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COVER PICTURE

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Barge on San Antonio Riverwalk

Photo by Al Rendon

Editorial Comment by Ellie Block

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Submit pictures separately! Give labels for all pictures! Please use JPG format!! Thanks, Ellie & Aileen

Spring 2017 Approach

GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE or thoughts While Wishing I were Flying!!

Happy 2017 South Central Section Members! I hope you have had some of the crazy, spring like weather we have had in East Texas - beautiful flying weather!! Of course, there have been those "lovely" 17 degree days also!

An Oklahoma size Thank You to the Oklahoma Chapter for a fun and educational Fall Section Meeting. We were able to visit the airport where a group of OU students demonstrated using drones to gather weather data. On Friday evening we were hosted at headquarters with a lovely reception and opportunity to tour the facilities. We closed the session with a wonderful and delicious banquet. Thank you, Oklahoma!

Things are really cranking up for the Spring Section Meeting in May and International Conference in San Antonio in July. Don't forget, we voted to have a one day section meeting to conduct business and make it possible to come in just for the day. We do have a fun Dutch treat dinner planned; so we hope you can arrive Friday and stay overnight.

Plans for International are really moving along. Please don't forget, all chapters are asked to provide a centerpiece that is representative of their chapter for the Saturday night banquet. Additionally, if you can help with Hospitality that would be great.

Martha Molina is still reviewing and updating Section Awards. Please contact her with your input.

Last November, I attended the International Winter Board Meeting in OKC. The hot topic was electronic voting. International has selected Election Buddy as the proposed vendor. We are currently negotiating rates. If you think your chapter might be interested in using electronic voting, please contact me or headquarters ASAP with the number of elections and members voting per election. Election Buddy does have a process for members who do not receive email.

Another topic from the International Board Meeting was the International Forest of Friendship. The current producing/sponsoring group is hoping that the 99s will become more involved with the actual running of the Forest and the event. This is being studied and I would be interested in any input anyone from our section might have.

As you know NIFA relies heavily on 99 volunteers to produce and man the NIFA competitions. Texas Dogwood Chapter has challenged all SCS chapters to donate \$100 to NIFA. If you can accept this challenge, please send your check to headquarters and note that it is for NIFA. If you are interested in volunteering or training as a judge, please contact Jerry Anne Jurenka <jajurenka@juno.com> for more information.

Just a little reminder about social media from our president. Please, NO political commentary (unless it relates to aviation issues) and remember Big Brother can check out our webpages and Facebook. We want to share our fun flying times, but we also must balance that with info about our educational and safety programs.

Fly Girls, please take this opportunity to attend International Conference this July. We are the host section and we want to have a great showing from our Section. It is much more reasonable for us to travel to San Antonio than to an out of country Conference, and San Antonio is a really fun city! There is still time to volunteer. Just email Cathy Prudhomme, <cwappler99@hotmail.com> or Reni Baker, <renibaker@outlook.com>.

I hope to see all of you in San Antonio May 6 and again in July for "Deep in the Heart of Texas."

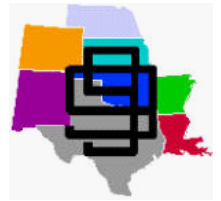
Blue Skies,

Stephenie



SPRING SECTION MEETING REMINDERS

by Cathy Prudhomme



SPRING SECTION MEETING

The South Central Section Spring Meeting will be an abbreviated meeting, as we are also hosting the International Conference in July. The SCS "Mini-Meeting" is on May 6 at the Westin Riverwalk Hotel in San Antonio – also our 2017 Conference hotel! Registration and hotel information is available on the SCS website, <www.SCS99s.org> and in this newsletter. All meetings will take place on Saturday, May 6, but plan to come early for a fun fajita dinner on Friday night.

Hotel Registration Deadline – March 31 (Attendees must use the hotel registration form posted on the SCS website; do not call the hotel individually.)

Meeting Registration Deadline – April 25

2017 CONFERENCE UPDATES "FIRST-TIMER AWARD"

A generous anonymous donor has provided a complimentary Conference registration fee and up to \$150 in tour fees to a South Central Section 99 who will be attending the Conference for the first time this year! Two awards will be given! If you have never attended an International Conference, this is a chance to do so at a significant savings. Application and details are posted on the SCS website. Application deadline – March 1.

"FLY MARKET"

AKA "El Mercado," in keeping with the San Antonio theme! If your chapter has merchandise to sell, or if you have a business with a product of interest to Conference attendees, reserve a table at the market! The cost is just \$50 if proceeds are going to the benefit of the chapter; and \$100 for businesses. The reservation form is also available on the Conference website.

CONFERENCE PROGRAM ADS

The sale of ads in the Conference Program helps to reduce printing costs. Has your chapter planned to purchase an ad to show your support of the Conference, or perhaps to honor your officers or a special member? Can you solicit advertising from a business you know? Are you the owner of a business which can purchase an ad? Your help is needed! Program advertising information and order forms are posted on the Conference website. If you know a business who might be interested in a higher level of corporate sponsorship, please contact Cheryl Mora, Reni Baker, or Cathy Prudhomme.

