



## ALABAMA CHAPTER 99 NEWSLETTER

August 2009

### Officers 2008 – 2009

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### REGULAR AREA FLY IN SCHEDULE

FIRST SATURDAY: WINCHESTER TN FLYIN BREAKFAST  
LAWRENCEVILLE, GA FLYIN BREAKFAST (LZU)  
SECOND SATURDAY: MURFREESBORO FLYIN BREAKFAST (MBT)  
HARTSELLE FLYIN LUNCH 11-1  
MCMINNVILLE, TN FLYIN BREAKFAST (RNC)  
ROME, GA FLYIN BREAKFAST (RMG)  
PELL CITY, AL FLY IN BREAKFAST (AT SAMMY'S)  
THIRD SATURDAY: MOONTOWN FLYIN BREAKFAST  
CHATTANOOGATN (3M3)  
COVINGTON, GA (9A1)  
DAWSON, GA (16J)  
KENNESAW, GA (RYY)

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### Meetings

**September** - We are planning to finish up the compass rose at the Southern Museum of Flight. All that is left is the center "99" logo and to sign our work with the web address of the chapter. Dr. Griffin says that any Saturday will be good, but I'm excluding Labor Day weekend. So that leaves me with the 12th, the 19th and the 26th. Please email Holly at [Vctrnvxn@aol.com](mailto:Vctrnvxn@aol.com) with your 1st and 2nd choice on the date and I will email the date to paint! Deadline for this is Sept. 5th.

**October** - There is a new movie coming out in October starring Hilary Swank and Richard Gere called "Amelia". The link to the trailer is <http://www.foxsearchlight.com/amelia/>. It's been suggested a fun meeting would be to get together in Birmingham or Huntsville to see the movie at a matinee and maybe go grab a bite to eat afterwards...a definite date, time and place will be in next month's newsletter, so start planning for a movie date!

**November** - suggestions?

**December** - Our usual Christmas luncheon will be the first weekend in December, date, time and place to be set. Everyone seems to really enjoy the All Steak in Cullman, so we may repeat that.

**January** - Amelia Earhart Luncheon with the Birmingham Zontas - see below!

**Upcoming Events**

**Mark Your Calendars now for the Southeast Section Fall Meeting**

Where? Beautiful Ashville, NC  
When? September 25-26, 2009

We will be staying and meeting in the Doubletree Hotel. Our rate is: \$139.00 + taxes. Deadline for reservations at this rate is: August 26th. Get yours Now!

The hotel number for reservations is: (direct) 828-274-1800 or Doubletree (National) 800-222-8733. Notify them you are with the SE Section 99s to get our rate.

**Annual Old Fashion Grass Field Fly-In at Moontown Airport**

Mark your calendars for Sept 19 & 20, for the Annual Old Fashion Grass Field Fly-In at Moontown Airport (3M5). Visit their web site at [www.MoontownAirport.com](http://www.MoontownAirport.com) for more details. Don't forget the banquet Saturday night with special guest speaker, Mike Durrant, of "Blackhawk Down". Feel free to let me know if you have any questions. Thanks, Blake

**Amelia Earhart Luncheon**

Mark your calendar NOW for Jan. 9, 2010, 11:00 AM for the AE luncheon. As many of you know this is dear to my heart as all the proceeds go to the Amelia Earhart Birthplace Museum in Atchison, KS (I'm on the Board of Trustees and always trying to raise funds.) The 99s co-own the Museum with the City of Atchison. We partner with the Zonta Club of Birmingham (Amelia was also a Zontian). We have a world renowned guest this year - Cheryl Stearns, who just happens to be a 99, is an internationally known parachuting champion with a total of 30 world records in parachuting. At one time held four different world records simultaneously: a feat no other parachutist, man or woman, has matched. She was the first female member of the Army's elite parachuting team, The Golden Knights. Cheryl also was the three-time overall women's style and accuracy champion at the military world championships (1991, 1995, 1996).

Guests are very welcome and along with the luncheon (held in the chapel at the Birmingham YWCA) and speaker, we have a raffle and silent auction. A great way to spend a Saturday in January.

Nancy Miller-Borg

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**AIRNAV PRICES 8/27/09**

**FUEL PRICES CHANGING DAILY- DOUBLE CHECK BEFORE FUELING**

JWN	NASHVILLE	4.35 SS 7/14	615-350-6551
RNC	McMINNVILLE, TN	3.48	8/17 931-668-7050
MBT	MURFREESBORO	4.17 SS 8/21	615-848-3254
0A3	SMITHVILLE, TN	3.38	7/30
BGF	WINCHESTER	3.67	8/25 931-967-3148
SYI	SHELBYVILLE	3.64	8/26 931-684-1669
8A0	ALBERTVILLE	4.92	6/29 256-891-8200
8A1	GUNTERSVILLE	4.00	7/15
GAD	GADSDEN	4.85	GTD 256-442-3313
3A1	CULLMAN	3.70 SS 8/14	256-775-1011
3M5	MOONTOWN	3.80	8/1 256-852-9781 (MDQ 256-829-1242)

