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On the Cover

Actress Hilary Swank, who starred in the biopic Amelia, stands with the Electra used in the movie. Hilary took flying lessons in preparation for her role as Amelia Earhart and in the process discovered a personal passion for flying. She is working on her certificate.

Hilary, along with the movie director, authors, Ninety-Nines International President Susan Larson and other Ninety-Nines, attended a press conference October 23 in New Jersey. The media coverage of the movie, this press conference and Ninety-Nines events across the country brought the organization into the public spotlight.

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2010

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APRIL

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JUNE

1 Due date for 99 News submissions for July/August/September 2010 issue.

18-20 International Forest of Friendship, Atchison, Kansas. The focus is on Forests and Flying. Visit ifof.org for more information.

22-25 Air Race Classic, Fort Myers, Florida to Frederick, Maryland, www.airraceclassic.org.

JULY

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For more information, go to faa.gov/licenses_certificates/airmen_certification/certificate_replacement/

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International President Susan Larson presents Amelia Director Mira Nair with a copy of Amelia Earhart's book, 20 Hrs. 40 Mins., while actress Hilary Swank takes a look over Mira's shoulder. Photo by Lilian Darling Holt



Downtown Kailua, not far from the Conference hotel. Photo: Hawaii Tourism Authority/Tor Johnson



The Sheraton Keauhou Bay Resort & Spa. Photo by Thomas Herter

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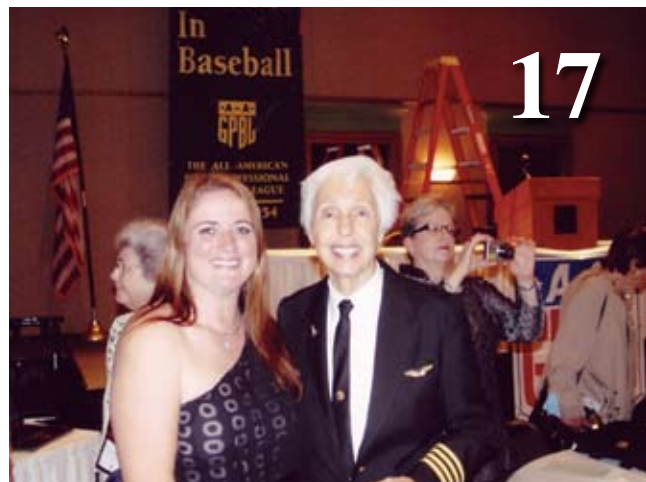
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New member Tammy Milewski with Wally Funk, Fort Worth Chapter. Wally met Tammy when Wally was being awarded the Power of the Human Spirit award at the All-American Girls Professional Baseball League Reunion Luncheon in September, 2009. Wally encouraged Tammy to join The Ninety-Nines as an Associate Member.

President's Message

BY SUSAN LARSON, International President

Welcome to 2010 and a happy new year.

Progress is being made with the repairs to the north wall, stairs and balcony at our Headquarters building in Oklahoma City. The process began in December, and the Museum of Women Pilots is scheduling a "grand re-opening" for the spring. Featured will be the Pilots in Vogue exhibit showing the history of the flying apparel that women pilots have had to develop through the years to be both comfortable and socially acceptable; the DreamFlyer, a motion simulator based on counterweights; and a refreshed Amelia exhibit including her scarf that astronaut Randy Bresnik took with him on a recent Shuttle flight. Thank you from the Board of Directors and Susan Liebler, Chairman of the "Building...Our Future" Fundraising Committee, for your individual, Chapter and Section contributions to this project. Your contributions are keeping our memorabilia safe for years to come.

The 2009-2010 Directory CD is in the mail as is the printed Directory to those who paid the requested \$15 toward the printing and shipping costs. If you did not place an order prior to initial deadline, con-

tact Headquarters to determine availability. Membership information is also available online and updated weekly in the Members Area of our website.

Autumn of 2009 was a blur with all the activity surrounding the release of the Fox Searchlight Pictures movie *Amelia*. Ninety-Nines from around the world attended the press conference in New Jersey on very short notice. Director Mira Nair and actress Hilary Swank responded to numerous questions from the press about the making of the movie *Amelia*, while I answered questions about The Ninety-Nines. It was a great day to be a Ninety-Nine as the pride was evident. Attending the premiere in NYC with me the following week were Past President Pat Prentiss and the woman who made it all happen, Susan Loricchio of the North Jersey Chapter. She made not only the initial contact to Mira Nair but also dedicated countless hours and sleepless nights to pulling all the pieces together for our benefit. Numerous Chapters were able to capitalize on the free press in their local communities, and the Amelia Earhart Birthplace Museum is the delighted recipient of many items of



apparel used in the production. By monitoring the 99s eNetwork, members kept up with the events as they unfolded and were able to respond to the sometimes very short lead times.

The Board of Directors regretfully accepted the resignation of Vice-President Donna Moore at its Fall Board meeting. Past President Jody McCarrell was appointed to fill her term of office through July 2010.

May 2010 find you all in the very best of health and may fair winds follow you to many 99s events.



Ninety-Nines joined Amelia actress Hilary Swank, director Mira Nair and authors Susan Butler and Elgen Long at a press conference in New Jersey. The "biggest" star of the movie was the magnificent Electra, one of only about 10 that are still flying.



International President Susan Larson joins Amelia director Mira Nair, right, and actress Hilary Swank at a press conference.

Amelia Draws Spotlight to The Ninety-Nines

BY BEVERLY WEINTRAUB
North Jersey Chapter

Eight decades ago, Amelia Earhart led 98 other female pilots in banding together to encourage women to fulfill their dreams of flight. Eighty years later, actress Hilary Swank adopted the persona of Amelia Earhart for a major motion picture, in the process becoming a revitalizing force for The Ninety-Nines, as essential an organization today as it was at the dawn of modern aviation.

The premiere of the biopic *Amelia*, which opened with great hoopla on October 23, 2009, presented a golden opportunity for The Ninety-Nines to put themselves squarely in the public eye and inspire a new generation — with Hollywood glitz and flair. Though created for a general audience, the film was clearly of particular interest to pilots — and to girls and women who, even in 2009, make up just six percent of the pilot population in

the United States and still run up against the attitude that there's something strange about a woman wanting to fly.

In the capable hands of Mira Nair, a director intensely tuned to women's struggles, the film is a universal lesson in achieving one's goals, no matter how lofty, through perseverance and belief in one's abilities. It is, she said, the story of the first modern woman.

All over the country, women pilots as a concept — and The Ninety-Nines in particular — caught the attention of television, radio and newspaper assignment editors. Media outlets in California, Washington, Arizona, Florida, Massachusetts and Oklahoma, among other places, featured interviews with local Ninety-Nines. The women told how they became interested in flying, described their training, discussed the challenges of being a woman in a pursuit still

PHOTOS BY LILIAN DARLING HOLT
San Fernando Valley Chapter

dominated by men. Some of the pilots took camera crews up in their planes, showing TV audiences what their small slice of the world looks like from several thousand feet. One nearly universal theme was the invaluable support the women received from their fellow Ninety-Nines.

Chapters set up promotional events to capitalize on the glamour of early aviation that Earhart embodied. In this, they were again emulating Amelia, who keenly understood the need for publicity and, who was, in fact, the first celebrity to do paid product endorsements.

They sponsored screenings, selling tickets and using the occasion to educate audiences about The Ninety-Nines. Florida Suncoast Chapter members appeared in costume and awarded a scholarship during their program. At the Museum of Flight in Seattle, members of three Chapters at-

tended a screening and were asked to stand and be recognized before the film began. Other Chapters set up promotional tables at movie theaters, raising the awareness of the general public about the organization and its goals.

One week before the premiere, Fox Searchlight Pictures held an enormous press conference at Essex County Airport in Fairfield, New Jersey. Packed into a hangar not far from Teterboro Airport, which figures prominently in the movie and, as Ninety-Nines International President Susan Larson noted, less than 80 miles from the organization's Long Island birthplace, were busloads of reporters and camera people, 35 Ninety-Nines from 10 states and three countries, Hilary Swank, Mira Nair, authors Susan Butler and Elgen Long, whose books about Amelia were source material for the movie, and a gorgeous silver Lockheed Electra.

Against the backdrop of that magnificent aircraft were held presentations, a panel discussion and a Q&A session that made tangible the symbolic link between the early aviator and her modern-day daughters. White overalls with "AE" on the back, a leather bomber jacket and a leather cap, all worn by Swank in the film, were donated to Larson for display at the Amelia Earhart Birthplace Museum in Atchison, Kansas. In return, she presented the two principals who brought Earhart to life on the screen with tokens of The Ninety-Nines' appreciation — wrapped in pieces of old Sectionals.

Swank received a bronze medallion like those given to Amelia Earhart Schol-

arship winners. On the back: "To Hilary, as Amelia, a role model." Nair was given a copy of Amelia's *20 Hours, 40 Minutes*, autographed by the author herself.

"For the 5,000-plus women who are members of this organization, they look at Amelia as the icon, as the individual who planted that passion," Larson said. "We're really looking forward to the women of the 21st century being inspired by this movie and moving into aviation."

Then all 35 Ninety-Nines present stood, to thunderous applause, especially gratifying for the North Jersey Chapter, proud that the event was on their home turf, and for Chapter member Susan Loricchio, who was instrumental in setting it up.

Swank and Nair described how, in studying Earhart's character and the world she lived in, they discovered a woman whose outlook and insights still resonate today. The essence of Amelia Earhart, said Nair, is that "there's more to life than being a passenger."

In two-plus years of research, Nair found that the driving force in Earhart's life, as with so many 21st century women, was the conflict between her passion — the ecstasy of being in the sky — with her responsibilities on the ground in negotiating love and life while traversing the world and balancing work and relationships.

Earhart was unwilling to be tied down in traditional roles, a stance reflected in the terms of her marriage to George Putnam, publisher and tireless publicist. After refusing his proposal six times, she agreed, but only under conditions intended to guarantee her independence. She kept her own

last name and wrote a prenuptial agreement assuring she would have freedom within the bonds of matrimony.

Through her own exploits and promotional stunts engineered by her husband, Earhart was constantly in the public eye. Yet, Swank said, she nonetheless remained a very private person and found a way to live her life the way she wanted to live it, as rare an achievement today as it was in 1929.

Both her public and private personas were marked by modesty, humor and humility. But, said Swank, there were differences between the two, and she had to find a way to portray both convincingly. For example, in formal settings, like those captured on newsreels, Earhart exhibited early 20th century upper-class speech — think Katharine Hepburn. But off-camera, or when she thought the cameras were off, her speech and physicality were far more toned-down. Just figuring out those varying speech patterns took Swank eight weeks.

The actress also, of course, had to take flying lessons. "You can't play Amelia Earhart and not learn to fly!" she said. But what started as professional research became a passion. She found it euphoric, dangerous, completely immersing. Inspired by the woman she was portraying, Swank started working on her license for real and had already put in 19 hours in the left seat. But, ironically, while playing the part of the ultimate female flier, she was not allowed to solo for insurance reasons until the film was completed.

Swank did get to taxi the Lockheed, which she described as "a beast to fly" and very difficult to control. In fact, only the owner of the plane, Joe Shepherd of Georgia, flew it during filming, at one point having to shave his mustache and don a blond wig, scarf and makeup to impersonate not only Earhart's Electra but Amelia herself.

The plane, NC2072, was a character all its own in the film. "My hero," Nair declared. It is a Lockheed 12, one of only 10 or so in the world still flying. And it is a beauty: impeccably polished chrome with black and yellow striping, lightning bolts on the nose and two enormous props. But despite its imposing profile, the cockpit is surprisingly cramped, and the windows



Hilary Swank receives a bronze Ninety-Nines medallion inscribed "To Hilary, as Amelia, a role model."

difficult to see out of. It is not difficult to imagine the desperation growing in such a small aircraft, with the pilot straining in poor visibility for a glimpse of a tiny island that would have meant survival.