VOLUNTEERS

As South Central Section 99s, we are all hostesses for the 2017 Conference. How would you like to help? Areas in which volunteers are needed are transportation, airport hospitality, hospitality suite, hotel greeters, 99s reps on optional tours, banquet set-up, seminar support, fly market support, and registration desk. If you are not already assigned to a committee, let Reni Baker or Cathy Prudhomme know that you can help, and they will put you in touch with the committee chairman.

MOST IMPORTANT OF ALL - REGISTER!

Early Registration Deadline – MARCH 31

The deadline for discounted (for conference) registration is fast approaching. March 31 is the early registration deadline! This is our party, and SCS members need to be there in full force! The registration site is www.travelplannerstexas.com/99s2017.

TABLE DECORATIONS FOR CONFERENCE

Details regarding centerpieces for International: Each table will be provided a 14 inch mat on which your centerpiece is to be placed. Your centerpiece should be no larger than 12 inches square or round at the base and no taller than 14 inches. The design is totally up to your chapter. It can be something that represents your specific chapter, the area or state your chapter is in, something that relates to the theme of the banquet, "Our Stars Shine Bright," or anything else you wish. There will be a card placed on each table recognizing which chapter provided the centerpiece for that table. Each chapter is to provide at least one centerpiece. If you can provide two and have not already let Carol Brackley know that, please let her know. You will be hearing from Carol and Martha Molina again soon.



Conference 2017 - Deep in the Heart of Texas

by Cathy Prudhomme

Do you have July 12-16, 2017 inked – not penciled! – on your calendars? If not, mark those dates for The Ninety-Nines International Conference, hosted in San Antonio by us, the South Central Section.

The Conference website is open – SCS members should be among the first to register for the Conference and reserve hotel rooms! The Conference hotel is the Westin Riverwalk, a beautiful property located on a relatively quiet stretch of the river, but within easy walking distance to all of the Riverwalk attractions. Great optional tours will be offered, including excursions to Fredericksburg and the LBJ Ranch, tours of the San Antonio Missions, and an after-hours Alamo tour, among others. New this year will be offerings tailored for members traveling with children, such as an all day trip to Schlitterbahn Waterpark in New Braunfels.

Two festive evening events are being planned. In order to maximize the time available for Conference attendees to enjoy the many attractions in San Antonio, the Saturday night banquet will honor both the International Award winners and the AE Scholarship winners. Scheduling the AE Scholarship recognitions on Saturday night may also enable more scholarship winners to attend. Another fun evening event will be Thursday evening's "Welcome Fiesta" at a Riverwalk event venue just a short block's walk from the Westin.

What is My Chapter's Role?

The 2017 Conference is hosted by the entire Section, so every chapter is a host chapter! Chapters should be thinking about:

The Saturday night Awards Banquet - Table centerpieces will be provided by the chapters of the South Central Section. What kind of centerpiece will best represent your chapter? Who in your chapter will coordinate the materials and design? Will you be able to transport it already assembled, or will you need to put it together after you arrive? Who in your chapter will be responsible for delivering it and setting it up late Saturday afternoon before the banquet? It is not too soon to be thinking about this! Need some help with ideas? Contact SCS Governor Stephenie Roberts, Texas Dogwood, who can offer some creative or design advice – sroberts@tyler.net. Thanks to Director Carol Brackley, Houston, for volunteering to serve as Awards Banquet Chairman.

Hospitality Suite – Each day will be "sponsored" by a chapter, who will coordinate/provide the volunteers, beverages, and snack items. Thank you Houston Chapter for agreeing to sponsor a day! Several other chapters close to San Antonio have also expressed a willingness to sponsor a day, but all of these chapters would appreciate donations of money or volunteers. If your chapter is unable to take on an entire day, consider co-sponsoring with another chapter. Chapter Chairmen, if your chapter can sponsor or co-sponsor a day of the Hospitality Suite, contact Hospitality Chairman Monica Graham, Fort Worth, dr.monicargraham@gmail.com, and let her know what you can contribute. Thank you, Monica, for agreeing to take this on.

Fly Market – A Fly Market table will be offered to chapters for a bargain rate of \$50 for the entire Conference! The Fly Market will be open at designated times beginning Wednesday afternoon and ending Saturday afternoon. This offers chapters an excellent opportunity for fund raising. Individual business people may reserve a Fly Market table for \$100. The conference registration website has a tab for the Fly Market, with instructions for submitting your table reservation and payment. Thanks to **Becky McLendon** - beckgal220@gmail.com, Texas Dogwood, for agreeing to serve as Fly Market Chairman.

Program Advertising – Chapters will receive information about purchasing an ad in the Conference Program. As you plan your budget for the next fiscal year, keep in mind financial support of the Conference.

What is My Role as a Member of the SCS?

Register for the Conference! The support of all SCS members is crucial. Please submit your Conference registration as early as possible. If you can, purchase a Conference shirt and sign up for some tours when you register.

