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# Berlin Conference Highlights!



Our Berlin conference was so much fun!

For those of you who couldn't join us, there is always next year:

## Los Angeles at the Newport Beach Hyatt Hotel

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## Chairwoman Liz Jennings-Clark

Greetings to all ISA members—it is an honor and a privilege to serve as your chairwoman once more. I think we have a very strong team and can make some strides in securing the future of the organization in the next two years.

For those who do not know me I was born in the UK and grew up in the Caribbean, where I learned to fly. I flew the Bandeirante, Twin Otter, and Dash 8 before moving to the Netherlands with my (then) husband. I am now with Transavia (a KLM subsidiary), and just completed 25 years with them. We fly to more than 100 European/North African destinations on the 737-700 and 800. I have been an ISA board member several times in the past (since 1997), including 8 (2 x 4) years as Convention Chair/Events Director as well as a stint as Education Chair and Board Chairwoman.

I am really looking forward to meeting many of you next year in California. As you can read in Linda Wright's report, we have had to move away from San Francisco. I hope that the change to Los Angeles will not hinder attendance in great numbers because Linda has a great conference planned!

ISA lives or dies with our participation and enthusiasm—please spread the word. Let your colleagues know why you like attending the May conference and encourage them to join for interaction with our varied group—from pioneers to newbies—we all can learn from and support each other.

In the next newsletter I will explain a bit of history about the costs and rules of our conference, as this seems to be a hot topic. Things may change (slowly), but there is a lot of precedent involved.

In my early years on the board (1997-2001) I was a relatively poorly-paid European semi-charter pilot (our company still flies 40% charter 60% scheduled). I had to watch my pennies but still found it well worth my while to travel to the ISA board meetings and gatherings. (Bear in mind I could not jumpseat, so every trip was ID 90 or ZED.) I don't regret any of those trips. I met wonderful people, made friends, and learned a lot about our industry.

Our next Board Meeting will be held in Amsterdam in the week of 22nd-24th of September. All members are welcome to join, listen in, and chat afterwards with the board members. Please contact me if you would like more information as to lodging or any other concerns.

And start making your plans for California!

*Liz Jennings Clark*

**Liz Jennings-Clark** pictured with our terrific new members: **Christine Calafatis** and **Gaia Buoso** first officers at Air Italy (based in Rome) and **Natasha Shcheglova**, a captain at Envoy based out of Texas.



## Outgoing Chairwoman Nancy Novaes

It's been a great run. What the International Society of Women Airline Pilots has achieved in the last few years shows that we are on course. We are poised to achieve more. ISA is now the largest donor of advanced aviation scholarships for women *in the world*. We give four type ratings, plus additional advanced scholarships (MEI and higher) to help women *on track* to be professional airline pilots. No other airline, club or company gives this level of help to women airline pilot hopefuls.

With the advertising provided through our participation in the Women in Aviation International conferences, we now have outstanding applicants for our scholarships. Per our agreement with WAI, applicants are pre-screened before being sent to the Scholarship Director for presentation to the Board of Directors for scrutiny. The Board and a selected volunteer then choose the top candidates for interview appointments at the WAI Conference where a BOD committee (including one non-member) makes the final decisions. Kudos to Karen Guadagni and Tiana Daugherty who have supervised improved advertising, selections, and above all, transparency with the Board and members. We also actively provide mentoring and support for our applicants, thanks to Kara Hatzai.

Speaking of the WAI event, we now have banners, are organized, and have an annual plan for our appearances. that WAI's own management is noting with approval. Thanks to **Linda Friedman, Kelly Knebel, Denise Terpstra**, and especially **Mary Ana Gilbert** who created the ISA Social, our standout activity at WAI.

ISA+21 now has a museum that will archive our struggles and achievements. The Blagg-Huey Museum at Texas Woman's University has agreed to host our collection of memorabilia and service records. We have just signed a contract with them that officially brands ISA+21 as an important part of aviation history. Sandy Anderson and Beverley Bass have checked out their operation and their report to the Board enabled us to move forward.

ISA Communications remains central to keeping all members updated and interested in ISA activities. Enhancements to the ISA website are ongoing. A mobile-friendly site for your cellphone or tablet is available now and improving. *ISA News* and *eNews* remain our chief methods of reaching you. These are now all electronic, so please keep your email and other contact information current on the website. This is the *only* way our club can reach you. Check the website often. Kathy McCullough and Jo Halverson have created more effective and entertaining communications for us. Great job, ladies!