That loss, in pursuit of her life's ambition, remains an inspiration to this day. It resonates in the person of Hilary Swank, who has become captivated by flying and appeared on national television taking up a young passenger to share her newfound love of aviation.

It resonates with the crew of the Navy ship *Amelia Earhart*, one of the Military Sealift Command's eight dry cargo/ammunition ships. On its maiden voyage in June 2008, the crew coincidentally found itself within 70 miles of Howland Island,



Amelia stars Hilary Swank and Richard Gere.

which was Earhart's destination when she disappeared. The captain took a detour and the ship paused at sunset to honor its namesake. The crew rang eight bells and lowered the flag in tribute. Then, civil service mariner Michelle Stark, the ship's second mate and navigator, threw a wreath into the sea, one woman paying tribute to another.

And it resonates with every member of The Ninety-Nines, carrying forth Earhart's lessons and legacy. One of Earhart's most admirable traits, Swank noted, was that she was tremendously supportive of other women in their pursuits, understanding that we need to be there for one another. Eighty years later, The Ninety-Nines are.

Amelia Commemorative Display

BY ANN SHANEYFELT
AEBM Trustee

The long-awaited movie *Amelia* premiered on October 23, and on that same day excitement also ran high at the Amelia Earhart Birthplace Museum where a commemorative exhibition featuring items from the movie also premiered.

Four members of the Amelia Earhart Birthplace Museum Board of Trustees spent the morning preparing for a very special "Amelia" day, unpacking boxes and deciding what costume to place on which mannequin. The items were presented to International President Susan Larson on October 16 by Fox Searchlight Pictures and Avalon Pictures.

Members of the Atchison Chamber of Commerce were present for a ribbon cutting ceremony at 1 p.m. to open the Commemorative Display. A special combination ticket was sold to both view the exhibit and to attend the movie at the local theatre.

The museum was very busy throughout the weekend with a constant flow of visitors from all over the USA, including Hawaii and a gentleman from Cambridge, England. A live interview was aired by radio station KAIR in front of the movie theater between the first two viewings of *Amelia*. Carole Sutton and Jacque Pregont were among those interviewed.



A limited edition T-shirt and magnet were produced to represent the movie. The artwork was a copy of a serigraph of *Amelia* titled "Follow your Dream" by Judi Geer Kellas, an artist who specializes in women in aviation. T-shirts, magnets, the book *Amelia: The Motion Picture* and other items in the gift shop were sold.



International President Susan Larson with a costume from Amelia.

Scarf Went into Orbit

A favorite scarf of Amelia Earhart's bearing The Ninety-Nines logo was aboard the shuttle *Atlantis* en route to the International Space Station in November 2009. It was carried by astronaut Randy Bresnik, whose grandfather Albert was recruited by Earhart in 1932 to be her only authorized photographer.

The scarf was on loan from the 99s Museum of Women Pilots. Randy also flew one of his grandfather's photographs for the Amelia Earhart Birthplace Museum.

The scarf will be part of a new display at the Museum of Women Pilots dedicated to his grandfather's photographs.

Amelia Generates Excitement, PR Opportunities



Ninety-Nines International Director Joan Kerwin, right, presents Amelia Earhart's watch to Ninety-Nine Shannon Walker who will be taking the watch with her into space in June. Inset: Amelia's watch.

Amelia's Watch to Time Travel into Space

Astronaut and Ninety-Nine Shannon Walker will be taking Amelia Earhart's watch into space when she launches in May on a Russian Soyuz spacecraft to the International Space Station where she will stay for six months. The watch was worn by Amelia on her trans-Atlantic flights in 1928 and 1932.

As the Ninety-Nine in possession of the watch, International Director Joan Kerwin presented the watch to Shannon on October 22 at Ellington Air Force Base in Houston. The watch will be returned to Joan upon Shannon's return to earth.



On October 22, Betsy Donovan, San Joaquin Valley Chapter, WASP A.J. Starr, North New Jersey Chapter and Sandra Clifford, Santa Clara Valley Chapter, attended an advanced screening of Amelia in Oakland, California. A.J. remembers meeting Amelia when she was a teenager.



San Diego Chapter members gather for the local Amelia premiere.



British Columbia Coast Chapter members attended the Amelia movie on October 26. They were joined by a few members from the Women in Aviation Sea to Sky chapter.



Florida Spaceport Chapter set up a display about The Ninety-Nines and Amelia Earhart in the lobby of the Cobb theater in Merritt Square Mall on Friday and Saturday for the opening of the movie Amelia. Mary Anne Demmer, Carol Gosling (left) and Bobbi Lasher (right) dressed as Amelia. Photo by Roger Scruggs.



HAWAII

The Big Island and a Big Conference

BY MARTHA PHILLIPS AND
CAROL VAUTIN
Conference 2010 Co-Chairmen



Photo above: An aerial view of Kailua by pilot Thomas Herter.

The “Big Island” of Hawaii is generally rated by travel publications as one of the top 10 island destinations in the world (Kauai & Maui are in there, also). Since the last Ninety-Nines Conference in Hawaii was held on Oahu in 1986, we looked for a different and unique location to hold the 2010 Conference, and we discovered that the Kona Coast was the place to be. Kona has less rainfall and is popular for its ocean activities including snorkeling, scuba diving and sportfishing. For this reason, all the big resorts are on the Kona Coast.

As you arrive at the Kona Airport, you might feel, as many first-time visitors do, that you have arrived in the midst of a moonscape due to the remnants of ancient lava flows. As you travel around the island,

there are many such flows coming from the dormant and active volcanos.

As you head south from the airport toward your hotel, you will pass the town of Kailua/Kona. This is where Kamehameha the Great, the first king to rule all the islands, chose to live. The first Christian church in the islands is also located here, built by the first missionaries to come ashore in Hawaii.

In modern times, Kailua/Kona (sometimes just called Kona) is known for its big game fishing and the Ironman Triathlon competition. Don’t worry, that’s in October; we won’t make you enter the race. A trolley runs every 45 minutes from downtown to the Sheraton Keauhou Bay with stops along the way, so you will have plenty of time to stroll the town.

The first event of the Conference will be the Welcome Reception on Monday, July 5. You will be treated to a genuine luau complete with all the island dishes and entertainment. Tuesday morning will be a time for special meetings, including a Ninety-Nines Leadership Training Session. All delegates are encouraged to attend the Communication Session for in-depth discussions of matters to be brought up and voted on at the Annual Business Meeting the following day. Afterwards, relax with a sunset cruise, a dip in the pool or a trolley ride into town.

Wednesday morning will feature a full buffet (and we mean *full*) breakfast in the Kai Restaurant, then the Business Meeting itself. Visit the Fly Market and Hospitality Suite in the afternoon and take in the session with our Keynote Speaker Mimi Tompkins (see sidebar on page 12 for details).

That night, dress up for the no-host reception for our AEMSF winners for 2010 and the banquet where the scholarship winners and the annual Ninety-Nines Awards winners will be presented.

Thursday morning you may attend interesting seminars or head out for more island exploring. Friday, there will be a post-Conference International Board Meeting and tour groups to other islands or the seven-day inter-island cruise.



Be sure to check out the revised schedule in this issue. There are recent additions to the tours including flight-seeing by either helicopter or twin-engine plane, scuba diving and the Atlantis Submarine tour.

With all there is to do, plan to spend as much time as you can enjoying the wonders that can be found only on the islands of Hawaii.

The Puuhonua o Honaunau National Historical Park preserves an ancient Hawaiian site that served as a 16th-century place of refuge, providing sanctuary for defeated warriors and kapu (taboo) violators. A great rock wall defines the refuge where Hawaiians found safety. On the wall's north end is Hale o Keawe Heiau, which holds the bones of 23 Hawaiian chiefs. The shrine entombing the ashes of royal family members is protected by the guardian deity Kii, above.



The Manta Ray Experience

Picture a large, shadow-like creature gliding smoothly through crystal clear ocean waters. Strangely shaped, yet hauntingly beautiful and graceful, this exotic creature captures the attention and imagination of everyone who sees it. What is it? It's a manta ray. The largest of the ray species, its fin span can measure more than 20 feet, and it may weigh as much as 2,000 pounds.

You'll get to see them at Sheraton Keauhou Bay where they feed almost every evening. The hotel takes advantage of their nightly presence to give visitors an exceptional view and to educate them about the

manta rays. Guests are able to observe the mantas most evenings from the balconies of oceanfront rooms or from a special viewing area at Crystal Blue Terrace on the resort grounds. On several evenings, a local expert is available to talk about them and answer questions.

For those who want a more up-close encounter, the resort offers the Manta Experience, a boating excursion that takes guests into the water for a nighttime snorkel or scuba dive at a site near the resort. In addition, one can observe underwater video of the manta rays at any time on a dedicated in-room channel.

2010 International Conference Schedule

Sheraton Keauhou Bay Resort & Spa — Kona, Hawaii

July 5-9, 2010

Preliminary Schedule - Subject to Change

Pre-Conference & Sunday, July 4

July 2-5
4pm - 8pm

Pre-Conference Island Hopping*
July 4th Celebration Get-together

Monday, July 5

6:45am - 10:45am
7:30am - 12:30pm
7:45am - 12:15pm
8:00am - 1:30pm
8:15am - 12:00noon
8:30am - 1:00pm
1:00pm - 5:00pm
2:00pm - 5:00pm
2:30pm - 4:00pm
5:15pm - 8:30pm

Circle Island Flight Tour*
Country Waterfall Hike*
Volcano Helicopter Tour*
Painted Church/City of Refuge*
Ocean Kayaking*
Kona Coffee Farm/Historic Area*
Registration/Fly Market/Hospitality
Pre-Conference Board Meeting
Hawaii Island Lore Seminar
Welcome Luau

Tuesday, July 6

6:45am - 10:45am
7:00am - 1:00pm
7:00am - 5:00pm
7:45am - 12:15pm
8:00am - 1:30pm
8:00am - 9:15pm
8:15am - 2:00pm
9:30am - 11:30pm
10:00am - 5:00pm
11:30am - 2:30pm
2:30pm - 4:00pm
5:00pm - 7:30pm

Circle Island Flight Tour*
Scuba Diving*
Credentials & Registration
Volcano Helicopter Tour*
Painted Church/City of Refuge*
Governors' Breakfast
Morning Snorkel Sail*
99s Leadership Training Session
Fly Market/Hospitality Open
AEMSFS Trustees' Meeting
Communications Session
Sunset Cruise*

Wednesday, July 7

6:00am - 8:00am
7:00am - 8:00am
8:30am - 1:00pm
2:00pm - 5:00pm
2:30pm - 4:00pm
4:00pm - 5:00pm

Buffet Breakfast
Credentials/Registration Open
Annual Business Meeting
Fly Market/Hospitality Open
Keynote Speaker: Mimi Tompkins
Endowment Trustees Meeting

Wednesday, July 7, cont.

5:30pm - 6:30pm
6:30pm - 9:30pm

AEMSFS No Host Reception
AEMSFS & 99s Awards Banquet

Thursday, July 8

6:45am - 10:45am
7:45am - 12:15pm
8:00am - 6:00pm
8:15am - 2:00pm
9:00am - 11:30am
9:00am - 12noon
10:00am - 5:00pm
2:00pm - 5:00pm
2:15pm - 10:30pm
5:00pm - 7:30pm

Circle Island Flight Tour*
Volcano Helicopter Tour*
Kilauea Volcano Adventure*
Morning Snorkel Sail*
Atlantis Submarine Tour*
Seminars
Fly Market/Hospitality Open
Seminars
Mauna Kea Summit & Stars Tour*
Sunset Cruise*

Friday, July 9

TBD
6:45am - 10:45am
7:30am - 12:30pm
7:45am - 12:15pm
8:00am - 6:00pm
8:00am - 11:00am
8:15am - 12:00noon
8:30am - 1:00pm
2:15pm - 10:30pm

Post-Conference Oahu Tour *
Circle Island Flight Tour*
Country Waterfall Hike*
Volcano Helicopter Tour*
Kilauea Volcano Adventure*
Post-Conference Board Meeting
Ocean Kayaking*
Kona Coffee Farm/Historic Area*
Mauna Kea Summit & Stars*

Post-Conference

July 9-11
July 9-10
July 10-17
July 17

Post-Conference Island Hopping*
Pre-Cruise Honolulu Tour*
NCL "Pride of America" Cruise*
Post-Cruise Oahu Tour*

*OPTIONAL TOURS

Keynote Address: Critical Incidents

In April of 1988, Ninety-Nine Madeline 'Mimi' Tompkins was flying as first officer on Aloha Airlines Flight 243 when 18 feet of the upper fuselage of the 737 ripped off while leveling at 24,000 feet en route to the Big Island of Hawaii. Eighty-nine people were injured and a flight attendant was swept out of the plane. As a result of this accident, Mimi helped research, design and implement the Airline Pilot Association's Critical Incident

Response Program and acted as international chairperson of this committee for many years. A member of the Aloha Chapter, Mimi went on to fly as captain and facilitate CRM classes for Aloha Airlines for 20 years.

