuable asset is its members. As International Director, one of my top priorities has been retaining members and recruiting new ones. We must support local Chapters to ensure their stability and growth while forming new Sections throughout the world.

We have made great progress in making our organization financially viable. To ensure our future, we must continue this effort as well as grow our Endowment Fund. The Ninety-Nines represent women in many areas of aviation, from NASA astronauts to women who just love to fly. We must serve them all.

The International Vice-President serves as the liaison for the International Conference and to all Governors. As the 2007 International Conference Chair, I have the experience to work efficiently with the future Conference Chairmen and our outside planners. Also, as past South Central Governor, I have worked with Governors around the globe.

As a SEL pilot with instrument and commercial helicopter ratings, I have flown over 2,400 hours. As an electrical engineer and corporate division director, I have experience in setting goals, organizing teams and managing large organizations.

In 1974, I became active at the Chapter level serving as Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Treasurer. I have held the Section offices of Governor, Vice-Governor, Treasurer and Director. I have a passion for The Ninety-Nines, what they represent and what they have accomplished. Each position has increased my knowledge and experience and has created opportunities for new friendships. I would appreciate your vote and would be honored to serve as International Vice-President.



SECRETARY (1)

CYNTHIA MADSEN

Chicago Area Chapter
North Central Section

I have been active in The Ninety-Nines and Chicago Area Chapter since 1986 and have served at the Chapter, Section and International levels as an officer, chairman of committees or organizer of events. I am a current pilot, hold a commercial, CFI-A, CFI-I, and I am an appreciative past AE Scholarship recipient. My Piper Cherokee has been to Halifax and Winnipeg, both U.S. coasts and many points in between, most times to Section and International meetings.

Secretary is an important position in any organization, and I have the experience and qualifications for the job. I have served as secretary for The Ninety-Nines at Chapter and Section levels, as well as various other organizations and companies, both aviation and non-aviation related, using my proficiency in shorthand and typing.

The Ninety-Nines is exceptional in the aviation community for many reasons, not the least of which is the camaraderie, support and mentoring we provide to women pilots. We need to find new ways to reach out to those thousands of women pilots and potential women pilots who may not know about The Ninety-Nines. We also need to be able to utilize the latest in current technology to communicate, assist and advance women in aviation.

I am proud to be a Ninety-Nine and appreciate opportunities to be of service to the organization that has enriched my life in so many ways. If elected, I will do my best to fulfill my role as a member of the Board.



TREASURER (1)

LESLIE INGHAM

Santa Clara Valley Chapter
Southwest Section

Although I received my private pilot certificate in 1963, almost 40 years passed before I joined The Ninety-Nines. I had no idea there was such a wonderful group of absolutely amazing women pilots. I have been a member for 10 years now and have received much value for the time I have committed.

I would like to see our visibility increase in order to attract more members. Mentoring new pilots is important for the long-term health of the organization. Financial stability is also critical, especially in these uncertain times.

As a Ninety-Nine, I have been Treasurer of Santa Clara Valley Chapter since 2003. Before joining The Ninety-Nines, I was Commander of Squadron 80, Civil Air Patrol and have also served as treasurer of numerous other aviation and non-aviation organizations.

Professionally, I am a CPA and a financial planner. I founded my own CPA firm in 1981 and my financial services firm in 2000. I work with a broad range of clients, including businesses, estates and trusts.



DIRECTOR (2)

MALINDA "LIN" CAYWOOD

Sugarloaf Chapter
Mid-Atlantic Section

My name is Lin Caywood. I am an 800+ hour single-engine land and sea private pilot with an instrument rating. I enjoy flying my 2007 Cessna 182, nicknamed 'Freakin Awesome,' out of my home airport in Frederick, Maryland for fun, for charitable efforts, to promote The Ninety-Nines, to race in the Air Race Classic and to build my skills as a pilot. I have been a member of The Ninety-Nines since 2003 and a member of the Sugarloaf Chapter where I was a charter member since 2005. I have held officer or other major support positions in my Chapter continuously since 2005 and served the Mid-Atlantic Section from 2007-2010 as the Secretary and Treasurer.

I would like to serve as an International Director because I feel that my years of experience in operational management will assist the board with continuing to grow and adapt to our members' needs as well as help plan for the organization's future.

My BA in History from Hood College and time spent as a museum curator also provided skills relevant to understanding and appreciating the special needs associated with preserving the unique history that our sister pilots have left for us to treasure and enjoy.

I feel I can be a good leader and ambassador for the organization and look forward to serving the Ninety-Nines at the international level.



DIANNE LAUREN COLE

San Joaquin Valley Chapter
Southwest Section

The Ninety-Nines have a special and intense place in my heart. Besides the joy of flying, I love seeing my best friends (some of whom I had never met before) at various Ninety-Nines meetings.

Having served most offices at the Chapter level, including Chapter Chairman and then as Director and Vice-Governor of the Southwest Section, I am looking forward to using my experience to serve as your next International Director. It would seem fitting that an International officer speak more than one language: I am fluent in English, Russian and German.

This is an exciting and challenging time, and I will use my experience from having owned small and medium-sized firms as well as founding an aviation-associated nonprofit organization to benefit The Ninety-Nines. Public outreach, advocacy and lobbying government officials and industry leaders are all skills I have employed in the various positions.

In 2006, I was the recipient of the Achievement Award for preventing Buchanan Field in Concord, California from closing. After founding and organizing a nonprofit to fight this affront to aviation, I lobbied U.S. Senators Dianne Feinstein and Barbara Boxer, House of Representatives George Miller and various officials, never giving up. After almost three years of battle, we won. I will apply the same perseverance in my duties as your Director.

The Ninety-Nines have given me so much that I look forward to continuing to serve this great organization. I now ask for your support and your vote. Thank you.



NOMINATING COMMITTEE (5)

ALANNA MCCLELLAN

Lake Tahoe Chapter
Southwest Section

I have been a member of the Lake Tahoe Chapter for the past 24 years and have served as Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer. After attending my first Section Meeting in San Jose, I realized how much fun it was to be with so many interesting women pilots. The World Precision Flying Competition in Ft. Worth, Texas introduced me to another aspect of how The Ninety-Nines could have fun working together. I helped out in the hospitality room and enjoyed meeting with the competitors from all over the world.

Since then I have been to many International Conferences and have helped with the Credential Committee. Helping out at Oshkosh and AOPA events has been another way of introducing people to The Ninety-Nines.

