



# Flightline

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Although the mid-west might not believe it, Punxsutawney Phil did not see his shadow meaning that spring is just around the corner. And for those of us fortunate enough to be in the south, we will have the opportunity to get out an fly even faster than our sisters to the north and northwest.

I am headed off to the International BOD meeting in Oklahoma City this first weekend in March so I should have lots of good stuff to bring to our Section meeting in April in Mobile. Registrations are filtering in slowly for the SE Section meeting so please be sure to put this on your "to-do" list for this week and mail in your registration right away. Friday morning we have a tour of the USS Alabama Battleship and Aviation Museum (optional tour); an afternoon tour of Continental Motors Factory (included in registration); and an evening session to talk about the International convention 2014. Saturday we have the general business meeting and a seminar by Continental Motors on care and feeding of your engine followed by a tour of the Mardi Gras Museum (all included in your registration). Then we conclude with the Saturday evening banquet (also included in your registration). Registration is \$75 or \$85 with the Battleship/Aviation Museum tour.

We are still awaiting news from the IRS on our group exemption. Last I heard we should "hear something in about 8 weeks" ..... I guess 8 weeks in the eyes of the IRS is different that the 8 weeks that I know of. Keep fingers crossed. I suppose no news is good news.

Please be sure to send your articles, events and information to our Flightline Editor, Stephanie Wrenn. She is doing a great job every month putting together this new letter .... But her job is COMPILATION of all of the wonderful things you give her. Please email things to her directly at the email to the left.

I look forward to seeing all of you at the upcoming section meeting in Mobile and hopefully afterward in Lakeland for Sun-n-Fun. The Suncoast Chapter does a great job hosting the 99s House. Be sure to visit, sign the guest book and meet fellow 99s.

See you in the skies over the Southeast Section soon!

*Terry Carbonell, SE Section, Governor*

### Voting

The SE Section members are voting for section officers---Governor, Vice-governor, Treasurer, Secretary, and three members of the nominating committee---for 2013-2015. Please remember, any ballots postmarked after March 22 are not valid and will not be counted. So...VOTE NOW!

Reminder from the Nominating Committee (Marie Grein, Virgilea Sworts, Marlene Raseta)



## **Ask the A & P** Are you a “tire kicker”?

Most pilots ( with Patty Wagstaff as a notable exception), feel that 10G acceleration is pretty brutal. You will probably see your airplane's tires in a whole new light when you find out they experience around 2000 G acceleration on landing. Don't be concerned, they are well designed for this abuse, but their performance is dependent on care.

We all know inflation is critical but many pilots neglect this important aspect. Regularly check your tires' inflation pressure and they will reward you with long service life and the reduced possibility of getting stuck at another airport. The other preflight item is condition and wear. Do not continue to use a tire that has worn to below its tread grooves and certainly not past the first canvas casing. Cracked sidewalls and tread surfaces are often show-stoppers but consult your local A&P mechanic first, since there are many acceptable conditions that sometimes look positively awful. Pilots have had good luck with nitrogen since it is inert, dry and has large molecules that take longer to seep through the rubber, so if you have a fancy FBO that has nitrogen you may want to take advantage of that service.

Pilot technique is, of course a big determining factor in tire life. When landing, runway permitting of course, try and go easier on the brakes...that next taxiway turnoff will probably not cost you that much time.

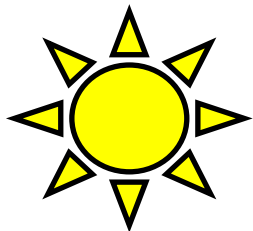
Lastly, keep your hangar and surrounding area FOD-free, since the top cause for premature tire removal is foreign object damage.

Tire manufacturers have tire care handbooks available on request and they can be valuable sources of information on these much-abused aircraft components.

Carlo Cilliers is an A & P and pilot - ASEL, AMEL and has built his own experimental aircraft pictured below. Many thanks to Carlo for some great information on tires!



# What's happening?



FLORIDA GOLDCOAST

These gals have no trouble staying current! Check out all of the flying these Goldcoast ladies in the Sunshine State have been doing.



FL Goldcoast Chapter has been meeting at a different airport on the second Saturday of the month. It gives flyers an incentive to fly and those who don't can still make an aviation connection. Every meeting features an aviation educational speaker.

Kathleen Suarez is pictured here with the C-152 she flew to last month's meeting at North Palm Beach County Airport. Kathleen is working on her commercial certificate at Miami-Dade College and is Goldcoast's newest member.