She is now flying the Boeing 767 with Hawaiian Airlines. She is still active with Critical Incident Stress Management as a team member, trainer and mental health professional.

REGISTRATION / RESERVATIONS

99s 2010 International Conference, July 5-9, 2010
Sheraton Keauhou Bay, the Big Island, Hawaii

DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS:

CRUISE: APRIL 20, 2010
HOTEL: JUNE 1, 2010

For hotel details & to book online, log on to:

<https://www.tpires.com/99s/index.htm>

- or -

Complete and Fax to: 210-341-5252

Travel Planners, Inc.

1919 NW Loop 410, Suite 210

San Antonio, Texas 78213

Phone: 800-531-7201 • E-Mail: 99s@tpires.com

Last Name _____ First _____ Name on Badge _____


Spouse (or accompanying guest) _____ 49 ½ or Non-99 Name on Badge _____

E-mail _____ Mailing Address _____

City _____ State/Province _____ Country _____ Zip Code _____

Home Phone() _____ Business Phone() _____ Fax () _____

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 Gift, Goody Bag, Option to Take Tours, Hospitality Room, Fly Market, Welcome Luau, Seminars, Pre-Business Meeting Buffet Breakfast, Keynote Speaker, AE Scholarship & Awards Combined Banquet. **One-Day Registration** Includes: Welcome Gift, Goody Bag, Option to Take Tours, Hospitality Room, and Fly Market and as shown per day.

99s FULL REGISTRATION:

ONE-DAY REGISTRATION:

	Deadline Date	Rate		Rate	Includes:
<input type="checkbox"/> Early Registration	March 10, 2010	\$299	<input type="checkbox"/> Monday, July 5	\$125	Welcome Luau
<input type="checkbox"/> On-Time Registration	May 1, 2010	\$315	<input type="checkbox"/> Tuesday, July 6	\$100	Seminars
<input type="checkbox"/> Late Registration	After May 1, 2010	\$335	<input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday, July 7	\$185	Breakfast, Banquet
			<input type="checkbox"/> Thursday, July 8	\$100	Seminars

AE Scholarship & Awards Banquet Menu Selection: Fish Chicken Beef Vegetarian (Exact menus to be advised)

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

	Rate	# Persons	
GUEST (NON-99) REGISTRATION:	\$15	_____	If more than 1 guest, attach separate page with names(s) & age(s).
Welcome Luau	\$85	_____	
Pre-Meeting Buffet Breakfast	\$25	_____	
AE/Awards Banquet	\$85	_____	Meal Selection: <input type="checkbox"/> Fish <input type="checkbox"/> Chicken <input type="checkbox"/> Beef <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetarian

Total Registration Fees: \$ _____

Please check all that apply:

- | | | |
|--|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> First International Meeting | <input type="checkbox"/> Current Section Governor | <input type="checkbox"/> Trust Board |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Associate (Student Pilot) | <input type="checkbox"/> Past Section Governor | <input type="checkbox"/> 2010 AE Scholarship Winner |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter Chair | <input type="checkbox"/> International Board | <input type="checkbox"/> Past AE Scholarship Winner |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Section Officer | <input type="checkbox"/> Past Int'l President | <input type="checkbox"/> AWTAR Alumna |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> International Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> WASP |

2. HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS: Sheraton Keauhou Resort & Spa (Please place a 1, 2, 3 or 4 in order of room preference.)

Mountain/Garden View @ \$179 Partial Ocean View @ \$189 Ocean View @ \$220 Ocean Front @ \$230

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

Comments: _____

3. OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES (Per person based on 2009 rates and subject to change) (Please check tour & indicate # of persons.)
(Tour prices inclusive of taxes, gratuities, and transportation where appropriate.)

Monday, July 5

- Country Waterfall Hike (7:30am-12:30pm) @ \$165 x _____ person/s \$ _____
- Painted Church/City of Refuge Tour (8:00am-1:30pm) @ \$82 x _____ person/s \$ _____
- Ocean Kayaking (8:15am-12:00pm) @ \$92 x _____ person/s \$ _____
- Kona Coffee Plantation (8:30am-1:00pm) @ \$145 x _____ person/s \$ _____

Tuesday, July 6

- Scuba Diving (7:00am – 1:00pm) @ \$182 x ___ person/s \$ _____
- Painted Church/City of Refuge Tour (8:00am-1:30pm) @ \$82 x ___ person/s \$ _____
- Morning Snorkel Sail (8:15am-2:00pm) @ \$135 x ___ person/s \$ _____
- Sunset Cruise (5:00pm-7:30pm) @ \$75 x ___ person/s \$ _____

Thursday, July 8

- Kilauea Volcano Adventure (8:00am-6:00pm) @ \$125 x ___ person/s \$ _____
- Morning Snorkel Sail (8:15am-2:00pm) @ \$135 x ___ person/s \$ _____
- Atlantis Submarine Tour (9:00am-11:30am) @ \$140 x ___ person/s \$ _____
- Mauna Kea Summit & Stars (2:15pm-10:30pm) @ \$250 x ___ person/s \$ _____
- Sunset Cruise (5:00pm-7:30pm) @ \$75 x ___ person/s \$ _____

Friday, July 9

- Country Waterfall Hike (7:30am-12:30pm) @ \$165 x ___ person/s \$ _____
- Kilauea Volcano Adventure (8:00am-6:00pm) @ \$125 x ___ person/s \$ _____
- Ocean Kayaking (8:15am-12:00pm) @ \$92 x ___ person/s \$ _____
- Kona Coffee Plantation (8:30am-1:00pm) @ \$145 x ___ person/s \$ _____
- Mauna Kea Summit & Stars (2:15pm-10:30pm) @ \$250 x ___ person/s \$ _____

Daily Flightseeing

- Circle Island Flight Tour (6:45am – 10:45am) @ \$360 x ___ person/s \$ _____
 ___ Mon ___ Tue ___ Thu ___ Fri
- Volcano Helicopter Tour (7:45am – 12:15pm) @ \$585 x ___ person/s \$ _____
 ___ Mon ___ Tue ___ Thu ___ Fri

Total for Optional Activities: \$ _____

4. EXTENSIONS TO MAUI, KAUAI or HONOLULU: (Place a 1, 2, and 3 in order of room preference)

July 1-4 and July 9-11, 2010 (Additional dates on request, subject to availability.)

SHERATON MAUI

SHERATON KAUAI

SHERATON WAIKIKI - HONOLULU

- ___ Garden View @ \$220
- ___ Ocean View @ \$250
- ___ Ocean Front @ \$280

- ___ Garden View @ \$185
- ___ Deluxe Ocean Front @ \$230

- ___ Mountain View @ \$215
- ___ Ocean Front @ \$245

Arrival Date _____ Departure Date _____ # persons in room _____

Comments _____

5. POST-CONFERENCE CRUISE ARRANGEMENTS (July 10-17, 2010): (Place a 1 and 2 in order of stateroom preference)

- Ocean view stateroom with balcony: ___ Double @ \$1359 per person ___ Single @ \$2718 per person
- Ocean view stateroom with no balcony: ___ Double @ \$1299 per person ___ Single @ \$2598 per person
- Inside stateroom: ___ Double @ \$1129 per person ___ Single @ \$2258 per person

Check here for ___ 3rd person or ___ 4th person sharing stateroom @ \$299 each (child or adult, subject to availability)

Comments _____

Optional Travel Protection Coverage: Check here ___ for insurance; cost will be added to your invoice.

Insurance Rates are (per person): \$1001 - \$1500, \$99 each; \$2001 - \$2500, \$169 each; \$2501 - \$3000, \$189 each.

Port and government taxes/fees and service charge of \$111.65 per person will be added to the above rates.

Passenger #1 – Name _____ Date of Birth _____ Citizenship _____

Passenger #2 – Name _____ Date of Birth _____ Citizenship _____

Passenger #3 – Name _____ Date of Birth _____ Citizenship _____

Passenger #4 – Name _____ Date of Birth _____ Citizenship _____

Emergency Contact (Name and Phone Number): _____

OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES:

Friday, July 9 and Saturday July 10 – Pearl Harbor/City Tour; Transfer from Sheraton Waikiki to Pier

@ \$165 x ___ person/s \$ _____

Saturday, July 17 – Pickup at Pier; Circle Island Bus Tour; Transfer to Airport

@ \$130 x ___ person/s \$ _____

Total for Cruise and Optional Activities: \$ _____

6. Airline Reservations (Please mark as appropriate below and complete any information required.) Arrange air transportation from (city) _____ to arrive Kona, Hawaii on (date) _____ and return on (date) _____.

NOTE: For those wishing to extend to another island, flight segment will be incorporated into your schedule. Please attach a separate letter to advise your planned itinerary. Airline Preference (if any) _____

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

7. Car Rental Reservations

___ Please provide car rental information

8. SUMMARY/METHOD OF PAYMENT

<input type="checkbox"/> Registration as shown above (#1)	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Sheraton Keauhou Resort deposit; one night deposit required per room (only if paying by check)* (#2)	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Total for above selected Optional Activities (#3)	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Pre/Post Extension hotels; deposits as required per room (only if paying by check) * (#4) \$ _____	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Post-Conference Cruise deposit @ \$250 per person x _____persons (#5)	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Post-Conference Cruise Optional Activities (#5)	\$ _____
TOTAL CHARGES:	\$ _____

***NOTE: Hotel(s) will charge required deposits to credit card provided approximately 30 days prior to arrival. Airfare quotes will be provided via separate email/fax. Airfares are not guaranteed until paid for. Car Rental Reservation will be guaranteed to credit card only.**

Check Enclosed (Make check payable to 99s/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 1 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.

HOTELS:

Sheraton Keauhou, Big Island - One night room and tax.

Sheraton Maui – Two nights room and tax.

Sheraton Kauai – One night room and tax.

Sheraton Waikiki, Honolulu – One night room and tax.

Hotels will charge the required deposits to the credit card above approximately 30 days prior to arrival.

POST CRUISE: \$250 per person deposit at time of booking required to confirm reservations. **Balance due by April 20, 2010.**

OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES: Full prepayment at time of booking.

AIR RESERVATIONS: Full prepayment at time of booking. Air fares quoted are not guaranteed until paid for.

CAR RENTAL RESERVATIONS: Credit card required to guarantee and pay for reservations. Payment made directly with rental car agency on site.

CHANGE AND CANCELLATION POLICIES:

CHANGES: \$25 per change to confirmed arrangements plus any applicable cruise line charges. First change at no charge.

CANCELLATIONS:

REGISTRATION:

Registration must be made in writing via on line 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, 2010**, full refund less \$25; postmarked between June 1 and June 15, 2010, full refund less \$75; NO refunds will be given after **June 15, 2010**. Paid registrations must be received at Travel Planners, Inc. no later than **June 1, 2010**.

HOTELS: \$50 at any time plus:

Sheraton Keauhou Resort – Early departures will be charged one night plus tax fee. Departures must be reconfirmed upon check in. Cancellations between April 30 & June 1, 2010, one night plus tax. After June 1, 2010, full stay plus tax unless room is resold.