Help with Corporate Sponsorship – The Conference offers an opportunity for corporations and businesses to support The Ninety-Nines by making a significant contribution to sponsor a conference event. Corporate sponsors receive recognition at the Conference and in Conference literature. Do you have a contact with a business or individual who might be interested in sponsorship? Send suggestions to Cheryl Mora, San Antonio, cicflyer@aol.com. Thanks to Cheryl for coordinating Corporate Sponsorship.

Attend SCS Meetings – Stay informed about the Conference by attending the May "mini-meeting" in San Antonio. The May meeting will be an abbreviated version of the traditional SCS meeting and will include some work on the Conference.

Questions about the 2017 Conference?

Contact Reni Baker at renibaker@outlook.com or Cathy Prudhomme at cwappler99@hotmail.com



South Central Section of The Ninety-Nines

Spring 2017 Section Meeting Information

May 6, 2017

Westin Riverwalk Hotel, San Antonio

Because the South Central Section is hosting the 2017 International Conference in July, the spring Section Meeting will be hosted by the SCS Board in a condensed format. The Board meeting and Business Meeting will take place on **Saturday, May 6**, at the Westin Riverwalk Hotel in San Antonio, during the morning. The afternoon will be dedicated to Conference planning and Conference Committee reports, which are expected to wrap up by 5:00. Attendees are encouraged to stay Saturday night as well to enjoy the San Antonio Riverwalk.

Hotel reservations for the Section Meeting must be made through Travel Planners, Inc. (TPI) using the Hotel Reservation Form to obtain the preferred rate. **Do not call the hotel directly.** The group rates are available Friday, May 5, and Saturday, May 6. **Reservations must be made by March 31 to obtain the group rate.**

The meeting registration fee is \$25 to cover the cost of the meeting room on Saturday. Meals are "on your own." There is no registration fee for guests.

For those arriving Friday, a group dinner has been set up at Rita's on the River, which is a short walk from the hotel. Menu options are beef fajitas, chicken fajitas, combo beef/chicken fajitas, and vegetarian fajitas. The price of \$25 includes fajitas, beans, rice, fajita accompaniments, iced tea or soft drink, tax, and gratuity.

SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, MAY 5

6:30 PM - Optional – Fajita dinner at Rita's on the Riverwalk, a short walk from the Westin

SATURDAY MAY 6

10:00 SCS Board / Business Meeting

11:30 Lunch on your own

1:00 – 5:00 Conference Workshop – Planning, Discussion, Committee Reports and Meetings



South Central Section Spring Meeting Registration

May 6, 2017 - Westin Riverwalk Hotel, San Antonio

RETURN THIS FORM BY APRIL 25

HOTEL RESERVATION DUE BY MARCH 31

Last Name _____ First Name _____

Chapter _____ Chapter Office Held _____

Section Office Held _____ International Office Held _____

Email Address _____

Mailing Address _____

Cell Number _____ Alternate number _____

Guest Name _____

TRAVEL INFORMATION

Arrival Date/Time: ☐ Friday, May 5 @ _____ ☐ Saturday, May 6 @ _____

Departure Date/Time: ☐ Saturday, May 6 @ _____ ☐ Sunday, May 7 @ _____

☐ Flying GA into Stinson Field ☐ Transportation requested

☐ Flying into San Antonio International (shuttle or taxi service available)

☐ Driving

Member Registration Fee _____ \$25

Optional Friday Fajita Dinner for Members and Guests _____ @ \$25 per person

Total Enclosed _____

For questions, contact Frances Luckhart at canokie99@aol.com or 918-379-0018.

Mail this form and check payable to South Central Section Ninety-Nines by **APRIL 25** to

Frances Luckhart
1806 S 280th East Ave
Catoosa OK 74015-4711

Ninety-Nines Section Meeting Hotel Reservation Form

May 5-7, 2017

Westin Riverwalk, San Antonio

DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS: March 31, 2017

Mail completed form to: Travel Planners Inc.
6111 Broadway
San Antonio, TX 78209

Email: 99s@travelplannerstexas.com

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Guest (optional)

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

State/Province: _____ Country: _____ Zip Code: _____

Email: _____ Best Phone: _____ Alternative Phone: _____

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

Traditional, City View Room - \$209 per night, plus taxes & fees # of rooms requested: _____

Deluxe, Riverside Room - \$239 per night, plus taxes & fees # of rooms requested: _____

Check-in Date: _____ Check-out Date: _____ # in room: _____

Special Requests: _____

***HOTEL REQUIRES A CREDIT CARD FOR GUARANTEE. NO CHECK DEPOSITS ALLOWED.
3rd & 4th adult sharing in room are additional at \$20 per person, per room, per night.
Applicable State and Local Taxes is currently 16.75%.***

CREDIT CARD INFORMATION

Credit Card: ☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard ☐ Discover ☐ American Express

Card # _____ EXP: _____ Security Code: _____

Name on Card: _____

Payment and Cancellation Penalties:

The hotel will charge the full stay, including room and taxes, 30 days prior to arrival. No refunds will be given after this date.

I have read and understand the payment and cancellation penalties as listed above:

Signature: _____ Date: _____

TEXAS DOGWOOD

by Jill Shockley

Since the last Approach, members have been involved in a variety of projects.