Goldcoast will not have a formal meeting in March because members are involved in so many flying activities. Ursula Davidson and Tamra Sheffman will be providing airplane rides at Arthur Dunn Airport on March 9 as part of the Women of Aviation Week celebrations.



On March 2 the wonderful life of WASP and Ninety-Nines member, Helen Snapp, was celebrated at Wings over Miami Museum, Tamiami Airport. Jeremy, one of Helen's sons is shown with Goldcoast members Kathy Carl, Kimberley Lowe, Tamra Sheffman, Myra Bugbee, Connie Wilds and Ursula Davidson. Helen passed away on January 20.



Wings Over Miami Museum with its vintage airplanes was a perfect setting for Helen Snapp's memorial service. Kimberley Lowe is pictured with one of the T-6s. A captain with American Airlines, Kimberly will be speaking at the meet and greet session of Women of Aviation Week on March 9.

## “Highways in the Sky”

Thanks to the Florida Goldcoast Chapter of the 99s, a group of young men from the “I Have a Dream Bayview Foundation” had an opportunity to participate in Aviation Day at the Opa Locka Airport (OPF) in Miami. The young men, aged 11 to 13, learned how to spell their names phonetically, what it takes to be a pilot, and all about the compass rose and how it relates to landing on various airport runways. They also had the opportunity to see and preflight a Cessna 182, generously provided by Tamra Sheffman.



# Upcoming Events

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### Mark your calendars:

**Gulf Stream Chapter partners with Women of Aviation Worldwide Week for spectacular celebration of the 50th anniversary of women in space**

◆ **March 8 and 9, 2013 at Titusville on the Florida Space Coast:**

*2013 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary since the first woman astronaut went into space: celebrating a half century of women in space.*

Salute the girls and women in your life that inspired you on March 8 and 9, 2013 at Titusville on the Florida Space Coast. Tour Kennedy Space Center and Space Shuttle Atlantis on March 8, 2013 as a VIP. On Saturday, March 9, give rides to women and girls on at Arthur Dunn Airpark (X21), while competing for prizes. NASA female astronauts, scientists, and engineers will be in attendance.

We need to get the word out about the 99s and the wonders of general aviation, especially to young people. We are privileged this year to work with NASA, which has proven itself to be supportive of our initiative.

**If you would like to help with this event but cannot attend, please consider donating for fuel to the pilots who are helping make this possible. Checks can be made out to Florida Gulf Stream Chapter and sent to:**

**Barbara Ganson  
Florida Atlantic University  
Department of History  
Box 3091, 777 Glades Rd.  
Boca Raton, FL 33431**

# W.A.S.P. Luncheon at Sun N Fun

Sponsored by The Ninety-Nines, Inc.

## To Honor the Women Air Service Pilots for their Service

*"If the nation ever again needs them,  
American women will respond. Never again  
will they have to prove they can do any  
flying job the military has. Not as an  
experiment. Not to fill in for men. They will fly  
as commissioned officers in the future Air  
Force of the United States with equal pay -  
hospitalization - insurance - veterans'  
benefits.*

THE WASP HAVE EARNED IT FOR THESE WOMEN OF THE FUTURE"

### **WASP Byrd Howell Granger, 43-W-1**

Of the hundreds who volunteered only a few remain to tell their stories. Eight plan to attend the luncheon. Be a part of living history and join us in honoring their service.

- \* **Thursday, April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2013**
- \* **Sun 'n Fun Fly-In at KLAL**
- \* **11:30 a.m.**
- \* **\$18.00**

Advanced reservations via check or PayPal must be received no later than April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2013. Onsite reservations accepted until April 10<sup>th</sup>.

Mail your reservation and check payable to Nancy Wright

122 Highland Road

Tarpon Springs, FL 34689

727-946-1050

A1Greek@gmail.com

Or use PayPal: [paysc99@fpcg.net](mailto:paysc99@fpcg.net)

## MISSISSIPPI Chapter

A wonderful gala evening with International motivational speaker and ninety-nine,

speaker and ninety-nine, **Jessica Cox** (who despite being born with no arms flies airplanes, drives cars and holds a black belt in American Taekwondo and was just voted 2012 Inspiration Awards for Women: Most Inspirational.)



On December 7th, 2012 Century 21 - Maselle hosted a community Gala fundraiser at the Commons in Madison, MS to benefit Project Operation PROP. Linwood Nooe (Operation PROP) invited **Jessica Cox** to be the special guest.

Cheri Anglin, Peggy Tucker, Kellie McInvale, Maryke Houben attended this wonderful event and got a chance to meet Jessica in person and have an interesting conversation with her.