Because I have been meeting Ninety-Nines from other Sections, I feel I can help nominate women who can continue to serve and meet the goals of our wonderful organization of women pilots.



KATHLEEN (KATHY) FOX

Ontario Chapter
East Canada Section

It's crucial that a large, international organization like The Ninety-Nines find dedicated enthusiastic, experienced and talented leaders to serve on the Board of Directors, as well as the various Committees and Trusts. These groups play a key role in setting our course for the future and ensuring the long term health and viability of The Ninety-Nines.

The Nominating Committee must play a significant role in helping to find the best individuals for these elected positions. I believe it's essential that members of the Nominating Committee have a broad and objective understanding of the types of skills needed and how best to reach out and encourage talented members to run for office.

I have over 40 years experience in aviation as a sport parachutist, air traffic controller, commercial pilot, flight instructor/examiner, manager and senior executive. During my career, I have developed skills in human resources and succession planning, negotiations, team building, conflict resolution and public speaking.

I have been a member of The Ninety-Nines for 30 years and held positions at both the Chapter and Section levels. I would be honored and pleased to contribute further to our great organization by serving as a member of the Nominating Committee.

Thank you very much for your consideration of my candidacy.



LINDA MATHIAS

Hampton Roads Chapter
Mid-Atlantic Section

As a member since 1973 and active on the Chapter and Section levels, I understand how important it is for our officers to be dedicated, hardworking individuals. Attending the past several International Board of Directors' meetings has made me aware of how hard Ninety-Nines Officers and Directors work for our members.

I wish to serve on the Nominating Committee in order to recruit the best possible candidates for office. The future of our organization is so important that we must elect the right candidates; success towards that goal is dependent on the quality of the nominated candidates. I hope to represent you at this important level so we can grow our organization and utilize the talents of our most capable members.



NOMINATING COMMITTEE (5)... continued

LISA COTHAM PIZANI

New Orleans Chapter
Southeast Section

For 24 years, The Ninety-Nines has been a major part of my life. My reason for joining was camaraderie with other women pilots and being part of an organization with a history that includes Amelia Earhart. My reason for remaining a member continues to be the amazing friends I have made, the ability to contribute to furthering our 83-year history, to support our efforts to preserve and present that history and the positive impact we create for our members and the aviation community. All of these efforts are driven by the elected officers and trustees of this organization who must possess the talent, skill and dedication vital in contributing to the success of this organization.

I am fortunate to have served as an International Director, International Committee Chairman, Museum Trustee, Governor, Section officer and committee chairman, and Chapter Chairman and committee chairman. I have met members from around the globe, some of whom may just be waiting to be asked to serve or may not know that there is a need.

As a member of the Nominating Committee, I will seek members with the foresight needed to lead us into the future. I bring firsthand experience with the operations of The Ninety-Nines that will position me to answer questions about the responsibilities of the elective positions. I will encourage members to become involved, sharing the many benefits they will reap by giving back to The Ninety-Nines.



JOAN KERWIN

Chicago Area Chapter
North Central Section

In February, 2012, I will have been a proud Ninety-Nine for 42 years. This has been an exciting, fulfilling time of learning new responsibilities through serving on different committees and in different offices. I have worked with all levels of membership, from Chicago Area Chapter Chair, one of the largest Chapters, Governor of one of the largest Sections to International Director. I also initiated and chaired the International Legislation Committee for 11 years; chaired Bylaws/Standing Rules four years; and the Nominating Committee four years, two as Chairman.

I have attended four International Conferences and over 100 Section meetings in all parts of the U.S. and Canada. I have had the privilege to meet and know Ninety-Nines from all over the world and have hosted members from Italy, France and New Zealand. Attendance at International Board meetings for many years as an International Committee Chair and as Director has given me insight into what is required of your Officers and Directors, while my ability to travel to various Section meetings has kept me in touch with the membership.

My travels over the years have enabled me to meet many of the dedicated, talented women in this organization. As a member of the Nominating Committee, I will have the opportunity to encourage these women to seek office and have their talents recognized.



AEMSF (1)

ELLEN HERRING

Chicago Area Chapter
North Central Section

As a member of The Ninety-Nines for 37 years and having been affiliated with five different Chapters, I have come to see the importance of aiding those women who need some assistance in achieving their aviation goals in life.

Before becoming an AEMSF Trustee in 2009, I had no idea just how much was involved in administering the Trust, selecting and keeping track of the scholarship winners and resolving numerous challenges to keep The Ninety-Nines pressing forward. But the work is a labor of love, and now that I have experience on the Trust, I look forward to another term as AEMSF Trustee to continue to use my acquired skills where they are needed most.

My professional background as a systems analyst in the loan industry has given me a broad financial picture of the needs and expenses faced by people wanting an education.

In this down economy, it is imperative that we reach into the general aviation community to find ambitious student pilots and give them a boost. Also, many of our professional pilots are struggling to find a niche for themselves. From experience, we have learned that many women need just that one little push to get them back on the airways to success. Through the Ninety-Nines and the AEMSF Trust, we can continue to encourage women pilots worldwide to expand their aerospace horizons.



ENDOWMENT FUND (3)

VIRGINIA C. HARMER

San Gabriel Valley Chapter
Southwest Section

I have been privileged, as an Endowment Fund Trustee, to see the Fund exceed the half-way mark. Now, I want to see it reach its goal of one million dollars.



The Endowment Fund is our future. It will enable us to keep dues and expenses low, allow us to apply for grants and take on future projects.

Working for a brokerage firm while attending college helped me to see what it takes to make money grow. We have a strategic plan in place, and it is working well, but we still need the input from every Ninety-Nine, whether it is \$1 or \$10 or \$100 a month.

The Endowment Fund has a strong and committed group of women working for you, and I would like to continue as a Trustee to keep the momentum going and look for new ways to attain our goal. Promoting membership with lower dues, Providing for our infrastructure, and Preserving our heritage will be so much easier with the Endowment Fund fully funded. Thank you for the opportunity to serve this unique organization.

ANDREA CHAY

Greater Seattle Chapter
Northwest Section

I am running for a second term for the Endowment Fund Trustee because I believe we are well on our way to our million dollar goal, and I would like to see us meet our mark while on the Board. I believe the Endowment Fund is the LIFE blood of our organization. Without a firm financial foundation, our organization will continue to crumble, and we will not be able to continue and expand our programs as we must in order to survive!