We have enjoyed some fabulous events over the years. Our events directors have organized outstanding conferences that are now part of ISA legend. Liz Jennings-Clark and Shannon Jipsen have done the "heavy lifting" that made possible those exciting trips and wonderful memories.



Outgoing "First Man" Laird Johnson explains why German beer is better to Diane Helly and Karen Guadagni, left.

Laurie Reeves, Nancy Novaes, Strike Fongalaz, and Mary Ana Gilbert pictured right at the opening cocktail party.



## Outgoing Chairwoman Nancy Novaes, continued



Kim and Nancy

The ISA treasury, like ISA Scholarship, is the responsibility of the entire Board of Directors. Making the treasury available, understandable, and completely electronic has been one of the best achievements of the past few years. Liana Hart and Laurie Reeves have brought our ISA treasury into the electronic age and have made financial reports more accessible to the Board.

Our membership is catching fire. Membership recruitment and sign up procedures have been vastly improved. Membership is climbing to levels not seen since the late 1990s. We have 384 members now and still growing. Mary Ana Gilbert and Denise Terpstra have worked membership procedures on the ISA website to make it easier for members to sign up and renew, with auto-renewal available.

Special thanks are also due to Lynn Rippelmeyer and Maria Ziadie-Haddah for their work re-organizing a committee that is near and dear to me, ISA Pilot Assistance. When reconciling the conflicting needs of a pilot job and a personal life seems overwhelming, it can help to talk to someone who has been there. Maria also handles ISA's WhatsApp and Facebook.

Similarly, our secretaries, Elizabeth Snowbarger and Eva Brock, have worked hard to track our meetings and maintain our corporate records and standards. Neither of them have ever missed a meeting!

Transparency and working together as a Board of Directors may be our finest accomplishment. ISA is many things to many people. ISA is also a corporation and needs to be understood and handled as such. We can only run a good organization through responsible reporting to each other, keeping our word to do the jobs we promised, and trusting each other to be professional. ISA has had those teams and it has been my privilege to be the Chairwoman. Though the players may change as we elect, volunteer or otherwise recruit them, the ISA volunteers are the women who make up our current winning team.

It's been a privilege to work with all of you. I'm proud to have been part of it and thank you for your incredible success.

*Nancy Novaes*



Nancy Novaes, pictured right, at the business meeting in Berlin.  
Eva Brock, Kathy McCullough, Karen Guadagni, and Shannon Jipsen watch and learn....

# Business Meeting 2015



It's always fun to learn a little more about everyone in the introductions. We recognized our charter members who were present, attended to business, and thanked Nancy Novaes for all her hard work as chairwoman with a standing ovation.



The minutes are available online. Go to New and Noteworthy on our ISA website and click on the link: "MINUTES."



# Photo Session and Luncheon



Natasha's aunt lives in Berlin and brought her grandson to the luncheon. She took *lots* of pictures, spoke only German and Russian, and Natasha claims there was no stopping her, and called her the local "paparazzi." Nell's luggage never made it...but she still had fun. Lucy's twin sister never took her name tag off...she probably slept with it on! Lisa Ash's husband, Gary, enjoyed lounging with Laird (above)...and parkour in Potsdam (page 16, bottom).

# Awards Luncheon



Captain Beverley Bass handed out award plaques to five new captains:  
Tara Cook, Camilla Bjerke, Alicia Kubida, Kimberley Lowe, and Cammy McHenry!  
Congratulations Ladies!

# River Spree Boat Ride



After our awards luncheon and raffle, we had our boat ride and dinner.

## 2016 ISA Conference: Events Chair Linda Wright

I am honored to be ISA's Events Chairwoman for the next two conferences. It will be a big challenge to try to fill Shannon's shoes. Thank you, Shannon, for all the hard work!



Linda  
and Todd  
Wright, in  
Berlin



**The 2016 conference will be held at the Hyatt Regency, Newport Beach, California.**

Why not San Francisco as originally planned? Unfortunately, when I started the search for a conference hotel I got the unpleasant news that, during the week that we needed there were already several very large conventions being held in San Francisco. The hotels were either sold out or way overpriced: over \$300 a night! Our rules allow us to change locations, but not dates: May 10-12 for the conference and 13-15 for the after conference trip. After contacting many hotels in different cities I realized that most conventions and conferences are booked over a year in advance.