Peggy Tucker, Jessica Cox and Charles Tucker



Maryke Houben, Mac McInvale, Jessica Cox and Kellie McInvale

Jessica talked to the group of attendees about her life, her challenges, her dreams, how she took her life in her own hands and succeeded in everything she did set her mind on.

Jessica also took time to talk to the Mississippi 99's who attended the gala and to Kellie McInvale who is a 15-year-old student pilot who flies as copilot during Operation PROP events with Maryke Houben as pilot. During these events people with a disability are taken for a flight by one of the pilots volunteering their

Saturday morning Jessica Cox visited the airport in Pisgah where she talked to the children of the Methodist Children's home. Cheri was also present at this event.



Jessica Cox and Cheri Anglin at Pis-



### Mississippi Chapter

Educational meeting with the Girl Scouts from the Jackson Council at Pisgah (fly in) and later in the Hangar of Mr. Nail for the educational part, KMBO Madison, MS



Girl scouts and leaders in Mr. Nail's hangar

Kellie Mc Invale and Maryke Houben at the fly in.



Lou Ellen and Maryke presented the 99's International Organization to the girls and gave every 99's member present the opportunity to talk a bit about themselves and their aviation career. Pilot careers were also discussed in an interactive way and after about a half hour we started the rotation program.

Different stations were set up and girls from different age groups divided in 4 little groups rotated the different stations, which contained a scavenger hunt on a sectional chart, a craft station with build your own plane and decorate it, an activity around air traffic controllers and pilots and a presentation about aviation careers and a station on aerodynamics and airplane controls.



Regina Cooker helped the girls create their own plane decorate it and try to fly it .



After the rotations we went to our airplanes on the ramp and talked them through a show and tell preflight of an airplane where all the parts were discussed. Girls got to sit in the airplanes to maneuver the yoke and get a picture taken. It was a great and educational day with the girl's scouts of the Jackson council.

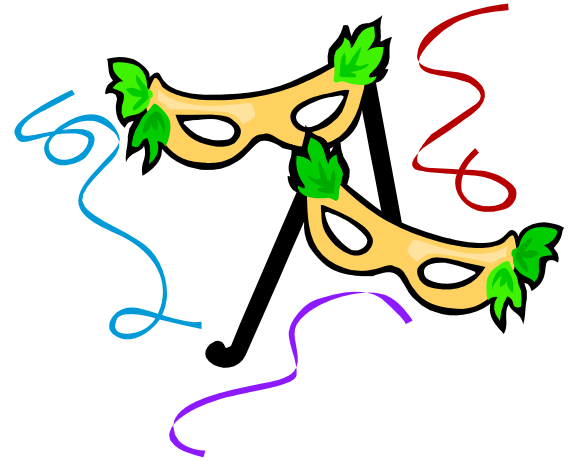
Maryke Houben presented At this station the girls build their own Balsa Glider and got to put aileron,

rudder and Elevator stickers on their gliders. They all got to fly their planes and had to see what happened when you did bend the stickers left/right or up and down.

# SE Section 99s - Spring 2013 Meeting

**Mobile, AL**

**April 5-7, 2013**



Join your SE Section sisters for a fun and educational weekend meeting. Your host city is MOBILE, AL, home of the original Mardi Gras... Our host hotel is the beautiful Holiday Inn in the historic district of Mobile; a short walk to the local shops, restaurants, spa and attractions.

## Friday - April 5th

0900 - Tour of the USS Alabama Battleship and Aviation Museum

1300 - Tour of Continental Motors Factory

Evening at your leisure

## Saturday - April 6th

0900- Business Meeting

1300 - Continental Seminar - care and feeding of your engine

1500 - Mardi Gras Museum tour

1800 - Banquet a Holiday Inn

## Sunday - April 7th

Departure at your leisure or stick around town and tour other local attractions.



**SE Section 99s –Spring 2013 Section Meeting**  
**Mobile, AL – Brookley Field (KBFM)**  
**Registration Form**



99 member \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter/position: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_

49 1/2 \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Guest \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Guest \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Type of arrival:** Car  Airline  Name/Flight #: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Personal Aircraft  N Number \_\_\_\_\_ ETA \_\_\_\_\_

**Do you need transportation from the airport?** Yes  No   
 Contact Sonia Bortolin, Transportation Chair, email: [bortolin@bellsouth.net](mailto:bortolin@bellsouth.net) Phone: 305-790-4276

**Do you intend to rent a car?** Yes  No  Size desired: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Contact Ashley, Signature Aviation email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: 251-433-2800 National and Hertz serve this airport

**SPECIAL NOTE FOR CONTINENTAL MOTORS TOUR:**

Continental Motors is a secure area and all people attending the tour must be screened and take a security session at the beginning of the tour in order to be badged. NO OPEN Toed shoes or shorts allowed. Please wear long slacks and closed toed shoes. NO EXCEPTIONS. Please list the names of all persons in your group who will be participating in the tour. Be sure their contact information is listed correctly above.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

**EVENTS REGISTRATION**

Full registration includes Hospitality Suite, Installation Banquet, Continental Seminar, Mardi Gras Museum, Continental Motors Tour, and all registration materials.

