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COVER PICTURES
 USAF Museum at Barksdale AFB
 Shreveport, LA

Editorial Comment by Ellie Block - We will be changing to Publisher instead of Adobe Indesign with the next issue!! Will be working with it soon to be up to speed by the time the next issue of the Approach comes out. Meanwhile, we really could use many more pictures and articles.

BTW - The International 99s are no longer publishing New Horizons but they will be available on the International website at <https://www.ninety-nines.org/new-horizons.htm> and listed in the 99 News. We will continue to print them in the Approach.

Thanks, Ellie



Fall 2017 Approach

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

WOW!!! Two years of planning and it is over in a flash! What a great International Conference!! To those of you who were unable to attend I am so sorry. The South Central Section did a fabulous job hosting! I was incredibly proud to be your Governor—what an honor. Cathy Prudhomme and Reni Baker and their talented team outdid themselves! I want to list everyone who helped, but fear of my old brain leaving someone out prevents me from doing so. The activities were fun and educational and the keynote speaker – incredible!!!! There was a standing room only crowd to hear Beverly Bass tell her story of landing in Newfoundland on 9/11, a visit to Glacier Girl, the P-38 buried in the ice for over 50 years, and a private nighttime tour of the Alamo.... These were just three of the fun offerings. Flygirls, let me tell you how creative we are. Every Chapter participated in providing centerpieces for the Awards Banquet. Outstanding centerpieces representing chapters all over the South Central Section were the highlight of our final banquet—thanks to all who donated time, money, and talent!!

Highlights of the Business Meeting at International were:

Bylaws changes:

- Student pilot status was clarified
- Life memberships may now be paid in installments

The 99s Endowment Fund announced that \$123,694 had been paid to specific projects at Headquarters since reaching our goal of \$1 million dollars.

We have hired 3 new firms to develop new marketing strategies that will standardize our brand and track our effectiveness—watch for our new look!

The following SCS members were elected to these posts—congrats!

- Cathy Prudhomme – International Director
- Kris Irvin-Herron – Endowment Fund
- Jeannie Wheatley – Museum of Women Pilots
- Cheryl Thompson – AE Birthplace

Now, on to our next meeting. Fall Section meeting is just around the corner and I hope YOU can attend. The Shreveport Chapter is working to present an outstanding weekend. I was lucky enough to visit one of the featured events (I'm not telling which) and believe me, you don't want to miss it! Be sure to put October 6-8 on your calendar. See you then!

Blue Skies,

Stephenie



Welcome to the SC Section Meeting... Louisiana Style

The Shreveport Chapter is excited to welcome you to Shreveport and Bossier City, Louisiana.

Come a little early and you can visit the outlet shops on the Boardwalk, visit one of our outstanding Cajun restaurants or try your luck in one of our casinos. Discover more than 200 hands-on exhibits and programs at Sci-Port Discovery Center. The center features an IMAX Dome Theatre, laser Space Dome Planetarium and more than 200 hands-on exhibits. Sample a variety of local food and art at annual Red River Revel Arts Festival (Sept. 30 – Oct 7). The eight-day festival features more than 100 visual artists and four performance stages with music from every genre. Located downtown on the banks of the Red River, Festival Plaza stretches a three-block corridor from Market Street to the river.

Our Hotel is the Homewood Suites and Hilton Garden Inn co-located at 2015 Old Minden Road in Bossier City, LA 71111. It is perfectly situated to provide SCS attendees both comfort and convenience.

Complimentary shuttle service is provided between the hotel and both airports, Shreveport Regional (KSHV) for commercial airline and Shreveport Downtown (KDTN) for private aircraft travelers. The hotel offers an assortment of rooms and suites with loads of amenities for all guests. Please make reservations by September 13 to reserve the special rates offered to our group. The Homewood Suites ([318-759-1940](tel:318-759-1940)) has a special rate code of SB99 and a rate of \$119.00 for a one bedroom suite featuring your choice of 2 queen beds or a king bed. The Homewood Suites includes breakfast. The Hilton Garden Inn ([318-759-1950](tel:318-759-1950)) has a special rate code of SB99 and offers a rate of \$99 for a room with a king or 2 queen beds. Breakfast is not included; however, there is a restaurant onsite. Parking is free for both properties.

