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July 10, 2013

Dear Members of the Ninety-Nines:

On behalf of all Montanans, I'd like to welcome you to the 2013 Ninety-Nines Conference here in beautiful Bozeman.

I am proud that the Ninety-Nines have chosen the Big Sky State as their spot to convene as you all work to promote the advancement of aviation through education, scholarships and mutual support, while sharing your passion for flight and honoring your distinctive history. I want to acknowledge Montana's own Linda Marshall, the Ninety-Nines Montana Chapter President, for helping bring this conference to Bozeman. Linda is a longtime Ninety-Nines member, pilot, flight instructor, and search-and-rescue volunteer in Bozeman. Thanks for sharing the Last Best Place with your fellow pilots.

Montana has a unique history of aviation, and one that spans the state. In addition to many private use airports, Montana is home to more than 120 public airports, with one public airport being in all of our 56 counties, (except for one, Wibaux County). Montana is also proud to be home to three University aviation programs: Rocky Mountain College hosts a Professional pilot and Aviation Management program, the University of Montana in Helena touts an aviation mechanics program, and Montana State University has an Association of Applied Science Degree in Aviation.

With its roots stemming backing to Amelia Earhart and the 99 original members in 1929, the Ninety-Nines have come a very long way. I recognize that your careers are demanding and challenging, and take great courage. I laud your dedication to advancing aviation and providing mutual support, while working to advance women's careers in the field. Thank you for the work you do.

I trust you'll find our state to be the perfect place to host for your conference. But I also trust you'll find your time here too short, and will soon be planning your next flight back to Montana. Welcome to Bozeman, Montana. I look forward to see you again soon.

Sincerely,

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June 7, 2013

Dear Friends:

The City of Bozeman, Montana is thrilled to welcome so many amazing women pilots from the International Ninety-Nines to the heart of the Rocky Mountains. Thank you for choosing Bozeman for your **2013 99s International Conference**. May your stay be fulfilling and enlightening as you learn and share with each other and explore the beautiful Gallatin Valley and the city of Bozeman - "*the last, best place*".

We hope you will find time to enjoy Bozeman's vibrant, historic downtown that offers a wide array of fine dining, arts, cultural and entertainment experiences as well as unique shopping opportunities in fine galleries and boutiques. Bozeman also boasts abundant outdoor recreational opportunities including many miles of amazing trails within the city and nearby access to "blue ribbon" trout fishing streams, wildlife viewing and much more.

Whether from the sky or on the ground we are confident you will not be disappointed by what Bozeman has to offer. We invite you to customize your experience here by visiting the Bozeman Convention & Visitors Bureau website at www.bozemancvb.com or by phone at (406) 586-5421. On behalf of everyone here at the City of Bozeman, I extend a warm welcome to you and your families and wish you a wonderful adventure during your stay.

Sincerely,

Sean A. Becker
Mayor
City of Bozeman, Montana



July 10, 2013

Greetings Ninety-Nine Members:

Welcome to the Beautiful Gallatin Valley and thank you for attending this year's conference in Bozeman.

Aviation is very important to Montana, given our vast geography. It allows the safe and efficient movement of people and goods throughout our state. Montana is rich in aviation history. In 1911, at the age of 19, Cromwell Dixon became the first pilot to fly over the Continental Divide. This landmark flight over the Rocky Mountains occurred near Helena. And on January 29, 1933, Amelia Earhart with a Northwest Airways executive landed at the brand new Helena airport in a Ford Trimotor.

I'm proud to be a member of the Ninety-Nines and thank all of you for your dedication to this valuable industry. Promoting women in aviation through scholarships and educational opportunities is vital to our business and your genuine hard work and passion is appreciated.

I know your visit to Bozeman and the surrounding area will be a pleasant experience.

Enjoy,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Debbie Alke". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Debbie Alke
Administrator

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May 28, 2013

Welcome 2013 Ninety-Nines International Conference Participants!

On behalf of all of us at Bozeman Yellowstone International Airport, I want to personally thank you for attending this year's International Conference. We are excited to be the host airport and are confident your visit to Bozeman will be an enjoyable experience.

We also want to thank you for the Compass Rose Airmarking. This is a wonderful addition to our airport and it will long commemorate this year's conference in beautiful Southwest Montana.

If there is anything we can do to make your stay or participation in the Conference more enjoyable, please don't hesitate to contact us. Good luck with the Conference and Happy Flying!

Sincerely,



Brian Sprenger, A.A.E.
Airport Director



Dear Conference Attendees,

Welcome to the 2013 Annual Ninety-Nines Conference hosted by the Northwest Section. Your Conference Chairmen are Linda Marshall, Janine Nunes, and Charity Fechter of the Montana Chapter. They want you to have a wonderful time and enjoy the Rocky Mountain spectacular scenery and wide open spaces of the area of the country that they love. If you have any questions or concerns, you may contact either of them through the Registration Desk.

Wonderful tours and activities have been planned for you with emphasis on the great outdoors; there is no better place than Montana to enjoy all Mother Nature has provided. For those of you who prefer indoor sports (a/k/a shopping), there's lots of opportunities for that also. Unique dining spots with delicious food await you as well.

Please take the time to read the reports in the Business Meeting Agenda and International Report Booklet. These reports are summaries of the year's activities of Sections, International Committees, Trusts and the members of the International Board of Directors. Also included are reports from our General Counsel and Headquarters Manager. This is the best and most concise way to find out all the happenings of the past year. For any of your Chapter or Section members who were not able to attend, be sure to mention that these reports are also posted in the Members Area on our website at www.ninety-nines.org.

Thank you all for your support during the first year of my term as President. I truly enjoy meeting members and would appreciate it if you would introduce yourself if we have not yet met. Like all who serve on the International Board of Directors, listening to your comments, thoughts, and suggestions is part of our commitment to serving the members.

Please be sure to complete the Conference Evaluation Form and return it to the Conference Registration Desk or mail it to the address on the form. Your comments help us to improve the Conference offerings each year.

Enjoy Bozeman and all it has to offer and further enjoy meeting new 99s friends and seeing your friends again from other Chapters and Sections.

Martha Phillips

Martha W. Phillips

President



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Tuesday, July 9

6:30am - 7:00pm	Alpine Lake Fishing by Horseback (Includes Lunch)	Optional
7:30am - 7:00pm	Bus Tour of Yellowstone National Park (Includes Lunch)	Optional
8:00am - 5:00pm	Hospitality/Fly Market Open	Room 106/Sunken Lobby

Wednesday, July 10

8:00am - 4:00pm	Hospitality/Fly Market Open	Room 106/Sunken Lobby
8:00am - 12:30pm	Lewis & Clark Caverns Tour	Optional
12:45pm - 5:45pm	White-Water Rafting	Optional
1:00pm - 5:00pm	Horseback Riding	Optional
3:00pm - 9:00pm	Explore Virginia City	Optional
6:30pm - 9:30 pm	Soak in the Bozeman Hot Springs	Optional

Thursday, July 11

8:00am - 10:30am	Pre-Conference Board Meeting	State/University Rooms
8:00am - 10:45am	Registration	Sunken Lobby
8:00am - 4:00pm	Hospitality/Fly Market Open	Room 106/Sunken Lobby
11:00am -4:30pm	Outing to Big Sky Resort-With Bus to Broken Hart Ranch	Lobby
5:30pm - 9:30pm	Broken Hart Ranch BBQ Dinner & Hayride	Lobby