Sheraton Kauai and Waikiki – Cancellations after June 1, 2010: one night plus tax.

Sheraton Maui – Cancellations after June 1, 2010, two nights plus tax.

OPTIONAL TOURS: After June 1, 2010: no refund. Documented emergencies will be considered.

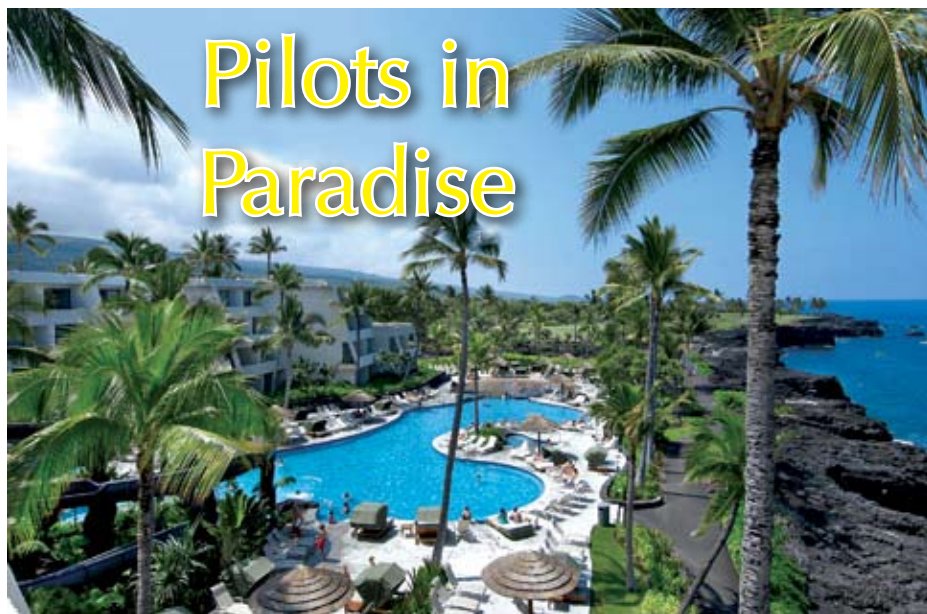
CRUISE: \$50 at any time plus:

Between January 1, 2010 and February 28, 2010: \$350 per person

Between March 1, 2010 and April 30, 2010: \$450 per person

Between May 1, 2010 and June 15, 2010 ...50% of cruise fare will be assessed, unless cabin can be resold by TPI.

After June 15, 2010; no refund unless cabin can be resold by TPI.



Pilots in Paradise

Enjoy ocean-side hospitality at the Sheraton Keauhou Bay Resort and Spa.

COME EARLY, STAY LATE: WIN DINNER FOR TWO

Keauhou Bay Resort & Spa has a special offer for Ninety-Nines: dinner for two at Kai, the hotel's fine restaurant, for their Saturday Night Prime Rib Buffet for Conference attendees coming early or staying late.

To be eligible, you must be booked at the hotel on either the Saturday night before or the Saturday night after the Conference and staying through the Conference.

On March 10, 2010, two "dinners for two" will be awarded from the names of those who meet the above criteria.

Extend your stay; make it a real vacation—and maybe win a prime rib buffet dinner for two.

The Sheraton Keauhou Bay Resort & Spa

BY CONNIE CHARLES
San Diego Chapter

If going to Hawaii for a Conference weren't exciting enough, going to the Sheraton Keauhou Bay Resort & Spa on the Kona Coast is the ultimate in traveler destinations. Its location is superb, its facilities and amenities prime, its ambience quintessentially "Pacific island."

Situated on an ancient lava flow on the southern shore of Keauhou Bay, the resort rests on 22 spectacular oceanfront acres and provides all the tropical breezes, surging surf and mid-Pacific openness one could hope to find in a tropical setting.

The full-service Ho'ola Spa (luxury and indulgence at its best) is complemented by a 24-hour fitness center and the hotel's Manta Ray Super Pool, a multi-level interior and exterior swimming facility that includes a waterfall, bridges, bubbling whirlpools and a 200-foot long lava tube waterslide. There are two tennis courts, a basketball court and a sand volleyball court.

The beautiful Bay View Lawn overlooking the ocean is the site of the luau dinner and show, *Firenesia*, that will be presented for us exclusively as our Welcome Reception on Monday evening. Two restaurants, a coffee bar and a cocktail

lounge offer ample choices for eating.

Golfers will have access to their preferred pastime at Kona Country Club, with two 18-hole championship courses adjacent to the Sheraton where they are afforded privileges as guests of the hotel.

For shoppers, there are on-site retail shops, including clothing, sundries and jewelry to attract your attention and fulfill your wishes. And Keauhou Shopping Center, with grocery, drug and clothing stores

plus dining and movie theaters, is a short Keauhou Resort Trolley ride away. In addition there are numerous sights, shops and restaurants in charming Historic Kailua Village, a few minutes away.

Sheraton Keauhou Bay Resort & Spa is a destination in itself, a reason to go to the Big Island, and it's calling you to come: E komo mai! If you haven't already done so, it's time to make your reservations: <http://ninetyines.net/hawaii 2010/>.



The Bay View Lawn overlooking the ocean will be the site of a luau for The Ninety-Nines.

Welcome New Ninety-Nines Members!

- Alaska Chapter
BASSLER, Danielle (Associate)
CUNNINGHAM, Ann
- Aloha Chapter
GRAHAM, Jessica
- Ambassador Chapter
LAU, Teresa (Associate)
- Austin Chapter
LYERLY, Csilla
- Australian Section
EVANS, Deborah
- Bay Cities Chapter
MCNALLY, Karen Lee
GOODNIGHT, Andrea L
- Canadian Rockies Chapter
ARMSTRONG, Charity (Academic)
- Coachella Valley Chapter
KNAPP, Frances E
- Colorado Chapter
KRALL, Karlen
GOUDGE, Laura Suzanne
- Dallas Chapter
PAVESE, Karla R (Associate)
- Eastern New England Chapter
EMERSON, Morgan Rose
LUCIANO, Joanne
HECK, Heidi G
CHELLA, Christina E
- Eastern Ontario Chapter
CODERRE, Jane E
- Eastern Pennsylvania Chapter
BECKAGE, Kristinia (Associate)
- Embry-Riddle Daytona Chapter
WOLFE, Veronica (Academic)
DILLMAN, Caitlin (Academic)
GARNETT, Brittney L (Associate)
EWING, Kimberly (Academic)
O'BRYAN, Kelsie Marie (Academic)
SERABIAN, Katherine (Associate)
- First Canadian Chapter
SAULNIER, Nicole
- Florida Goldcoast Chapter
MORALES, Shirley A (Academic)
- Florida Gulf Stream Chapter
NISSAN, Jasmine (Associate)
ANTON, Natalie
- Florida Spaceport Chapter
PICORNELL, Patricia
- Florida Suncoast Chapter
MILEWSKI, Tammy Ann (Associate)
MCCREREY, Lise Marie (Associate)
- Fort Worth Chapter
SEARS, Alice M
- French Section
FRASER, Susan
ARTISIEN, Alix Gabrielle Elisabeth (Academic)
FOLLEZOU, Morgane
- Fresno Chapter
THIEL, Amy Ellen (Academic)
- Fullerton Chapter
SMITH, Adrienne Annie (Associate)
- Georgia Chapter
DE MAYO, Claudia P
- German Section
MAERZ, Gabrielle
- Greater Seattle Chapter
SCOLLAY, Anne-Marie
LARUE, Theresa (Associate)
YEE, Kam (Associate)
LANGMANN, Jenny
- Greater St. Louis Chapter
VOSS, Crystal (Associate)
- Hampton Roads Chapter
BEATTY, Carolyn M
CHOU, Elaine (Associate)
- Houston Chapter
ROGERS, Anne M
BULL, Sarah
- India Section
KARNIK, Tanvi Anup (Academic)
- Indiana Dunes Chapter
NAPPI, Melissa
- Intercollegiate Internet Chapter
MERWIN, Kelly (Academic)
- Iowa Chapter
DIBBLE, Kimberly J (Associate)
- Kansas Chapter
BARTAL, Natalie Ruth
RICHTER, Cynthia (Associate)
- Kentucky Bluegrass Chapter
COUCH, Mary Claire (Associate)
PERKINS, Megan Lynn (Associate)
JENKINS, Jessica Dawn (Associate)
NELS, Ashley Marie (Associate)
- Kitty Hawk Chapter
ORLI, Kelly
STELL, Kathryn Webb (Associate)
- Lake Charles Chapter
KRIELOW, Lenora
- Las Vegas Valley Chapter
MACDERMAID, Deborah
- Long Beach Chapter
MENDOZA, Leah (Associate)
RESCHLY, Jolene (Associate)
- Long Island Chapter
VERDI, Kristen N (Associate)
PRITCHARD, Madaline F
- Manitoba Chapter
KLASSEN, Lisa
- Member at Large
COLLINS, Eileen M
RAMIREZ, Osiris
- Minnesota Chapter
AHO, Melissa Kay (Associate)
MCVENES, Michele
- Mississippi Chapter
JORDAN, Janet E JJ (Associate)
- Montana Chapter
NUNES, Janine Elizabeth
- Mt. Shasta Chapter
TERRELL, Susan (Associate)
- Nepal Section
PRAJAPATI, Monica
- New Orleans Chapter
HUNT, Bobbi Gabriel-Bewley (Associate)
- Norwegian Section
HEGGEDAL, B (Academic)
- Oklahoma Chapter
SCANLAN, Jennifer Janna (Academic)
- Orange County Chapter
BROWN, Jennifer (Associate)
SWERDFEGER, Kira (Associate)
FRANCIS, Noelle
- Oregon Pines Chapter
RUSSELL, Mercede (Academic)
- Paradise Coast Chapter
HORTON, Brenda (Associate)
- Phoenix Chapter
GILLETTE, Bambi Joy
PLINSKI, Kimberli (Associate)
KELLY, Jennylynn Lee (Associate)
VASQUEZ, Valerie M
- Pikes Peak Chapter
DORSEY-SPITZ, Jenna M (Associate)
- Reno Area Chapter
MARQUIS, Roberta (Associate)
DOBROVOLNY, Nicole (Associate)
LYNN, Mary (Associate)
- Rio Grande Norte Chapter
SLAUGHTER, Gretchen (Associate)
HICKS, Tandra Lee
- San Antonio Chapter
COLTHARP, Lisa
PERRY, Jodie
- San Diego Chapter
DALY-JACKSON, Katie I (Associate)
DOCKINS, Jamie Lee
- San Gabriel Valley Chapter
BARKEY-WESTBROOKS, Carolyn (Associate)
DURAN, Amber (Associate)
- Santa Rosa Chapter
TURNER, Terri L (Associate)
THOLEN, Hilary (Associate)
JOHNSTON, Mary Jo Wisneski
- Scioto Valley Chapter
MOHR, Rachel A (Academic)
- Sutter Buttes Chapter
WHITE, Sara
- Tucson Chapter
ZACCARIA, Laura Peterson (Associate)
BOWDEN, Sarah (Associate)
ALLEN, Carol Carrie
GRAHAM, Kathleen Wendy
SIEGAL, Alexandra Lexie
MORAN, Kelly (Associate)
- Tulsa Chapter
AMOS, Melanie
WILEMON, Debra
PETERSON, Claire (Associate)
SWAIM, Erika
- Utah Chapter
BARTLEY, Jennifer A
COLLINS, Catherine Lane (Associate)
BRUNNER, Heidi (Associate)
REYNOLDS, Alichia Jean (Academic)
- Ventura County Chapter
GANZER, Kathy J Katie (Associate)
- Western New York Chapter
KING, Elizabeth M
JESSUP, Lise Lemeland
- Wisconsin Chapter
STAMSTA, Tobie (Associate)

Ninety- Nines Elections 2010

BY ANNA TAYLOR
Election Procedures Chairman

Ballots for the 2010 Election will be mailed to all members eligible to vote by March 1, 2010 and must be postmarked by May 1, 2010 to be counted. Please make sure Headquarters has your current address on file now. The members will be electing a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and two Directors. We will also be electing the Nominating Committee and Trustees for the 99s Museum of Women of Women Pilots, Amelia Earhart Birthplace Museum, Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarship Fund and Ninety-Nines Endowment Fund. Candidates are listed in postmark or timestamp order within the office sought. Also indicated are the number of positions available. Please vote!

