

South Central Section Spring Aviation Scholarship Advisor Report March 2008

2008 Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarships

This year we received seven applications for AE Scholarships, no New Pilot Award applications yet, and no Maule Tailwheel Training applications (the deadline for applications to reach me for the last two categories is April 1). Thanks to all who submitted applications and thanks to the Chapter AE Chairs who worked with the applicants to get the best results. Of the seven applications received, one was returned to the applicant at her request--she plans to re-submit next year, one was returned because the applicant hadn't adequately demonstrated financial need and five were forwarded to the Trustees for further consideration. At this time I have not been notified of any further progress, i.e., applicants selected as finalists, etc. The members of the SCS AE Scholarship Committee who participated in the review and selection process were:

Rose Lepore, Chairman
Clancey Maloney
Carol Rayburn
Cathy Wappler
Becky Hempel

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The following is a list of the AE Scholarship applicants whose applications were selected by the Section committee to be sent on to the Trustees, their Chapter affiliations and status:

Name	Chapter	Requested	Finalist	Winner
Linda Berlin	Ambassador	Boeing 737 Type Rating		
Cheryl Casillas	San Antonio	Boeing 737 Type Rating		
Deena Robyn Sveinsson	Colorado	Boeing 737 Type Rating		
Kirsten Brazier	Ambassador	Forest Service Mountain Course (Canada)		
Suzanne Fain	Houston Chapter	Commercial Rating		

Congratulations to those whose applications were sent on to the Trustees. Those who were not selected this time should be encouraged to keep working toward their goals rectify any issues that were identified during the review process and try again next year.

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Hopefully, we'll get several New Pilot Award applications for review before the 4/1/08 deadline. If you know of anyone in your Chapter who may be interested and who meets the criteria, please encourage them to get the application packet from The 99s web site and send them to me.

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I hope all the Chapters make their contributions to the Amelia Earhart Scholarship Fund even though the fund has grown substantially in the past year or two. The Trustees still need the financial ability to award more scholarships in the future. Requests are increasing for more

expensive ratings as our members advance in their aviation careers. I also hope that those of you who support the New Pilot Award make donations this year for that award, and that you clearly indicate your donation is to be used for that purpose.

Application forms for 2009 should be available on The Ninety-Nines, Inc. website by June or July. When I know what the process will be for 2009, I'll post that on the Section website along with current contact information for Section Scholarship Committee members.

Other Aviation Scholarships

There is an extensive list of aviation scholarships available on the Ninety-Nines website (www.ninety-nines.org). Several of these have links to the specific website for the scholarship, i.e., AOPA ASF Scholarship, EAA Aviation Foundation Scholarships, International Society of Women Airline Pilots, Women in Aviation International, Women in Corporate Aviation, and Whirly Girls. There are also websites listed that deal with financial aid, etc.

Respectfully Submitted,
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