So how did we end up with the Hyatt Newport Beach?

1. Location. Not only is this the first time ISA will hold a conference in Southern California, Newport offers many interesting and varied entertaining options. There are three pools, bike trails, shopping, kayak and boat rentals, tennis courts, and even a nine hole golf course. The hotel is located about fifteen minutes from the John Wayne Orange County Airport (SNA) and one hour and fifteen minutes from Los Angeles Airport (LAX). The Hyatt offers free van service to SNA, and there is commercial shuttle service from LAX. More about that later....
2. Price. I heard several people complain about the rising costs of attending our conference. Our members range from retired captains to new-hire first officers. I am aware that price is a big consideration for many of our members regarding whether or not they will attend. Having said that, we cannot use some of the cheaper hotels because they can't supply the meeting space we need. In addition, most of these hotels don't offered full service restaurants which are needed for the cocktail party and our luncheon. The rooms will cost \$189, single or double occupancy, plus taxes.
3. Weather. The weather in Newport Beach should be between 68-74F during our May conference. Of course it never rains in southern California.

# 2016 ISA Conference, continued

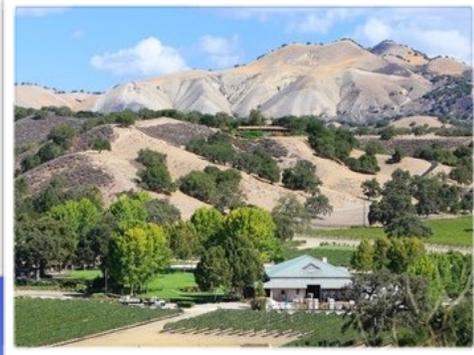


- 4. Side trip options. This is all still in the planning stages, but having grown up in California, I believe that I can give some local color to the conference. I'm planning a trip to the Lyons Aviation Museum on Thursday followed by lunch and free time in Laguna Beach (shopping, art galleries, or lying on the beach). I'd like to charter a bus to Santa Barbara for the Friday side trip, checking into a hotel on the beach and having dinner together. On Saturday we'll go to the central coast wine area, about forty-five minutes north of Santa Barbara. We'll stop at the Gainey Winery for a tour and tasting. Next we'll drive to Fess Parker's winery for a picnic lunch on their beautiful grounds, followed by free time in the Danish community of Solvang.

I am really excited about next year's conference and hope that many of you will attend. **Remember, we need you to use the Hyatt so that we don't get charged for our meeting rooms—a savings to ISA of thousands of dollars.**

More information to follow.

*Linda Wright*



## ISWAP Has A New Home!

The International Society of Women Airline Pilots and Texas Woman’s University has worked diligently over the past year on an agreement to provide a new home for ISWAP’s history. The TWU “Woman’s Collection” has been approved by the ISWAP Board of Directors as the official archives and repository for ISWAP organization’s history. As soon as all the required signatures are complete in the next few weeks, more information regarding the collecting of the organization’s documents, memorabilia and artifacts, etc., will be provided.

Additionally, I’ll address the differences between the organization’s and individual’s “gift agreements.” It is important to know that individual agreements may be tailored to your personal satisfaction and negotiated with Kimberly Johnson, TWU Woman’s Collection Coordinator or you may desire to choose another college, university, or museum for your personal aviation career history. I firmly believe it is vital that we preserve women’s aviation contributions.

There will be more details in the next newsletter. If you have any questions or need assistance, don’t hesitate to contact me at 901-619-7934 or [archives@iswap.org](mailto:archives@iswap.org). I will be pleased to provide it.

