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Huntsville, AL
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Officers

Governor	Myra Bugbee	Immediate Past Governor	Terry Carbonell
Vice Governor	Mae Marquet	International Representative	Dianne Cole
Secretary	Marilyn Shafer	Director	Carol Voss
Treasurer	Jeanne Burklund	Director	Karen Weldon

Call to Order

9:00am – Thank you to Alabama Chapter for hosting.

Myra Bugbee

Roll Call

Declaration of Quorum – 11 chapters present; quorum reached

Marilyn Shafer

Introduction of Guests and Past Governors

Introduction of SE Section Board above. All present except Jeanne Burklund
Corbi Bulluck, past governor, International Board Member
Dianne Cole, International Board representative

Mae Marquet

Approval of Minutes of Spring 2015 Meeting (St. Petersburg, FL) Marilyn Shafer

Motion: Tamra Sheffman; 2nd Ellen Herr; unanimous passing with corrections noted as follows:

Pg 1 Kitty Hawk Chapter Chair is Rosemary Gibson;

Pg 2 International Board should be WAI and Phillips is misspelled;

Pg 3 last word losing misspelled;

Pg 4 Carol Voss misspelled;

Pg 5 Terry didn't make motion – Mae will research who made motion;

Pg 6 Marcia Keaton Scholarship misspelled; Tamra misspelled

Getting to Know US – prizes presented

First time attendees – 2

Flew in small GA plane – 9

Drawing winners: Nancy Miller; Terry Carbonell; Debbie Dennis

Myra Bugbee

Recognition of 2015 ARC SE Section Stops

Alabama – Nancy Swanner CC; Carolinas – Debby Dennis CC; Memphis Best Stop – voted by racers – JoAnn Speer CC; Fairhope, Alabama Terminus – Caitlin Kuersteiner --- Myra congratulated all chapters for their southern hospitality and the way they welcomed the racers.

Officers' Reports

Governor – Myra Bugbee

Information and reporting to be given throughout the meeting.

Vice Governor – Mae Marquet

Thank Alabama for meeting; Spring Section meeting by Spaceport Chapter in Daytona; Fall 2016 has the Section Board as co-host with Middle Tennessee Chapter

Mae attended International Conference & thanked Section for financial support. Countries in attendance included United States, France, Germany, Russia, Arabian delegation, and China. China has special challenges since they must get government clearance to fly above 1,000' or fly a cross-country. 2016 International Conference will be in Ottawa on July 5-10, 2016

Secretary – Marilyn Shafer

Please submit motions in writing. Form provided on your table.

Income Tax attendance verification forms at the end of the table for your use.

Please send chapter reports in writing in advance of meeting. A form will be created for you to use in the future. All current reports should be emailed to me at ProBBMom@gmail.com from today's meeting.

Treasurer – Jeanne Burklund

Myra: Jeanne was appointed by the board and comes to us with 35 years CPA experience. Jeanne has been the treasurer for EAA and Florida Suncoast chapter.

Past Governor - Terry Carbonell

Report for Treasurer: Packet contains monthly report. All bank accounts have been moved to Bank of America for ease of access and use.

Directors – Carol Voss & Karen Weldon

Voss – looking into awards for chapters and individuals; possible Governor's award

Weldon – working with Tennessee chapter

International Representative – Dianne Cole

Shared personal story of support from a sister 99 whom she had never met.

Hard to get new members – how do we grow? In 1990s – We had 10,000 members out of 15,000 women pilots in the U.S. Today we have nearly 5,000 members out of 30,000 women pilots.

Small chapters may feel they can't do much. Dianne's chapter organized a section meeting with 7 members and had 165 attendees as well as a stop on the ARC. Small chapters CAN do many things!

Her husband's Navy motto was Organize, Deputize, Supervise, and Criticize to get things done.

Her San Joaquin Chapter created a play area at the airport for children and plane viewing which was fenced for safety.

Internationally 50% of our membership joined since 2000 so we are attracting new and young pilots to continue our efforts.

International Meeting in Ottawa 20016; we gained 60 new members from Oshkosh; Lightspeed Grant has us in 2nd place – vote now!

\$15 for printed directory – ready now. Mobile apps are available. See Dianne for more info.

Deadlines:

10/31 intent to seek position for election to the International Board of Directors

12/1 Amelia Earhart Scholarship application deadline for advanced ratings

12/31 submit proposed rules and by laws changes

1/15/16 for achievement & merit awards

Minds-on / Hands-on Activity

All

Goals & Sharing Ideas

Breakout Session addressing topics included in the spreadsheet attached to these minutes.

