



# Spaceport 99s

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*Fall 2019*

*September, October, November 2019*

Dear fellow 99s,

We recently sent a request for donations to all of our Spaceport members to help support our MARY BLACKWELL JOEHRENDT—ANN WALKER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP. The chapter has a very small endowment and pays the scholarship each year from the interest earned. After years of low interest rates, we needed your help to fund the scholarship in 2019, and keep it viable into the future. I am pleased to announce that we were able to once again fully fund the scholarship due to the generous donations of several of our members. Thank you so much for your support and charity to fulfill our legacy once again! We are not out of the woods for next year, but we are off to a good start. Please consider donating to help ensure our legacy for next year.

We have some great activities planned for next year so check your newsletters for times and places. I hope to see you in the near future. If any of you need assistance to attend, please let us know and we will help anyway that we can. Thank you again for your continued support!

Blue skies,  
Ellie Hoffman, chapter chair

## SUMMER NEWS

**OFFICER INSTALLATION:** In June we installed the officers for the 2019-2020 year. Your new officers are:

Chairman – Ellie Hoffman  
Vice Chairman – Isabel Garnett  
Secretary: Sandy Parks  
Treasurer: Donna Wilt

Carol Gosling retired from the treasurer position after 21 years! Also, Mary Anne Demmer retired from the Membership Chairman position. Thank you both for your devoted service to the Spaceport 99s.



Bobbi Lasher, Isabel Garnett, Sandy Parks,  
Carol Gosling Ellie Hoffman,  
Mary Anne Demmer, Donna Wilt



Ellie and Carol

Isabel hit the ground running with lots of fresh, new ideas. On the way home from her installation, she stopped at the American Space Museum, left some 99s membership brochures and made contact with the Administrators, telling them about the 99s. Since then she has made several new contacts in the community and made them aware of the 99s. One of those contacts was at the Valliant Air Command Museum (VAC) on Space Coast Regional Airport. The VAC is planning a STEM (Science, Technology, Electronics, Math) program for local students in the Fall. They invited Isabel and the Spaceport 99s to be part of the program. We will be presenting two of the sessions, one in November and one in January. Stay tuned for further details.

Carol and Mary Anne joined Isabel at one of the STEM planning meetings and were treated to a tour of the aircraft hangar. Mary Anne was camera shy and opted out of the photo.



**Board of Directors:** The Board of Directors met in August to make plans for the upcoming year. Other issues that were discussed:

- What can we do to get more of our members to attend our meetings?
- How can we attract and keep new members?
- How can we earn some money to beef up our scholarship fund?
- What can we do to give the chapter bank account a little boost without raising the chapter dues?

If you have any ideas or suggestions, PLEASE pass them on by email to [Ellie@spaceport99s.org](mailto:Ellie@spaceport99s.org).

**Tentative Spaceport 99s Schedule for 2019/2020:**

**September 14, 2019:** Breakfast and meeting at Warbird Museum, Titusville 9 am

**October 5:** Girls in Aviation Day at FIT Aviation, Melbourne 9 am to 2pm

October 5- Section meeting in North Carolina

**November 16: STEM I VAC** (Valliant Air Command) library, Space Coast Reginal Airport 9 - noon

Nov (9- Tentative) 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the 99s meeting in Daytona area

**December 14:** Toys for Tots at Merritt Island Airport 9 am

**January 11:** Holiday Party Sandy's House

January 25: **STEM I** Valiant Air Command 9 - noon

**February 8:** Naiara Petralanda to talk on her flying experiences - location to be determined

**March 14:** Helicopters at Indian River County in Vero beach 10 am

**April 11:** American Space Museum, Titusville 10 am

**May 9:** Part 91 ground "Luck or Knowledge" a FIT Aviation 10 am

**June 13:** Dixie Crossroads Restaurant, Titusville- End of year meeting. 11 am

**Reminder:** It's time again for payment of Chapter dues. Dues are \$20 per year (June 1 thru May 31). Our new treasurer, Donna, is anxious to get started in this new job. You can pay by PayPal from the bottom of the home page of our website, [www.spaceport99s.org](http://www.spaceport99s.org), give Donna cash at the September meeting, or mail a check to Donna's home. Pay Pal will also allow you to pay using your credit card, if you do not have a PayPal account.

**Scholarship information:**

Applications for scholarships from Women in Aviation are due by November 12<sup>th</sup>. Here's the link to the web site <https://www.wai.org/>

Applications for Amelia Earhart scholarships are due to your Chapter AE Chairman by January 1<sup>st</sup>.

<https://www.ninety-nines.org/index.cfm/scholarships.htm>

Applications for New Horizons scholarship, sponsored by the SE Section of the 99s, are due April 2<sup>nd</sup>.

<http://www.sesection99s.org/scholarships.html>