In September, Stephenie Roberts, Jerry Anne Jurenka and Jill Shockley attended the Fall Section meeting hosted by the Oklahoma Chapter and had a fabulous time!

In October, we travelled to the Mineola-Wisener Airport where chapter member Lupita Wisener is the airport manager. Lupita provided a fascinating tour of the "Royal Flying Circus Museum". We then had lunch in historic downtown Mineola at Taste Buds.

In mid-October, Jerry Anne Jurenka was a judge at the Region IV competition in Killeen, TX where she met up with chapter member Callie Billingsley, who is the team captain for Louisiana Tech.

In November, we met at Tyler Pounds Field where we were joined by a Dallas 99 member, Marcii Haas, who had a guest with her, Amanda Xiang.

In December, Jerry Anne Jurenka hosted our annual Christmas party. We had a delicious meal, Chinese gift exchange, and collected canned goods for a local charity.

In January, we headed south to Henderson for a lunch meeting at Hush Puppies.

In late January, Stephanie Mertz was a guest speaker at LeTourneau University in Longview for the Zonta Club of Longview's annual Amelia Earhart luncheon. Several of our members attended. Laura Laster, Director of Flight Operations for LeTourneau, provided a facility tour.

In late January and early February, Stephanie Mertz successfully passed both her multi- and single-engine flight instructor check-rides, as well as successfully completed Phase 1 of the Professional Pilot Leadership Initiative.

In February, we travelled north to Mount Pleasant where we joined two local EAA chapters and toured the Mid-America Flight Museum, followed by lunch at Lulu's Pizza & Grill. While there, we met two former 99s (Pat Purcell from Arkansas and Cathy Dunlop from Manitoba) as well as a current 99 who is an Iowa chapter member. All the airplanes on display are actively flown and, while we were there, the owner was taking his annual check-ride with the FAA in his B-25.

We look forward to a busy spring and the upcoming International Conference in San Antonio.

Dogwood members and potential 99s



Stephanie Mertz - MEI Checkride
With the Piper Aztec



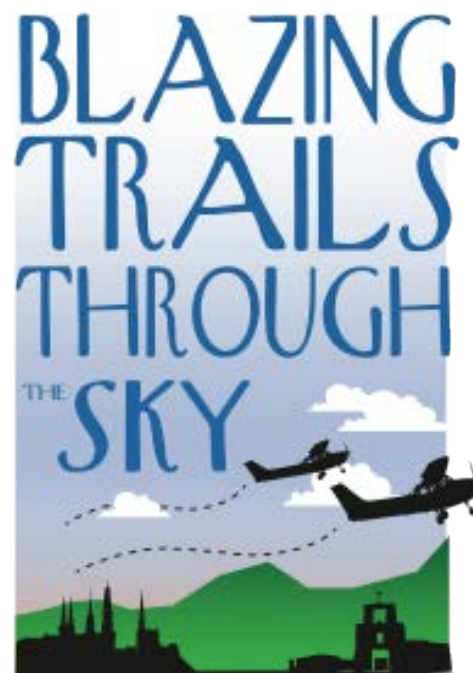
SANTA FE HERE WE COME!