Friday, July 12

6:30am - 7:00pm	Alpine Lake Fishing by Horseback (Includes Lunch)	Optional
8:00am - 11:15am	Registration/Credentials Open	Sunken Lobby
8:00am - 11:15am	Hospitality/Fly Market Open	Room 106/Jefferson Room
9:00am - 10:30am	Keynote Speaker	Montana/State/University Rooms
11:30am -1:30pm	AEMSF Luncheon	Gallatin Room
1:45pm - 5:30pm	Museum of the Rockies & Bozeman City Tour	Optional
2:00pm - 5:00pm	Hospitality/Fly Market/Registration/Credentials Open	Room 106/Jefferson/Sunken Lobby
5:30pm - 6:30pm	Pre-Business Communication Session	Montana/State/University Rooms
6:45pm - 7:45pm	Reception for Past and Present Governors Only	Off-Site-Days Inn

Saturday, July 13

6:30am - 7:00pm	Alpine Lake Fishing by Horseback (Includes Lunch)	Optional
6:30am - 8:00am	Buffet Breakfast	Pre-Function Area
7:00am - 8:15am	Registration/Credentials Open	Sunken Lobby
8:30am - 12:30pm	Annual Business Meeting	Gallatin/Jefferson Rooms
2:00pm - 3:00pm	Leadership Training	Montana/State/University Rooms
2:00pm - 5:00pm	Hospitality/Fly Market Open	Room 106/Jefferson
3:00pm - 5:00pm	Seminars	Montana/State/University Rooms
5:30pm - 6:30pm	No-Host Cocktail Reception	Montana/State/University Rooms
6:30pm - 9:00pm	99s Awards Banquet	Gallatin/Jefferson Rooms

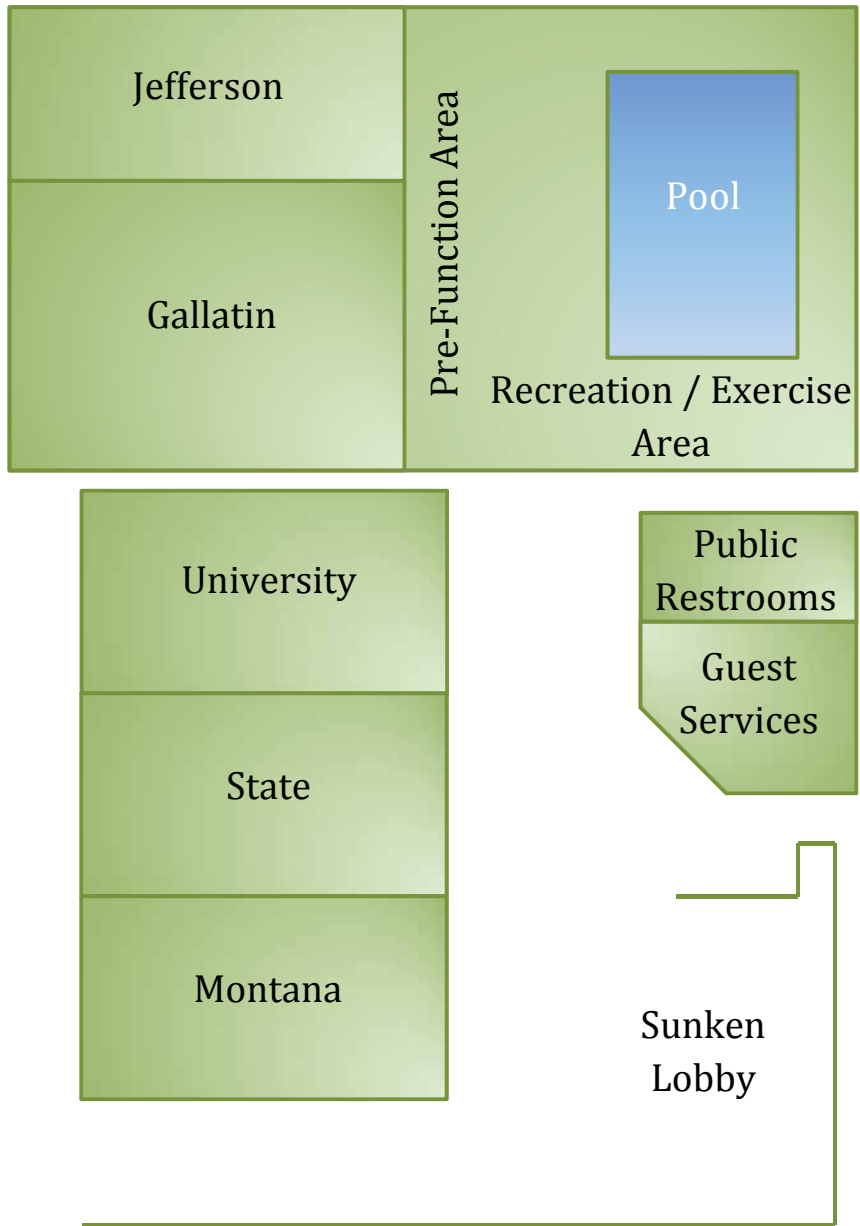
Sunday, July 14

7:00am - 12:00pm	Flight Over Yellowstone National Park in Own Aircraft	Summit Aviation Inc.
7:30am - 7:00pm	Bus Tour of Yellowstone National Park (Includes Lunch)	Optional
8:00am - 12:30pm	Lewis & Clark Caverns Tour	Optional
8:30am - 11:00am	Post Conference Board Meeting	State/University Rooms
12:45pm - 5:45pm	White-Water Rafting	Optional
1:00pm - 5:00pm	Horseback Riding	Optional





Map



Award of Achievement for Contributions to The Ninety-Nines



Carole Sutton

Carole Sutton has contributed over forty years to the Ninety-Nines and almost thirty years to the Amelia Earhart Birthplace Museum.

Carole is the first to offer to serve numerous times as Nebraska Stop Chairman for the Air Race Classic when they have stops in Nebraska.

In 1978, after receiving the Amelia Earhart Scholarship, Carole knew she wanted to give back. When ownership of Amelia's Birthplace Home was donated to The 99s in 1984, Marilyn Copeland encouraged Carole to run for the Board of Trustees of the AEBM. Carole was elected the 1st Secretary and after Marilyn's death Sondra Ridgeway asked Carole to fill the vacancy on the Board of Trustees which she did, and then was elected Chairman of the Board of Trustees to which she held the office for 2 terms.

In April 2008, as Trustee and Chairman of the AEBM, Carole attended the christening ceremony and launch of the USNS Amelia Earhart in San Diego after promoting the event through the AEBM. Carole also took it upon herself to write a grant for the Hampton Hotels Save-A-Landmark program. Through Carole's efforts, the AEBM was chosen to honor the theme Legends in 2008. The AEBM received a \$20,000 grant and 40 people, from Kansas and Missouri Hampton Inns, gathered volunteering hundreds of hours to help with restoring the Museum. Carole coordinated the event to coincide with Amelia's 111th birthday on July 24, 2008. On behalf of the AEBM, Carole wrote the nomination letter for Hampton Hotels to be considered for the George Palmer Putnum Award and they received the award in 2009.

