

Spaceport 99s

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Our Mission --The Ninety-Nines is the international organization of women pilots that promotes advancement of aviation through education, scholarships, and mutual support while honoring our unique history and sharing our passion for flight.



March, April, May, June, 2019

Important Dates:

March 9th: Spaceport meeting in Titusville – see details below.
April 2 – 7: Sun 'N Fun, Lakeland, FL
April 3: WASP luncheon at Sun 'N Fun
April 13: Spaceport meeting – We need your ideas!
May 11th: Spaceport meeting – We need your ideas! Election of officers for next year.
May 16 – 19: Southeast Section Meeting, Pensacola, FL.
June 8: Spaceport Annual meeting and installation of officers
June 18 – 21: Air Race Classic
July 16 – 21: International 99s Conference and Business Meeting, Dayton, Ohio

March 9:



We will meet at the American Space Museum at 10 am. The museum is on the corner of Pine Street and Hopkins (south bound US 1) in Titusville. The above is what you will see on your right. Take I 95 to exit 220, go east on Garden Street to

Hopkins, turn right. In about 1 mile, you will pass the Titusville Playhouse. The museum is the 2nd building on your right after the playhouse. Admission is \$8 for seniors and \$10 for others.

Happy News:

Isabel Prado and Christian Garnett were married on December 6th. We wish them a long and happy life together.

On Dec. 31, **Ellie Hoffman** had a hip replaced. She was released from the hospital on Jan 2. A side effect of the surgery is "drop foot", which makes the foot unresponsive to brain input and also a tingling sensation. In spite of all this, she is recovering and will soon be back to normal.

Alex Coultrup has been accepted to a full-time internship in Washington, DC. She is working at the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS) in their Aerospace Security department. This is a non-profit, non-partisan research organization that seeks to provide elected officials with the data they need to make important decisions that affect us all. The team Alex is working on at CSIS is the Aerospace Security project. Here's our website: <https://aerospace.csis.org/> The main project she's working on right now is the 2019 update of this bit "Space Threats" document: <https://www.csis.org/analysis/space-threat-assessment-2018>

She's also working on a documentary film project to educate the general public about the legislative and policy realities of reorganizing US Military assets to accommodate for space-based threats.

She is wearing multiple layers of clothes since she arrived about the same time as the winter storms. She uses public transportation, so does not need to learn how to drive in the snow.

Isabel Garnett is currently the chapter vice-chairman since Alex is so-o-o busy in Washington. Thanks, Isabel, for stepping into this role.

Sad News: We received notice from Marcia Buller of the Central New York Chapter that Joyce Ravelle had passed away on November 8, 2018. She was a member of the Central New York Chapter for 30 years before she moved to Spruce Creek and transferred to the Spaceport Chapter.

It soon will be time for election of officers of the Spaceport 99s for next year. What position would you like to fill? Chairman? Vice-chairman? Secretary? I will be waiting for a call from you about what you would like to volunteer for. Donna Wilt will be taking over the position of Treasurer, so that Carol can retire after serving for more than 20 years.