Blue skies & happy landings!  
 Sandy Anderson  
 ISWAP/TWU Liaison

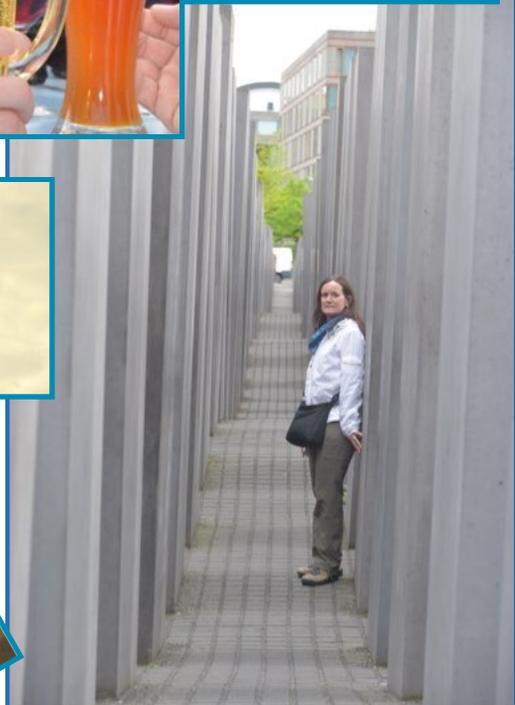
## What do you do when you get to Berlin early?



You have a German dinner of Weiner Schnitzel and spargel (white asparagus). You walk down to Checkpoint Charlie. Then you have all weekend to explore before going on a tour of the German (Parliament) Bundestag in the Reichstag Building, arranged by Mary Ana Gilbert.



# Exploring Berlin



# Tour and Lunch of the German Bundestag



# Cocktail Party



Our auction was a hit, with many great items. We can continue to donate anytime, as we are giving away four type ratings and 2 MEIs in 2016. Way to go, ladies!

# Cocktail Party



The food was delicious and none of us went away hungry or thirsty, although most of us came away with less money in our pockets....

## Eight Thousand Seven Hundred and seventy-five Dollars!

That is how much the ISA Scholarship Fund grew during the Berlin conference. *Way to go, ISA members and guests!* That sum will easily pay for an entire B-737 or A-3XX type rating.

The silent auction netted \$4,572, the raffle \$903, extra donations and matching contributions \$3,300, for the grand total of \$8,775.

These events would not be possible without our great volunteers. My most sincere thanks to Strike Fongeallaz, Laurie Reeves, Jo Halverson, Jennifer Palmer, Karol Welling, Becky Howell, Kathy McCullough, Tracy Leonard, and anyone that I may have forgotten.

Also, to the wonderful folks who took the time to supply the Auction/Raffle items, I can't thank you enough: Christine Calafatis, Alicia Kubida, Shannon Jipsen, Gail Jones, Judy Lee, Linda Wright, Keith Johnson, Jennifer Palmer, Laurie Reeves, Tammy Blakey, Kathy McCullough, Suzanne Skeeters, Strike Fongeallaz, Mary Ana Gilbert, Jo Halverson, Carolyn Pasqualino, Brenda Robinette, Nell Justice, Ann Young LaFiandra, Lucy Young, Kathleen Malone, Karol Welling, Chris Beltran, Liz Jennings-Clark, Tiana Daugherty, and Maggie Eickhoff.

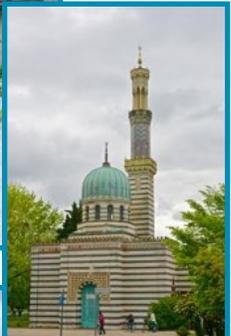
The generosity of our members and guests is pretty amazing. Thank you to everyone!

*Mary Bardon*



There was much to celebrate in "Bear"lin. Beverley Bass has had a play written about her time in Gander on 911! Beverley's husband, Tom, made the announcement about the play at dinner after the boat ride, but said the affair was news to him.... See details on the website. And Kim Bodoczky found out her captain upgrade came through after all these years! Champagne anyone?

# Thursday: Trip to Potsdam



First we were off to polish the castle floors in our giant slippers! Then on to a great lunch, San Souci Palace, Cecilienhof, and eventually to Gatow Airport. We could see it, but our bus driver couldn't get to it!





# Dresden, Our New Favorite City

Our hotel was so close to Dresden we could almost touch the city center. We are all in agreement: Shannon did a great job with this conference and we all had a wonderful time!



## Member News: Emily's Airport Day

Presented to Emily Warner to honor her latest recognition in her stellar aviation career presented by the Women Airline Pilots in Denver on June 9, 2015 called "Emily's Lunch Bunch" which Emily founded to mentor young career commercial women airline pilots. The aerial photograph of Granby/Grand County Airport-Emily Warner Field is taken from a SW Airliner at 20,000 feet. FYI Most of the "lunch bunch" will be at GNB July 11 in uniform and many have volunteered to help us with the many details of the ceremony that day. They have rented a condo. Also, they sponsored the framing of the July 8 full page color newspaper ad for the Emily Warner Field Aviation Museum.