PRESIDENT (1)

SUSAN LARSON
Rio Grande Norte Chapter
South Central Section

Serving as your President since August 2008 has been the most rewarding position with The Ninety-Nines since my first office in 1983.



Since assuming this role, I have dedicated the equivalent of full-time work to the organization, finding great satisfaction and joy in the process. Under my leadership, we are completing the major repairs to our headquarters building in Oklahoma City, carefully managing our cash flows during the current economic downturn and raising the funds needed to stay financially sound.

I have maintained regular communication with Committee, Trust and Special Projects Chairmen in addition to constant communication with Governors. As your President, I've continued sound working relationships with organizations such as NAA and NIFA and traveled extensively promoting The Ninety-Nines to museum and aviation organizations. I have also attended Section and Chapter meetings throughout the U.S. We recently partnered with the film company that released the movie *Amelia* to promote The Ninety-Nines, generating excellent local publicity for Chapters.

My aviation credentials include commercial, instrument ASEL and helicopter. I hold a CPA certificate and have been an owner/manager of a manufacturing company. I have brought this business background to the Board of Directors and have served as your President, Vice-President and Treasurer in addition to serving in many Section and Chapter offices.

My experience at all levels of The Ninety-Nines, including as your current President, makes me uniquely qualified to fill the President's office. I ask that you return me to the position of President.

VICE PRESIDENT (1)

FRAN STRUBECK
Imperial So-Lo Chapter
Southwest Section

I want to be your next Vice President because I believe that my experience, dedication, desire and commitment is right for this organization. Since joining The Ninety-Nines in 1995, I have been actively involved on the Chapter, Section and International levels. During my professional career, I owned a computer consulting and training company, preceded as a District Math and Technology Coordinator for 6 schools, 160 teachers. I hold a M. Ed of Education and Community Services; taught from K through Graduate School level.



My personal goals for the organization are to:

- Enhance the name recognition of The Ninety-Nines to become a household name.
- Have every member be active and contributing some way to the success of their Chapter.
- Increase knowledge and use of technology to encompass all members.
- Continue to explore and develop outside resources for non-profit fund raising.
- Target the Endowment Fund for economic growth to reach the one million dollar goal.
- Continue to maintain fiscal responsibility.
- Recognize the dedication and contributions of our phenomenal members and to give special recognition to members of long standing.

I am in awe of the talents we have among us. Positive contributions of many have made us what we are today. I am proud to be a Ninety-Nine and am eager to give back for what this wonderful association has done for me. I will be honored to have your vote.

VICE PRESIDENT (1)...continued

LISA A. COTHAM

New Orleans Chapter
Southeast Section

Having completed two terms as Director, I am qualified and prepared to be Vice President of The Ninety-Nines. I am a 22-year member of The Ninety-Nines, an 18-year member of the New Orleans Chapter, a commercial pilot and flight instructor.



I offer business and aviation experience and, more importantly, 10 years of serving The Ninety-Nines as Southeast Section Governor, Museum of Women Pilots Trustee, Director and Public Relations Chairman. I chaired the 2003 International Conference, experience which prepares me for the Vice President's responsibility to work with future Conference Chairmen.

The Ninety-Nines is a business, and the Board must always uphold its fiduciary responsibility. While we must be responsive to members' input, we must do so using sound position management and risk assessment that benefits the organization and members. Yes, we can improve, but it must be accomplished through careful thought and planning. This usually takes time, but it's necessary to assure we make the correct decisions. I pledge to welcome and study members' input so my contributions will be fact-based and my decisions in the best interest of The Ninety-Nines.

During my tenure as Director, I attended every Board meeting, every annual meeting and every pre- and post-conference Board meeting. When possible, I attended the meetings of the Trust to which I was liaison. I successfully completed several organization-wide projects: 2007 calendar, membership brochures and the *Amelia* movie task force.

I will nurture a positive working relationship with the Board and do everything in my power to advance The Ninety-Nines.

PAT THEBERGE

Eastern New England Chapter
New England Section

We are in interesting times for our organization. The challenges of membership, finances, growth and change are not easily resolved. I believe that The Ninety-Nines are flexible, strong and resilient enough to face the obstacles and emerge better for it.



The women who created the organization knew they had major challenges to overcome as well and created a base that we still use. We have started our journey with updates that have been recently adopted. There are many legs on our flight plan I would like to see completed. Some of these include reaching out to increase and retain membership; increasing communication directly to each member; recognition programs; revising Life Member guidelines, and many more.

As I have traveled and met many of you, I have learned that we hold a wealth of knowledge and strength. I would look to you, the membership, to provide input to the updates that would move us forward.

My Professional Career in Project Management and Systems Analysis requires problem solving, communication, team building and collaboration skills. I will bring these skills to the Vice Presidency to help us achieve our common goals and assure the continued growth of The Ninety-Nines. My leadership roles in The Ninety-Nines include Chapter and Section offices, including Governor, Council of Governors Spokesperson and International Director.

It is an honor to serve as your representative, and I hope you will consider me for Vice President for the upcoming term helping to shape the future direction of The Ninety-Nines.

SECRETARY (1)

FRANCES LUCKHART

Tulsa Chapter
South Central Section

I joined the 99s in 1992, since that time I have served as South Central Section Treasurer, Vice-Governor and Governor. I have had the privilege of serving as International Director and International Secretary; both positions have given me firsthand experience in our ever-changing and growing organization worldwide and in the aviation community.



Our organization has and is going through changes, most positive. While we strive for a larger membership and a more stable financial picture, we are strong; we are more recognized each day by the outside world and other aviation organizations. We have a ship and a movie named for our first president Amelia.

I believe that all of us need to strive for a unity of purpose for The 99s. The future of our organization depends on our members, new and old; it depends on the pride of ownership of our members. It depends on our willingness to support the Endowment Fund which will give us the stability we need.

I take great pride in being a 99 and I welcome the opportunity to serve again as your International Secretary. Let us all continue to protect the aviation heritage our predecessors envisioned in 1929 by accurately accounting the accomplishments of our Board as they serve our organization.

TREASURER (1)

MARTHA PHILLIPS Ventura County Chapter Southwest Section

I received my private pilot certificate in 1986 and joined The Ninety-Nines in 1996. In my own Chapter, I served as Secretary, Chapter Chairman and Membership Chairman and served on many committees including Budget, Nominating and Girl Scout Day. I've been very active in our Chapter's fund-raising activities that in turn have benefited the entire organization through donations to The Ninety-Nines Building Fund(s) and the various Trusts.

In 2004 I was elected Southwest Section Treasurer and in 2006 was elected Governor. Currently, I am Co-Chairman of the 2010 International Conference in Hawaii and serve on the Southwest Section Board of Directors.

On the International level, I have served on the Nominating Committee and Finance Committee and participated in the Council of Governors. I have attended all but one of the International Board Meetings in the last four years. Those meetings impressed me with the dedication and abilities of the officers of The Ninety-Nines.

My background in business has been varied, culminating with a 20-year stretch as a business owner and president of a limited California corporation. One of my main strengths has been the ability to understand and apply financial principles to allow for controlled growth and profitability. Although semi-retired, I currently have a part-time business providing accounting services to a small group of clients. My accounting skills, business experience and knowledge of the various levels of The Ninety-Nines organization provide me with a solid foundation to serve as your Treasurer.



DIRECTOR (2)

JAN MCKENZIE Colorado Chapter South Central Section

The Ninety-Nines' most valuable asset is its members. As South Central Section Governor, among my top priorities are 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 all areas of aviation, from NASA astronauts to women who just love to fly. We must serve the recreational flyer as well as provide resources and support to career pilots.

As a SEL pilot with instrument rating and a commercial helicopter rating, I have flown over 2,300 hours. As an electrical engineer and corporate division director, but a pilot at heart, 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 chaired many Chapter committees. I have also held the Section offices of Vice Governor, Treasurer and Director. In addition, I chaired the 2007 International Conference. In 2008, traveling to Mexico, I was instrumental in reestablishing the Mexico Section.

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 Director.



BARBARA HARRIS-PARA Garden State Chapter New York/New Jersey Section

I have been a very active member of both my Chapter (1990-2006) and the NY/NJ Section. Upon joining The Ninety-Nines in 1990, I worked in various positions, including Secretary, Vice Chairman, Chairman, Pennies-a-Pound Chairman and Garden State 300 Race Chairman, many of which were more than one term.

In the Section, I began as Historian, Board of Directors, then Vice Governor and Governor. The 2004 Conference in Atlantic City was run by our Section, and I was the Chairman for that event. Through these I have decided that the next step for me would be to run for a Board of Directors position on the International Board.

As a Board of Directors member, I feel I could add my expertise to that position through my school board experience (18 years), my teaching both in middle school (30 years) and as a certified flight instructor (19 years), plus working for the FAA (10 years). Through some volunteer days at headquarters, I have assisted in membership work and whatever could be found for me to keep busy. I have also attended many Board of Directors meetings in the past as Governor, Conference Chairman and Nominating Committee member.

I believe I am a self-starter with lots of energy to contribute to our cause and to move it forward in the coming years as a respected aviation organization. I am totally committed to The Ninety-Nines, Inc., making it the best it can be and achieving the goals of the organization.



JOAN KERWIN

Chicago Area Chapter
North Central Section

In February 2010, I will have been a proud Ninety-Nine for 40 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 Chairman, one of the largest Chapters, through Governor of one of the largest Sections to International Director. I also initiated and chaired the International Legislation Committee (11 years); chaired Bylaws/Standing Rules (four years); Nominating Committee (four years, two as Chairman).

I have attended 36 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 the various Section meetings has kept me in touch with the membership.

Membership, finances, public relations are all aspects that require the Board's attention. I have had experience in all of them, both in my private life as well as with other volunteer organizations, all requiring cooperation, commitment and communication.

As your Director, I pledge to work with your International Board to seek and retain, provide, preserve and promote the 99s as I have for the past 40 years, working specifically toward retention.

JENNIFER CRESS

Military Chapter Internet Chapter
Southwest Section

I have been interested in aviation most of my life. I received my private pilot certificate in high school shortly after my seventeenth birthday. I attended the University of Nebraska and graduated with a B.S. in Meteorology along with a commission in the U.S. Air Force. I served in the Active Duty Air Force for six and a half years as an AWACS pilot and continue serving in the Reserves today.



While serving in the military, I have traveled all over the world, including countries such as Germany, England, Argentina, Qatar, Crete, Curaçao and Saudi Arabia. I am employed full-time as a Reserve AWACS pilot and live in Oklahoma City. I live close to the Museum and find myself there several days a month.

I have served as a member of the Board of Trustees for the 99s Museum of Women Pilots in Oklahoma City since 2007. Prior to joining the Board, I was an active volunteer with the Museum. I have improved the layout of the museum and updated a majority of the displays. The Museum is a fascinating place that constantly exposes us to new treasures on a daily basis. It is a joy to be associated with such a wonderful and unique place.

As an Active military member, I bring a unique perspective to the Board. I welcome the opportunity to continue working with the Museum as a member of its Board of Trustees and part of its future development.

CAROL CRAIG MORRIS

Fort Worth Chapter
South Central Section

I have had a close relationship with aviation since 1950, when Lockheed aircraft came to Georgia. My dad retired from Lockheed, and in the mid '50s I worked



there for a brief time. I became fascinated with aviation and knew I would fly someday. In January 1967, I started flying lessons, and on my 30th birthday that year I secured my certificate. I have been an active member of The Ninety-Nines since March 1968. I served as Chapter Chairman of the Dallas Chapter twice and have co-chaired the Fort Worth Chapter. I also chaired the South Central Section meeting in 1986. I have been active in planning flying poker parties, air races, air markings and educational seminars.