Carole coordinated with NASA Astronaut Randy Bresnik to take a photo of Amelia with him on a trip to the space station. A 5x7 photo of AE taken by Randy's grandfather Albert "Randy" Bresnik, who was AE's photographer, accompanied the crew into space in November 2009. At Carole's request, Randy and crew signed the photograph which was returned to the AEBM for display with other Bresnik photos.

Carole continues to make contributions to the 99s and other aviation related organizations and setting an example for other 99's.

As Portrayed by Erica Linderman

Founding Artistic Director of The Iron Jaw Theatre Company in New York City

In "Amelia" – written by George Purefoy Tilson

Directed by Mark Finley

On Thursday Night, July 11, following the BBQ at the Broken Hart Ranch

Who was this small-town- girl-turned-Renaissance-Woman who soared into the hearts and imagination of generations around the world? Amelia Earhart shares her personal journey with members of the very association she co-founded in 1925!

Erica Linderman is a Delaware native who is proud to call New York City home. She was bitten by "the bug" as a little girl at the Delaware Children's Theater and has pursued acting ever since.

After studying acting at The University of North Carolina at Greensboro, Erica moved to New York where she continues to develop her craft through intensives and private sessions with acting coaches and casting directors around the city. In 2009 she helped to found Iron Jaw Company, a theater company dedicated to the honest and truthful portrayal of women, and continues to serve as their artistic director. Among her many roles, favorites include: Rosannah Deluce in BRILLIANT TRACES, Judy in WOMEN OF MANHATTAN, Lisa in PRIVATE LIVES, and Woman in WOMAN ALONE. Check out ericalinderman.com for more!

Award of Achievement for Contributions to Aviation

Debbie Gallaway has been an avid private pilot since 1977 and often flies her vintage Swift aircraft to air shows and fly-ins. She serves as a U.S. representative to the Federation Aeronautique Internationale's Commission for Aviation and Space Education and also has represented NASA on the National Coalition for Aviation and Space Education and the Brewer Educational Forum. She was inducted into Civil Air Patrol's Crown Circle in 2002 for "Evidence of extraordinary accomplishment in a leadership role in Aerospace Education." In 2004 she received the Frank G. Brewer Trophy.



Deborah V. Gallaway

An undergraduate of Texas A&M University with a Masters of Education from Wright State University, Debbie has been a classroom teacher, an official with the U.S. Department of Education, and a program manager for NASA where she managed the Agency's teacher enhancement and faculty preparation programs attended by educators, hundreds of college faculty, and thousands of pre-service teachers. She was also detailed to the White House by NASA to help establish the foundation for the Global Learning and Observations to Benefit the Environment (GLOBE) program and later served as NASA's lead educational liaison for the White House Mars Millennium Project that involved thousands of students. A significant contribution to aviation. Her last position, manager of NASA's Explorer Institute Program, builds upon her passion for supporting aerospace education and aviation as a whole and encouraging collaboration between government agencies.

From June, 2000 to December, 2003, she served as assistant director for programs for the U.S. Centennial of Flight Commission. She coordinated development and distribution of educational products and programs used by millions of students and educators in the U.S. and abroad allowing young people to get an early start in aviation which is a vital support to the future of general and commercial aviation.

Currently she is a volunteer, teaching aviation programs for young people and teachers at the Udvar-Hazy Air and Space Museum in Chantilly, Va.

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Award of Merit

David Black is the founder and principal operator of Air Time Canada.

The Air Time Canada concept started when some 23 years ago when David was doing volunteer work in a Youth Detention Center - tutoring kids in high-school math and physics. There he met a man who forever changed his life - a psychiatrist and amazing human being who had developed a program using cameras and photography as a tool to help troubled kids learn about leadership and responsibility.



David Black

Intrigued by the possibilities that Aviation might offer along those same lines, David worked with the doctor to develop the original Air Time Canada program. It was carefully designed to give troubled kids a chance to interact with positive role models and develop self-esteem, leadership skills and a sense of responsibility.

It took 7 years of fighting an uphill battle against government red-tape to realize that the program would never succeed within the corrections system. David was determined to get the program going and ran it in a church basement, funded it out of his own pocket, with troubled kids sent to him by police officers and social workers met along the way. The program was completely free - including the classroom, flights, supplies, taxes...even snacks and lunches.

It was a huge success - and was attributed by dozens of kids and parents as being the turning point in their lives.

The program has been going strong now for almost 13 years. It's been paid for, almost entirely, out of David's pocket. Almost 1100 people have graduated from and flown through the Air Time Canada program (since 1994).

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June 12 – 16 Annual Air Tour

Aug 1 – 4 Three Forks Fly In



Welcome 99's!

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George Palmer Putnam Award



Bob Jones personifies the values and contributions of the George Palmer Putnam award with the support he has demonstrated for the 99's.

Skills, the gift of teaching, wisdom he has them all. His contributions to aviation include having instructed over 1000 people in flight training, which must be some kind of record! Bob has been loved and revered by the 99's forever. He taught Onita Hoff, a charter member of the Idaho Chapter how to fly as well as her son, daughter and grandson.

Bob Jones The Eastern Idaho 99's have Bob as their resident instructor when they have their annual mountain flying clinic at the Flying B Resort Ranch in the middle fork of the Salmon River in central Idaho.

Teaching wasn't his plan in the beginning. Fighting was. Bob comes from the World War II era. Going from high school to cadet school with the Army Air Corp seemed like the natural order of things. He learned to fly T-6's at Luke Air Force Base in Arizona during World War II in 1944 and was commissioned as an officer at the age of 19. He said that if he stayed in the Army air corps he wouldn't get much flying so he came home to southeast Idaho. He found plenty of flying to do then. He shuffled a heavy flight schedule with a full time career as an engineer at the National Engineering Laboratory in southeast Idaho.

When the Idaho chapter presents Companion flying Seminars, Bob is always eager to help out. Their favorite topic is to have Bob present the segment on "How airplanes fly. He demystifies the gift of flight. He can convince even the most white knuckled flying companion that flying can be fun and safe.

He has contributed, and continues to contribute greatly to women in aviation. His love of flight is contagious and it shows by the number of 99's and others whom Bob has influenced. This is his legacy.



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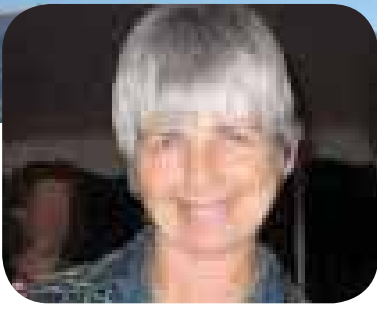
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Award of Inspiration



Kitty Houghton was a graduate of Saint Mary's in the Mountains (now known as the White Mountain School) and a member of their Board of Trustees . She earned her Bachelor's Degree in Anthropology from the University of California, Berkeley, and her M. A. and Ph. D. in Linguistics from Stanford University. Kitty served in the **Peace Corps**, in one of the very first groups to go to Nepal, from 1964-66. She worked as an international officer for Bank of America, and also for DuPont, before joining the U.S. Foreign Commercial Service in 1979, working at embassies all over the world during the course of her twenty-eight year career in public service.