Obviously, Emily Warner is holding the aerial photograph and she is in the red and white striped silk blouse. These women airline pilots are high flyers!

Penny Hamilton

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**July 11, 2015 Please come!**

Emily Warner, ISA Charter member and pioneering female airline pilot, will soon have a municipal airport that bears her name. Granby, Colorado, the mountain town she and her late husband Julius Warner called home for over twenty-five years, will officially change its airport name (GNB) from Granby/Grand County Airport to Emily Warner Field.

The July 11, 2015 ceremony sponsored by EAA Chapter 1267 and the Friends of Granby Airport starts with a pancake breakfast and the 7:00 a.m. opening of the Emily Warner Aviation Museum. The new airport sign will be officially unveiled at 10:00 a.m.

Granby Airport, located at 1023 County Road 610, is 86 miles northwest of Denver via I-70 West and US 40 West. Admission is free, and all are welcome. ISA members please come in uniform! For more information please contact Dr. Penny Hamilton.

## Seattle Museum of Flight: From Memoir to Monologue

Presented by Raisbeck Aviation High School Students

I watched five young women pretend to be me while talking about important parts of my life; surreal, odd, deeply moving. I tried to imagine what I would be thinking if I were a bright young girl again, full of hope and promise, if I knew I was going to report on a woman's life and she was going to be in the audience.

I stood before them, at rapt attention while they talked about the facts they evidently found most interesting about me—my first small plane ride to ten thousand feet up the side of Mt. McKinley, Alaska, while on a modeling job, my first nine to five job in an Alaskan bar, my first flying job where the men didn't want to fly with me and the owner's wife tried to run me out of town, my airline interview where the men wanted to talk about my periods and what I would do if someone made a pass at me in the cockpit, my days with the Flying Tigers, my many marriages and the last abusive husband and descent into alcohol—wow, none of them were talking about the actual flying. I marveled that they found the human aspects of me, the ones they could relate to and had seen in their family or neighbors, to be the interesting part.

Alyssa Ryder, who had sewed a pair of cat-covered pajamas to wear with her borrowed captain's hat, told me that my book was the most inspirational book she had ever read and she thanked me. I thanked *her* for thinking to wear the pajamas because seeing them reminded me overwhelmingly of that around-the-world check ride on the MD-11 that returned me to work when I was three years sober. In my own cat pajamas, I savored being back where I belonged, in the air again watching the sun rise over the Himalayas while the rest of the world slept.

The women discerned the point of my book and the underlying message of my life, and they spoke of it: go after your dreams, whatever they are, and ask for help when you need it while being the best human being you can be.

I was honored and teary and grateful. What a legacy.

*Norah O'Neill*



In the group photo, left to right, Alyssa Ryder, Izzie Torres, Norah O'Neill, Fatima Firoz, and Andrea Bui. Veronica Soran is pictured far left wearing a side ponytail and epaulets. Alyssa is wearing cat-pajamas in the photo with Norah, above.

Other aviation "greats" portrayed included Beryl Markham, Charles Lindbergh, Amelia Earhart, Captain Sully, Ernest Gann, and Chuck Yeager

## Samantha Anderson Graduates

"Go confidently in the direction of your dreams. Live the Life you Imagine." This quote from Henry David Thoreau was on my goddaughter's 2015 High School Graduation program. Wow! My best friend, Sherry Anderson and her husband, Sherman, would have been so very proud of their daughter! Samantha Keene Anderson graduated from Desert Vista High School with the Class of 2015 on May 21st.

I was so very fortunate to be a part of Samantha's big event along with many of her family and friends. We all thought of how excited her parents would have been. I think they are both wondering "how" after all that math homework...but she did it! My goddaughter is a very strong young woman who is going on to college in the fall of this year.

Samantha is doing well and is and has been very busy. She has been mentoring young girls who are competing for pageants and has been donating time to several charity projects. This summer she is enjoying some time off with family and friends. Sam jumped out of a perfectly good airplane...wearing the same shirt her Mom had on when she jumped out of a perfectly good airplane! (I think there is a defect there somewhere, HA!) She is traveling a lot this summer with family members before she starts her freshman year at ASU in August.

Samantha will be majoring in business and has actually managed to not have to start class until 1:30 pm. Wow! Now that's talent! She will be rooming with a long time good friend, Danielle Dawson, who earned a four year US Marine scholarship. When they were thinking of rooming together, Danielle asked Sam if she would mind her getting up at 4 am everyday. "No worries! I won't hear a thing!"