I've been a Ninety-Nine member since 1981 and will always be a Ninety-Nine member, even when I'm not flying. The Endowment Fund is a simple concept, one that we need to get everyone to understand. I do not have a heavy financial background, but I understand that a little bit of donation now will reap rewards to let our wonderful Ninety-Nines continue into the future.

I am currently bookkeeper for our van pool. I have been Chapter Ways and Means Chairman, Membership Chairman and Chapter Chairman for the Houston Chapter, and currently I am Chairman for the Greater Seattle Chapter. On the Section level, I am the Vice Governor of the Northwest Section, and I have served as Nominating Committee Chairman. Internationally, I served as International Membership Chairman.

I look forward to continuing to work with the forward-thinking individuals on this committee to bring the idea to all members, and outside the organization, to gain contributions. We need to grow the Endowment Fund so it can be the base for all the rest of The Ninety-Nines organizations and to do the work it is designed to do!

JUDITH ANNE BOLKEMA-TOKAR

North Jersey Chapter
New York-New Jersey Section

I believe this organization must have a firm financial base, and I also believe that financial base must be The Ninety-Nines Endowment Fund. The trust



has achieved recognition, validity, accountability and reliability. A small, but loyal, group of members, Chapters and Sections are regularly contributing to the fund.

No organization of our size can continue to function on dues alone. The Ninety-Nines Inc. ability to finance projects and operational expenses is strained beyond belief. We desperately need an alternate income. As most large institutions have accepted, an endowment fund is the answer to the income required to manage a non-profit organization.

Over the past 13 years, The Ninety-Nines Endowment Fund has raised 60 percent of the target sum of \$1,000,000 set by resolution of the Board of Directors in 1997. When the fund reaches \$1,000,000, all earned income, and only earned income, will be available for use by The Ninety-Nines Inc., Board of Directors. The \$1,000,000 principal will remain intact.

In 1996, I worked with Doris Abbate to lay groundwork for the fund, and starting with the first election in 1998, I have served the trust as Vice Chairman for four years and Chairman for four years. Now, after taking a year off to move to another state, I wish to return to the Trust to help complete the job of securing a reliable alternate income for our organization.

AEBM (2)

JERRY ANNE JURENKA

Texas Dogwood Chapter
South Central Section

I sent in my application to be a Ninety-Nine the day I passed my checkride in 1984, and it changed my life from all business to "I'd rather be flying!" My fascination with Amelia Earhart started soon after, and I am still amazed at her influence on many aspects of American life and our continued fascination with the mystery of her death. I am one of the lucky ones who were able to go on an expedition to the South Pacific in 1999 with the TIGHAR team in search of her airplane. I was both a working team member (Have machete, will travel!) and an expedition sponsor. It intensified my feeling of kinship for her and brought her even more to life for me. I want to bring her to life for everyone else.

I feel I can partner my enthusiasm for Amelia with my experience on many boards and governing bodies to build on the work of previous Trustees. I hope you do, too. My work experience is mostly management and accounting, but since 1985, my experience has been as a full-time volunteer for civic and non-profit groups, leadership training and service to NIFA and The Ninety-Nines.



BETH OLIVER

El Paso Chapter
South Central Section

Being both a pilot and a business woman and having worked as a successful FBO manager in Louisville, Mississippi, and owner/manager of my own toy store, The Toy-maker's Trail at Vail, in Vail, Colorado, I believe I can help maintain and manage the Amelia Earhart Birthplace Museum.

I have lived in 22 of the 50 states in the U.S. plus living and working on projects overseas in Azerbaijan, Iran, Kyrgyzstan, eight African countries, South America, New Guinea and Indonesia. This has given me insight into many different peoples.

I have assisted small business owners in these countries to market and exhibit their products both at home and abroad. I flew people and goods in and out of remote areas to help make this possible, including humanitarian relief missions, both ground and air, during the wars in Mozambique, Liberia and Azerbaijan.

As a Ninety-Nine representative on an NEA/NASA panel for updating aviation and aerospace in the school curriculum, I spoke on Women in Aviation, past and present.

In 2011, I was a mentor for high school girls at EAA Oshkosh, Women Soar, You Soar.

My home is an exhibit of artifacts and memorabilia, so I would be most happy to work on the ones at the Amelia Earhart Birthplace Museum.



MWP (2)

GEORGIA E. PAPPAS

Eastern New England Chapter
New England Section

I have been a member of The Ninety-Nines for many years and have served as Governor of the New England Section for the past three years. Previously, I have held a variety of Chapter positions, served as International Conference Treasurer and have raced in numerous air races. I have a commercial license with instrument and multi-engine ratings.

My career has been in airport management and, during my 30-year employment at Boston-Logan Airport, one of my responsibilities was manager of the Educational Tour Program at Logan Airport. I also held the position of Manager of Terminals A & B; Manager of Terminal Services, and Operations Shift Manager. In addition, I currently serve on the board of the Massachusetts Aviation & Space Museum. We are in the development phase of building a museum to highlight Massachusetts' role in aviation history and development.

When I first joined The Ninety-Nines, I was both awed and inspired by the rich history of the organization and the courageous women pilots who have been a significant part of aviation history since its inception. It is important to preserve this history for those that follow, to inspire the next generation of pilots, astronauts and engineers.

I am seeking your support for the position of Museum Trustee and welcome the opportunity to work with the Board and be a part of the future development.

Thank you for your support in the upcoming election.



MWP (2) ... continued

DYDIA DELYSER

New Orleans Chapter
Southeast Section

In 2005, my scholarly research on early women pilots drew me to the Museum. Volunteers were beginning efforts to catalog and conserve the collection, and I saw I could lend my archival expertise. I have since served as a historical and archival advisor to the Museum, as well as a volunteer and Trustee, helping staff the museum's booth at WAI and present the Museum's collections at the Air Race Classic.



I have worked to build current collections, acquiring materials from Charter Member Ruth Nichols and donating them to the Museum. I was elected to the Board for a first term in 2010, and since then have helped improve the website, develop usage policies for the collections and write grant applications, particularly the successful \$20,000 Fleet Foundation Grant for interactive kiosks.

I wish to continue bringing to the Board my expertise as a scholar, experience as an archivist and connections as an agent for development: I have worked for 14 years as a university professor and have some 20 years of experience managing, cataloging, conserving and developing archival collections.