Catherine "Kitty" Houghton

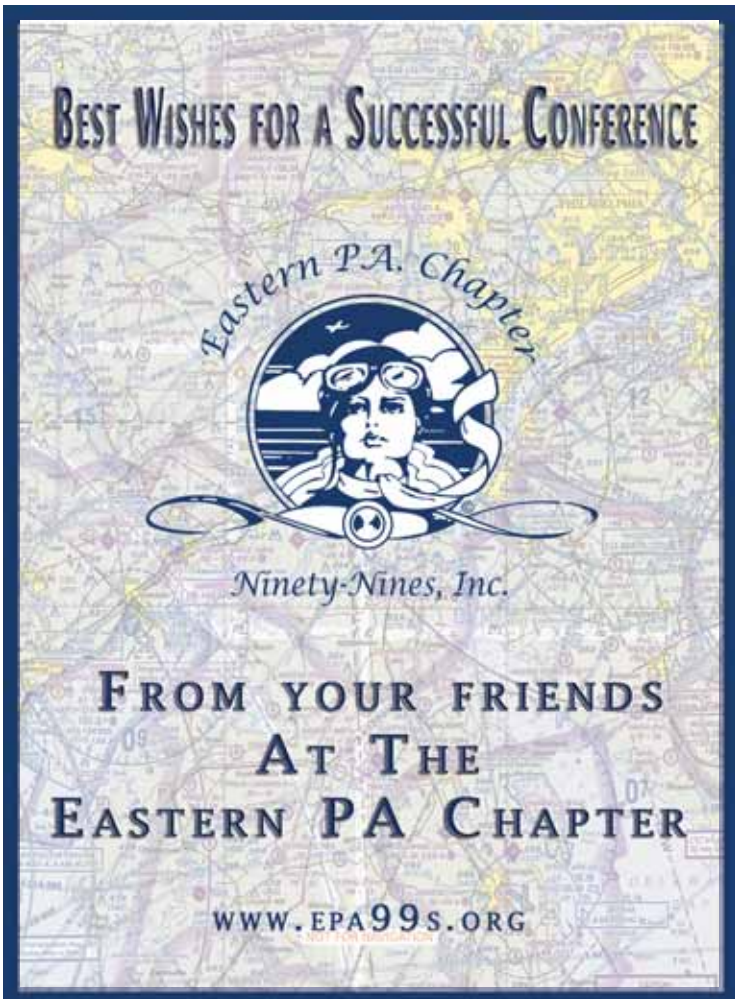
She spoke fourteen languages and was fluent in six of them, including Mandarin and Bengali. Following her retirement from the Foreign Service in 2007 she continued to lead a very active life. She sang first alto and served on the board of the **Choral Singers of Marin**.

A member since 1996 of the **Ninety-Nines**, she was membership chairwoman for the Marin chapter and was working on a film about the Nepali Chapter of the Ninety-Nines at the time of her death.


Kitty was a volunteer pilot for **Angelflight**, which provides free air transport for people with medical needs, and **Lighthawk**, a non-profit organization providing flight transportation to conservation organizations.

An avid skier, hiker and musician throughout her life, she remained extraordinarily fit, and enjoyed classical music, world music and theater.

Kitty left the world an amazing legacy, a standard of generosity, achievement and compassion to which all may aspire.



CONGRATULATIONS
to San Diego Chapter member
HEATHER GAMBLE,
on winning a 2013 AEMSFS scholarship
for her IFR rating.



Her fellow members applaud and cheer her!

The President's Award

Clay Lacy started flying at the age of twelve. As a grown-up he joined United Airlines as a copilot on DC-3 aircraft, attended Air Force Pilot Training, returned to United Airlines and continued to fly military fighters and other aircraft with the California Air National Guard.

With over 50,000 hours as a pilot, Clay holds an Airline Transport License with thirty-two type ratings, helicopter, seaplane, flight instructor, and engineer. He retired Seniority Number One from United Airlines in 1992 after over 40 years with them. At that time, Clay was flying the Boeing 747-400 from Los Angeles to the Orient.



CLAY LACY

Clay is the owner and CEO of Clay Lacy Aviation at Van Nuys Airport, a Full Jet Service FBO. With his exclusive Astrovision-equipped Learjets, Clay does almost every airline commercial filmed, most Hollywood aerial filming, and much of the photo work for the aircraft industry and military. As a member of the Screen Actors Guild and Directors Guild of America, Clay has participated in dozens of aviation movies.

Clay has been honored for his aviation achievements many times, and his racing career is legendary, as is his test flying and first flights on many aircraft.

Clay has been a good friend and supporter of The Ninety-Nines during the years. He has donated to 99s causes, allowed us to use his facilities for many purposes, participated in Career Days, helped us fund-raise by flying passengers who won our raffles or silent auctions in his fabulous & luxurious DC-3, and generally promoting our organization and activities.

THANK YOU Sandy Nunes and Deb Schwahn

Thank you so much for all your dedication to the quilt project. Thank you Mom, for embroidering all the signature quilt blocks - some multiple times, and teaching me how to sew so many years ago (we won't say how many). *Thank you for passing on the "dedication" gene.*

Thank you Deb, for calculating the quilt layout, teaching me how to use a quilting square (multiple times), and making me wear eye protection. *Thank you from all of us for your unstinting support and follow-through.*

Without you two, the International Quilt would just be a crazy idea. *Hear, hear!*

You've brought a world of women pilots together in one single timepiece, and for that, all the 99s thank you.

Love you both, Janine *and the Montana Chapter*



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Vicki Cruse EMT Scholarship

Emily Crombez, Sleeping Giant Chapter, East Canada Section

While on our farm the sight of each crop duster spiked a rush of adrenaline through me, similar to the rush I get when I see a waterbomber in action. My career has included bush/float and commuter flying, and this year I'm training as an aerial fire suppression pilot. I am very passionate about helping female pilots succeed, especially in the ever-challenging bush industry. I founded the Sleeping Giant Chapter and am currently Chapter Chair. I stay active in my community and love any adventure in the great outdoors. Thanks to The 99s for their continued support in my aviation career – my journey has been incredible so far!



New Pilot Award

Kathy Brenneman -Eastern Pennsylvania Chapter, Mid-Atlantic Section

Since I was a girl, I had dreams of flying around the world. It was not until years later that I had the opportunity to take lessons. I was nervous and afraid that I would never be able to grasp the physics, VORs, weather, math, everything involved in becoming a private pilot. Fortunately, I had a very patient instructor who has given me a ton of confidence. My goal is to become a mission pilot. Finances have been limiting the amount of time I can spend in the sky. I am very grateful to receive the New Pilot Scholarship.



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Michelle Bassanesi, *Ambassador Chapter, South Central Section- Academic*

Michelle Bassanesi is an European and American certificated Commercial pilot, master flight instructor with instrument privileges, and advanced/instrument ground instructor with 1,350 hours in the air.