Chapter Reports

(Please keep to 2 minutes) See attachment for submitted chapter reports.

Nancy Swanner –**Alabama** – posted meeting notices on the women’s bathroom door in the FBO, attended a joint Zonta meeting, completed a compass rose, hosted the ARC stop, gave a scholarship, and Ramona Banks won most congenial participant at ARC. Currently have 33 members and two are applying for the Fly Now scholarship

Alabama to send written report

Blue Ridge – see submitted report

Tamra Sheffman – **Florida Goldcoast** has 67 members. Our chapter chair moved to Governor of the Southeast Section. Florida Goldcoast partnered with SAFEE at a Marlin’s game & received a portion of the ticket sales. Flew in to Ocean Reef; are selling “Chicks Fly” shirts for \$15; will conduct a Breast Cancer fly-in on 10/24 in Bartow; are celebrating their 75th anniversary on 1/23/16; and deadline is approaching for two scholarships: Fran Sergeant & Diamonds in the Sky.

Carol Voss – **Emerald Angels of the Gulf Coast** – has completed a compass rose and has two more planned. Has geographic challenges with 5-6 hour drive from one end of their territory to the other so looking into Face Time for meetings. They also have lots of military in membership who are transient. Will host the Spring 2018 section and members attended Oshkosh, Sun ‘n Fun, Reno Air Races. And they encourage every 99 to wear their aviation 99s shirts at aviation events.

Karen Weldon - **NOLA 99s Inc** (previously New Orleans Chapter) see submitted report

Debby Dennis - **Carolinas** — see submitted report

Virginie Rollin - **Spaceport** - 65 members

- Sun N Fun gave an award to Laura Sherwood for 34 years of volunteering

- our 501(c)(3) has been reinstated. Our new name is Spaceport 99s, Inc.

- our chapter welcomed the first baby in 18 years. Theodore is Virginie Rollin's son

- our chapter will celebrate its 50th birthday in December, at the Dixie crossroads restaurant in Titusville, FL

- our fundraiser is polo shirts with the new logo. Chapter name or people names can be added

- two of our members will be racing in the ARC next year for the first time

- we are organizing the next section meeting in Daytona Beach

9/26/15

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Diane Denson – **Middle Tennessee** – 2 years in existence; Nashville conference gained new members, holding few meetings; called everyone but most unable to attend, geographic challenges having 1-2 hours apart; went to HQ and met Laura Ohrenberg; Murfreesboro; TN will be an ARC stop in 2016

Barbara Strachan – **Florida Suncoast** - see submitted report

Lois Horne - **Memphis** – ARC stop rejuvenated chapter in Union City, TN; going to elementary schools with displays

Ellen Herr – **Paradise Coast** – see submitted report

Kitty Hawk – see submitted report

Ginger Adelstone – creating **Sebring chapter**; compass rose planned for 11/13-15; 10/3 open house welcome for chapter organization 11-1p to introduce 99s to public, going into colleges to talk about aviation

Barbara Ganson – **Florida Gulf Stream** – started new website design, issues with aging members and sight problems affecting flying abilities, looking forward to more members attending meetings.

Committee Reports

(Please keep to 2 minutes)

Myra for Ginger Adelstone– **Ways & Means** – working on finalizing some new fundraising ideas.

Myra for Rosemary Gibson – **Airmarking** – Rosemary reported that one chapter plans to paint a compass rose. *However, other chapters today indicated that they are planning to paint additional compass roses throughout our section.*

Myra for Eileen Milan – **Membership** – 543 members and hope to increase section meeting attendance

Inspiration & New Horizons

Myra: The New Horizons recognizes: Nancy Wright of Fl Suncoast; Cheryl Cichocki of FL Gulf Stream; Marilyn Scribner, of Fl Suncoast; Viola Vicki Goodbee of NOLA Chapter; Ruth Jenkins of Fl Goldcoast; Dorothy Westby of FL Gulf Stream; and Barbara Harris Para of the Carolinas Chapter and past Governor of the NY/NJ Section.

Barbra Strachan read poem “ Celestial Flight“ to honor those who have passed. Chapters are asked to keep Section informed of any members who have passed to New Horizons.

New Horizons Scholarship –

Myra Bugbee

Background presented for previously named Bonnie & Archie Gann Scholarship. Name change voted by members and approved last May. Balance in account \$6007.24.