All hotel reservations can be made online at our chapter website: <http://www.shreveport99s.com/>

Private plane arrivals can use Shreveport Downtown Airport (KDTN). S3 Executive ([318-220-7034](tel:318-220-7034)) will provide FBO services, including tie-downs. Tubreaux Aviation ([318-510-4330](tel:318-510-4330)) has agreed to provide fuel discounts to The Ninety-Nines.

Attendees arriving by car can take Exit 21 from I-20, merge onto LA-72 W/Old Minden Rd.

On Friday we will have two tours available.

Barksdale Global Power Museum

Take an exciting journey through the past and discover the dynamic history of Strategic Bombardment at the home of the 2nd Bomb Wing, the mighty 8th Air Force, and the new Air Force Global Strike Command. The Barksdale Global Power Museum is not only a memorial to our successes in battle, but a recognition of the many years spent training to deter war. The peacetime history of Barksdale Air Force Base is as significant as those years at war. Come out and see vintage aircraft like the venerable B-17 and B-24 bombers of World War II, along with their best "Little Friend", the P-51 Mustang. You can also see Cold War heroes such as the B-52D and B-52G Stratofortress. We will show you the highest and fastest flying jet aircraft ever – the MACH 3+ SR-71 Blackbird. There are many more on display in our air park.

Metro Aviation and Helicopter Flight Training Center

Metro Aviation offers one of the largest completion centers for Airbus helicopters in the world. Come see how helicopters are assembled and how completions for air medical operations and law enforcement are installed. The Helicopter Flight Training Center Division of Metro Aviation trains pilots, mechanics, and dispatchers for air medical and law enforcement operations around the world. Come see the Training Center, the CommLab and experience flying a helicopter in one of our simulators.

Friday evening we will have dinner hosted at the Cloud 9 Café at KDTN. This will be a Cajun feast prepared by one of Louisiana's award winning chefs. After dinner we will have popcorn and a movie back at the hotel in a ballroom. Saturday after the business meeting, there will be lunch served on the patio. After lunch there will be several safety seminars to choose from. The fly market and hospitality suites will also be available both Friday and Saturday. Saturday night, the banquet will be held at the Petroleum club with gorgeous views of Shreveport and Bossier City and surrounding landscape. Transportation to the banquet will be provided from the hotel.

There will be lots more fun and events... so come to the SCS meeting... and experience Louisiana!



FRIDAY, October 6

9:00am – 5:00 pm Registration open, Hotel

12:00 – 1:00 pm Board Meeting

1:30 – 4:00 pm Barksdale AFB Museum Tour, B52 and USAF History

1:30 – 4:00 pm Metro Aviation Tour, helicopters and simulators

1:00 – 4:30 pm Hospitality and Flymart

5:30 – 7:30 pm Classic Cajun Feast, Shreveport Downtown Airport (KDTN)

8:00 – 9:30 pm Popcorn and a Movie, Hotel

SATURDAY, October 7

Breakfast provided by the hotel

8:00 – 12:00 am Business Meeting, Ballroom

12:00 – 1:00 pm Chapter Chairmen Meeting

12:00 – 1:00 pm Attendees - Lunch on the Patio

1:30 – 4:30 pm Seminars, Ballrooms

1:00 – 4:30 pm Hospitality and Flymart

6:00 – 10:00 pm Banquet, Petroleum Club



REGISTRATION
 Ninety-Nines South Central Section Meeting
 Shreveport-Bossier City, LA - October 6-8, 2017

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 Is this your first SCS meeting: _____ Email Address: _____
 Chapter: _____
 Office(s) currently held: _____
 Past Section or International Offices held: _____
 Spouse or guest name(s): _____
 Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____
 Emergency Name and Contact #: _____
 Special Considerations (handicap, diet, allergies, etc.) _____
 Would you or your Chapter like to have "Fly Market" space at no charge? _____

Registration Includes: Welcome Packet, Hospitality Room, Fly Market & Vendor Access, Seminars, Friday Night Cajun Classic Dinner at KDTN and Louisiana Saturday Night at The Petroleum Club.