**Full registration** \_\_\_\_\_ x \$75 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Late Registration**  
(postmarked after March 10<sup>st</sup>) \_\_\_\_\_ x \$100 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Optional Activities and Extra Event Tickets:**  
USS Alabama Battleship/Aviation Museum \_\_\_\_\_ x \$10 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Installation Banquet – Saturday \_\_\_\_\_ x \$45 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

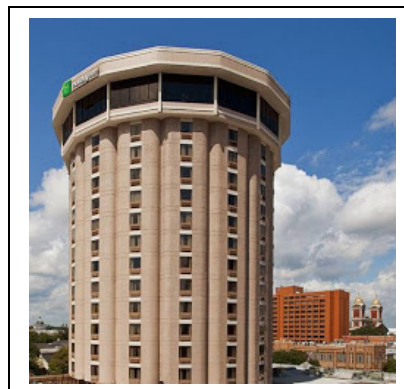
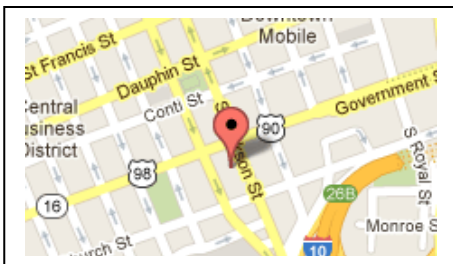
TOTAL: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Make check payable to: **SE Section 99s**  
And mail to: 21530 Pearl Street, Alva, FL 33920

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Email: [bortolin@bellsouth.net](mailto:bortolin@bellsouth.net)

**Hotel Information:** We are pleased to be hosting you at the **HOLIDAY INN DOWNTOWN**, located in the historic district of Mobile at 301 Government Street, Mobile, AL 36602; telephone 800-692-6662 or 251-694-0100 to make reservations. You must ask for the SE Section 99s Room Block. The hotel has a special 99s rate of \$99 per night. **ALL RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE PRIOR TO March 10th TO GET THE SPECIAL RATE.**

**Hospitality:** We will be hosting a hospitality suite at the Holiday Inn. Please check back to the hospitality suite often as this is the location to arrange rides, meet with other 99s, and check notices, schedules and other important announcements.



## SE Section 99's-Fall 2013 Meeting

Mississippi Gulf Coast

September 27-29, 2013

*You are invited to join your SE Section 99's for an exciting educational weekend on the Gulf Coast of Mississippi.*

*We are pleased to be hosting you at the **SOUTH BEACH HOTEL & SUITES** in Biloxi, MS. It is the only hotel ON the Beach, offering one-of-a kind luxury suites for a very reasonable price \$82, \$99, \$109 or \$119 plus tax; depending on the kind of room you want. Breakfast is **INCLUDED!***

**Friday, September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2013** (Transportation will be provided!)

*\*An educational morning at Keesler Air Force Base*

- Educational presentation by Hurricane Hunters about their job
- Tour of a C130 Hurricane Hunter airplane
- Tour of the C130 flight simulator facility with presentation by flight simulator Instructor Larry
- Visit of the Air Traffic Controller School with a presentation by an ATC Instructor on the ATC simulator.

*\*Lunch at Infinity Space Center with a guest speaker from NASA.*

*\*Educational afternoon at INFINITY SPACE CENTER and NASA facility(including tours of the Rolls Royce testing facility and/or Pratt&Witney rocket assembly facility)*

*\*Evening at Shade Tree Airport with dinner followed by the movie PEARL at the outdoor movie theatre (in case of bad weather inside at Janet's air-conditioned hangar*

**Saturday, September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2013**

*\*Morning: Business meeting in the **SOUTH BEACH HOTEL & SUITES***

*\*Afternoon: at your leisure: relax at the beautiful hotel or explore the Mississippi Gulf Coast with the CTA Trolley!*

*\*Evening: Banquet at the Biloxi Yacht Club with guest speaker and the surf rock band **BUDDY & THE SQUIDS!***

**Sunday, September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2013**

*Departure at your leisure or explore the Gulf Coast and/or visit local tourist attractions!*