Motion to accept changes open to women only and anyone can apply to earn private pilot and up. Motion made: Dianne Denson – Middle Tennessee; Barbara Strachan – Florida Suncoast 2nd

Discussion – for women only. Trustee committee comprised of Governor, Treasurer + 3 appointed will make decisions on amount and awarding. Susan Kawa letter read – see attached.

Vote on changes to scholarship agreement – **unanimously approved**

Lois Horne motion to include Bonnie & Archie Gann names to honor them in New Horizons which will be posted on the website in perpetuity along with all named at this meeting and in the future. Carol Gosling 2nd Unanimously approved.

Volunteers for trustee committee taken from the floor: Nancy Miller Borg, Ginger Adelstone, Barbara Strachan.

Motion: Transfer \$2,000 from the general account to New Horizons. Motion made: Marilyn Shafer – Florida Suncoast; 2nd Terry Carbonell – Paradise Coast.

No discussion; **unanimously approved**

Other ideas for fundraising to be presented in the future to increase this scholarship account.

Cheryl Cichocki Estate

Myra Bugbee

Southeast Section, AE House, Endowment Fund, and Sun ‘n Fun Building to receive benefits from estate.

Mommy Pilot Scholarship

Myra Bugbee

Liz Poepelman

Currently there is a website with blogs, tips, and strategies.

Liz: scholarship requires completing training within 2 years of award; open to any one with children even adult age; Angel Babies – stillborn, miscarriage (proof touchy with voucher by another to be less invasive). Not limited to SE Section but open to all 99s.

Motion Corbi Bulluck accept as published; second: Harriet Hall

discussion

Motion amended: Corbi moves to approve the Mommy Pilot Scholarship agreement as published with the exception that the child must be a minor under the age of 18 and delete the reference to the Angel Baby. Harriet 2nd

17 in favor; 11 opposed – motion carries

Terry Carbonell – move to transfer \$500 from the general account to seed the scholarship; Ramona Banks 2nd

Discussion

Vote 22 in favor; no opposed

WASPs at Sun ‘n’ Fun

Susan King retired as organizer; Myra to contact a national restaurant company for designated night to share proceeds from that night. Hoping to conduct this fundraiser on December 7th for WASP expenses to attend Sun ‘n’ Fun. Plans for 99s outreach around the SE Section or entire country to participate in this night, designing flyer with chapter members distributing and handing it out on that night to customers, if restaurant allow it. Need approximately \$700 per WASP plus additional amenities; more if they come from out of Florida. Rooms have been reserved for them and an escort. Volunteers for the committee consist of Barbara Strachan, Marilyn Shafer, Nancy Miller-Borg, Myra Bugbee, Terry Carbonell

Governor’s Retreat – September 29 – October 9, 2015

Myra Bugbee

In Spencer, TN

Main projects – mapping SE section for member locations; SOPs revisit to update; request that you send your responsibilities as your chapter’s committee chair for consideration in the updates

AOPA Tullahoma - October 10, 2015 -

Myra Bugbee

Volunteers needed For 99s booth: Dianne Denson & Debby Dennis volunteered

Upcoming Section Meetings

May 13 – 15, 2015 – **Daytona Beach, FL** Mary Ann Demmer, Spaceport Chapter
www.spaceport99s.org \$129; parking \$7 per day; oceanfront; reserve by 4/10; rooftop dessert reception, Sat morning continental breakfast in hospitality room, Sat evening banquet

October 2015 – **Falls Creek Falls State Park, TN** Middle TN Chapter & SE Section BOD hosting
Theme: Back to Basics – family weekend; hotel with convention center; rooms at hotel; pavilion for BBQ; hiking, waterfalls, caves, family outdoor activities, Carbonell’s cabin sleeps 16 and will serve as hospitality, \$25 registration fee with \$10 guest registration, October 7-9 or 14-16 depending on AOPA regional fly-in, bonfire at cabin, seminars, GA airport local, 1 hour drive from Chattanooga, 1.5 hour drive to Nashville airports.

For the Good of the Order (open forum)

Shafer: Submit chapter reports in writing to my email

Myra: 1/1/1930 was the start of the SE Section so this is our 85th year

Nancy – walk to lunch directions

Tamra Grasshoppers picture needed after meeting

Corbi: webinar on 99s Intl website 10/19 “Weaving your web: how to build chapter growth”

Liz: Mommy pilots meeting at 1:30 “Preflight Your Kids”

Carol Voss – compass rose meeting immediately after mommy pilots presentation

Meeting adjourned 12:03

Terry Carbonell motion to adjourn; Lois Horne 2nd

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Shafer

Secretary – Southeast Section



Fly, Learn, Mentor, Inspire

**CHAPTER REPORTS
HUNTSVILLE, AL
SEPTEMBER 26, 2015**

Blue Ridge Chapter

Respectfully submitted by Linda Saniewski

Blue Ridge Chapter has a website and you can view it at: <http://lindasaniewski.wix.com/blue-ridge-chapter>.