I was so very fortunate to get to spend five hours with my special goddaughter before she graduated. There she was, the little girl I knew, the teen who was so strong because she had to be, and the most amazing young woman to emerge from all she has experienced.

Samantha is confident and is headed for the life she has imagined. She still asks me about our unique group and remembers well the honor that you all gave to her parents when naming scholarships in their names. Joani Schaffer, a recipient of a scholarship in their name, is a new hire at United. She has a new baby this past week and still talks to me about Sherry. (See New and Noteworthy on our website.)

I know Sherry and Sherman are proud and their daughter represents them both well as she proceeds to "Live the Life she had Imagined."

*Krisan Wismer*



Left to right: Krisan pictured with Sherry, Samantha and Danielle, Samantha and her parents, and Samantha.

## Scholarship: Karen Guadagni



Karen Guadagni, and Shannon Jipsen at the business meeting.

I can't say enough how, absolutely, humbled I am to be in an organization of such strong, talented, and generous women. When I look at the pictures from this and former conferences, I know I am looking at pioneers: first women pilots at their airlines, former fighter pilots with over 250 aircraft carrier landings, 777, 787, and 747 captains, chief pilots, check airmen, instructors, mothers, wives, doctors, farmers, business owners, writers, artists, photographers and volunteers. All of them current or retired airline pilots! Each one of your stories are one of hardship, struggle, sacrifice, bravery and triumph. You did not just wait for opportunities, you created them!

The ISA+21 scholarships are not handouts, but an opportunity to continue that legacy. This year we had five applicants for the MEI and ATP scholarships. While all were very qualified, one, **Lenka Kubina**, truly characterized all that we were looking for in an applicant: a passion for aviation, a compelling essay showing an ongoing struggle with incredible obstacles, the guts to overcome them, and a real financial need. She was in training before the WAI conference in Dallas was over, completed her training, and passed her ride. Congratulations Lenka!

Thirty-seven outstanding women applied for our type ratings. The competition for jobs at legacy carriers is fierce and often women miss out on having an edge over their competition having forgone opportunities as chief pilots, check airman, or instructors because they don't live in base and are struggling to raise little ones with the already limited time off afforded them at the regional level. Compound those circumstances with the recent stagnation in pilot hiring—many pilots have been "stuck" in the same seat and/or the same plane for 10-15 years, without a recent type ride or upgrade to prove their ability to pass check rides. That has posed some reluctance on the part of the airlines to hire some pilots of great caliber. It's our hope that these B-737 type ratings will showcase the capabilities and drive these women want so badly to prove.

One after another of the essays told stories, not unlike your own, of great skill, selflessness, and perseverance in the face of daunting odds. The board of directors invited nine of these women for interviews at the WAI conference in Dallas this year by our own members. **Please let me know if you're interested in helping next year. It's a great responsibility and especially rewarding!**

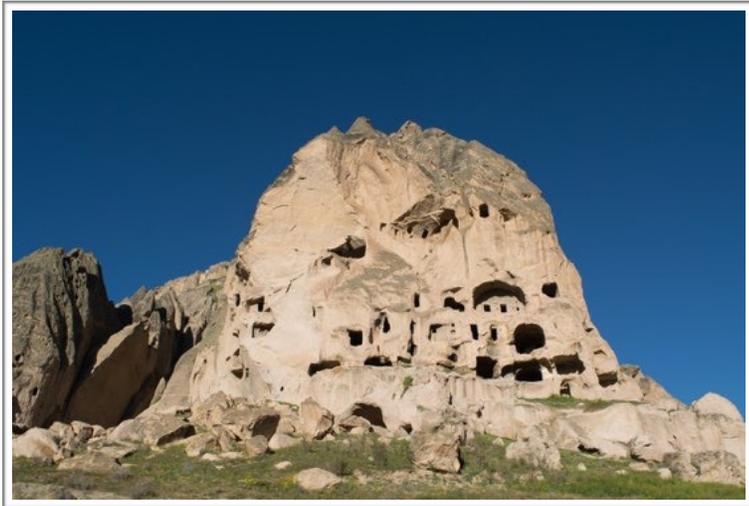
The talent was so strong that we awarded four B-737 types this year. Congratulations to **Tanya Kletke** (Perimeter Air Ambulance), our international winner who has hopes of parlaying the type in a larger aircraft to a job at WestJet; **Connie Nicholson** (ExpressJet), whose continued selflessness and hard work earned her this break; **Kim Osbourne** (SkyWest), who is not only a single mother and a regional pilot, but also a full-time student (we have no doubts in her ability to add a type rating to her juggle); and **Jennifer Johnson** (ExpressJet), also a single mother and a regional pilot, who worked as a flight attendant for fifteen years and wouldn't give up on her dream to become an airline pilot.