In 2003, I built and moved into my hangar-home on Flicks Airport in Fort Worth. I helped build my RV-7A and get in as much cross-country flying as possible.

I have served on the 99s Museum of Women Pilots Board of Trustees since 2007 and have enjoyed contributing to the ongoing growth and development of the Museum. I have had the opportunity to work with many people who have donated collections of items to the Museum. It would be a privilege to continue to serve on the Board and help complete many of the projects that the Museum is undertaking.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE (5) (must be from different sections to be elected)

FRAN POSTMA

Mount Tahoma Chapter
Northwest Section

The Ninety-Nines have been an important part of my life since joining in 1985. I have used my leadership abilities in assuming Chapter offices and also that of



Vice Governor and Governor of the Northwest Section. I participated in the Council of Governors and attended numerous International Board meetings and conferences.

Participation in other Ninety-Nines events include yearly manning booths at the Northwest Aviation Trade Fair and the EAA Arlington Fly-In, air marking and making items for raising funds. My "Women Fly" slide show has been shown to local organizations and the Museum of Flight in Seattle, and my Jackie Cochran biographical presentations have enhanced awareness of women in aviation to NW organizations.

My education includes a BS and an MBA. My organizational abilities, leadership and management skills have provided a good background for the past 30 years of teaching and operating a real estate business as well as providing these same skills for The Ninety-Nines International Nominating Committee.

My goal as a member of the Nominating Committee is to encourage members to become more involved at the International level. I believe the strength and lifeblood of the organization is in having Ninety-Nines more familiar with the organization and members at all levels. This could be holding an office, working on a committee or just attending functions and meeting other Ninety-Nines. Outreach by all Ninety-Nines should be encouraged.

As Nominating Committee member, I will take opportunities to talk with Ninety-Nines and encourage their involvement.

Vote Fran Postma.

LINDA MAE DRAPER-HIVERT

Reno Area Chapter
Southwest Section

This year marks 30 exciting and fulfilling years as a Southwest Section, Reno Area Chapter Ninety-Nines member. When I first met



several Ninety-Nines at an event in Monterey, California, I thought what a privilege to be a member of this group of congenial and interesting women. Becoming a member was one of my main incentives to complete my pilot certificate.

I was honored to receive the Amelia Earhart Scholarship Award twice and the Southwest Section Professional Woman Pilot of the Year. I actively help with local airport planning and development, hold offices on several committees and formerly was Minden-Tahoe Airport Advisory Committee Chairman.

Having served as Southwest Section Governor, Vice Governor, Director, and Nominating Committee Chairman, I have met many talented and enthusiastic members who could be valuable resources to The Ninety-Nines. As a member of the International Nominating Committee, I would recruit and inspire the appropriate Ninety-Nines who would be an asset.

Serving The Ninety-Nines is an interactive process. The more we become involved, the more friends we make, and we want to give back and spread the benefits for others to experience.

Nominating Committee members have the very important mission of obtaining prospective candidates who will work to PROMOTE world fellowship, PROVIDE networking, scholarship and education opportunities and PRESERVE women's history through aviation. If elected I would work towards this goal in finding eager and devoted members to work together in leading The Ninety-Nines to even greater success.

BARBARA A. STRACHAN

Florida Suncoast Chapter
Southeast Section

I am a long-time and active Life member of The Ninety-Nines Organization, serving at both International, Section and Chapter levels. The organization is very



important to me. I have formed many close friendships in our organization with women who both encourage and support me, and I have been inspired by the women in the organization who went before me.

I recently served two consecutive two-year terms on the Endowment Fund Board of Trustees. My time served is from mid-2006 to mid-2010.

I would like to continue to serve the organization, and I think I could do a good job working for the Nominating Committee. As Chairman in my last year on the Endowment Fund Board, I made many calls and worked hard to obtain effective volunteers to be candidates for the Board.

What I have learned is that almost everyone needs to be asked to serve, and I am willing to do this to ensure that the offices of our organization are filled with dedicated and competent women.

My background in marketing and sales will help me with this effort to "sell" the need to provide service to The Ninety-Nines. I know there are many who love the organization and what it represents and would be willing to serve if asked.

I need your vote on my behalf to continue making a contribution to The Ninety-Nines by serving in this new capacity on the Nominating Committee.

SANDRA HAWKINS

Eastern Pennsylvania Chapter
Mid-Atlantic Section

Members of the Nominating Committee play a key role in the future, character and success of our organization. It would be my pleasure to serve on this committee.



I am an energetic and resourceful member, as are many other Ninety-Nines. Having been a member since 1989, I have met many of the women in our organization. I am continually amazed at the diverse, talented and educated group of women who have tackled the challenge of flight. I pledge to seek out and bring forward the best of talent within our organization. My goal would be to bring forward candidates who will energize The Ninety-Nines, address issues and foster growth and camaraderie.

Aviation has been my career and passion for 20-plus years. Currently I am an FAA Air Carrier Inspector. Prior to joining the FAA, I was an airline captain. I rose through the ranks of general aviation. On the day that I received my private pilot certificate, I joined The Ninety-Nines and have enjoyed continual membership with the Eastern Pennsylvania Chapter since then.

I am currently Governor of the Mid-Atlantic Section. My leadership role has provided me with the contacts, experience and knowledge to serve as an International Committee member. My Section has drawn new, young and fresh faces to The Ninety-Nines. This coming fall, my term as Governor is coming to an end, and I would like to continue to serve our organization in this most important capacity as a member of the Nominating Committee.

KRISTINE K. (KRIS) IRVIN-HERRON

South Central Section
Arkansas Chapter

I received my private pilot certificate in 1988 and joined The Ninety-Nines, Inc. in 1989. I have been an active member of the Arkansas Chapter since that time.



At the Chapter level, I served as Vice-Chairman, Chairman, Scholarship Chairman and have been Treasurer since 1996. At the Section level, I served as Director, Treasurer, Vice Governor and Governor. I have been the Section 501(c)(3) Advisor since 1996. As Governor, I served on the International Finance Committee and as Chairman of the International Awards Committee. I am currently serving as International Treasurer.

The above experiences have given me an understanding of the operations of The Ninety-Nines at all levels, which I feel would be very helpful in finding qualified candidates to serve the organization.

I attended my first International Conference in 1991 and have attended every one since. I have been attending International Board meetings since 2004 when I became Governor of the South Central Section. In addition to the experience gained in the operations of the organization, it has also allowed me to meet members and make contacts from all over the world.

As a member of the Nominating Committee, I will be very proactive in searching for qualified candidates for all positions. I feel it is the Nominating Committee's duty to seek members who have the talents and energy needed to lead the organization into the future.

JANET YODER

Kansas Chapter
South Central Section

I am pleased again to submit my name for the Amelia Earhart Birthplace Museum Board of Trustees. I have been a member of The Ninety-Nines since 1980. I have



served in several positions in the Kansas Chapter. Presently I am Vice Chairman and Membership Chairman. I have been employed as a nurse anesthetist since 1965 and have experienced all phases of that profession. I have helped direct a furniture sales business for 15 years. Currently, my husband Don and I are developing 290 acres into a residential airpark (SN61).

I have participated in the Air Race Classic since 1982 as either PIC or copilot and have placed second twice as Margaret Ringenberg's copilot. At present I am on the ARC Board of Directors. This past year I served as a judge on the ARC race. Don and I have a definite interest in older aircraft. Currently we have a 1940 Stearman, a 1944 Stearman and a 1946 J3 Cub. We try to participate in as many antique aircraft events as possible.

It would be an honor to again assist in keeping alive the remembrance of Amelia Earhart and the maintenance of her childhood home. The home is a tangible connection to Ms. Earhart and one that all women in aviation should have an interest in. With its proximity to the Forest of Friendship, it becomes a shrine to the beginning of women in aviation. We must all commend Amelia's foresight to bring all women pilots together in the organization of The Ninety-Nines.

ENDOWMENT (3)

ANDREA CHAY

Greater Seattle Chapter
Northwest Section

Our wonderful Ninety-Nines are in trouble due to our lack of financial stability. I believe the Endowment Fund is the lifeblood 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 have been a Ninety-Nine member since 1981 and will always be a Ninety-Nine member, even when I'm no longer flying. The Endowment Fund is a simple concept that we need to get everyone to understand. I do not have a heavy financial background, but I understand that if we get the foundation established now that it will reap the 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 have served as Nominating Committee Chairman for the Northwest Section, and internationally I served as International Membership Chairman.

I look forward to joining the forward thinking individuals on this committee, to bring the idea to all members and to help everyone understand the reason we each should donate enough to make our goal, and let the Endowment Fund do the work it is designed to do.



VIRGINIA C. HARMER

San Gabriel Valley Chapter
Southwest Section

Thank you for allowing me to be a Director for the past three years. The knowledge I have gained about the organization is leading me to run for the Endowment Fund as a Trustee. I have watched The Ninety-Nines struggle for the past three years, going back to the membership for funds to take care of immediate problems, and you have always come through. Our goal is not to have to ask the membership for funds. 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.

My first job after high school was working for a brokerage firm while attending college. I 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.

I will work for you 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.



ANNE MARIE RADEL

San Fernando Valley Chapter
Southwest Section

There are certain things in life that deserve preservation. Most dear to my heart is the heritage of the most elite and prestigious woman pilot's organization, The Ninety-Nines, and the treasure of women's air racing.

These institutions are not mutually exclusive. There can be no women's air racing without women pilots. There can be no new women pilots without the helping hands of other women pilots who have blazed the trail before them.

I participate in the Air Race Classic to ensure that it will continue for other women pilots to enjoy. It's a thrill to see other women coming together to engage in friendly competition and to preserve this legacy of racing.

It is also a great pleasure attending any Ninety-Nines meeting, whether at the Chapter level or International level and watching so many women working synergistically to achieve that one goal of advancing opportunities for women in aviation. As International Membership Co-Chairman for two years, I am proud I helped grow the organization during my tenure.

The ongoing life of The Ninety-Nines will not be possible without the hard work involved in safeguarding the Endowment Fund and helping reach its primary goal of seeding and growing the fund for prosperity.

As a successful business owner and licensed CPA, I believe I have the necessary fiscal and fund-raising abilities to help reach this goal. I am honored to have the opportunity to serve this great organization.



DOROTHY BERTHELET

Eastern Ontario Chapter
East Canada Section

The Amelia Earhart Scholarship fund is an amazing program providing our members with needed resources to help them succeed in aviation. I would be honoured to be a Trustee of this Fund.



I joined The Ninety-Nines in 1989 after attaining my pilot certificate and have been actively involved ever since, serving in all Section positions and as Chapter Chairman (10 years), plus being a member of two Ninety-Nines International Committees.

My other aviation interests have included being an International Precision and Rally Flying judge; being part of the 1996, 1999 and 2000 Canadian Precision Flying Teams as reserve pilot and judge observer; founding member of the Civil Air Search and Rescue Association (CASARA) Ottawa; flying my Cessna 182 over most of North America. I've been fortunate enough to be honored by the Canadian Owners and Pilots Association (COPA) with their Award of Merit and by the Ottawa Flying Club for contributions towards aviation.

I've created the canadian99s.org website to promote The Ninety-Nines and to "virtually" connect the two Canadian Sections. My home is in Canada's capital city, Ottawa.

I've also acquired excellent public speaking and leadership skills through Toastmasters International, attaining their top level "Distinguished Toastmaster" within three years. In addition, as a Certified Management Accountant with 30 years of management experience with the Canadian government, I offer a well-rounded background. If elected, I intend to work hard to continue the Fund's excellent work, growth and initiatives.

What's Inside?