Air Race Classic

by Susan Larson

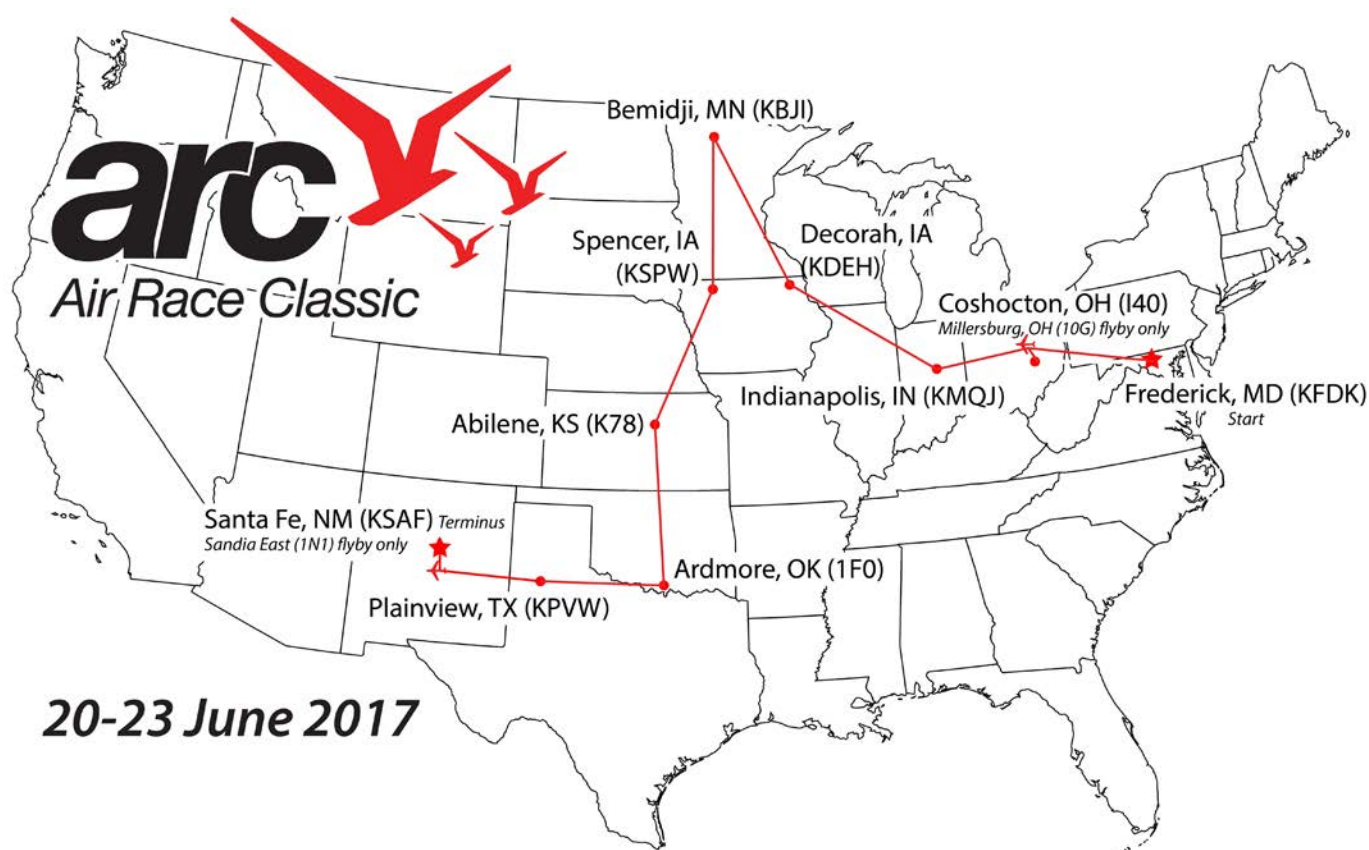
The Rio Grande Norte Chapter invites all racers, their guests, friends, volunteers and 99s to participate in the 2017 Air Race Classic Terminus activities in Santa Fe, New Mexico, June 22-26. The race will begin Tuesday morning in Frederick, MD and head westward, then to the northern environs of Minnesota before turning southward down the plains. The last turn will be at Plainview, TX before the final timing line at Sandia Airpark. Those of you who were able to attend the Fall 2015 Section Meeting will recall that we stayed at the recently opened up-scale Drury Plaza Hotel only two blocks from the famous plaza and all its history and activities. We will be staying there once again for this event. The closing Sunday evening Awards Banquet will be held at La Fonda on the Plaza. Tickets for the Friday and Sunday evening functions can be purchased through the Air Race Classic's website at www.airraceclassic.org starting in March.

For more information contact Susan Larson at sjlaron99@me.com or check out our chapter website www.rgn99s.org or our Facebook page www.facebook.com/rgn99s. To order tickets and for hotel reservations, go to www.airraceclassic.org after March 1.



FREDERICK TO SANTA FE

AIR RACE CLASSIC 2017



LEGISLATION REPORT

by Jill Shockley

Third Class Medical Reform.

Much has happened since Third Class Medical Reform was passed in 2016. Although President Trump signed an executive order suspending pending regulation, AOPA has determined that “BasicMed” will not be affected.

“BasicMed” goes into effect May 1, 2017. You qualify for “BasicMed” if you have held a medical certificate or special issuance - without suspension, revocation or withdrawal – on, or any time after, July 15, 2006.

To fly under “BasicMed”, you will need to obtain a physical exam from a state-licensed physician. The exam must follow a checklist (currently being determined by the FAA) that is completed by both the pilot and the doctor. You must also complete an online course.

The new regulation can be found here: https://www.faa.gov/news/updates/media/final_rule_faa_2016_9157.pdf. The link to the corresponding Advisory Circular (AC) can be found here: https://www.faa.gov/regulations_policies/advisory_circulars/index.cfm/go/document.information/documentID/1030196.

1800wxbrief.com.

If you have not gone onto this website recently, there is a wealth of information and resources available.

This site, <https://1800wxbrief.com>, will also be posted on the Section website on the “Advisor” page under ‘Aviation Legislation’ for quick reference.

“Safety Alliance”.