If re-elected, I will continue helping the Museum develop policies for the use of the collections in scholarly and revenue-based outlets (print, film, etc.); raise awareness of the Museum in the aviation and historical communities; draw new collections to the Museum; and gain grants to sustain and grow the collections and remunerate staff; complete the cataloging of the current collections and make finding aids available on-line; and improve the Museum's web presence.



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SEXTON, Kathryn Kate, Sleeping Giant
SIMPSON, Brittney, Sleeping Giant
SION, Kate, Sleeping Giant
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BARTLETT, Aubrey (F), Oregon Pines
BLAIN, Brittany, Alaska



PILOT CAREERS:

"Thoughts Become Things – Choose the Good Ones"

BY DONNA MILLER
International Careers Committee

Those are the wise words of author Mike Dooley. I listen to Mike because five days a week he is the voice of the universe, and I get a “free note from the universeSM” via e-mail. (You can, too, by signing up at www.tut.com.) The reason I love Mike’s approach to life is that it is SO simple yet so very profound. For example, Mike says that he goes through his normal daily affairs, paying close attention to everything he thinks, says and does because these three things reflect what’s going on in his mind. If there are limits there, they will show up in his thoughts, words and actions.

How many times have you heard, “It must be nice?” How many times have you said it to someone? Even if you’re joking, you’re admitting that you can’t imagine what it’s like to have what they have, and even worse, implying that you most likely never will know. Catch yourself the next time you hear yourself saying this and ask yourself why you think this object or experience is out of your reach.

Just recently I heard it in the crew room. One of the pilots just bought a new plane. I heard more than one of the other pilots say, “It must be nice!” Thinking of Mike’s philosophy, I quietly thought to myself, “That WILL be nice.” And then I went even a step further and thought, “Yes, it IS nice!” (although in reality, I don’t yet own a plane!)

I remember paying an unusually large bill to the flight school when I was learning to fly. I used Mike’s technique and said to my flight instructor as I was writing the check, “Whew! Good thing I’m rich!” My flight instructor laughed, I laughed and it took my mind off any limits I may have had about parting with several hundred dollars.

Mike also says that you can’t help but make decisions and choose actions based on your beliefs, whatever they are and whether you like it or not, which is why your beliefs are so important. Look at the accomplished pilot and think not, “There she goes, so talented, innovative and powerful.” Think instead, “There she goes, someone just like me, who believes in her talent, inventiveness and power.” Thoughts DO become things! Of course, action is absolutely required, but our actions spring from our beliefs.

One of the most powerful things Mike says is, “Whatever it is that you now want, give what you can of it to yourself. And if you feel resistance, follow that wagging tail to the invisible dog it belongs to. Enjoying your life today, by living your dreams to the degree you presently can, is perhaps one of the most powerful things you can do toward expanding your belief system. Just as baby steps are acts of faith and powerful declarations of your intended success, so is enjoying who you already are and all you already have.”

PRO 99s PROFILE:

BY BETSY DONOVAN, International Careers Committee

Kelly Rinehart was hired by XOJET to fly the Challenger 300 in July, 2011. Prior to XOJET, she was a PIC part 135 in a Citation Jet 2 (CJ2) out of the Santa Barbara airport. Kelly’s career began while working for a local FBO and attending UC Santa Barbara.

Kelly holds an ATP, CFI, CFII and MEI. She is PIC type rated in the Challenger 300 and the CJ2 with single pilot privileges. A member and double scholarship winner of The Ninety-Nines, she was the Co-Chairman of the Santa Barbara Chapter from 2007-2009. Kelly is a third generation female pilot. Both her mom and grandmother are pilots: B767 captain and WASP respectively. Her dad and brother are commercial pilots as well.

Kelly’s wisdom: “I am so lucky to have a family that



understands the pressure of check rides, the stresses of a bad landing and the joys and passion of flight. I have found this camaraderie through The Ninety-Nines, and their support has been monumental as well. I appreciate all the organization has done for me and my flying career.”

SHARING OUR PASSION FOR FLIGHT

Our new section features Ninety-Nines who share their passion for flight through the written word and have published recent books or articles.

- Santa Clara Chapter member **Marjorie Johnson** has published her second book, *Jaguar Princess: The Last Maya Shaman*. Set in the Yucatan and Central America, there's an aviation angle, just like in her first book, *Bird Watcher*.

- WASP and former Santa Clara Chapter member **Eleanor Wortz** has just published a book, *Fly Gals of World War II*, about her experiences as a WASP.

Both authors' books are available through Amazon.

TRAINING MILESTONES

Bassmah Bani Ahmad – First aerobatic female licensed pilot in the Middle East, Arabian Section

Rene Aldrich – Commerical Multi-engine
Indiana Chapter

Tish Allan-Jacobs – Private Pilot
San Luis Obispo County Chapter

Johanna Bischof – Commercial
Minnesota Chapter

Emily Biss – 787 Type Rating
Greater Seattle Chapter

Brooke Darrah-Hage – Instrument
Minnesota Chapter

Becky Hempel – Boeing 747-400
Type Rating
Ambassador Chapter

Christine Hollingsworth – Private & Instrument
Greater Seattle Chapter
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Ventura County Chapter

Julie Holst – Commercial
Bay Cities Chapter, AEMSF

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Kitty Hawk Chapter

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Anissa Mohler – Private Pilot
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Future Woman Pilot scholarship

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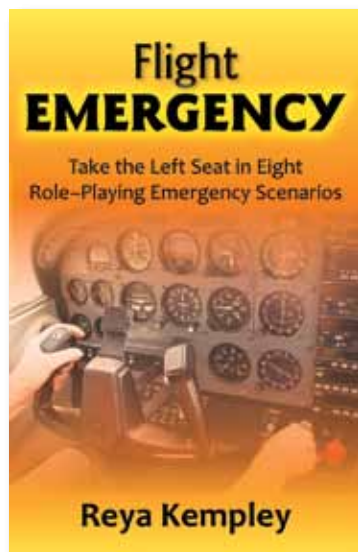
Vanessa Umba – First female captain
Gulf Air, Arabian Section

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Iowa Chapter

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Stephanie Wrenn – Private Pilot
Kitty Hawk Chapter

BOOK REVIEW



FLIGHT EMERGENCY By Reya Kempley

REVIEWED BY JILL D. SMITH

As a CFI, I liked the book *Flight Emergency* by Reya Kempley, especially for use as a training aid. It is a fairly quick read and, since it is set up in scenarios,

you can break it up into easily manageable lessons. The settings are events that can or have happened, and the way they are portrayed makes you feel like you are actually there.