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|---|---------|----------------|----------|
| Early Registration - postmarked on or before Sept. 22, 2017 | # _____ | \$ 99.00 | \$ _____ |
| Registration - postmarked after Sept. 22, 2017 | # _____ | \$125.00 | \$ _____ |
| Friday afternoon *Barksdale Air Force Museum/B52 Static Display Tour | # _____ | \$ 10.00 | \$ _____ |
| Friday afternoon *Helicopter Flight Training Center Tour | # _____ | \$ 10.00 | \$ _____ |
| Friday night Cajun Classic Dinner at KDTN | # _____ | Guest-\$25 ea. | \$ _____ |
| "Louisiana Saturday Night" Banquet at The Petroleum Club | # _____ | Guest-\$55 ea. | \$ _____ |
| GRAND TOTAL | | | \$ _____ |
| Two Ways to Pay - Online with Paypal - www.shreveport99s.com or | | | |
| Make check payable to: Shreveport 99's | | | |
| Mail to: P O Box 78696 - Shreveport, LA 71137 | | | |
| *Tours are limited in number and will be filled as registrations are received. | | | |

HOTEL REGISTRATION

Homewood Suites by Hilton - 318-759-1940

Hilton Garden Inn - 318-759-1950

These hotels are collocated at 2015 Old Minden Road - Bossier City, LA 71111

Homewood Suites offers a complimentary breakfast and

Hilton Garden Inn Grille offers breakfast at a reasonable price.

General Aviation Flights - KDTN

Tubreaux Aviation will be offering fuel discounts for all 99's.

Commercial Flights - KSHV

Call, text, or email questions to 318-218-4778 or Becky@theNethertons.com

TEXAS DOGWOOD CHAPTER

By Jill Shockley

Since the last *Approach*, we have been relatively quiet.

Stephenie Roberts and Jerry Anne Jurenka attended the Spring Section Meeting in San Antonio and Texas Dogwood was excited to be involved in different ways with the International Conference in July.

In June, we met at Sally Coker's farm. We had a great turn-out: ate BBQ, celebrated aviation milestones of several members, conducted a little business, and brainstormed for future chapter activities to include collaborating with other local aviation groups.

In July, Mineola-Wisener Field celebrated the 100th anniversary of the first landing there. From fly-bys, to an air-show, to recognition of the airport by local and state dignitaries, it was great fun!

Also in July, several members attended the International Conference in San Antonio and had a fabulous time! Julie Burns, Katherine Burns, Jerry Anne Jurenka, Stephenie Roberts and Jill Shockley all attended various events and the business meeting.

We are pleased to have welcomed 3 new members over the last couple months - - Katherine Burns, Julie Burns, and Cassidy Steele.

We are in the midst of planning a Poker Run to be held in September and are excited to collaborate with several local airports. Other upcoming activities include joining participants in a Corvair College, possibly attending or participating in a Pietenpol fly-in, planning our annual Christmas party and hosting quarterly pilot/safety seminars to be rotated among several local airports.

Right: Lupita Wisener, Jill Shockley, Janet Heijl celebrating the 100th landing at Mineola-Wisener Field on July 4th



Left: Jerry Anne Jurenka, Lupita Wisener, Marci Haas, Callie Billingsley, Jill Shockley, Katherine Burns, Julie Burns, Sally Coker, Stephanie Hartz at the June event at Sally Coker's farm



OKLAHOMA CHAPTER By Carol Sokatch

Last year, August 20, weather delayed the start time of the 38th Annual Okie Derby Air Proficiency Rally, but soon everyone was in the air with US Fleet Tracking providing location of all the planes as they flew along the course – viewed on big screen TV in the lobby at Sundance to the delight of spectators and the scorers. Keenyn Duncan, previous Wings of the Future Scholarship winner was Best Collegiate Pilot, placing fourth. This year's Okie Derby Proficiency Air Rally is Saturday, August 19 staged from Sundance Airport. Gail Foote is Chairman with co-vice chairmen of Cassi Terry and Trina Madden.