An Australian living in Rome, Italy, Michelle is majoring in Aeronautics at ERAU, with minors in Aviation Safety and Management. She is a single mum to beautiful Nicole, who is now in Paris getting her degree in languages. Michelle is an entrepreneur who mentors and inspires young women all over the world to follow their dreams and Senior Navigator for The 99s PPLI program. Michelle's motto is "Impossible is ... only a stepping stone to success"



Teresa Bubb, *Columbia Cascades Chapter Northwest Section - Mountain & Canyon Flying*

I received my private pilot license in 1991, thinking it would be a good thing to do because I like to travel. Being a pilot not only let me see the Western US from a different view but gave me skills and confidence to use on the ground, at work and abroad.

Currently, I work as an emergency nurse, and have been on 21 medical missions all over the world. My first international charity mission was with Los Medicos Voladores (Flying Doctors) to Mexico shortly after completing my instrument rating. Being a recipient of the AEMS for mountain flying will not only fulfill a long awaiting goal and desire, it will help me go beyond just staying current and sharpen my pilot skills to combine flying with charity work closer to home.

Thank you to 99s and the AE judges and trustees for this opportunity.



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Irina Bubykina, Russian Section - R44 Re-training Certification

I was born in Moscow, Russia where I have lived all my life. About aviation I dreamed from my childhood – I don't remember myself without my dream. At first I looked and read ALL films and books about aviation. Russia is a country with great aviation history.

When I was 14, I joined Gliding School for Youth. It was my first experience in real aviation--in a very little and very old glider. It could fly less than 20 meters above the ground, but it was flight! That time started "an aviation period" in my life: at 15, first jump with parachute; at 16, joined gliding department of Moscow Airclub. Then I joined helicopter department of Central Airclub of Russia. It was a great time! Because Central Airclub of Russia was one of the leading aviation organization in Russia and the best sports pilots of our country were concentrated here. I'm very proud that my flight instructor was well-known helicopter pilot and had a high rating in Russia and Europe. In Central Airclub of Russia I fulfilled the standard of pre-master of sports on helicopters. My helicopter – Mi-2 (reporting name – "hoplite", comparable helicopter Bell 204/205), with two turbine engines, typical role of Mi-2 – air ambulance, aerospraying device, flight patrol.

In 1990 I was married, my ex-husband was a test pilot. He was against my profession of pilot, so since that time up to 2010 I was wife and mother. Now I'm free, my child – rather independent and I want to resume activity in aviation – this is my dream. In 2011 I became a member of "Aviatrix" in Russia and "The 99's" in USA. I'll do all my best to return in aviation!

I'm so grateful to The 99's for giving me a chance to fly Robinson helicopter!



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Myra Bugbee, Florida Goldcoast Chapter Southeast Section - Instrument Rating

Myra always knew she wanted to fly and earned her private pilot license. She and her husband, Roger Hirschbein, own an RV6-A. She is a Virginia Tech graduate with a BS in Clothing, Textiles and Related Arts. Her teaching degree is from UC Davis and her MA in Educational Leadership is from Rider University. Myra taught in California and New Jersey. As an elementary school principal, a highlight of her career was opening a new school. She now mentors principals nationally. In August 2007, she retired and moved to Florida. Myra resumed her aviation passion and competed in the 2012 Air Race Classic. She served as Secretary and began her tenure as Chairperson of the Florida Goldcoast Ninety-Nines. Myra is incredibly excited and grateful to be a recipient of the Amelia Earhart Scholarship.



Constance Castillo Connecticut Chapter New England Section - Commercial

Flying has always been part of Constance's life with both mother and father being pilots and owning a 1949 Cessna 170A. Her parents took her on her first flight at only 19 days old. Flying was in her blood and has remained in her heart ever since. She will be completing her Commercial License with the AE Scholarship and ultimately become a CFI. A Captain in the Connecticut Civil Air Patrol, she is the *only* female Orientation Pilot in the Connecticut Wing giving young cadets their first experience taking the controls of a plane. She also serves as Mission Observer, Transport Pilot, and Airborne Photographer for search & rescue missions. Constance is a member of the Connecticut Chapter 99s and past Co-Chair.



Ari Connolly-Smith Columbia Cascades Chapter., Northwest Section- Academic

I have wanted to fly all my life. As a toddler, I rode a toy airplane in the backyard; as a teen, I built model airplanes and became hooked after taking my first intro flight. While in college, I began my flight training. As a first-generation pilot, I have had limited exposure to aviation but have tried to connect with the aviation community whenever possible.



I graduated in 2010 from the University of Pennsylvania with a B.A. in German and spent two years abroad. During college and in Germany, I volunteered with both the Eastern Pennsylvania Chapter and the German Section. Now back in the United States, I earned my Private license and became Vice Chairman of the Columbia Cascades Chapter and an Oregon International Airshow volunteer. I also have begun my Associate's Degree in Aviation Science at Portland Community College and my Instrument Rating. The program will give me the opportunity to earn all my ratings through MEI while exploring topics such as aerodynamics in greater depth. Post-graduation, I hope to fly for a regional carrier in Europe, merging my two passions of aviation and language.

I am thrilled and honored to receive an Amelia Earhart Scholarship this year. Thank you to all Ninety-Nines for introducing me to aviation, helping me get closer to realizing my goals, and for all your guidance and support during the challenges of flight training!



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Theresa Farley, Phoenix Chapter, Southwest Section -Instrument Rating

I soloed the day after my 16th birthday. I know then I was meant to fly. As so often does, life happened, however 23 years later I realized my dream. My flying story really begins with the Phoenix Ninety-Nines. I'm not sure where I would be without the support of my family and the Ninety-Nines. The gift of flight has awakened a passion in me and I cannot help but share it with people. I look forward to earning my instrument rating with the generous scholarship and continuing on to become an active contributor to the aviation community. Thank you.



Sandra Feliciano, Sugarloaf Chapter, Mid-Atlantic Section - Commercial Multi Instrument

I fell in love with aviation when I was a Civil Air Patrol (CAP) cadet. I was unable to pursue my pilot certificate at that time. Later, after serving in the Army, being a military wife, and raising children, I met my current husband. On our one month anniversary he took me flying, and the rest is history. I am now a CFI/CFII as well as a FAASTeam representative. In CAP I am a G1000 Instructor/Instrument Instructor, check pilot, Mission and Cadet Orientation Pilot. I have also performed flight reviews for members of my Ninety-Nines chapter. I am grateful to The Ninety-Nines for the opportunity to earn my multi-engine add on.

Kelene Fercho, South Dakota Chapter, Northwest Section - Instrument Rating

I am delighted to accept the AE Scholarship to pursue an Instrument Rating. I fell in love with aviation years ago, and obtained my private certificate in 2004. I am a doctoral candidate in a Human Factors Psychology program, and conduct research on aviation issues such as how pilot fatigue or changes in cockpit technology affect decision making, performance, and safety. A career in aviation safety requires not only academic training, but also practical experience as it's important to bring one's own experience to bear. With the help of The Ninety-Nines, I am one step closer to achieving my goals.