The book covers numerous topics that range from emergencies to different types of flying situations that turn into emergencies. It's unique in that it gives you different options to choose instead of just saying "here's what you do." If your choice doesn't turn out well, you can go back and change your mind — something you can't do in the airplane!

The book leaves room to add information to the training discussions that make the situations more realistic. For student pilots, it's thought provoking and a good way to understand and learn to make the right decisions in an emergency. It's also a good tool for pilots of all experience levels as a helpful refresher since actual emergencies don't happen often, nor do you practice them often.

Reading this book — or even rereading it once every few months, could help you keep from getting complacent between flight reviews!



Girl Scouts launch the radiosonde balloon at Salem, Oregon.

OREGON PINES CHAPTER

What a beautiful summer of flying we had in the Pacific Northwest! Airplane in the Park Fourth of July Festival; Warhawk Air Museum P-51 Rally with WASP Kay Chaffey; taxiway BBQ at the Independence Biplane Fly-In; and fly-out with a Lady of the Lake excursion on 55-mile-long Lake Chelan in North Cascades National Park.

We also take our educational mission seriously. Ninety-Nines programs have become an integral part of the Oregon aviation community. Our Flying Companion Seminar at the Oregon Pilots Association (OPA) Convention was attended by 40 participants. Fifty-four students attended our joint EAA/AMA/RC Pilots/99s Young Eagles plus ground school and flight program.

There were also 34 participants in our Girl Scout Aerospace Badge program at Salem Airport. Finally, our colorful aviation quilt, Oregon Wings, found a home with Diana Curran and her husband Jeff Colker. Diana purchased the winning raffle ticket at the OPA Convention in Sunriver on September 10 where she attended The Ninety-Nines Flying Companion Seminar.

— Debra Plymate



WISCONSIN CHAPTER

The Wisconsin Chapter completed another compass rose. Fly over the John H. Batten Airport in Racine, WI (KRAC) and see our work! We had a great team of our Chapter members, 49½ s, children of members, a member from a nearby Chapter and prospective members. This compass rose proves that a lot of hands make little work.

— Christy Stark

EASTERN IDAHO CHAPTER

The Eastern Idaho 99s met bright and early at the Pocatello AvCenter on September 13 to repaint The Ninety-Nines Compass rose at Pocatello Regional Airport. When we took our paint supplies out to the rose, we looked at the names and dates posted on there. We first painted it in 1995. In 2000, we repainted it. Eleven years later, the compass rose really needed paint. Five Ninety-Nines and one mom of a Ninety-Nine showed up, and we repainted the 80-foot rose in about five hours.

Later this fall we plan to update the scrapbook from the Eastern Idaho Ninety-Nines of long ago. — Sandi Bills



Joy McDonald, Sandy Storhok, Sandi Bills, Jonnie Landis, Lisa Lloyd and the mom of a 99, Lou Jones, at the Pocatello Regional Airport airmarking.

GREATER SEATTLE CHAPTER

Andrea Chay of Greater Seattle and Ann Marie Radel of San Fernando Valley represented Ninety-Nines at the National Business Aviation Association Convention in Las Vegas in October. Information about the organization was given out and visitors were provided with the goodsearch.com and goodshop.com site info and urged to help the Endowment Fund by using them. A former Ninety-Nine rejoined while visiting the booth. She also won the raffle for a ride in a B-25.

— Marian Hartley



Andrea Chay and Ann Marie Radel at The 99s booth.



The RGN Crew: Lyn Bennett, Barbara Fricke, Marianne Francois, Jim Foley, Amy Ross, Michal Mudd, Robin Smith, Iona Gamertsfelder, Susan Larson, Tandra Hicks, Virginie Dupont, Elizabeth Hunke, Steve Ross, Patti Perovich. Fred Loehr is in the background at left and Ginny Boylls is not pictured.

RIO GRANDE NORTE CHAPTER

The Rio Grande Norte Chapter held an Airplane Wash Fundraiser in September at Santa Fe Airport. Planes flew in from as far away as El Paso. They first pulled up to the end of the line, where our ever-resourceful International President Susan Larson offered them the option of cutting in line (for an extra donation). We moved the airplanes through several stations, starting with an interior vacuuming (for an extra donation), then a belly wash and leading-edge debugging, followed by a wet wash and rinse, and finally a gentle towel-drying.

Meanwhile, customers were invited to our waiting area, where we offered refreshments (for an extra donation) and information about The Ninety-Nines (for free). We generally had four to five airplanes being worked on at any given time, all day long! We made hundreds of dollars for our favorite Ninety-Nines causes, and we had a blast making all those gorgeous airplanes sparkle on a lovely fall day.

— Elizabeth Hunke

NORTHWOODS CHAPTER

Flying a Redbird FMX full-motion flight simulator, making a trip down into an old iron ore mine, visiting an alpaca/llama farm and welcoming a new member are just a few activities the ladies of the Northwoods Chapter have done over this past summer and fall. We all travel great distances to get together, and every time we do, our bonds of friendship just grow stronger.

In August we met in Tomahawk, Wisconsin at TKV and experienced flight in the Redbird FMX Full-Motion flight simulator. Several of our 49½ s flew it, too.

And who wouldn't want to go "sub-altitude" to experience what working in an iron ore mine was like? Quincy Mine in Houghton, Michigan, once boasted having the world's largest lift hoist. The mine is now closed for production and open only for tours.

Most of our members are knitters, so an annual trip to an alpaca farm in Norway, Michigan was in order so the women could stock up for the long upcoming winter.

— Dee Dreger



Lynn Sykes, Bill Landry, Wendy Huey, Jeff Dohrenwend, Pam Trask, Sheryl and Jay Rains just before entering the Quincy Mine.



Joy Parker-Blackwood, Kim Winsor, Cathy Fraser, Denise Egglestone, Maryse Carmichael, Akky Mansikka, Lauren Egglestone, Suzanne Wiltshire, Anna Pangrazzi, Nat McHaffie, Lisa Bishop, Bev Fraser.

FIRST CANADIAN CHAPTER

Twelve Ninety-Nines attended a dessert reception for Lt. Col. Maryse Carmichael on November 4 at the Warplane Heritage Museum in Hamilton, Ontario, Canada. Maryse, known as 'Madame Snowbird,' was the first female pilot to join Canada's prestigious Snowbirds and is now the Snowbirds' commander.