We have 13 members and many are quiet and others are working like crazy. I wanted to send a shot-out to all 99's about the Triple Tree event going on from September 9-13. It is open to pilots, you can drive or fly in - go to the Tripletreeaerodrome.com website for specific directions in entering the area.

I hope to have some advertising or table - not sure what I can get, but I will be driving the bus on Saturday - please stop by: SC00 is the waypoint.

Hope to see you and other 99's there!

Carolinas Chapter

Respectfully submitted by Debby Dennis

In memory – Barbara Harris-Para / Update on Freddie

Forest of Friendship – nominating Jewell Brown

Air Race Classic – hosted Morganton Flybys and Hickory stop.

Membership – current update

Education:

- Career Day at Helena Elementary – Debby & John Dennis – Pilots and Air Traffic Controllers
- Liz Lee gave NASA material to Katy Dennis, teacher at Helena Elementary, Timberlake, NC
- Pinch-Hitter Course – Monroe, NC FAASteamb event – Debby & John Dennis
- Aviation Day scheduled Oct 29 for Uwharrie Charter School, Asheboro, NC

FL Suncoast Chapter

By Barbara Strachan, Chapter Chair

Marilyn Scribner a member of our chapter passed this winter. She was a lifelong enthusiastic member of the 99s. She joined our chapter when she moved from Connecticut to Florida.

In March we joined the Girls Scouts for a garage sale on a surprisingly cold morning. We divided the proceeds for the fundraiser and used the event as a PR tool too. We told everyone about the 99s even if they were only there to buy a pot.

In April we host the 99s building for the annual Sun n Fun event. We also help organize the accommodations and transportation for the WASP. We host their luncheon.

In May we stuffed goodie bags for the Spring Section meeting and finalized all the details. Kim Elsholz, our chapter chair, kept us all organized and on track.

In June we hosted the Spring Section Meeting, The Flamingo Fandango, in St Petersburg. We had a good attendance. Our dinner mystery theater was a surprise hit. Everyone enjoyed themselves, including us.

Our Chapter changed officers in June. Jan McWilliams and Amanda Olney are the new co Vice Chairs, Ashley Angle is Secretary, and our Multi talented and reliable Jeanne Burklund is back as Treasurer, and myself as Chapter Chair.

We do not meet in July and August.

We had a new member of the 99s show up for our September meeting. She joined the 99s in March. We had not met her before, but thanks to Ashley emailing our newsletter to all our listed members she learned about our meetings.

Our program at the September meeting was a woman from NOAA who is based at MacDill AFB. She took us through the application Fore Flight. She joined the 99s at the end of our meeting and is another new member of our chapter.

I am starting a new term very enthusiastically with the goal of mentoring as many young and old Women pilots as we can find and growing our membership. I was excited to have two new members at this meeting

We are helping a chapter member who has moved to central Florida for our October meeting. The distance to our general meeting area is over 2 hours for her. She has advertised for all women pilots in that area to come for a tea. Our chapter is acting as part of the welcoming committee. You can see from our chapter chart how far the distance would be for the women in

that area.

This recent membership activity has me very optimistic about the 99s and growing our organization.