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Heather Gamble, San Diego Chpt. Southwest Section - Instrument Rating



My name is Heather Gamble. I became a proud member of the 99s in March 2002 when my flight instructor gave me the gift of membership in this wonderful organization. I remember how proud I was to be a 99, and how extremely happy I was when I got my wings and became a full-fledged member. I have been actively involved in my local chapter and have been newsletter editor and chair in addition to being part of the “99s Flight Team” flying my Citabria in the local airshow for the past four years. I am passionate about aviation and getting girls and women flying and school kids interested in aviation through A-STEM programs and volunteering flights. My goals is to become a CFI.

Rebecca Green, Connecticut Chapter, New England Section - Commercial Multi-Engine



I am honored and grateful to receive the AE Scholarship for my commercial instrument multi-engine rating so that I can pursue flying as my new career. The women in The Ninety-Nines have been encouraging and supportive role models and have helped me overcome hurdles and obstacles during my training. I am so grateful to have been given the opportunity to fulfill and pursue my dreams in aviation.

Sherlyn Halloran, Phoenix Chapter, Southwest Section - Multi-Engine CFI



Sherlyn Halloran is a commercially certificated AMEL and ASES pilot with instrument rating and all ground instructor certifications. With over 25 years teaching, including certification for grades 5-12 general science, health and vocational education. Her education includes a BS in aeronautical science from ERAU and MED. from UNLV – Las Vegas.

Sherlyn participates in joint FAA/industry meetings, steering committees and workshops. She is president of ASAG-Aviation Safety Advisory Group of Arizona; member of WAI; plans, manages and presents 99s Flying Companion Seminars. She is also an AOPA flight training instructor/mentor pilot, and NASA Ambassador/Aerospace Educator, in addition to co-founder and lead instructor of Discover Aviation Camp for the Cactus Pines Girl Scouts in Arizona.

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Kjersti Kittleson, Minnesota Chapter, North Central Section - FAA Multi-Engine Instructor

Aviation is an integral part of both Kjersti's personal and professional life. To share the joys of aviation, Kjersti is the Director and Founder of an annual Girls Aviation Day that supplies youth from the Twin Cities area free airplane rides and in-person information on various aerospace careers and opportunities.

Kjersti holds a Commercial Pilot certificate SEL, MEL, SES, and an instrument rating. She also actively flight instructs in addition to her full-time aerospace career. The next certificate to tackle will be earning her multi-engine instructor with the help of the Amelia Earhart scholarship



Senae Kenner, Hampton Roads Chapter, Mid-Atlantic Section - Instrument Rating

My grandfather's stories about his flights as an airborne photographer sparked my interest in aviation, but my life situation did not permit me to reach for the dream at that time. Later, I emigrated from Japan to the USA, pursued academics, and became a middle school teacher. I took flying lessons while balancing work and further education. The support of my chapter has been tremendous since joining The 99s in 2010, and I finally earned my pilots license in 2012. Thank you for the opportunity to further my dreams, help others achieve theirs, and give back to the community!!

Caroline Kolasa, BC Coast Chapter, West Canada Section - Academic

I am honored to have received the AE Scholarship and grateful to The 99s for their support and friendship throughout my aviation career. I have flown two-crew on the Navajo and single-pilot IFR night on the Caravan. As a corporate pilot I flew a Beech B100 and recently have been promoted to captain on the Beech 1900 flying in mountainous British Columbia and the Territories to both paved and gravel airstrips. While working in corporate aviation, I was involved in the application process for commuter operations permit for the company; this involved creating pilot training modules and a Safety Management System Program. The experience inspired me to pursue a Master of Aeronautical Science in Aviation Safety Systems from Embry-Riddle University. My goal is to combine my flying and education to become a manager at an airline or corporate flight department.



Erin Lynch, Houston Chapter, South Central Section - Multi-Engine Rating

As a child, I was always more excited about the plane ride than the destination. Closing my eyes and feeling the airplane shimmy while holding my breath and waiting for the moment of flight was incredible. Since then, some dreams have become reality. Dedicating nearly all of my time and money, I have earned my SEL commercial rating and am currently preparing for my CFII. My ultimate goal is to build twin time and sufficient time to qualify for an ATP rating and fly commercially. Thanks to my Houston chapter and all women of The 99s for their support.

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Makaela Mahoney, Minnesota Chapter, North Central Section - Multi-Engine Rating

I'd like to take the opportunity to thank everyone who has helped me along the way so far: family, friends, and especially my fellow 99s! What a blessing it has been to belong to such an encouraging group of women (and men). I recently graduated from Saint Cloud State University with a degree in Aviation Operations and, Lord willing, will become a CFI within the next few months. I don't have any dogs, cats, or plants (yet!). I'm doing my best, taking it one step at a time, and am excited to see where I'll go! Thanks Again!



Marybeth Martin, Ventura County Chapter, Southwest Section - Multi-Engine Instrument

I am honored to receive this AE Scholarship. I am closer to my dream -- to become a multi-engine instrument rated certified flight instructor and humanitarian pilot. One day, I'll fly missions for the Red Cross and Doctors without Borders. It's been a wonderful journey. I gained my private pilot license May 2011. I achieved my instrument rating June last year and my commercial pilot check ride is scheduled for next month. I could never have reached this goal without the overwhelming support and sense of community I received from the Ventura County 99s. You are my inspiration. Thank you!



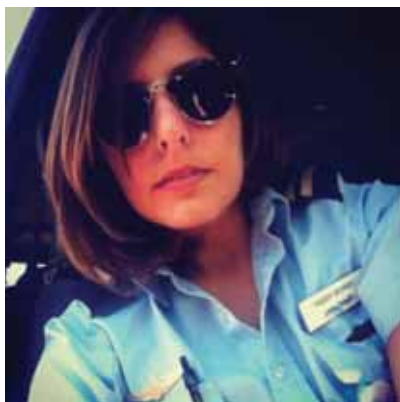
Heather McCoy, Reno High Sierra Chapter, Southwest Section - Multi-Enging Rating

It took me a long time to achieve my pilot goal. In fact, it took thirteen years to complete the training for my private and then another ten years to complete my instrument certificate. Between my first training flight and check ride, there were children born, careers established and graduate school. I have spent my entire career working in the public sector, but have never given up on believing that my future is in aviation and that I will become a professional pilot. It is never too late to achieve goals, regardless of how long it takes to accomplish them!



Jasmine Nissan, Florida Spaceport Chapter, Southeast Section - Academic

My name is Jasmine Nissan; I am twenty-nine years old from Hertzeliyya, Israel. I am a member of The Ninety Nines since November 2009. Since the age of nine I knew I wanted to be a pilot. I attained my private pilot license in Israel. On October 2009, I joined Flight Safety Academy to continue with my flight training. There I completed Multi-Engine, Instrument, Commercial and Certified Instrument Instructor ratings. These days I am working at FlightSafety Academy as a flight instructor. In an effort to continue pursuing my goals, on January 2011, I enrolled into a bachelor's degree program in Professional Aeronautics at Embry Riddle Aeronautical University. I would like to thank The Ninety-Nines for the opportunity of fulfilling my dream!



