

Chairman's Report

Surprise! Newsletters two months in a row! There has been so much going on that it feels necessary to get an update sent out.

First, be advised that our **next business meeting** is set for **April 17th** (yes, April 17th, which is a change from the original date) time **7PM**, location **Signature Aviation KAUS** (4321 Emma Browning Ave., Austin, TX 78719)

Greta and I attended the South Central Section Meeting in Lake Charles. We will discuss the fun and interesting tours we experienced in-person at our chapter business meeting. Please be aware of the following Section Business items:

- Jill Shockley, our current Section Governor was not at the Section Meeting due to hospitalization. There is a [GoFundMe](#) page to help support Jill with her medical expenses. You can get updates on her condition on the [Texas Dogwood Facebook](#).
- [Ninety-Nines International Elections](#) are happening NOW. They are virtual (or mail-in) and the goal is 100% participation by all current Ninety-Nines Members.
- [Ninety-Nines International Conference](#): July 9th-13th in Burlington, VT (registration deadline May 31st)
- Ninety-Nines International Dues will increase by \$10 for the year effective August 1st.

AHC 99s Board



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South Central Section Meeting

March 28th–30th

Have You Heard About Amelia Bearhart?

This is a long-standing tradition amongst the South Central Section. At each Section Meeting, Amelia is raffled to a Chapter who has a representative in attendance. The selected Chapter is responsible for taking photos and logging Amelia's travels. The Lake Charles Chapter was selected during the Section Meeting in March. Keep an eye out for where Amelia goes next!



Greta (left) presenting Amelia Bearhart to Lake Charles

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IN CASE YOU MISSED IT



Aviation Trivia

April 2nd



99s & WAI Austin Kite Festival Meet-Up

April 5th



WAI Conference Denver, CO

March 27th-29th



99s Calendar

Apr
17th

AHC 99s Business Meeting @ Signature KAUS (7:00 PM)

Signature Aviation (4321 Emma Browning Ave, Austin, TX 78719)
In this meeting we will cover general business including the initial planning for our exciting HalloWing event, in October!

Apr
30th

Spirit of the WASP Aviation Scholarship DEADLINE

All application submissions MUST be received by 11:59 PM Central Time on Wednesday, April 30th, 2025 to austinhillcountry99s@gmail.com

May
23rd

Honor the WASP (Time TBD)

An annual tradition in May. We honor the WASP by placing U.S. flags and flowers at their local resting places. We will be teaming up with WAI for this event.

June
20th-22nd

South Padre Island Fly-in

Planning is underway in the Chapter WhatsApp Community. Those interested in participating, please contact us through any of our communication platforms.

Potential 99s events in 2025:

- Seaplane ground school or earning an ASES opportunity in Temple this spring or summer
- Stargazing with WAI this summer
- Another glider day
- ATC Education Session
- Full-motion Sim Tour/ Field Trip to Flight Safety International DFW
- Hammers Over Hondo - IAC Volunteer Opportunity
- Girls in Aviation Day 2025
- HalloWing
- 99s Anniversary Celebration
- Annual holiday party and ATC tower tours

Other Exciting Aviation Events

April 11th: [Lone Star Flight Museum Hall of Fame Induction](#)

April 12th: [EAA 1088 Young Eagles](#) / [T82 Easter Egg Drop](#)

April 19th: [EAA 1088 Poker Run](#)

April 25th–26th: [WASP Homecoming](#)

April 26th: [Lunch at the Airport KTPL](#)

May 2nd–4th: [Big Texas Send](#) @ T82

May 3rd: [Kingsbury Aerodrome Wings & Wheels](#)

May 10th: [Wings Over South Texas](#) @ NAS Corpus (Blue Angels)

May 16th–17th: [Central Texas Airfest](#) @ KTPL

May 17th: [Randolph AFB Civil Fly-in](#)

May 17th: [Rockdale Flying Tigers Fly-IN BBQ Fundraiser](#) (KRCK)

EVERY MONTH

EAA 187 (KGTU) hold their chapter meetings every second Saturday. EAA 1088 (T82) and EAA 958 (KHYI) every third Saturday. EAA 1607 (KRYW) every fourth Saturday.

Monthly airport breakfasts [Aviator Breakfast \(KGTU\)](#), [Lockhart \(50R\) Flying Club](#)

Call to Action:

The Chapter Board would love to get more help and involvement.

Would you like to **boost your resume** with leadership experience or volunteer work? Would you like to **meet more people** in the aviation community? Do you want to work on your **event planning and organizational skills**? Do you have a passion for aviation that drives you to want to **share what we do** with the world? Do you want to **inspire the future generation of aviators**? Getting involved with our chapter can help you in all of these areas!

Please email us with how you would like to be involved.



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