NOLA Chapter Report

For Huntsville Section Meeting Chapter Report

By Karen Weldon

- New Orleans Chapter has 24 members and is inching closer to gaining our tax-exempt status, new name NOLA 99s, Inc. Meetings are held the 2nd Tuesday of each month @ 6:30pm. Every other month we have the meeting @ Northshore Regional Airport in Hammond. Other months @ Secretary's home in New Orleans. We have a Safety moment @ each meeting.
- 2nd Saturday of each month we have a Fly-in to Louisiana Regional Airport with the local EAA. A Fish Fry is held @ noon
- June meeting was held @ Panther Helicopter in Belle Chase. Instruction on Helicopters was given
- Our August meeting was the largest in a long time (16) with several new members and 1 visitor from TX
- Had a quarterly Fly- in to Oreck Farm in Poplarville, MS on August 15th. 5 planes flew-in
- Our annual Top Gun Fly-in to Oreck Farm will take place on Nov 6-8
- Our Marlene Morris Scholarship was awarded to Student Pilot and new member Kelli Kuntz. She has done her long cross country and is getting ready for orals and her check ride
- Janet Gonzales was awarded an AE Scholarship and is working on her instrument rating. She also participated in the air race classic this year
- 3 members attended the International conference in Munich
- Erin Seidemann, who just purchased a twin engine airplane, will have her book released this fall, "Postcards from the Sky"
- We are working with the FISDO in Baton Rouge to develop a pilot program for girls who are in high school
- Visited the WWII Museum in New Orleans to see what they have on the WASPS (not much). We are trying to work with them and Bill Suchy (the person that did the documentary that we saw in St. Petersburg) to get a display, possibly a kiosk, on the WASPS in the museum.

Paradise Coast

By Anne Marie Lavallee

As summer winds drifted many Paradise Coast members spread their wings. Terry Carbonell and Ellen Herr took part in the Air Race Classic. Joelle Petersen acquired her private pilot rating in July. With her rating and disposable vacation time she decided to visit Alaska. Upon contacting the local 99's chapter she was treated to a scenic flight viewing Glaciers, mountains and many incredible sites. While on holiday she decided to take a ride in a float plane and returned to Fort Myers with her Seaplane rating. Nancy Moore attended Oshkosh for the first time and enjoyed it immensely. After Oshkosh she flew westbound to Dickinson, N.D. to visit Theodore Roosevelt National Park. Anne-Marie (who spends her summers in Canada) decided to fly down to meet her. The two had a great time visiting the park, attending a musical and enjoying the spacious state of North Dakota. Terry Carbonell also attended Oshkosh this year. She camped under the wing thru storms and stars and routed her return trip following the Mississippi. She logged a great journal at Teamwildmama.com. Kathy Sutton enjoyed a flying excursion out to Colorado. Ellen Herr took her Cirrus up to Virginia to visit family and friends. Elina Lunin received her Seaplane rating. Being a CFII she was very proud to have soloed two female pilots this summer. Our newest member Cortney Bratcher received her private pilots license in August. Winter winds will bring everyone south for more winter activities.

"This fall we are looking forward to awarding our Wings Over Paradise flight training scholarship. We are also participating in our local airport's Aviation Day with children and community outreach activities done at our local airport. We are helping to organize an aviation youth education program, working with the Boys and Girls Club of Lee Co. and other aviation groups based in Ft. Myers. We are looking forward to having fewer meetings and more fun this fall."

Alabama

Submitted by Nicole Banks

Alabama Chapter Chair

- 13 members at section, both co-chairs were present.
- We had a joint venture with the Zonta Club in Birmingham in January. We raised money for the Amelia Earhart Birthplace Museum with a luncheon at the YWCA in downtown Birmingham.
- In February, we had a long weekend at Orange Beach, AL. Great food and company!
- In March we painted a compass rose in Gadsden, AL.
- In June, we manned a stop for the Air Race Classic in Gadsden.

- July and August were spent in planning for the Section meeting and electing new officers.
- We gave a Chapter Scholarship to one of our members in September. We have had 2 ladies apply for the fly now scholarship.
- Hosted the section meeting in Huntsville in September.

Memphis Chapter

Respectfully Submitted by Lois E. Horne
Memphis Chapter Chairperson

The Memphis chapter is on par to hold 5 meetings through end of year. Some memorable events are the following:

- August planning meeting
- June ARC Union City – Best Stop
- The chapter meetings are beginning to have a regular occurrence and attendance. Focal points for the team are planning 2015 ARC stop for Murfreesboro, TN, airport markings at MLK Sipes, and outreach programs to gain additional awareness within the local communities.
- Meetings are Saturday around middle of month
- FYI Now scholarship application and Vicki Cruze application too.
- Going to be going to local schools with displays in lunchroom to get outreach going.
- December Christmas party

The Chapter has 5-7 faithful members that attend regularly, which allows for great planning and sharing of our flying experiences (new and old).

The team has been working on fundraiser ideas and looking to join forces with Memphis Belles.

We received 99 fliers from headquarters and will begin to distribute these in our local airports plus chapter is looking at purchasing a banner to be displayed at locations when having our meetings so passer-bys will hear about the Ninety-nine organization.

The Chapter members will encourage each other to submit for scholarships this coming fall to help expand our member's skill set.

