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## SECTION MEETING October 15-17, 2021

### **IMPORTANT**

The in-person conference is now hybrid event

In-person and virtual meetings available See page six for more information

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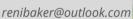
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## GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE FALL 2021 APPROACH

Hello SCS members,

Due to Covid, social events and activities continue to be delayed and canceled; however, after two years of perseverance the Dallas chapter will finally get to host an in-person section meeting! Yes, it's a go!! They have exciting activities and speakers so you do not want to miss out! We look forward to seeing everyone in McKinney October 16-17. We are requiring masks to be worn for all indoor activities with social distancing as possible. If you are unable to be present at the business meeting, Zoom will be offered so watch your email in the next two weeks.

If you were unable to attend the Let's Fly Now: First Flight event June 12th in Atlanta Texas to Celebrate Bessie Coleman, great time and a big success, we have a BIGGER two-day event planned in 2022. More details to share at the section meeting.

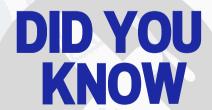
Don't forget, if you would like to run for the 2022 - 2024 section Board, the deadline to submit a nomination is October 31, 2021.

Anyone interested in joining one of our section committees, we are starting a new flight plan. All committees are starting fresh, offering opportunities for new members to serve and become more engaged in the section and 99s. Committees include, AE Scholarship committee, Membership committee, Aerospace education, Awards and Aviation legislation. If you are interested, please email governor.scs@gmail.com. Your Governor and board will be working to get the committees staffed, trained and full throttle by the first of the year.

See you in McKinney!!!

Blue skies.

Monica



You can find contact information for those in your chapter? Visit www.ninety-nines.org, member area on the upper right, log in, select directory on the right hand column menu, and search your chapter!

## Editorial Comment by Heather Hodge

I hope everyone is staying safe and healthy. Coming 2022 I will me migrating the newsletter to an more compatible and easier editable format. Additionally, we continue to develop and add to the website. This project is on-going.

Thank you for your patiences as I concluded my educational journey. My focus is shifting to my new work and my daughters activities. Flying is in my future, as I was able to save funds while in school to almost completely play for my PPL. I truly am blessed to be surrounded by incredible, strong role models, friends, and pilots!

Blue Skies and Tailwinds,



Heather Hodge

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PHASE ONE COMPLETE!

New website. Available Now!

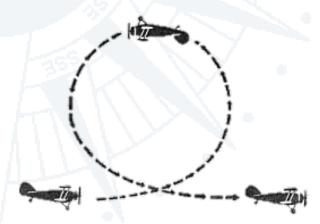
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# KEEP US IN THE LOOP!

by Heather Hodge - Approach Editor-in-Chief

Please keep us up to date with your chapter newsletters, events, and communications. We want to feature you! Send the information to **approach@scs99s.org**.

Want to help out! Please contact me as I could use some copyeditors and writers to streamline our newsletter process.



More events have been uploaded to the calendar on the new website! Contact us to get your events added!!

You can connect on a larger scale: Join Ninety Nines in Google Groups to: https://groups.google.com/d/forum/ninetynines and apply to be a member! It's free!

# Appeal for Nomination of Candidates A MESSAGE FROM THE SCS BOARD OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Ladies, we want you, we need you, we love you, this is the way you can give back and help make our Section the best!!

- South Central Section is looking for good candidates for all the offices.
- Please look at our website http://www.scs99s.org for Forms/IntenttoSeekElection.pdf, StandingRules.pdf
- o to see how you can help our Section
- All information pertaining to election, terms of office, eligibility is covered in our bylaws
- Elected officers shall be Governor, Vice-Governor, Secretary, Treasurer, and two Directors. A
- Nominations Committee of three members shall be elected as an independent board.
- Officers, directors, and standing committee members shall have such duties and responsibilities as are
- o set forth in these Bylaws or as may be set forth in the Standing Rules.
- The Governor, Vice-Governor, Secretary, and Treasurer shall be elected in even numbered years for a
- term of two (2) years. The Immediate Past Governor shall serve for a term of two (2) years. The Governor shall serve as Chairman of the Board.
- The next election will be during the spring of 2022 and the new Board will take office at the beginning of the 2022- 2023 fiscal year (June 1, 2022)



## **Purchase Your Tickets!**

Learn more about the meeting at <a href="https://www.scs99s.org/spring-2021-section-meeting">https://www.scs99s.org/spring-2021-section-meeting</a>

#### IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

As you know, the Dallas Chapter has been working diligently for almost two years to host our Fall SCS meeting. However, the pandemic dictated the need to hold our past three section meetings virtually.

While many people have gotten their vaccinations, a lack of adequate levels of immunization across the country has led to a 4th surge of COVID.

With our section meeting being four weeks away, some tough decisions had to be made. Following suit with other US sections, the SCS has made the decision to move forward as a hybrid meeting, we will meet in-person with Mandatory mask worn during indoor meetings, seminars and activities. We will also abide by any further restrictions imposed by the hotel or the State of Texas.

The SCS will offer a virtual option for attendance to the Business meeting. Virtual registration will be made available in the next couple of weeks.