This year's Wings of the Future Scholarship was awarded to Lauren McGough whose first love of flight was as a falconer and then a sky-diver. She trained birds of prey since 2001. After graduating from OU in 2009, she used her Fulbright Scholarship to document hunting foxes with eagles in Mongolia and did additional fieldwork in Cultural Anthropology at the University of St. Andrews in Scotland. She hopes to conduct aerial surveys of eagle nests and become an aerobatic pilot. Lauren trains injured raptors to return to their wild habitat.

Thanks to all who came to the Fall South Central Section Meeting in Oklahoma City in September. We were pleased to offer a trip to the National Severe Storms area on the Max Westheimer OU campus and to see demonstrations of the weather drones. We had a fabulous reception at Headquarters Friday night. Our own Heather Dirksen, another previous Wings of the Future Scholarship winner, was featured speaker at the banquet. Kudos to Charlene Davis for chairing this meeting.

Charlene Davis and Leona McGee represented our chapter as judges for the NIFA Regional in October, hosted by University of Oklahoma at Max Westheimer in Norman.

We held our annual Christmas Potluck Party at International Headquarters. As usual, we do ourselves proud on the food. Our February Sweetheart Dinner was at Zio's, a favorite Italian restaurant.

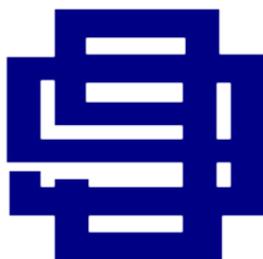
We again utilized International Headquarters for our Membership Reception on Sunday, March 5 allowing members and guests to enjoy the Museum of Women Pilots. Denise Neil-Binion, MWP curator, gave a fantastic presentation on early women pilots.

Phyl Howard had a ball representing the Oklahoma Chapter and the Ninety-Nines at a gathering of over 500 Girl Scouts at the Oklahoma History Center in March.

We held our April meeting at International Headquarters where we viewed the video, Silver Wings/Flying Dreams detailing WASP and their training. Our own Suzanna Roberts regaled us further with her account of how doing a term paper on the WASP led her to discover The Ninety-Nines, getting her pilot's license, and then to several times flying some WASP to their reunions in Sweetwater. Susanna also was a Wings of the Future Scholarship awardee and went on to fly KC-135s. Gail Foote and Holly Blunk attended the 2017 WASP Reunion in Sweetwater and had such a wonderful experience that they suggested having the chapter attend as a Fly Away/Drive Away next year.

In May 23 Janis Love, Leona McGee and Carol Sokatch hosted the Governor of the Far East Section, Kyong-O Kim when she visited the Museum of Women Pilots along with Laura and Denise. This woman is an amazing person who was the first woman to be licensed to fly in Korea, enlisted in the Korean Air Force and flew combat reconnaissance missions in the Korean War in an L-19 tandem seat plane – dangerous because of flying low and slow, being exposed to enemy fire. She came to the United States in 1958 to attend Guilford College in North Carolina, and was taken under the wings of the New York and New Jersey Sections. To help her achieve owning an airplane, Ninety-Nines amassed over 3 million S&H Green Stamps to purchase a Piper Colt in 1963. That plane is now in the Aviation Museum of Korea. Kim is proud that now 31 women fly in the Korean Air Force.

Angela Drabek, Jody McCarrell, Leona McGee, and Carol Sokatch represented the Oklahoma Chapter at the San Antonio International Conference. Our centerpiece featured pin wheels (Oklahoma is where the wind comes sweeping down the plains, after all) and rose rocks, the official state rock, one of each for each person at the table to take home. Special thanks to the chapters who hosted the Hospitality Room.