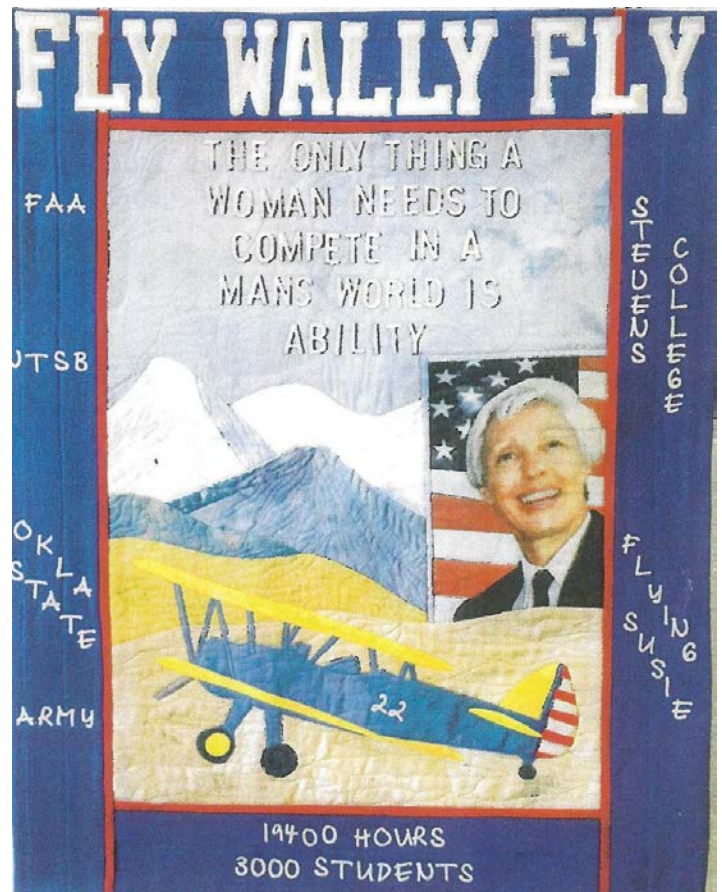
AOPA (Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association) is now offering one-stop search capability when searching for aviation safety content on the Internet. A compendium of organizations and related safety information is available on AOPA’s Air Safety Institute website. See aopa.org for more information.

ICAO Flight Plans.

Remember that all flights are transitioning over to the ICAO-style format. More info at <https://www.faa.gov> and <https://www.aopa.org>.

WALLY QUILT

This quilt was made by Gay Young, Sweetwater, TX. It started on tour in 2016 on Tour of the USA, Quilt USA. The quilt represents Wally Funk’s sixty years of flying and her 59 ½ years as a 99.



GIFT Academy and Mary Latimer

By Monica Randolph-Graham

Brenda Sanchez and many other women attended the GIFT (Girls in Flight Training) Academy in Vernon, Texas during week of October 9th -15th, 2016 for GIFT Week.

Those attending came from California, Florida, Hawaii, Washington, Oregon, Texas and other surrounding states. Several ladies were current 99s, and three ladies became new members. The ladies attending GIFT week worked on their private pilot license, commercial, instrument or CFI. The cost of airplanes were as low as \$30 per hour, plus fuel, with no charge for CFI or ground school.

Mary Latimer, Founder of GIFT and Chair of 99s Wichita Chapter has been a flight instructor since 1974 and is a designated pilot examiner (private, commercial, and instrument). She is a corporate pilot flying a Conquest II and an A&P mechanic with Inspection Authorization. She is also a retired air traffic controller after twenty-four years of service. She is considered one of the best ground school instructors in Wichita Falls.

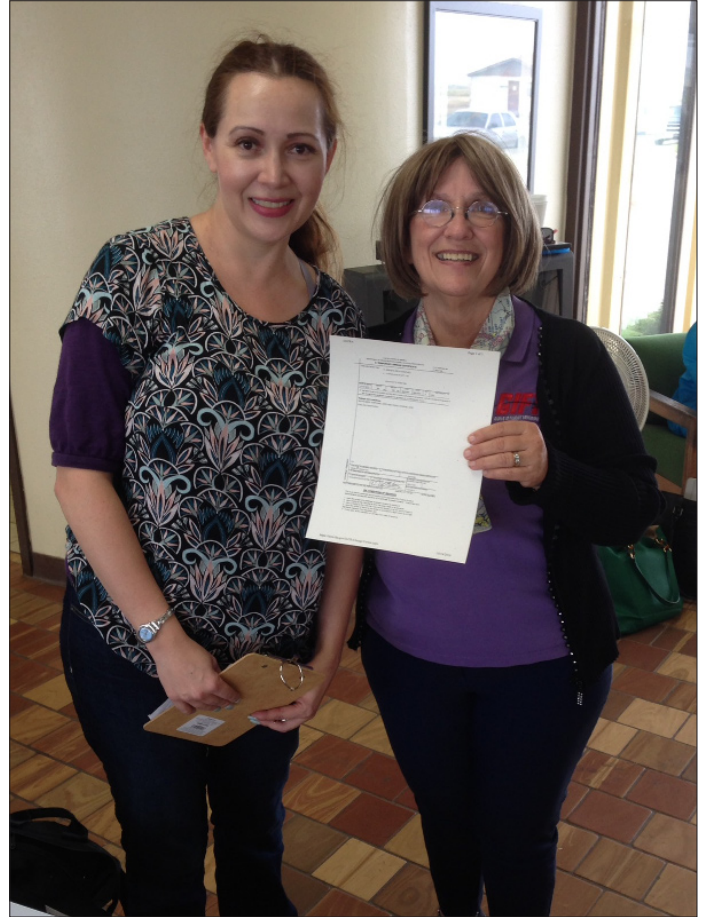
GIFT week would not be possible if not for Mary, her family, several CFI volunteers and other volunteers who all worked to make this week to happen in 2016. It is planned as an annual event.