We are not requiring vaccination proof as we do not want to alienate any of our members. However, we do expect anyone sick or with a fever to remain home. The well-being of our members continues to be of the utmost importance, and we are closely monitoring the situation and recommendations by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control & Prevention. Your SCS Governor,

Dr. Monica Randolph-Graham



### Blaze a Trail to the Wild Wings of the West! South Central Section Fall Meeting

October 15-17, 2021

Hosted by the Dallas Chapter 99s



Come to McKinney, Texas for the Fall 2021 South Central Section Meeting and experience Wild Wings of the West!! The weekend will be filled with exciting and interesting activities! Host airport, KTKI McKinney National Airport. Host hotel: Sheraton McKinney\*.

Friday: We will begin this exciting weekend with a casual visit with fellow 99, Wally Funk, who recently flew with the Blue Origins flight into space - if you would like to have a book signed, please bring it with you. A link is provided here for your convenience: https://www.amazon.com/dp/1641601302/ref=cm\_sw\_r\_sm\_apa\_glt\_fabc\_8WFY6H22SRQM5K9HSM1E Or search "Wally Funk's Race for Space: The Extraordinary Story of a Female Aviation Pioneer"

Our next presentation will be by Dallas Chapter member Susan Doyle, 9/11 Twin Towers Surviyor. This is a gripping talk about how she and her coworkers made it out alive.

A welcome reception with an open bar will follow, and then an optional fun experience conducted by Dallas Chapter member Lynnette Bascom as she teaches us to paint our own wine glasses. Substantial hors d'oeuvres, wine, and beer induded.

Saturday: For our guests during the Saturday morning business meeting, there will be a tour of McKinney Airport facilities.

Later, enjoy "Spread Your Wings", a seminar to discuss a variety of aviation careers. An option after the seminar will be to hop on the trolley to downtown McKinney for "Bad Boys and Desperadoes of Old McKinney - Lies, Legends, and Truths". This will be a fun and educational tour of historic downtown McKinney as we learn about desperadoes who frequented the area – Frank and Jesse James, Bonnie and Clyde, Belle Starr, and others. Or take a self-guided historical walking tour of downtown McKinney and explore the square and unique shops.

Our evening Smokehouse Barbecue Banquet will have a Western theme - feel free to come in Western attire. Our guest speaker will be Kevin Lacey of Airplane Repo fame! He is also a consultant to Texas Air Fleet, an independent technical services company serving the aviation finance and leasing community. He mentors youth in aviation via Tango Thirty One Aero Clube, established for the purpose of introducing teenage people to the world of aviation. This includes aircraft maintenance, repairs, operations, and flight. Cash bar for the evening.

The fly market will be located in the hospitality room, so come prepared to sell your items and see what other chapters have to offer. Participate in the Book Swap - bring a book of any kind, and take one home. As always, there will be a constant supply of good food and beverages in the hospitality room.

#### Sch edu le Friday, October 15

Lunch and Dinner will be on your own for Friday.

12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Registration; Hospitality Room and Fly Market Open

3:30 p.m - 5:00 p.m. Visit with Wally Funk - recent Blue Origins space flight + book signing

5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Presentation by Susan Doyle, 9/11 Twin Towers Survivor

6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Welcome Reception, Open Bar

Optional: Wine Glass Painting with Substantial Hors d'oeuvres, Wine, and Beer 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Hospitality Room and Fly Market Open 7:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.

| Saturday, October 16 |  |  |  |  |
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| 8:00 - 8:30 am.      | Registration open  |  |  |  |
| 8:30 - 11:30 am.     | Business Meeting   |  |  |  |
| 9:00 - 10:30 am.     | McKinney Airport and Tower tour for Ninety-Nines guests  |  |  |  |
| 11:30 am 5:00 pm.    | Hospitality Room and Fly Market open. Lunch on your own.   |  |  |  |
| 11:45 am 12:45 pm.   | Chapter Chairman Meeting - open to all Ninety-Nines  |  |  |  |
| 1:00 - 2:00 pm.      | Spread Your Wings Career Seminar, NOT TO MISS! Our panel of professionals will assist you toward advancing your aviation career. |  |  |  |
| 2:30 - 4:00 pm.      | Optional Bad Boys and Desperados Trolley Tour (limited to the first 30) or<br>Downtown McKinney Walking Tour (on your own)       |  |  |  |
| 6:00 - 9:00 pm.      | Smokehouse BBQ Banquet (Western Attire encouraged). Guest speaker Kevin Lacey of the Reality TV show, Airplane Repo.             |  |  |  |
| 9:00 - 11:00 pm.     | Hospitality Room and Fly Market Open   |  |  |  |

<sup>\*</sup> Note that in order to book a hotel room, you will need to go to the SCS website (not direct to the hotel) in order to receive the group rate for our meeting: https://www.scs99s.org/section-meeting. You can also register via that link for the activities.