Emerald Angels of the Gulf Coast

The Emerald Angels of the Gulf Coast Chapter made our debut as a fledgling chapter with the completion of a Compass Rose at Sonny Callahan (KCQF) In Fairhope, AL. We as a chapter are excited to announce that the airport authority at Jack Edwards in Pensacola, FL recently approved a Compass Rose to be painted. Additionally, the management at Defuniak Springs Municipal Airport was very keen to enlist our help as well. It is my belief that the EAGC99s chapter will literally make a mark across the Panhandle with multiple Compass Roses in the future. Not to sound bias, but our completed project sure looked good!

Defuniak Springs Municipal Airport also holds the Marvel of Flight Expo every spring (April 10-11, 2015) drawing large crowds in the thousands. As a chapter we are planning on making a physical presence there. Like the ARC Terminus in June, which boasted our Compass Rose to greet the incoming crowds, we are hoping to have a completed Compass Rose at Defuniak for the Marvel of Flight.

This chapter being spread across the FL Panhandle and into Alabama has proved to be somewhat of a geographic challenge, yet we have managed to maintain monthly meetings and plan local activities as well. We have been discussing the use of Skype and/or other forms of telecommunication to help assist with the spread out nature of our members. AIRPLANES WANTED!!!!

Our chapter will be hosting the Spring 2018 SE Section Meeting. Although it's not right around the corner, we are in the brainstorming stages of planning. Spring of 2018 will be upon us before we know it.

It has been a pleasure to be a part of such a wonderful group of ladies with such diverse flying backgrounds, both in the civilian and military world. Most recent attendees have included Navy Pilots training in the T-6 and a Hurricane Hunter!

Members have also been able to venture out past the SE Region and across the country to take part in events such as Oshkosh and the Reno Air Race. Such dedication to aviation:)

Southeast Section Kitty Hawk Chapter

Presented by Liz Poepelman

Submitted by Rosemary Gibson, Chair

We were shocked and upset by the passing of fellow 99 Barbara Harris-Para the first of June, but are cheered by the recovery of her husband, Fred.

June 22, some of our members helped the Carolinas Chapter with the hosting the first stop of the Air Race Classic in Hickory, NC. It was great to see all those racing female pilots. In August we awarded the Marcia Keaton Scholarship in the amount of \$2,000.00 to Kitty hawk Chapter 99 Sandra White who is working on her commercial rating. Three non-ninety-nines, but active in aviation, people from the Raleigh, NC, are were the judges and made the decision. This award was funded from monies raised in previous years and is not part of the endowed scholarship we are establishing.

We are currently planning and selling hands for our Poker Run on October 3rd. We are using the money raised to help endow the Marcia Keaton Endowed Scholarship. Our goal is to have \$50,000.00 invested. The scholarship will be for women pilots living in North and South Carolina.

We are still hassling with the 501-c-3. We have a status, but have to change our name with the state in order for it to be the same as the IRS. We are now going to officially be the Southeast Section Kitty Hawk Chapter, Inc. The paperwork has been filed with the Secretary of State and we are waiting for the paperwork to be processed.

From Susan Kawa, 99, Trustee of the Gann Scholarship, and Bonnie's oldest daughter.

Hello Ladies (and gentleman, as applicable J),

Thank you for the opportunity to speak regarding the Gann/New Horizons Scholarship.

The family and friends of Bonnie and Archie Gann have stewarded the Gann scholarship for over 20 years, in both boom and lean times.

We have been privileged to promote aviation through this vehicle, in honor of our beloved Bonnie and Archie.

Even their *last living day* was spent in service to aviation – conducting photo reconnaissance planning for an upcoming air race.

Thanks to all who remember them, and carry on their amazing legacy.

The family (and in particular the three serving family scholarship trustees) were initially confused about the name change. Not because we object – Bonnie especially would certainly have embraced the idea. Rather we were discouraged because we received no supporting information, were not included in the decision, nor even notified afterward that the scholarship was to be amended and re-purposed.

For that reason, we appeal to the 99's to distribute one final scholarship in 2016 in memory of Bonnie and Archie, under the "Gann Scholarship" title, with the 2nd in 2016 (and those thereafter) under the "New Horizons" name with Bonnie and Archie remaining listed (along with others) in perpetuity. We also respectfully request that the scholarship remain open to men as well as women.

With this very minor concession, the Gann family will fully support and celebrate the scholarship expansion in Bonnie and Archie's spirit, sharing and including other beloved, worthy, and inspiring memorial figures.

Very Respectfully,
Susan Q Kawa

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