Brenda Sanchez, Houston 99, received her PPL and instrument 12 years ago. After 8 years of not flying, she began taking lessons and learned of the GIFT program. Brenda signed up for the program, traveled to Vernon, and on October 14, 2016, Brenda earned her Commercial Pilot 'slicense.

"This was an amazing experience", stated Brenda, "not only for me, but for all ladies attending!"

To all the GIFT ladies (group picture below) who flew for their first time, flew to gain more confidence and skill, soloed, earned their private pilot or commercial license, instrument rating or CFI. Congratulations to all of your success!!

And to GIFT Academy, a huge thank you for inspiring women to fly and providing an economical way to do it!! Many Thanks!!!



Brenda Sanchez with Mary Latimer



FORT WORTH 99s by Aileen Hummel

The Fort Worth Chapter of The 99s have been super busy the last several months under the leadership of Dr. Monica Randolph-Graham. Our chapter has grown to 54 members who have participated in the following events and activities:

On August 13, we hosted the AOPA “Rusty Pilot” and “How to Start a Flying Club” Seminars conducted by Pat Brown. Several flight schools were present, including our own CFI Lisa Ward, to assist pilots on getting back in the air. This event was organized by Monica Randolph-Graham with Jade Nerie and Julie Carson assisting.

August 27-28, the Fort Worth 99s along with the Fort Worth Aviation Museum presented a two-day “STEM Through Aviation Workshop” for girls 12-17 at Meacham Airport. Ninety-Nines who helped out were: Dr. Monica Randolph-Graham, Jade Nerie, Allison Hoyt, Cetekia Snowden, Julie Carson, Laura Berry, Carol Levine, Jo Ann McCorkle, Tamara Griffith, Amy Raymond, Jane Crowder, and Wally Funk. Sept 12’s meeting was a tour of the FWPD Aviation Hangar at Meacham Airport (KFTW).

Oct 15-16, The Fort Worth 99s had a table at the Alliance Air Show and shared their love for aviation with the attendees.

October 29-30, the Dallas and Fort Worth Chapters painted a new compass rose for the Gainesville (KGLE) airport.

November 6, the Fall Hangar Fest/Fundraising Event was at the Vintage Flying Museum at FW Meacham Airport. The event was well-attended in spite of the rain. Aileen Hummel’s band, “Captain Jack and the Variable Pitch Band”, played classic rock music from the 60s – 80s. A great big “Thank You” goes to the ladies who helped. We were able to raise funds for our Check-Ride Scholarships and STEM Programs.

The Fort Worth Chapter of The 99s turned 59 years old on November 18! We honored our chapter’s birthday with a MOVIE NIGHT on November 19! Jo Ann McCorkle, Carol Levine, Monica Randolph-Graham, Julie Carson, Anne Jeffery, as well as Dallas Chapter President Kay Alley and her husband, got together in Jo Ann’s home to watch the movie “Amelia”, as well as Bob Hoover’s “The Feathered Edge”. Our Holiday Gathering was on December 4 at the Harrison Aviation FBO, at Arlington Airport (KGGY). Following the meeting, everyone participated in a fun Treasure Hunt, organized by Jo Ann McCorkle. Teddy Bears were collected for the local Women’s Shelter.

Last January 20, we provided a first-time Abbreviated Activity STEM program for children, ages 3-17, with significant illnesses at Cook Children’s Hospital in Fort Worth. The kids smiled, laughed and expressed appreciation of the event as much as the 99s!

Congratulations to Jade Nerie and Cetekia Snowden for winning the FLY NOW Scholarship! Way to go gals!!

Aileen Hummel’s band,
“Captain Jack and the Variable Pitch Band”



At Cook Children’s Hospital:
Sherita Whitaker, Julie Carson, Shea R., Jade Nerie, Monica Randolph-Graham



Back: Sherita Whitaker, Michelle Craig, Carol Levine, Linda Whatley, Terry Carbonnell, Monica Randolph-Graham, Julie Carson, Eva Isbell
Front: Jade Nerie, Cetekia Snowden, Aileen Hummel

Tip of Texas 99s By Ellie Block

Activities have increased the last couple of months. In November a planning session was held at Mike Cotton BBQ with guest speaker Lt. Danielle Lawson, who is a T-6 Texan II flight instructor at NAS Corpus Christi. Our group had just made a \$250 contribution to the Aviator's Memorial which will be constructed in Corpus Christi. See www.STAMA.COM for more information. We also agreed to help with their golf tournament to raise money for the project.

Lt. Lawson said she would see if we could fly the T-6 Sims. This we did at our January meeting. What an adventure! They were so real! One member flew under the Corpus Christi Bay Bridge and landed on the Lexington. Others did aerobatics or flew up the coast line identifying landmarks. Lt. Lawson had two helpers, Jessica Fielder who had just soloed in the T-6 and Sarah Shaefer. Also helping was member Kelley Bazemore's husband, Dennis, who instructs in the T-6. We learned they have 5 areas they fly to for practice: Denver, San Diego, Key West, Chicago, and Las Vegas. Lt. Lawson gave out badges, stickers and T-shirts after we answered quiz questions. We also learned there were three solos each pilot had to do: 3 landings, close-formation flying, and aerobatics.