Highlighting the event were videos of the Snowbirds during practice and in performance taken inside the cockpit. From the pilot's perspective, the graceful maneuvers were not so graceful, as the CT-114 Tutor jets rolled, snapped and bounced around violently, one minute wing-tip to wing-tip, the next pulling away in all directions incurring G forces allowed for only 20 seconds.

Canada's aerobatic precision team is in good hands with Maryse at the helm and the current fleet of jets cleared to fly until at least 2020.

— Akky Mansikka

CHICAGO AREA CHAPTER

The North Central Section Fall meeting was held in Pleasant Prairie, Wisconsin, and hosted by the Chicago Area Chapter. Governor Shelley Ventura conducted the meeting. Our representative from International was Secretary Frances Luckhart.

In other Chapter news, Sarah Arnac, a member of the Greater St. Louis Chapter and a student of Aeronautical and Astronautical Engineering at Purdue University in Indiana, is the first recipient of a \$2,000 scholarship to a Ninety-Nine in the North Central Section. Sarah will use the scholarship to obtain her instrument rating.

The Chicago Area Chapter hosted the Chicagoland Air Derby. First Place went to Leslie Prellwitz (99) and Grant Prellwitz in a Cessna 182; Second Place: Maggie Dodson (99) and Shelby Etes in a Cessna 172; and Third Place: Robert Frantz (49½) and John McConnochie in a Piper Arrow.

— Diane Cozzi, Cynthia Madsen, Rae Goodman



First Place winners of the Chicagoland Air Derby, Leslie and Grant Prellwitz.

GOLDEN TRIANGLE CHAPTER

The compass rose painted by the Abilene Chapter years ago at Abilene Regional Airport, Abilene, Texas, was demolished during extensive airport renovation. The Golden Triangle Chapter offered to paint a new compass rose.

Shirley Roberts, Betty and Jerry Thomas, Beverly and J. C. Stephens, Mike Stephens and friend Donna Cooper were joined by Elizabeth and John Hawley of the Wichita Falls Chapter on October 14-15. On Saturday, Penny Montgomery, Wanette Bergman, Micki Wright, Kim Williams, Marjorie Andrews and Ruby Kinard of the former Abilene Chapter came out to help and cheer on the group.

— Beverly Stephens



Airmarkers at Abilene Regional Airport.

LAKE ERIE CHAPTER

The Lake Erie Chapter held their annual Pilot of the Year Banquet on October 9. The trophy is awarded each year in October to a deserving member who has gone above and beyond in her service to the Lake Erie Chapter and to The Ninety-Nines International. We are proud to announce that Bernice Barris is the 2011 Lake Erie Pilot of the Year. She started flying in 1941 and in 1971 joined the All-Ohio Chapter.

In January 1974, she became a charter member of the Lake Erie Chapter and was the first member to receive the Pilot of the Year trophy. She has been a member of The Ninety-Nines for 40 consecutive years. In 2007 she received the Wright Brothers Master Pilot Award, the highest honor given by the FAA.

Editor's note: for more about Bernice, please see the October/November/December 2011 issue, page 21.

— Evelyn Moore

INDIANA DUNES CHAPTER

At our September meeting, we greeted a new Chapter member, immediately putting her to work. Jane Colbrook, former corporate pilot for Texaco, Xerox and Boeing, shared some of her experiences in the decidedly male world of corporate aviation. She also shared many safety tips and products for pilots and non-pilots.

A lunch and movie time completed our fall activities. We met to watch *Breaking Through the Clouds*, a movie about the first Women's National Air Derby. Many of our members also shared aviation books for winter reading.

— Lynn Pergher

EASTERN ONTARIO CHAPTER

Members from Eastern Ontario Chapter gathered at the Rockcliffe Flying Club in Ottawa to feast on Mooney Burgers, Cessna Hot Dogs and other refreshments before viewing the latest version of the DVD being created to preserve the aviation lives of Lorna deBlicquy and Felicity McKendry, two amazing Ninety-Nines. This DVD should be finalized around the same time (October 19) as the new stamp and First Day Covers featuring Lorna deBlicquy (<http://canadian99s.org/ECAN/deblicquystamporder.htm>).

— Dorothy Berthelet



From left, Felicity McKendry, Sonia L'Heureux, Sharron Lutman, Dorothy Berthelet, Nicole Harris, Carol Thomas and Susan Begg and RCAF-painted Chipmunk. Felicity surprised everyone by attending, after just undergoing hip replacement surgery the day before!

HAMPTON ROADS CHAPTER

Hampton Roads Chapter spent a busy weekend painting a compass rose, airport name and frequency at the Franklin, Virginia airport prior to the Region 10 NIFA competition. Airmarking Chairman Brenda Siegel expertly organized the event, and we all shared in the aches and pains for several days.

Six teams competed in the regional with Liberty University prevailing. The students used the compass rose for the backdrop of their group picture. Members of the Chapter and 491s comprised the majority of the judging staff for the event. If you haven't tried it, give yourself a treat next year!

— Linda Mathias



NIFA regional participants line up for a photo on the new compass rose painted by Hampton Roads Chapter members.

KATAHDIN WINGS CHAPTER

The Katahdin Wings Chapter spent a very busy spring and summer. On September 17, it was the Katahdin Wings' turn to host the New England Section Poker Run. They were blessed with a perfect flying day that encouraged close to 40 pilots to participate. Also in September, members Mary Build and Lori Plourd made a flight to Lebanon, New Hampshire, to present member Betty Brown with a hand-carved Eagle's Head Cane to honor her service as a WASP. A press release reporting this event was sent to the local newspaper, which led to a full-length feature interview of Betty recounting her experience as a WASP.

In October, Mary Build organized a Flying Treasure Hunt, which provided some scenic fall flying over the states of Massachusetts, New Hampshire and upstate New York. Proceeds of this fundraiser were donated to the Maine Aviation Career Education Camps..

— Lorena Plourd



Mary Build presents Betty Brown with a hand-carved Eagle's Head Cane to honor her service as WASP.



Airmarkers at Sebring Airport display both their new airmarking and their inevitably blue hands.

FLORIDA SUNCOAST CHAPTER

Members of our Chapter, Goldcoast and Paradise Chapters joined the Spaceport 99s at Sebring Airport on November 12 to paint the compass rose.

In other Suncoast Chapter news, Angela and Kristin Inderwiesen hosted a tour of the Sarasota Tower, Sarasota, Florida, on October. 8. Our Chapter's Christmas party was held at the famous Columbia Restaurant in Ybor City, Florida.