# Blaze a Trail to Wild Wings of the West

Ninety-Nines
Inspiring Women Pilots
Since 1929

SCS Fall Meeting October 15 - 17, 2021

## Proudly hosted by the Dallas Chapter 99s -

Register on the SCS website for the meeting, activities, and hotel: scs99s.org

Click on Fall South Central Section Meeting, view details. Once there, click on 'Section Meeting Registration' for the meeting and activities. Below that you can book your room on the 'Hotel Registration' link. Early hotel registration deadline for group rate: September 16, 2021. You can also view the Schedule of Events and Local Activities on this page. Educational seminars, fun activities, and great guest speaker Mr. Kevin Lacey, of Discovery



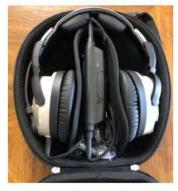
Channel's Airplane Repo! Enjoy catching up with old and new friends - safely, and in-person.

## Bring One, Take One

Please bring a book to trade while visiting with everyone in our Hospitality room.

## But wait - there's more! Raffle items galore!!

Check out these great headsets, aviation equipment and memorabilia:



Lightspeed headset Dual GA Case, box, and instructions included



David Clark headset new in the box, instructions included



For a chance to win these great items, you can purchase one Raffle ticket for \$5 or 6 tickets for \$25. The more you purchase, the better your chances to win!

AND you will be supporting the 99s section meeting and helping to make this the best one yet!

You can mail a check to Holly Barr: 500 Cottonwood Pl., McKinney, TX 75069-1560

or pay via Venmo, find us at: www.dallas99s.org

Money must be received by September 30. Raffle tickets can also be purchased in person at our event. Additional fun items will be Raffled at the Fall Section Meeting.

## SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Oklahoma Chapter

At the August 14 Banquet of our Okie Derby we presented in person winners of our Wings of the Future Scholarship for 2020 and 2021. We are proud of these remarkable women.

2021 Scholarship Winners

**Lora Gallman** is a professional violinist with a passion for aviation. She grew up in Alabama where she began her career in music. After earning a Bachelors degree in Violin Performance from the University of Alabama, she continued her education by earning a Master's of String Education from the University of South Carolina. In 2014, Lora embarked on her lifetime goal of becoming a pilot and completed her private pilot certificate exclusively in tailwheel airplanes.

Upon moving to Oklahoma in 2015, Lora continued pursuing her instrument and commercial ratings. Lora currently runs a violin studio while working toward her flight instructor certificate. Her dream is to continue to share her love for aviation by starting her own flight school specializing in tailwheel training.





Cassi Terry started her aviation journey at Spartan College of Aeronautics shortly after graduating high school in 2001, earning her Aviation Maintenance Technician Certificate in June 2003, then Airframe and Powerplant License in August 2003. After raising her family, she returned to a career as an aircraft mechanic at Chickasha Wings in December 2015. At the encouragement of her employer, Cassi began flight training, obtaining her Private Pilot License June 6, 2016. She continued working as an A&P on general aviation aircraft until she completed her CFI training June 1, 2019. Cassi switched career paths and began as a new flight instructor at the age of 36. Since then, she has obtained her CFI-I and tailwheel endorsement and is now working toward her Multi Engine Commercial and shortly after, her Multi-Engine Instructor rating as she continues building hours and working towards her goal to fly for Southwest Airlines. Above everything she wishes to give back to this incredible community by mentoring and encouraging others to reach for their dreams.

AUGUST 14, 2021

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2020 Scholarship Winner

**Nicoletta Fala** has been flying since 2012. She is now an instrument-rated commercial pilot and flight instructor. In the past, Nicoletta has been the president of Purdue Pilots, Inc., a student-led flying club at Purdue University. Through that club, she had the chance to create new initiatives, such as a ground training for the members and an Air Race Classic team. She has participated in the Air Race Classic twice, and through her outreach efforts, tripled the ratio of female pilots in the club. Nicoletta is a recipient of the 2018 Female Aviators Sticking Together (F.A.S.T.) scholarship, and the 2018 ICAS Lovelace-Drake Scholarship for aerobatic flight training.

Nicoletta is also an Assistant Professor at Oklahoma State University in Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering. She obtained her Ph.D. from the School of Aeronautics and Astronautics at Purdue University. Her research spans human factors and systems engineering topics and aims to improve aviation safety and operations. Through her research and teaching, she aims to bring aviation and engineering closer to effectively connect designers to the end-user experience.





SUMMER 2021

## AIR RACE CLASSIC

Oklahoma Chapter



TEAM 46

Welcome to

Elaine Regier and Holly Blunk



Pictured:Holly Blunk, Elaine Regier, Angela Drabek and Wyvema Startz

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## SCHEDULE OF HOST CHAPTERS | NINETY-NINES SOUTH CENTRAL SECTION AND INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS

October 15-17, 2021 Spring 2021 Section Meeting - Teleconference via Zoom

March 25-27, 2022 Fall 2021 Section Meeting - Dallas - McKinney, Texas

October 14-16, 2022 Spring 2022 Section Meeting - Boulder, Colorado

TBD Spring 2023 Section Meeting - El Paso, Texas

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THESE MEETINGS VISIT: WWW.SCS99S.ORG/MEETINGS