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Newsletter of the Keystone Chapter of The Ninety-Nines, Inc.
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July Meeting Recap

The Keystone 99s met on July 20, 2016 at Nancy McCurry's home in Quakertown where they enjoyed discussing K99 Business, conversation, dinner and swimming. Lots of food, wine and fellowship was enjoyed by the group.

Items discussed:

- Treasurer's Report
- Update the Webpage
- Fall Fly Out
- Girls in Aviation Day at Braden's Airport
- Harvey Altman Funeral
- Fall Hot Air Balloon Ride Revisited
- Fly In & Open House at Queen City Airport, Allentown - "Wings & Wheels".



September Meeting Recap

The Keystone 99s met on September 14, 2016 at LVIA Lehigh Valley International Airport - ABE Hangar 7 Conference Room.

Items discussed:

- Harvey Altman Donation
- Girls Scout Event Dates Discussed
- Hot Air Balloon Ride tables until next year
- Website Update Discussed
- Christmas Party Date Set
- Potential Fly Outs
- Next Meeting Date will be set once Girl Scout Date is selected.

Upcoming Events

(Our goal is to hold at least one meeting or event per quarter with these target dates)

- September 21st at 7 PM - AOPA Safety Seminar at Best Western Hotel, 300 Gateway Drive, Bethlehem. Contact Sally if you would like to meet for dinner before the seminar.
- September 23rd - 6 to 9 PM - Lehigh Valley Flying Club 60th Anniversary, Ravello Restaurant, Easton. They will have an actress portraying Amelia Earhart for the program.
- October 8 - Young Eagle Flights at Bradens Airpark.
- October 15 - Eastern PA is holding a Poker Run.
- October 21-22 - Mid-Atlantic Section Meeting, Gaithersburg, MD.

Agenda and details at http://www.mid-atlantic99s.org/99_meetings.php. For information and news about the section, see the latest Section Connection newsletter at http://www.mid-atlantic99s.org/pdf/section-connection_summer_2016.pdf.

- Now through October 23rd - Ann & Charles Lindbergh Exhibit at Morven Museum, Princeton, NJ <http://morven.org/>
- December 18th - 2 to 7 PM - Christmas party at Helen McKeever's house.

Next Meeting TBA

Once a date is set for the Girl Scout Event, a meeting will be scheduled to prepare.

For more information, contact us at keystone99s@gmail.com

ON FINAL APPROACH

Harvey Altman

Our chapter received an unusual request in July. Linda Gardner of North Carolina contacted us to say that her uncle, Harvey Altman, a pilot who lived in Bangor, PA, had passed away. He had a connection to the 99s and wanted to honor the organization. At his funeral, friends and family were requested to donate to the Keystone 99s in his memory.

Harvey’s connection to the 99s was quite remarkable. He owned a Cessna 180 and flew it out of a private airstrip near Bangor. Through the Cessna 180 owners club, he met Jerrie Mock, the first woman to fly solo around the world. She accomplished this feat in her Cessna 180 in 1964 over 29 days, and covered 22,860 miles. She also held several speed and distance records. Jerrie was a 99.

Harvey’s friend Mark Melnick provided us with this information. We’ll never know the details of Harvey’s relationship with Mock, but she must have made a lasting impression on him and his perception of the 99s. We are sorry we never got to meet Harvey. I’m sure he had many great stories to tell.

A heartfelt thank you goes out to the friends of Harvey Altman who donated \$175 to our chapter: Mark and Cheryl Melnick, Vic and Bernice Melnick, Sue and Gary Hartman, Kathy Melnick and Ron Richline. We also thank Linda Gardner for reaching out and sharing her uncle’s legacy with us.



Courage by Amelia Earhart

Courage is the price that
Life exacts for granting peace.
The soul that knows it not
Knows no release from little things:
Knows not the livid loneliness of fear,
Nor mountain heights where bitter joy can hear
The sound of wings.
How can life grant us boon of living, compensate
For dull gray ugliness and pregnant hate
Unless we dare
The soul's dominion?
Each time we make a choice, we pay
With courage to behold the resistless day,
And count it fair.