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Julie Paasch, *Utah Chapter, Southwest Section - Multi-Engine Instrument*

I grew up in Minnesota and my passion for flying was sparked by my father. One introduction flight and I was hooked for life. In 2003, I graduated with a B.S. in Aeronautics from UND. From there my career involved flight instructing at various locations around the country, flying 135 cargo in addition to corporate flying in various Citation aircraft. Currently, I am a contract First Officer and also the Chief Flight Instructor at Westminster College. In

2010, I completed my M.Ed. with a certificate in Adult Learning from Westminster College. I also am a three time Master CFI, very involved in the community, aviation organizations and committees. By receiving this scholarship, it will help me to fulfill a lifelong goal of becoming a captain and enable me to bring my experiences to help encourage other women.

Grace Petersen, *Eastern Pennsylvania Chapter, Mid-Atlantic Section - Academic*

My name is Grace Peterson and I am a senior at LeTourneau University. I am an instrument rated pilot and this fall I will be doing flight training to get my commercial license. I am majoring in Aeronautical Science with an emphasis on missions. When I graduate I will be an Airframe and Powerplant mechanic, a commercial pilot and have completed courses in cross-cultural communications and Bible. My dream is to use my education and training to work with Alaskan Natives. I am so thankful for the 99's support!



Claire Petrie, *Reno-High Sierra Chapter, Southwest Section - CFI*

Claire moved from the UK to Reno, Nevada in 1989 at the age of 18. She works as a Property Manager managing high-rise office buildings, retail and flex space. She received her pilot's license in 2007. She has two children, Aaron (18) and Sierra (13). Claire serves as the Secretary for the Reno High Sierra 99s and is a past Chapter Chairman. She competes in triathlons locally and runs regularly. She also rides bikes, (dirt, mountain, street and road), enjoys

wakeboarding, snowboarding hiking, camping, as well as flying her Beechcraft Sundowner in the Tahoe region. She is working on her CFI rating.

Kandace Rawling, *Wisconsin Chapter, North Central Section - Commercial Multi Engine add-on plus IFR*

Hi! My name is Kandace Rawling. I am a flight instructor/commercial pilot in both airplanes and helicopters. Now I am also an A&P Mechanic! I have loved aircraft as long as I can remember, and my passion has just grown over the years. I enjoy sharing my love of aviation with anyone who cares to listen. I have enjoyed teaching the last few years and look forward to many more. I now have the opportunity to advance my aviation career with the addition of a multi engine rating to my pilot certificate. I am forever grateful to The 99s!



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Kayla Richter, *Sleeping Giant Chapter, East Canada Section - Multi-Engine Rating*

At the age of two, I told my mom that I was planning on being a pilot, just like her. The end of high school rolled around and this was still my dream job. I started going to College for Aviation in Thunder Bay, Ontario, in September 2011 with no knowledge about flying whatsoever. It is now 2013 and after working through a PPL, CPL, Seaplane Rating, Advanced Diploma and now halfway through an Instructor Rating, it's has been a fast-paced and exciting two years which will be rounded out by starting my first instructing job in August! I'm extremely honoured that I'll be able to continue my flying education by getting my Multi-Engine rating over the next few months as well!



Joline Rukab, *Arabian Section - Academic*

I was born and raised in Jerusalem and later lived in Jordan to graduate from the Royal Jordanian Air Academy with a commercial pilot's license and a diploma in aviation science. I received airline training in Canada and worked as a flight instructor in Jordan. For many years I worked as a facilitator at Face to Face/Faith to Faith, Building Bridges for Peace and Seeds of Peace, a content producer and outreach associate at Just Vision, an organization that highlights the work of Palestinian and Israeli civilians who seek a nonviolent resolution

to the conflict. I am now pursuing a career in aviation and going for a Bachelor degree in aviation management at SUNY Farmingdale. I am also expecting my third child by the end of August.

Issra'a Sheikh, *Colorado Chapter, South Central Section-Multi-Engine Instructor*

One of Issra'a's favorite mottos to live by is "there's always a way." Whether it be that someone is struggling to accomplish their dream or that someone feels like they can't do or change something. An optimist and enthusiast from Denver, Colorado, Issra'a, with the help of her mother has been able to accomplish many of her dreams, one of the biggest being flying. Now, with the help of The Ninety-Nines, she has yet again "found a way" to continue towards accomplishing her dream of becoming a captain for a major airline.



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Sabina Shrestha, Nepal Section - IP on Jet Stream 4

My life long dream was always to fly professionally. The journey began when my mom showed me how different it was than any other career, so she was my source of inspiration and encouragement. I was born to Shanker and Sharda Shrestha and raised with my younger sister in my hometown Kathmandu where I spent my childhood. Now I am a pilot, wife and mother of a four years old beautiful daughter, and very soon excited about being the first women instructor pilot of Nepal. I have been flying since the age of 19. I started off flying to STOL airfields, to the remote areas of Nepal, carrying cargo and passengers where there were absolutely no means of transport. I still remember people being amazed and whispering at each other to see a lady in the cockpit. Those were my moments of joy and pride and still brings a smile to my face.

I have been flying for the past 12 years and through those years I have had the opportunity of flying and experiencing the various types of aircrafts. I am truly thankful to get this opportunity and will always be there to help, support and encourage other women to find their passion in flying. Last but not the least I am honoured to be a proud member of the 99s.



Rani Tolton, Eastern Ontario Chapter, East Canada Section - Academic

I am honoured to be selected for a 2013 Amelia Earhart Scholarship and I wish to thank The Ninety-Nines for this recognition.

I am working on my Masters of Health Sciences in Aviation Medicine through the University of Otago in New Zealand and the research is being conducted at Carleton University in Ottawa, Ontario Canada.

I became interested in flying after I jumped out of a perfectly working airplane at the age of 18 on a weekend when my parents were away. Since then, I have surpassed many life challenges and have obtained my private pilot's license, float endorsement, and a night rating. On Halloween 2012, I became part owner of a Cessna 172 and hope to further my aviation training.

Jennifer Treese, Tucson Chapter, Southwest Section - Seaplane

I am honored to be a recipient of the Amelia Earhart Scholarship! I will be fulfilling my dream of obtaining a Seaplane Rating. I owe a big thank you to the Ninety-Nines who have been so generous to me over the last few years. Without scholarships, I wouldn't be where I am today. I also want to thank the ladies of Tucson chapter who have been so supportive since I joined the chapter as a student pilot five years ago. I've been interested in aviation since my first small airplane ride when I was eleven. Twelve years later I finally became a pilot and I haven't stopped flying and pursuing new training opportunities ever since. This year I finally achieved a big goal of mine and became a Certified Flight Instructor. Flying is my passion and I'm excited to further my skills as a pilot with my Seaplane Rating. Thanks again to the AE Scholarship Judges and Trustees!



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Captain Jim Yule (Ret. Southwest Airlines)

Yule grew up in Cooperstown, NY. He joined the US Air Force after graduating from college. In Vietnam he served as a Forward Air Controller flying the O-2A (Cessna Super Skymaster) directing air strikes, helicopter gunships and artillery in defense of US troops. During his years in combat he flew over 1000 combat hours and was awarded two Distinguished Flying Crosses and thirteen Air Medals and other ribbons and medals.