5M0	HARTSELLE	3.60	6/10	256-773-1130
DCU	DECATUR	4.50	GTD	256-355-5770
1M4	HALEYVILLE	3.36	8/11	
9A4	COURTLAND	4.25	8/20	256-637-0901
MSL	MUSCLE SHOALS	4.10 SS	GTD	256-383-2270
JFX	JASPER (West Ramp)	3.50 SS	GTD	205-384-4359 Sanders Aviation
M95	FAYETTE	3.88 SS	8/24	205-932-3819
LMS	LOUISVILLE, MS	3.53	8/21	
MEI	MERIDIAN, MS	3.50 SS	GTD	601-693-7282
23M	QUITMAN, MS	3.06	8/17	601-776-6312
EKY	BESSEMER, AL	4.07	GTD	205-424-7400
BHM	BIRMINGHAM	5.29	8/26	
EET	SHELBY CO.	3.64 SS	8/19	
PLR	PELL CITY	3.98	8/3	205-338-9456
02A	CLANTON	3.65 SS	8/11	205-755-8913
08A	WETUMPKA	3.86 SS	7/3	334-285-5843
MVC	MONROEVILLE, AL	4.17	8/25	251-575-4235
1R8	BAY MINETTE, AL	3.95 SS	GTD	251-937-2900
EUF	EUFAULA, AL	3.85	GTD	334-687-2051
ALX	ALEXANDER CITY	3.53	8/24	

### **In the News**

#### **TSA Regs Threaten Amelia Earhart Flight Re-Enactment**

A woman seeking to re-enact Amelia Earhart's ill-fated 1937 round-the-world flight says her effort has been hindered by TSA regulations. Grace McGuire's first step is to rebuild a vintage Lockheed L-10E aircraft, the same model flown by Earhart, but TSA's security requirements have made it difficult for specialty mechanics to get access to the plane at Santa Maria Airport in California. Every mechanic or technician that worked on the aircraft had to go thru the TSA training to obtain a ramp badge. Now, the San Diego Air and Space Museum has offered to build McGuire's aircraft, and "I am going to make the flight," she vows.

#### **Interesting View of the Space Station**

[http://i.usatoday.net/tech/graphics/iss\\_timeline/flash.htm](http://i.usatoday.net/tech/graphics/iss_timeline/flash.htm)

#### **Pilots N Paws Aims To Airlift 5,000 Pets**

Pilots N Paws, a nonprofit that launched last year with the aim to help fly shelter pets to new homes and save them from euthanasia, plans to airlift 5,000 animals during the eight days starting Sept. 12. The organization hopes the airlift will encourage more pilots to donate their time (and airplanes) to the cause, and bring attention to the plight of abandoned pets, which are euthanized at the rate of 4 million per year. Many of those animals could be saved if they could be transported from areas where there are too many pets to other parts of the U.S. where they are in demand. The event will also help to promote general aviation as a force for good in our communities, the organizers say. "General aviation in this country is threatened," says the group's Web site, citing Homeland Security directives and user fees. "We want to see general aviation perceived by the public accurately as a driving force in our economy ... We want to see general aviation free of these threats." Pilots who would like to volunteer to fly an animal rescue transport can visit [www.pilotsnpaws.org](http://www.pilotsnpaws.org) for more info.

Pilots N Paws does not directly arrange the flights, but acts as an information portal where pilots can find needs listed and contact the shelters to work out the details. In the 18 months that Pilots N Paws has been operating, about 600 pilots have signed up and over 1,000 pets have been saved.

**Dues are due!! Please send your chapter dues of \$12.00 to Hilda Ray at**  
601 3rd Pl, Jasper, AL 35501-4309

**Web Site Links**

[www.alabama99s.org](http://www.alabama99s.org) (NEW)

<http://www.thetracon.com/links/linkLIVE.htm>

<http://www.ninety-nines.org/secure/pdf2007AugDispatch.php>

[www.avweb.com](http://www.avweb.com) - aviation news and links

[www.intellicast.com](http://www.intellicast.com) - weather radar and forecasts

[www.flightaware.com](http://www.flightaware.com) - track flight, commercial and private

[www.alabamaaviator.com](http://www.alabamaaviator.com) - Alabama happenings and information

<http://www.hurtwood.demon.co.uk/Fun/copter.swf>

[www.ragwingderby.com](http://www.ragwingderby.com)

[www.girlswithwings.com](http://www.girlswithwings.com)

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As always, if you have anything for the newsletter, email Holly at [Vctrnxn@aol.com](mailto:Vctrnxn@aol.com)!