At Hibachi Grill & Super Buffet:
Ellie Block, Alex Bazemore, Jessica Fielder,
Danielle Lawson, Jennifer Gorny, Kelley
Bazemore, Susan Gutfrjnd



Jennifer Gorny strapped in



Lt. Danielle Lawson sits on the wing coaching Alex Bazemore as she flies the Sim

SCS AE Scholarship Committee Report By Rebecca Hempel

The SCS AE Scholarship Committee has completed its review of 2017 applications. We had a challenging year and I'd like to share some insights from common mistakes and issues that we worked through, not just this year, but most years. Hopefully this information will help your future applications and help your chapter representatives help you!

Disclaimer! The information presented below is up to date at the time of this writing for the 2017 AE applications. Scholarship requirements and forms are updated or changed annually. It is up to the applicant to verify information at the time of her application.

Below are the differences between the AE scholarship specifically and some of the scholarships administered through the AE Trust. AE scholarships are broken down into Academic, Flight Training and Type Rating requests. The basics for all of the scholarship requests the AE trust administers are noted below. Note: In all cases, please refer to the 99s website and specific instructions for each scholarship category!

	Purpose	Membership required/length	Dollar Amount	Notes
Amelia Earhart	Flight Training, Academic, Type Rating	Full/ 1 year Student/1 month	Varies per request	Fully licensed pilot
Vicky Cruse	Emergency Maneuvers/Aerobatics Intro	Full/can be a new member	Varies per request	Has to be 99s member but no length
Kitty Houghton	Flight Training or Education in her country	Student/can be a new member	~\$3000USD	Not for G20 countries. "Has begun working on pilot's license"
Fly Now	Private Pilot License	Student/1 month	Up to \$6000	Benchmarks/Mentorship

If interested in applying for a scholarship, it is imperative to read the rest of Rebecca Hempel's article on the SCS 99s website: <http://www.scs99s.org/advisors.htm#Aviation%20Scholarships>. It contains valuable information for the scholarship applicant.

Let's Fly for Women's History Month By Stephenie Roberts

Women's History Month is celebrated in March, so why not join female pilots across the country and go flying! Women of Aviation Worldwide Week is an annual global observance that takes place March 6-12, 2017. The awareness week is managed by the Institute for Women of Aviation Worldwide and celebrates women's past and present contributions to the betterment of the air and space industry and promotes industry opportunities to girls and women.

As of April 2016 activities celebrating Women of Aviation Week have been organized in 40 countries on 5 continents. Over 30,000 girls and women have been introduced to flight during Women of Aviation Week in Women's History Month. Many 99 chapters across the world have participated in the past in celebrating this week. Perhaps this is the year for your chapter to celebrate Women's History Month and stage a flying event to introduce flying to the women and young girls in your community.

LOGOS - If you don't have one, you might want to consider getting one. Here are some of the logos in our South Central Section:



Shreveport Chapter of 99s

By Becky Netherton

The Shreveport Chapter has tripled in size; from three to ten at our last meeting. We are enjoying getting to know each other and planning the Fall 2017 Section Meeting, "Bienvenue en Louisiane", (welcome to Louisiana).

Jennifer Crum, member and previous chairman soloed this week at Columbus Air Force Base where she is in flight training. Congratulations to Jenn!

Robin House's book, "God from A to Z", has been published, and the audio book will be available soon. It is beautifully illustrated, and well-written. It is a children's book and would be a great addition to any bookshelf.

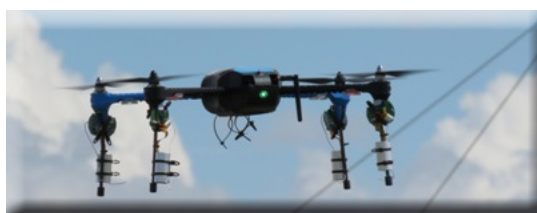
Terri Cole spoke at the Zonta Amelia Earhart Banquet, February 20, 2017. She presented her video of her transition from a small two-place airplane to a Cessna Citation in less than a thousand hours. She and her husband, Larry, fly for Hunt Aviation.



This meeting was at The Helicopter Safety Training Center, Feb. 9 - 99s present (From the closet) - Tina Bowen, Barbara Sullivan, Lily Jansek, Renee McGee, Lisa Hunter, Terry Palmer, Robin House, Shena Medsger, Becky Netherton

Shreveport Zonta Amelia Earhart Banquet -
Terri Cole is the third from the left in the front row...





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SCHEDULE OF HOST CHAPTERS FOR SOUTH CENTRAL SECTION/INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS

May 6, 2017	Planning for International Conference-San Antonio
July 11-16, 2017	International Conference, San Antonio, Texas
October 5-8, 2017	Shreveport Chapter, Texas
May 3-6, 2018	Pikes Peak Chapter, Colorado
July 4-8, 2018	International Conference, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Fall 2018	Purple Sage
Spring 2019	Nebraska
July 16-21, 2019	International Conference, Dayton, Ohio

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