— Sophia M. Payton

SANTA CLARA VALLEY CHAPTER

Our September meeting featured Marin County Ninety-Nine Kitty Houghton and Bob Hemstock and their film about our sister section in Nepal. In November, we watched the wonderful movie, *Breaking through the Clouds: The Story*, that gave the inside scoop on the 1929 first-ever Women's Transcontinental Air Race.

It was wonderful fall flying weather for our September trip to Independence, Oregon, for a weekend hosted by former Chapter member Marici Reid and her husband. In November, we flew to Salinas for lunch and a tour of Cal Pacific Airmotive where P-51s are restored.

Santa Clara Valley Chapter members are glad to have former/long-time members Pat Forbes, Willy Gardner and Dottie Theurer back active with our Chapter again!

— Judy Stark

Penny Blake, Jan Johnson, Lori Teeters, Terri Gorman, Judy Barron and Melanie Brown visit Cal Pacific Airmotive.



BARBARA FRICKE SECOND IN BALLOON RACE

Albuquerque Chapter member Barbara Fricke finished second place in the 16th America's Challenge gas balloon race. Barbara acted as co-pilot this year to her long-time balloon flying partner Peter Cuneo.

They departed Albuquerque, New Mexico, on October 1, 2011 in a helium gas balloon and traveled north out of New Mexico over Colorado, Nebraska, South Dakota and, on October 4 at sunset, landed 25 miles southeast of Minot, North Dakota, just shy of Canada. The first place team had a British pilot and Australian co-pilot and landed 50 miles northeast of Minot after sunset. That means that Barbara's team is the number one American team to qualify for the 2012 Gordon Bennett Cup race in Switzerland, August 8, 2012.

This is truly a huge accomplishment for Barbara, and we hope to hear more of her adventures in the future.

— Terri Donner

INTERNATIONAL FOREST OF FRIENDSHIP

The 36th anniversary ceremonies at the International Forest of Friendship will be held in Atchison Kansas on June 15-16.

The Forest would very much like to strengthen its ties with The Ninety-Nines in 2012 and hopes to induct 25 honorees sponsored by Ninety-Nines Chapters.

The Forest's overall theme is "World Friendship Through Flying." Candidates for induction can be anyone who has contributed or is contributing to all aspects of aviation and aerospace. Honorees need not be pilots. In 2012, the specific focus is on "Flying, Forests and the Future." Candidates are particularly encouraged who have contributed to the promotion of aviation and aerospace, have helped preserve or explore forests and natural habitats through aviation and aerospace. One of the 2012 themes is to emphasize achievements by younger honorees, so candidates who are under 35 are preferred, but this is not mandatory. For more information, visit ifof.org.

— Laurie Probst



Pictured with Toni, from left to right, are Cmdr. Terry Johns of the Fifth District Northern Region Auxiliary; Lt. Neal Corbin, Auxiliary Liaison between the Coast Guard and CG Auxiliary; and Lt. Ryan Popiel, former Auxiliary Liaison.

TONI MARINA RECEIVES ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL

Keystone Chapter member Toni Marina was awarded the Auxiliary Achievement Medal by the U.S. Coast Guard for her service as an Auxiliary Pilot for the Fifth District Northern Region. Presented on November 19, the award specifically cites her contributions from October 2008 to September 2009, during which she flew her Cherokee 140 as a simulated target in complex intercept training scenarios for Coast Guard helicopter pilots.

In addition to logging 135 hours for Air Station Atlantic City's Rotary Wing Air Intercept training program, she also flew 28 Maritime Observation Patrols over the Delaware River, Delaware Bay and New Jersey coast. Her skills and the use of her aircraft saved the Coast Guard approximately \$242,000 during that time. An Auxiliary pilot since 2006, Toni continues to volunteer her time and aircraft flying missions for the Coast Guard.

— Sally Moritz



From left, Anna Pangrazzi, award co-founder, Kathy Fox, 2010 award recipient, Roberta Taylor, 2011 award recipient, and Joy Parker Blackwood, award co-founder.

ROBERTA TAYLOR HONORED

West Canada Section member Roberta Taylor was awarded The Elsie MacGill Northern Lights Award at a gala tribute dinner on September 29, 2011. The award is in recognition of lifetime contributions to aviation.

Roberta began her career as a commercial bush pilot in northwestern Ontario. She has been an aircraft operations manager, air search and rescue pilot and fire patrol pilot in the Canadian Rockies, and a ferry pilot and test pilot for the family aircraft business in Cranbrook, B.C. Currently Roberta is a Senior Instructor in the Faculty of Human and Social Development at the University of Victoria in B.C.

She founded the Canadian Rockies Chapter of The Ninety-Nines, where she served as a Governor and International Director.



Kris Knapstein, president, Webster Alumni Association left, and Dr. Elizabeth J. Stroble, president, Webster University, right, present the Distinguished Alumni Award to Nelda Lee. Photo by David Preston

NELDA LEE RECEIVES DISTINGUISHED 2011 ALUMNI AWARD FROM WEBSTER UNIVERSITY

The Distinguished Alumni Award is the highest award given by the Alumni Association of Webster University. It is presented annually to an alumna or alumnus who has made meritorious contributions to society through his or her profession and involvement in civic, cultural or charitable activities. Nelda obtained her Master's degree at Webster University in the late 1990s as part of the Boeing Learning Together Program.

She is a certificated commercial pilot with instrument, multi-engine and helicopter ratings, and she has flown in several transcontinental air races. She is a member of the Greater St. Louis Chapter and is currently serving on the Board of Trustees for the Amelia Earhart Birthplace Museum. She is also a member of the Whirly-Girls.

Nelda is currently a manager in Boeing Test & Evaluation assigned to the F-15 Eagle program under Test Program Management. She has been with Boeing, and formerly McDonnell Douglas, for 42 years. She was the first woman at McDonnell Douglas in Flight Test Engineering. She has been an evaluation Integrated Product Team manager for the F-15 Eagle, AV-8 Harrier, T-45 Goshawk and F/A-18 Hornet programs in the Boeing Military Aircraft organization.

— provided by Libby Yunger from a Boeing article by Terri Christofferson

NEW HORIZONS ON THE 99S WEBSITE

Expanded New Horizons is coming soon to The Ninety-Nines website. It will contain more historical information about our members who have gone to New Horizons than we are able to publish in the 99 News.

