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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.



IT HAPPENED OVER THE SUMMER

Meet our new Chairman, Judi Oswald:

- ❖ I am very excited to be part of the 99s and to be the Chairman of Spaceport Chapter. I am looking forward to a great year.
- ❖ Have flown in zero gravity 2 times
- ❖ I have flown 8 different types of planes
- ❖ Have written a number of articles for aviation magazines.
- ❖ Am a high school teacher and through that avenue have been to Japan on a Fulbright Memorial scholarship and to Kenya on a National Geographic Society Education Foundation.
- ❖ I am the teacher-librarian and IB Extended Essay Coordinator at Melbourne High School.
- ❖ Worked at KSC with high school students for several summers and got to see the shuttle up close and personal both on the launchpad and in her hangar. Also participated in a Human research Project: Effects of an Inspiratory Impedance Threshold Valve on the Carotid-Cardiac Baroreflex Response - to help the astronauts as they return from space.
- ❖ Since moving to Florida I have been so lucky to experience so much in the field of aviation.
- ❖ We have a 1963 Cherokee ..PA 28-180
- ❖ I have been flying for 5 years and have over 400 hours.
- ❖ I have a Private Pilot License and a Basic Ground Instructor license.
- ❖ A big thrill was flying to Marathon in the Keys for lunch!!!

Sharon Dillon – New CFI at Palo Alto airport, soloed her first student on July 14th!



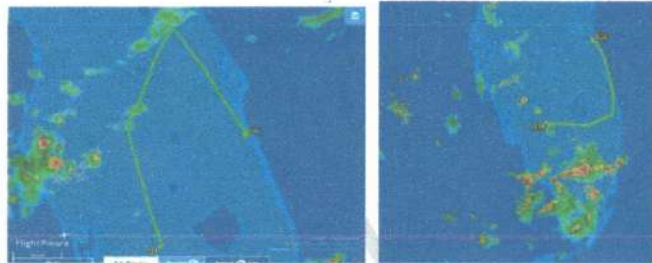
Donna Wilt retired from Florida Institute of Technology on July 1st.

Yuko Query Wanted to share with you some happy news— I was awarded a flight training scholarship through Delta Air Lines (\$5,000!). I hope to use it for my ATP CTP course. I'm currently looking into FlightSafety's St. Louis training center. Ground school will be five days.

Isabel Garnett moved to a larger apartment in Melbourne. She also got certified for riding motorcycles.

Maria Aguilar earned a scholarship from EAA.

Judi Oswald flew the below route in the Air Race Classic with Alexi Fender, who is a member of the Treasure Coast Chapter of the 99s.. As we passed each waypoint the weather deteriorated behind us although that wasn't what was predicted. So we were really lucky.



Judi's Air Race Classic route

Wally Funk flew into space and became an astronaut. She had been waiting 60 years for this day! She qualified to be an astronaut at part of the Mercury 13.



Wally then



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Sandy Parks' fondest wish came true – She is now the proud Grandmother of Calvin. Also, Sandy and Scott bought into an RV-9 with another of the test pilots that Scott flies with.

Yuko Query: I wanted to let you know that I was accepted a First Officer position at SkyWest Airlines. My training is set to begin February 1st, 2022. I'm currently at 1455 hours and need to report to them when reaching minimums at 1475. If able, they will waitlist me for an earlier class date.

Will keep you posted with all things ahead. Thank you so much always and looking forward to seeing you all again soon. ✈️

Sharon Dhillon: I just wanted to update that I got in to the PPLI program starting this month. Hope everyone is doing well.

Spaceport Board of Directors met in July to make plans for the new year.

Tentative meeting schedule:

- Sept. 11: American Space Museum, Titusville 10 am
- Oct 9: Zoom – special guest speaker 10 am
- Nov 13: Zoom – A very special guest 10 am
- Dec.11: Toys for Tots Pancake Breakfast, Merritt Island Airport, 9 am
- Jan. 8: Holiday Party pot luck, Melbourne, 11:30 am
- Feb 12: Skydiving Demo, Sebastian Airport 10 am
- Mar 12: Larsen Motor Sports Tour, Melbourne 10 am
- Apr 9: Zoom – Fun places to fly in Florida 10 am

May 14: Warbird Museum and pancake breakfast, Titusville 9am

Jun 11: Installation of officers, location TBD

Scholarship news: Did you read the Scholarship issue of the Ninety-Nines news? There were 33 Amelia Earhart scholarships awarded and 12 First Wings scholarships awarded: of those, Spaceport members earned one in each category. Leah Murphy for an academic scholarship and Diana Aguilar to earn her Private license. Only 2 other chapters had more than one winner.

Ellie Hoffman secured 20 free passes and parking permits to Kennedy Space Center. We managed to "sell" 18 for \$25 each. That means that \$450 has been added to our scholarship fund. **Thanks, Ellie and all who bought a ticket.**

September 11th regular meeting. The chapter has a reservation for a guided tour of the American Space Museum. We will meet at the museum, 308 Pine Street, Titusville at 9:45 am, our tour begins at 10. **Directions** 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. We will have lunch somewhere in Titusville after the tour.

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