In 1976, while evaluating two other instructor pilots, his B 52 experienced complete loss of two hydraulic systems which included complete loss of brakes and ground steering. The flight was diverted from Carswell AFB, TX to Edwards AFB, Ca where he successfully landed the aircraft without any damage. That flight and his actions were determined by Strategic Air Command (SAC) to be the “Outstanding flight of the Year in SAC” and he was awarded the “Major General Kalberer Outstanding Airmanship Award.” In addition, the National Aeronautic Association awarded him the Mackay Trophy, “The oldest, most prestigious award given by a civilian organization to members of the United States Air Force.” It was presented to him at the Pentagon by the Secretary of the Air Force and the Air Force Chief of Staff.

After leaving the Air Force, Yule flew for Southwest Airlines from 1979 until his retirement in 2006. Since retirement he has continued to collect vintage sports cars, mainly MG's and spends his time racing vintage open wheel formula race cars at various tracks across the nation.

Captain Sandy Anderson (Ret Northwest Airlines)

Sandy Anderson, B-747-400 captain, began her flying career in 1973 when she decided to learn to fly an airplane instead of jumping from it with her parachutist husband. Between 1975 and 1976, she earned an instrument rating, commercial, multi-engine and certified flight instructor's certificates. During the next three years, she instructed and flew night cargo to build flying experience, plus she earned the instrument, multi-engine instructor's certification and an airline transport pilot certificate. She acquired the flight engineer's certificate with Braniff Education Systems in Dallas, Texas, and in October 1979, she was the second female hired by Northwest Orient Airlines as a pilot.



Several airlines would not even interview her, not because she was a woman, but because she was too short. Several airlines required pilots to be at least 5'6", and at 5'3 1/2" she didn't measure up. When she applied at Northwest Orient Airlines, they never questioned her height, and she was hired October 1979. During her career at Northwest, Sandy has flown Captain on the B-747-400, B-757, and Captain, First Officer, Second Officer, Second Officer IOE instructor on both B-727's and B-747-200's, domestically and internationally. In October 1989, she became a B-727 Captain, the second female to achieve this status at Northwest Airlines.

In June 1992, she became the first female captain instructor/check pilot at NWA. Since this time, Capt. Anderson has lead the advancement of women in the airline industry by being selected as the first female Fleet Check Captain amongst all the major U.S. passenger airlines in 1994 and a “breakthrough” for women by promotion up the pilot management ladder to Assistant Chief Pilot, Flight Manager and later Chief Pilot. Captain Anderson retired from Northwest Airlines on February 8, 2008 as a B-747-400 captain.



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Hal Beers

Hal Beers holds a BS in Aerospace Engineering from Purdue University and an MS in Mechanical Engineering from Santa Clara University. He served as a Naval Aviator flying carrier-borne fighters from 1954 until 1957.

He has worked for General Electric in J79 jet engine flight evaluation and for 32 years was at Lockheed Missiles and Space. At Lockheed he served as a systems engineer working with spacecraft test and evaluation, launch base payload test direction and special remote facility test management.

In retirement he flies an A36 Bonanza and a Cessna 172. He serves as the "Maintenance Crew Chief" for the Seagull Flying Club.



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Old airplane disease sunk deep and fast while growing up in San Diego California. The family airplane was based at Gillespie field in San Diego filled with antique airplanes owned mostly by airline pilots. Started flight training in 1969 and soloed at 16 and worked up through Commerail, Flight Instructor and A&P I/A ratings as fast as time and money would allow. Married Wendy in 1978 that has been critical part of the aircraft restoration efforts. Wendy provided two wonderful flying/engineer sons over the years anticipating a pilot shortage. As a family we have owned and refurbished or restored 18 old aircraft to date.

Has accumulated over 11,500 flying hours with over 5000 behind radial engine antique airplanes. Operates a fleet of 7 aircraft and a restoration facility as a side business at Felts Felid in Spokane. These aircraft include a Cessna 185, Super Cub, Waco Cabin biplane, 450 Stearman, Stearman Sr Speedmail, Boeing 40C, and Grumman G21A Goose. Old airplanes are part of our family's daily lives.



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Leona Stredwick has been a volunteer Living History Interpreter for the Montana Heritage Commission at the Nevada City Museum since 2006. Through intensive research (and the constant collection of useless bits of knowledge), she accurately portrays the townswoman of 1863 Nevada City. By dressing in authentic garb from the 1860s Leona demonstrates the “ins and outs” of lady’s attire for the wagon train and town. During the summer evenings, Ms. Stredwick also leads ghost tours of Virginia City, weaving stories of the past with the sites in town. Leona has a degree in Hospitality & Tourism from University of Montana – Western. To support her volunteer passion, Ms. Stredwick works as the

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I learned to fly at the Santa Monica, Ca airport when I was 21. Joined the Long Beach 99's. After earning my Commercial and CFI Certificates, I taught flying in Pensacola, Fla, Stone Mtn, Ga and eventually opened a flight school at Gillespie Field, San Diego, Ca. There I became an FAA - Designated Pilot Examiner.

I later accepted a Chief Pilot position for a Piper Dealership in Concord, Ca.

In 1987 I was hired by American Eagle Airlines and flew as Captain until my retirement in 2005.

I currently teach flying for the Travis Aero Club in Rio Vista, Ca.

I raced in two Powder Puff Derbies.

Besides being involved in community volunteer work, I combine my flying skills with my passion for animals by volunteering to do flying transports.

My leisure time is spent golfing and RVing.

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ARC Panel Discussion



Minnetta Gardinier

Minnetta Gardinier has been flying the Air Race Classic since 2008 and looks forward to introducing a new co-pilot to the ARC each year. She has logged 1250+ hours, holds a private pilot certificate with an instrument rating, and partners on a 1978 Cessna Cardinal Classic (C177B). Minnetta joined the ARC Board of Directors this past year and contributes time to helping prepare race routes and the race program. She is secretary of the Iowa Chapter 99s and Vice Governor of North Central Section 99s. For her “day job”, she is an Associate Dean in the University of Iowa’s Graduate College and an Associate Professor of Pharmacology.



Terry Carbonell

Terry Carbonell has been flying the Air Race Classic since 2007, won the race in 2010, and works tirelessly to promote ARC and introduce young girls to both aviation and ARC racers. She has logged over 2,000 hours, is an instrument-rated commercial pilot with instrument flight instructor and advanced ground instructor certificates, and flies a 1977 Cessna Skylane R182. Terry serves as Secretary on the ARC Board of Directors and is a key player in designing future race routes and serving as an enthusiastic promoter of ARC at various national aviation events. She works as a part-time lawyer and part time flight instructor. She is secretary of the Paradise Coast 99s and Governor of the Southeast Section 99s.



Mary Wunder

Mary Wunder flew her first Air Race Classic in 2008 and has returned annually for the adventure of flying each new route and connecting with old and new racer friends. She has logged nearly 2,300 hours, is an instrument-rated commercial pilot with certificates for single-engine, multi-engine and tailwheel aircraft, and flies a 1975 Mooney M20F Executive. Mary is an Assistant Director for the ARC and has worked tirelessly to identify sponsors and donors for ARC while promoting her ARC experiences. She is a retired air traffic controller. Mary is a member of the Eastern PA 99s of the Mid-Atlantic Section and is Chair of the 99s Endowment Fund.

To Be Named

The fourth member of our panel will be a first-time racer, who can present her experiences as a “rookie” racer. She will be able to relate her thoughts of what it was like to fly that first ARC less than one month after the race.



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