BY SARAH RICKMAN
All-Ohio Chapter

What is there inside you that made you different from the other girls so that you turned to flying to feel alive? Whatever it is, we have it in common. We are women. We fly. We are licensed pilots. We are Ninety-Nines. Okay, a small few of us are Future Women Pilots still working on the licensed part.

Other than those basic givens, we are a most diverse group. Look a bit deeper into our diversity — all colors, ages, sizes, shapes and temperaments, not to mention that most changeable of things, hair color. Still, we have those basics in common.

So what brought each of us to flying? Not the reading about Amelia at age 13, or the planes that daily flew over your house or the hunger to do aerobatics after witnessing your first air show. Those are the tangible moments we can recall.

What is that big intangible? Think about it! You have the nerve, the drive, the chutzpah to make good on that itch. Odds are you're blessed with good coordination, sufficient muscle power and good eyesight — though some of us have to be corrected to 20/30 by our lens of choice.

You're long on self-confidence, even though it may have taken awhile to get there. Flying fuels your sense of accomplishment and satisfies your sense of adventure. Flying provides that heady tonic, self-worth.

As Ninety-Nines, we are blessed with these gifts. Are we then called to give gifts and support back to our Ninety-Nines community? Can that self-confidence and self-worth be contagious? Can it be passed on to others? What do you think?

We've got skills — talents — far beyond flying. Computer skills, fund-raising skills, writing abilities, organizational skills, artistic abilities abound throughout our membership. We are CPAs, lawyers, CEOs, doctors and teachers — and we are players in countless other career fields.

Your organization, The Ninety-Nines, needs your skills, your talents. We are all aware of rumblings, genuine concerns expressed about the future of our organization. We hear calls for fresh blood, a new perspective, the need to serve the younger members whose path to where we are is quite different from that of the old guard.

Problem is, in our busy-to-the-point-of-frenzied lives, the concept "volunteer" is overused, often undervalued and frequently belittled. "I'm volunteered out," we assert when pressed to take on yet another responsibility. Nevertheless, that is what The Ninety-Nines needs right now — volunteers — a lot of them because many hands will help make light the work. True, it is the older Ninety-Nines who have more time and wherewithal to volunteer. But we need the balance — the best of both, the input of many.

Within our Ninety-Nines membership dwells the wealth of skills of outstanding women who, simply by being pilots, have risen to literal and figurative heights not achieved by most women. Those skills, flying-related or not, were acquired through sweat, dedication and persistence — hard work. The Ninety-Nines needs those skills and zeal *now*. We have, within ourselves, what it takes to make the difference that will keep our organization alive and vital for the women flyers of the future. We need *your* help.

Check out the front part of your Ninety-Nines Directory. You will see listed our organization's various committees and trusts. They all need top notch women to carry forward the work necessary to make this organization stand out. Wouldn't it be nice to have other organizations sit up and take notice and say, "Wow, these ladies have it together, they have a plan, and even though the leadership changes, the organization stays on the flight path"?

DORIS LOCKNESS FLIES AGAIN AT 100

Just two months shy of her 100th birthday, Southwest Section member Doris Lockness climbed into a Robinson R-44 Raven II helicopter and prepared for takeoff, along with John Crawford of Sierra Air Helicopters. Doris had said that her birthday wish was to take a helicopter ride when she turned 100, and someone who had read an article about her in the local newspaper granted her wish.

Doris began flying in 1939 and over the years earned a commercial helicopter rating as well as ratings for seaplanes, gyroplanes, hot air balloons and gliders.

PRO NINETY-NINES TO PRESENT WAI PANELS

The Ninety-Nines will have a strong presence at the Women In Aviation Conference February 25-27. Not only will The Ninety-Nines have our own booth coordinated by Bobbi Lasher, but the Pro 99s have two panel presentations scheduled: *Dealing with Downsizing*, February 26 from 2:50 to 3:40 p.m. moderated by Laurence Bonneau and featuring Evelyne Tinkl, Donna Miller, Rebecca Hempel and Jenna Cohrs. *Professional Pilot Moms* will be presented on February 27 from 2:35 to 3:25 p.m. moderated by Michele Hovey and featuring Melanie Weddle, Jenny Higgs, Suzanne Skeeters-Trebon, Janet Patton and Caroline Bryan.

— Laurence Bonneau

MEMORIAL CONTROL TOWER DEDICATED TO AUSTRALIA'S NANCY-BIRD WALTON

On November 7, 2009, the Nancy-Bird Walton Memorial Tower at Luskintyre Airfield was officially opened. The Mayor of Maitland officiated, and Nancy-Bird Walton's daughter, Tweed



Holman, cut the ribbon while an RAAF P51 Mustang flew overhead in salute.

About 600 people from around Australia came to pay their respects to the late Nancy-Bird, who was a proud Ninety-Nine. The private grass airfield is located in the Hunter Valley, approximately a two-hour drive

north of Sydney. The 1930s style control tower is equipped with today's technology and built with generous donations to honor an esteemed aviatrix. Many years ago, a camellia was named after Nancy-Bird, and several of these bushes were planted at the base of the tower.

Nancy-Bird touched the lives of many around the world, and the control tower is a lasting memorial to this pioneering aviatrix who, during her lifetime, was named as one of Australia's Living Treasures.

— Christine Robertson

GREENWOOD 'COKIE' COCANOUGH ENTERS KENTUCKY HALL OF FAME

The late Cokie Cocanougher, past Governor of the North Central Section, was inducted into the Kentucky Aviation Hall of Fame on October 17 in Lexington.

She took her first flight lesson in 1938 and went on to accumulate over 5,000 flying hours, many as a flight instructor. She trained military and civilian pilots and was given special permission to fly into Brooks Field, Texas in 1941 to pin pilot wings on her son. She was the second woman to have such clearance to operate from an Army Air Force base, following Anne Lindbergh.

Later, her flying interests took her to all-women air racing competition and becoming the Governor of the North Central Section. She participated in the Civil Air Patrol and the Aero Club of Louisville.

Her children and grandchildren followed her tradition, enjoying military and commercial aviation careers.

Cokie slipped on icy stairs in 1951 and suffered a fatal head injury.

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PILOT CAREERS: The Best Part of a Flying Job

BY DONNA MILLER
International Careers Committee

What do you love most about your job? As professional pilots, it's easy to get sucked up in the turmoil that is a big part of this volatile industry. So what is the best of the best of all the things you do as a professional pilot?

It's easy for me to rattle off several things I appreciate about flying for a living. The flexible schedule, the view, the fun layovers... but I couldn't name the one thing that placed number one on the long list. So I tried an experiment.

I went to work and paid really close attention to everything I did. I was present to everything around me. I met the crew in the crew room. Is this the best part? I looked around the room and saw the camaraderie of coworkers-turned-friends. This *is* really cool, I thought. As a crew, we walked to the airplane, and I started my preflight. Is this

it? I love admiring the lines of the jet as I walk around it. The baggage handlers want to come with me to a warmer destination than Denver. "I'll bring back sunshine." I promise them. I treasure the friendly cooperation as I run up the stairs to start loading the Flight Management System. I relish the magic as the box computes the v speeds and weight and balance.

The captain and I brief the departure and complete the preflight checklist. Then I stand in the doorway and greet the passengers. This is definitely one of my favorite parts about my job. I invite kids to "step into my office" when they peer into the flight deck. I love showing them what everything does and encourage them to pay attention in school. Is this the best part?

We push back, taxi and get ready for takeoff. Pushing the thrust levers forward and feeling the acceleration, listening to the roar of the engines. Is this it? Is this the best

part? Breaking through the overcast into the bright sunlight, skimming the tops of the clouds as we wait for ATC to clear us higher... ooh, this might be it. Watching the world drift by under the wing, seeing the shadows change the landscape. Definitely in the top 10.

Is the best thing that feeling of joyful confidence after executing a perfect approach to a greaser landing? Is it the fun on a layover in a city that you really love, or the delicious dinner in your favorite restaurant that you only get to visit on layovers, or the friends you get to see?

What I found out from my experiment is this: It doesn't really matter what your favorite part of the job is. But in looking for it and trying to determine the best part of a flying job, you will become more aware of all of the little things that make this job the best of the best of all the jobs you could have.

PRO 99s PROFILE: Marina Saettone

BY BETSY DONOVAN, International Careers Committee

Helicopter pilot Marina Saettone set her mind on rotary wing aircraft at age seven after seeing a Coast Guard lifesaving demonstration that she thought was the real thing. Flying since 1985, Marina landed her first job in 1988. She's worked as a CFI, flown sightseeing and photography flights, and was a pilot for an oil company. "I got into it by saving tons of money, getting loans, grants, scholarships and studying till I cried. I sacrificed endless opportunities to follow this dream." Presently, Marina is a captain on the

EC130 B4, flying helicopter tours over the Grand Canyon from the South Rim (GCN) for Papillon Airways. "I call it Summer Camp because after the 5.5 years I spent in the Gulf of Mexico, this is easy, fun, beautiful, filled with joyful passengers, and the scenery speaks for itself."

A Ninety-Nine since 1994, Marina belongs to the Phoenix Chapter. She's been the Secretary, Treasurer, Historian, Newsletter Editor and on the Scholarship Committee. Marina was the Southwest Section Woman Pilot of the Year in 2007. She also won the AEMS in 2000.



Marina's advice to others: "It is a *small* industry, so it's best you live by the golden rule because we who are in it already do. There is so much love and support from other women pilots; any woman who is serious and willing to sacrifice here and there will find an abundance."

GREATER SEATTLE CHAPTER

On Saturday morning, October 24, Greater Seattle members Emily Biss and Marty Vale assisted Dr. Bonnie Dunbar, Museum of Flight Director, with the ribbon-cutting ceremony that opened the *In Search of Amelia Earhart* exhibit for a seven-month visit in Seattle. It contains many of Amelia's personal artifacts and includes the history of her involvement in launching The 99s.

That same day, the Greater Seattle Chapter celebrated its 40th anniversary surrounded by aviation history in the Red Barn (the original Boeing plant) in the Museum of Flight. A buffet dinner was enjoyed by 53 attendees and special guest Northwest Section Governor Marjy Leggett. Charter member Sandra Sullivan entertained and inspired with recounting her 40-plus years of flying adventures.

— Marian Hartley



Greater Seattle Area Chapter members gather for a photo to celebrate the Chapter's 40th anniversary.

EAST CANADA SECTION

The East Canada Section held the 9th annual rally from Canada's capitol to Newfoundland in June. Eleven women from all over Ontario participated. The winners were Marilyn Dickson and Jean Franklin Hancher.

It took two days to fly up the remote north shore of the St. Lawrence River to cross the ocean where the distance was the shortest near the northern tip of the island. Celebrations were held in the town of St. Anthony. Sightseeing included whale watching, close encounters with icebergs and exploring the first European settlement in North America. Due to weather, some took almost three weeks to return. In spite of the weather delays, we learned a lot from flying in remote areas, through ADIZ zones and in unpredictable marine weather.

— Akky Mansikka



East Canada Section members participated in a rally that took them through a remote area over the St. Lawrence River and the ocean to Newfoundland.

FINGER LAKES CHAPTER

The Finger Lakes Chapter partnered with Regal Theaters, Henrietta, New York (Rochester) to be at the opening of *Amelia* on October 23. We had a display table outside the theatre. We also contacted the local newspaper (*Democrat and Chronicle*), which is part of the Gannett chain and also publishes *USA Today*. A former chief pilot for Gannett, Russ Holderman, was with Amelia in the 1930s when she visited Leroy, New York.

— Marcia Gitelman

OREGON PINES CHAPTER

In September, nine Oregon Pines members piloted off to Enterprise, Oregon, a 300-mile flight. They landed at Enterprise around noon, stopped for lunch and headed for the fairgrounds. It was Hells Canyon Mule Days, where they were so impressed with the poly float line used on the mules that they bought some for tie downs.

The weekend was filled with a BBQ dinner, Western poetry, fiddling, a mule parade, tours and hiking. It's easy to see how the Hells Canyon/Wallowa Mountain residents fell in love with that spectacular part of the world.