NEW HORIZONS

LEONORA (NONIE) HORTON ANDERSON Florida Suncoast Chapter

We are saddened to hear the passing of one of our members and WASP on August 20, 2011 at age 95.

Born December 1, 1916, Nonie received a B.A. in Physiology from Hunter College and her Master's degree from NYU. She earned her private pilot certificate in 1938 before joining the WASP in 1943, class 43-7. After the war, she settled in Washington, DC, where she was a physical education teacher and a flight instructor.



Nonie Anderson.

In 1977, Nonie retired from the Air Force as a Lt. Col. and was awarded the Meritorious Service Award for her national publicity programs at the Pentagon. She joined the Florida Suncoast Chapter in 2002 at age 86.

— Sophia M. Payton and Nonie's niece, Laura Brunson

VICKY JOYCE ANDERSON Orange County Chapter



Vicky Anderson.

Vicky Anderson flew her final approach on Monday, December 19, 2011, after a long illness.

Vicky was born on February 20, 1953 in Renton, Washington, and knew she wanted to learn to fly at eight years old after her first flight with her grandmother, who had become a pilot at 70.

She graduated in 1974 from the University of Washington with a degree in nursing. She then moved to Orange County to attend Saddleback College in the late 1980s, graduating in 1991 with a degree in Computer Science, eventually working at John Wayne Airport as their Senior Computer Systems Analyst.

She was a member of Geneva Presbyterian Church in Laguna Hills where she was a choir member and church bell ringer.

To fulfill her childhood dream, Vicky started flying lessons at John Wayne Airport in 1990. She also belonged to the Civil Air Patrol. She became a member of the Orange County Ninety-Nines in 1995, serving in many capacities. In 1999, Vicky was Pilot of the Year for the Orange County Chapter as well as the Southwest Section.

Vicky's contributions to The Ninety-Nines extended beyond the Chapter level. She was a member of the core group who established the 99s Museum of Women Pilots. Her considerable computer skills provided the backbone for the Museum where she served as a Trustee from 2003-2007. She was also Trade Shows/Merchandising Co-Chairman from 2000-2006. She will be greatly missed.

— Mary Van Velzer

NEW HORIZONS

CLARA CLAXTON **All-Ohio Chapter**

We received sad news that our 50-year Life Member Clara Claxton flew to New Horizons on November 8, 2011. Blue skies.
— *Margaret Hazlett*

EVELYNE MCLAUGHLIN **El Paso Chapter**

Evelyne McLaughlin passed on February 20, 2011, leaving us after 90 years. During her lifetime, Evelyn was one of El Paso's longest active interior designers and an active volunteer in many El Paso activities and community services.

Her place is also marked at the International Forest of Friendship in Atchison, Kansas, as one of the earliest members of The Ninety-Nines and for promoting women's aviation throughout her lifetime. Recognized as one of America's senior women pilots, she also served on NASA's Space Advisory Committee and is honored in the War Eagles Air Museum.

— *John McLaughlin*

RACQUEL MCNEIL **Garden State Chapter**

Racquel passed away at 74 on September 5, 2011. In 1980, she joined The Ninety-Nines as a brand new pilot. Along with her late husband Joe, she owned Bayshore Air Freight.

Throughout the years, she held various Chapter offices and also served as the NY-NJ Section Treasurer. In 1989, she co-chaired The Ninety-Nines International Conference in New York City. The same year, she won the Garden State 300 proficiency race in her Warrior.

Whenever Racquel was around, there was always a lot of laughter and some sort of adventure happening.

— *Diana Dade*

MARY LOU NEALE, WASP **San Fernando Valley Chapter**

Mary Lou Neale flew to New Horizons on September 12, 2011. She was 96.

When the nation prepared for WWII, she met with Eleanor Roosevelt to ask her help allowing women in the newly formed Civilian Pilot Training Program (CPTP). In this program, she completed her Primary and Secondary Pilot Training.

Mary Lou was the first candidate that Jackie Cochran signed up for the WASP and graduated in their first class. She was stationed in Dallas, Texas, and in Long Beach and Palm Springs California. She was assigned to the Ferry Command, flying P-38s, P-51s, P-47s, P-63s, P-39s, B-25s and various training aircraft between the west and east coast military bases. Mary Lou was later commander of the WASP Unit at the Palm Springs Army Air Force Base. She received a commission as Captain in the USAF Reserve after the WASP organization was deactivated.

— *Susan Theurkauf*

JUNE RIGLER **Iowa Chapter**

June Rigler was born in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. At age 14, she attended a lecture given by Amelia Earhart, and a seed was planted. As a freshman at Coe College, she completed aeronautical ground school in a new Civilian Pilot Training program and received her private pilot certificate at age 18. In 1940, she joined The Ninety-Nines and was likely a charter member of the Iowa Chapter.

After the war, she completed her college studies and was employed as a stewardess for United Air Lines, based in Chicago.

June also pursued her love of art with her own painting, mentoring other young artists and being actively involved with many area art organizations. While she was no longer an active pilot, June continued to promote aviation by supporting Muscatine Municipal Airport (MUT) and played an active role in the opening of a new terminal in 2005.

June asked if we could paint a compass rose at Muscatine. This past spring, we gathered at MUT to honor June by painting this compass rose. Blue skies and tail winds on your ride to new horizons, June.

— *Minnetta V. Gardinier*

NANCY SMITH **Oklahoma Chapter**

Nancy Smith passed away on September 12 following a long battle with lung cancer.

Nancy was very active in the Oklahoma Chapter until she and her husband Dick relocated to Corpus Christi, Texas, in the 1990s. Prior to that time, she held all Chapter and Section offices, including Governor.

— *Jan Perry*

HEATHER STEWART WOICIECHOWSKI **Connecticut Chapter**

Heather Stewart (Kemble) Woiciechowski, born on April 19, 1961, passed away on September 25, 2011 at Hartford Hospital after a brief illness.



*Heather
Woiciechowski.*

Heather was employed by the DOT/FAA New York TRACON as an air traffic management coordinator.

She was a member of The Ninety-Nines, AOPA, the Experimental Aircraft Association, the professional Women Air Traffic Controllers Association, the National Air Traffic Controllers Association and the Women in Aviation International.

She loved doing things for other people. To make other people happy made her happy. A "Celebration of Life Party" was held on Saturday, October 1, 2011, at her residence.

— *April Krason*

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