Flying the helicopter simulator are Jennifer Crum and Kelsey Hoogendoor from the Shreveport 99s. Kelsey is a 2017 FLY NOW scholarship winner.



Denise Neil-Binion, Curator of MWP, Leona McGee, Carol Sokatch, Kyon-O Kim, Janis Love at The Museum of Women Pilots in Oklahoma City

**Tip of Texas 99s
By Ellie Block**

We now know what the brick we purchased for the South Texas Aviator Memorial will look like! This will be placed in Rope's Park in Corpus Christi along with the aviator statue.



RITA'S ON THE RIVER

SCS planning session (May 6, 2017) for International Conference: Kay Alley, Monica Randolph-Graham, Jerry Anne Jurenka, Dennis & Reni Baker, Kris Irvin-Herron, Governor Stephanie Roberts, Lyn Bennett

Dorothy Warren
by Holly Ann Barr

The Dallas Chapter announces the passing of our beloved Dorothy Warren on May 3, 2017 at age 85, following a stroke. She had a long and rich history in aviation and dedication to the Ninety-Nines. She began flying in 1955 and held commercial, instrument, and multi-engine ratings, and basic and advanced ground instructor ratings.

Dorothy participated in many air races, including the Powder Puff Derby, Angel Derby, Dallas Doll Derby, Midland Texas High Sky Race, and Sky Lady Derby.

Dorothy joined the Dallas Chapter in 1958. Over the years she served as Chapter Secretary and Chairman, Chairman of a Section Meeting, Secretary and Governor of South Central Section, and as a member of the International Nominating Committee.

In addition to her devotion to The Ninety-nines, Dorothy served as:

- Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Dallas Doll Derby
- FAA Accident Prevention Counselor from 1971–1979
- First Vice President of the Zonta Club of Dallas
- President of the Dallas Chapter of Women’s National Aeronautics Assoc
- President of the Dallas Chapter of Aero Sorority
- Volunteer at Frontiers of Flight Museum at Dallas Love Field



She was a member of AOPA, and wrote their “Ladies Co-Pilot Course”. With assistance from other 99s, she taught this course for AOPA in Dallas with 65 women in attendance. This was the fore-runner of the Pinch Hitter course.

Dorothy was active in The Ninety-Nines until her death. She charmed and amused Girl Scouts during our seminars with tales from her days flying Powder Puff Derbies, and with pictures of the outfits entrants wore at the time. She attended all Section Meetings, and planned to serve as Dallas Chapter Vice-Chairman for the upcoming fiscal year.

The Dallas Chapter sponsored Dorothy’s induction into the Forest of Friendship in June of 2008.



Ft. Worth 99s Juanita Waddell and Carol Morris
99s International Conference New Zealand, South Island
August 11-26, 2005

Juanita Waddell - Nov. 10, 1923 - May 17, 2017

Juanita was a voracious traveler who visited 7 continents, including Antarctica. Being a 99 meant she could travel with a purpose, and travel she did. Also, she never met a volunteer job she didn’t like and spent many hours with The 99s painting compass roses, doing pancake breakfasts, and participating in air races. She was the Fort Worth 99s long-time treasurer.

International Conference - July 2017...Taken by Stephenie Roberts



Arkansas



Centerpiece provided by the San Antonio Chapter



Tip of Texas



Centerpiece provided by the Colorado Chapter



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Texas Dogwood



Houston



Centerpiece provided by the High Country Chapter



Centerpiece provided by the Arkansas Chapter



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Cathy Prudhomme, Linda Horn,
Stephenie Roberts and Reni Baker



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SCHEDULE OF HOST CHAPTERS FOR SOUTH CENTRAL SECTION/INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS

October 6-8, 2017

May 3-6, 2018

July 4-8, 2018

Fall 2018

Spring 2019

July 16-21, 2019

Shreveport Chapter, Texas

Pikes Peak Chapter, Colorado

International Conference, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Nebraska

Tip of Texas

International Conference, Dayton, Ohio

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