— Debra Plymate

CHICAGO AREA CHAPTER

The Chicago Area Chapter had a special guest speaker at a recent meeting, one of our very own members, Carol Skiber, a former U.S. Navy pilot and now first officer for Southwest Airlines flying the 737 out of Chicago's Midway Airport.

Although very busy with her career, she donates her time to a favorite project, Southwest Airlines' Adopt-a-Pilot, a mentoring program where Southwest pilots visit 5th grade classrooms and lead the students through lessons in science, math, geography, goal setting and other subjects.

— Diane M. Cozzi

INDIANA DUNES CHAPTER

Associate member Erin Ropac and her flight instructor Melissa Nappi were the big winners in our Chapter air rally in September. Erin has since gone on to finish her private pilot rating and Melissa has also joined our Chapter.

Chapter Chairman Diana Austin has been getting many calls about her Air Bear programs. In November, she, Erin Ropac and our Chapter friend Annie Swanson presented a program to the Girl Scouts in Dyer, Indiana as part of their Aerospace Badge requirements. Annie, 13, is not quite old enough for membership in The Ninety-Nines, but she has completed her private ground school and is taking occasional lessons to prepare for her solo at 16. Many of the scouts found Annie, just a few years older than they were, inspiring.

The tiny town of Mentone, Indiana was the site of our November meeting. It is the home of two aviation attractions, the Popular Rotorcraft Association and the Bell Aircraft Museum.

— Lynn Pergher

LAKE ERIE CHAPTER

The Lake Erie Chapter held its annual Pilot of the Year Banquet on October 17, 2009. This year's winner of the Pilot of the Year Trophy is Nancy Wood. Nancy has been flying since 2003, earned her private license in November 2005, her instrument rating in April 2009, and also received her checkout on her Cirrus SR-22.

Other members receiving awards were Karen Longo, the Fledgling of the Year Award, Carol Stocker, the Service Award, and Evelyn Moore, the Achievement Award.

— Evelyn Moore

FLORIDA SPACEPORT

Florida Spaceport member Bobbi Lasher talked to a local Girl Scout Cadette troop in September about aviation. Using several posters, Bobbi was able to show the girls the different parts of a plane, what they do and explain the basic instruments in a trainer airplane. In about an hour they talked about most of the requirements for the World of Flight badge. The girls, ages 10 to 14, were very interested and asked a lot of great questions.

— Bobbi Lasher



Bobbi Lasher talks with Girl Scouts about aviation.



Intermountain Chapter members, from left, front: Barbara Thisted, Fran Postma, Barbara Mayfield, Annette Orton, Ann Easterly, Donna El-Din, Carolyn Hambidge. Back: Anne Hartzell, Patti Payne, Dr. Bird, Pam Bird (in front of her husband), Linda Polley, Jessica Short, Valetta O'Day and Melinda Denton.

INTERMOUNTAIN CHAPTER

The Intermountain Chapter met at the Bird Aviation Museum and Invention Center for their monthly meeting. Members had a chance to fly in to the museum at the Bird Private Airport connecting with the museum by a taxiway.

Dr. Forrest Bird, aviator and inventor, and his wife Dr. Pam Bird, also a 99, were on hand to greet us.

The 16,000-square-foot museum is housed in an airplane hangar and includes World War II memorabilia, photos and original autographs of notable aviators, a military exhibit area and an iron lung made obsolete by Dr. Bird's invention of the respirator. A great humanitarian, he was recently featured on CBS's *Sixty Minutes* and received the Presidential Citizens Medal a year ago in Washington, D.C.

— Annette Orton

SAN ANTONIO CHAPTER

As a result of a group of members attending the *Amelia* preview, much interest in The Ninety-Nines was created and several members of the media conducted interviews. The theatre was totally filled, and the various organizations were introduced. Of course, The Ninety-Nines drew much attention, so Alice Foeh addressed the audience about our history.

The San Antonio Chapter has met twice with EAA Chapter 958, sharing each other's programs. The joint meetings were so well received that EAA 958 changed its meeting date so members will be available for our meetings as well as for other EAA chapters. The latest program, "Know your Plane," was presented by Ninety-Nine Cheryl Casillas, CFIL, and Shaune Maycock, AI.

Astronaut Shannon Walker, daughter of San Antonio Ninety-Nine Sherry Walker, will make her space debut in May 2010. *Amelia's* watch will accompany the astronauts. Shannon is also a Ninety-Nine.

— Gloria Blank

SAN DIEGO CHAPTER

Fran Bera, 84, and Mary Ford, both members of the San Diego Chapter, came in second at the 2009 Palms to Pines Air Race, missing first place by .15 mph. Fran has won more Palms To Pines races than any other pilot in the history of the race. She has tallied up over 25,000 hours in the air and has been flying and racing for 68 years.



Mary Ford, left, and Fran Bera.

Bera commented, with her ever present smile, “The hardest part of flying is getting in and out of the plane.”

Mary Ford, a pilot, landscape painter, videographer and local college professor of art, felt she had already won when Fran asked her to be co-pilot. “It is always a great honor to fly with Fran.”

Mary created a video of the air race, and it can be viewed at ninety-nines.org/index.cfm/air_racing.htm.

— Mary Ford

WEST CANADA SECTION

New officers were announced at the recent West Canada Section meeting. Afterwards a very informative seminar was presented by John Armitage, Deputy Director General, Operations & Training with Search and Rescue. Some of the topics were Preflight Preparations and the Keys to Help in Survival. Another presenter was Rosella Bjornson, who spoke of her life and career as a pilot.



Charity Armstrong and Megan Evers try to keep warm while waiting for the Russian Antonov to depart the Kelowna Airport.

A wine touring came next, followed by a banquet celebrating the Canadian Rockies Chapter 30th Anniversary Celebration. Congratulations to a Chapter that is still going strong. Some of us heard that a Russian Antonov was at the Kelowna Airport, so off we went to watch it take off.

We finished the weekend with the wonderful pancake breakfast put on by the Kelowna Flying Club, with all proceeds going to the Canadian Rockies Chapter. Now that is camaraderie.

— Wendy Boyes

ALAMEDA COUNTY CHAPTER

Alameda County Chapter members joined Sacramento Valley, Placer Gold and Sutter Buttes Chapters in volunteering at the Go Girl booth at the California Capital Airshow held at Mather Air Force Base in Sacramento on September 12-13, 2009. Go Girl sponsored Melissa Pemberton (aka “Sports Gal”) flying her Edge 540. Melissa signed autographs in the Go Girl booth following her aerobatic performance.

— Liz Sommers



Alameda County Chapter members from left, Gen Solorio, Judy Barker, Billie Sposeto, Lynne Allen and Liz Sommers.

WISCONSIN CHAPTER

The Wisconsin Chapter is proud to report that Ann Sederquist soloed in a Cessna 172. The following day she had her first dual cross country with a fellow Wisconsin Ninety-Nine Tina Hartlaub. They flew into Fond du Lac, Wisconsin for the Wisconsin Chapter’s annual holiday luncheon. Several other members also braved the cold and flew in. There was a great turnout, a lot of food, clever aviation gifts and many laughs.

— Christy Stark

PIKES PEAK CHAPTER

The Pikes Peak Chapter, with a current membership of only 24 members, received a number of awards at the South Central Section Fall Meeting at Denton, Texas in October.

They were presented the Governor’s Award for their Outstanding Service to Aviation and The Ninety-Nines, and the following Certificates of Appreciation: First Place for Outstanding Recruiting Efforts; First Place for Outstanding Member Participation in the FAA Wings Program; First Place for Participation in Aviation Functions; First Place for Participation in Safety Events; and Second Place for Aerospace Education.

— Heather Benavidez

NEW HORIZONS

RITA ORR **Minnesota Chapter**

Janice Pelletti was just 10 days old when she had her first airplane ride. The pilot? Her mother, Rita Orr.



Rita Orr.

“There’s a picture of us that day, her holding me, sitting on the tail of the plane,” said Janice.

Not at all unusual, if you know anything at all about Rita. She received her pilot certificate in 1944, paying for lessons by selling rides to the people parked along the road to watch airplanes take off and land.

Throughout her 66 years of flight, Rita earned multiple prestigious awards, including the Federal Aviation Administration’s

Wright Brothers Master Pilot Award, acknowledging pilots who have maintained a minimum of 50 years of continuous safe flight. She was also recognized for her contributions to the Red Cross Flight program, during which she donated her time and her aircraft flying blood from outlying areas to the St. Paul headquarters. Rita was also a volunteer pilot for the American Cancer Society, transporting daffodils to areas throughout the region.

“I think those were probably her favorite,” Janice said, “because that was doing something for others. And a lot of those flights we did together, so that was a lot of fun.”

In 1991, Rita was inducted into the International Forest of Friendship in Atchison, Kansas, and she also belonged to three bridge clubs. She stayed quite active and very upbeat until her death November 18, 2009.

“It’s the kind of thing that really inspires you, keeps you going,” Janice said.

Up until this year, Rita continued to fly, usually accompanied by her friend and fellow pilot, Bob Peasley. A retired Northwest Airlines pilot, Bob’s hangar is next to Rita’s at Faribault Municipal Airport. Moving her plane into and out of the hangar became increasingly difficult for her, and Bob would help out when he could.

“We got to the point, after 2004, that we had a standing date every Monday at 10 or 10:30 to fly, weather permitting,” Bob said. The last time they flew together was to Willmar in September 2008. “There are very few pilots of any gender that keep flying past their mid-70s,” he said, “and she was 86 or 87 the last time we flew.”

She passed her love of aviation to her children; both Janice and Rita’s son, William, are licensed pilots. Janice, who recently retired as an FAA Aviation Safety Inspector, also became a commercial flight instructor.

Her first student? Her mother, Rita Orr.

— *Jan Orr Pelletti*

KATHERINE VIRGINIA KING **Coachella Valley Chapter**

Former Coachella Valley Chapter member Katherine Virginia ‘Kay-Kay’ King of Indio/Palm Desert, California passed away October 12, 2009. She was 97.

Katherine earned her private pilot certificate in 1949. One year later she won a local air race, the Salton Sea Desert Air Cruise sponsored by the Palm Springs Airport. In the early years of her flying she was a member of The Ninety-Nines.

— *Karen Hausteen*

SAUNDRA STIENMIER **Military Internet Chapter**

Sandra Stienmier passed away September 17, 2009 at her home in Castle Pines North, Colorado. Sandra obtained her private pilot certificate while living in Germany in 1973. Married to a U.S. Army Medical Doctor, Sandra had all the responsibilities of a military wife, raising four children and living near a variety of military bases. Once she learned to fly, flying became a passion that she was able to turn into a career with the U.S. Military Aviation Club system, wherever they were stationed. Her husband, Richard, also became a pilot, and they enjoyed flying together in a variety of aircraft. One of their favorite flights was to Alaska in 2000 in a C-182.

When the family moved to Colorado Springs, Sandra joined the Pikes Peak Chapter and became the manager at the Peterson Aero Club. She was well known in the local flying community as she served as our Chapter Chairman, participated in local flying events and faithfully attended safety meetings. Until the time of her death, she was a FFAST Team Representative and helped organize the Colorado Aviators Challenge. She was very supportive of women pilots and helped form the Military Internet Chapter of The Ninety-Nines, of which she was a charter member.

In her memory, the Pikes Peak Chapter is making a donation to the 99s Museum of Women Pilots.

— *Phyllis Wells*

SHIRLEY UPTON **Alaska Chapter**

Shirley Upton flew to new horizons on September 16, 2009 at age 83. She had taken her final plane ride on September 9 with some friends from her church.

Shirley came to Alaska in 1954 with her husband Glen. She was a homemaker and eventually secretary for her husband at their business. In retirement, Shirley was very active in the Alaska Chapter. She loved to fly and also actively served as a volunteer board member of the local CPC Pregnancy Center in Anchorage. She faithfully attended two local churches in the Anchorage area and often sang as a soloist in the choir. Over her lifetime, she supported many missionaries.

— *Gary Upton*



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