And a big thank you to all who helped with the selection process: **Kathy Bernskoetter, MaryAna Gilbert, Kara Hatzai, Rebecca Hempel, Becky Howell, Lisa Mrozek, Ann Ryan, Denise Terpstra, Linda Wright, Maria Ziadie-Haddad, Laird Johnson, Jolanda**, and especially **Tiana Daugherty**, our former chair.

Finally, a super, big pat on the back to our members for making dreams come true. We have given out more than a million dollars in scholarships to women pilots. We give out more scholarships to women pilots than any single organization at Women in Aviation. That makes us one of the largest scholarship benefactors to women pilots in the world. And we're just a little non-profit that is made up of a bunch of women who like to get together, socialize, and put a little money on the table at the end of the night so that it's possible for more women to join our group of friends in the future. Wow.

# Turkey, the Other White Meat

by Kim Bodoczky



Stretching across Europe and Asia, Turkey is a land that is diverse, intriguing, and rich with culture and history. I spent nine amazing days of exploring the food, the wine, and the generous hospitality of the locals there.

My journey started in Cappadocia, the land of enchantment, with my husband Steve, just before our ISA conference in Berlin. Located in the Anatolian plains in central Turkey, Cappadocia is mesmerizing. It is a geological tapestry of honeycombed hills and towering boulders of otherworldly

beauty. There are no large cities here, only small towns with people who will take you in and insist on chatting about the world as you sip on tea. One such person was Murat, the owner of the BandB we stayed at. He told me about the unique history of the land. The region has long been used as a place of refuge with underground cities, cave dwellings, and cave churches due to the soft texture of the stone. Cultures ranging from Derinkuyu, Kaymakli, and early Christians have all sought shelter here. One of the best places to see the blend of the past is a hike thru Ihlara Valley. There I found the remnants of the churches, the homes, and of the lives past. The highlight of my trek was a hot air balloon ride at sunrise. Of all the times I have seen the sunrise from the cockpit, they all pale in comparison to what I saw that morning. Breathtaking.

**Goreme National Park,  
Ihlara Valley.**

**Kim and Steve, below right.**



## Turkey, the Other White Meat, continued



The next part of my trek thru Turkey was in the dynamic city of Istanbul. Cappadocia was the yin to the yang that is Istanbul. Sweeping across Europe and Asia, Istanbul is truly the city that never sleeps. It's a rich palate of dynamic food, incredible wines, and mind-blowing architecture. Wandering through the streets, I became saturated with the smells of meat spinning on vertical grills, the sounds of the crowd buzzing about like jeweled bees, and the mosaic of colors of different vendors that catch my eye. I discover a donner/gyro stand that serves pastrami donner. Wrapped in a flat pita type bread, served with onions and a local yogurt drink Ayran, it was one the best meals I had in Turkey. Later that night, I found an off the beaten path cafe that played salsa music and served amazing Turkish wines. I found myself salsa dancing till the early morning and drinking in the hospitality of the locals. I spend the next day taking in the sights of the Blue Mosque and the Hagia of Sophia. Both are structures of art that date back hundreds of years. The Hagia Sophia is a standing symbol of Istanbul's past. Starting off as an Eastern Orthodox church in 537ACE, it had a side step to a Roman Cathedral between 1204 and 1261, became a mosque in 1453, and then in 1931 it became a museum. Inside you can see iconography of both Christian and Islamic religions, the only place on the globe to have both under one roof. Impressive.



Turkey is a place that you must go see. From the awe of the unique landscapes of Cappadocia, to the delicious sensory overload of Istanbul, it truly a place that will astonish you.

For more pics, check out my site:  
[www.flygirlidiaries.com](http://www.flygirlidiaries.com).



# Membership: Gar (Glenys) Robison

**Welcome all new members! We are happy to have you with us! 384!**



Gar Robison pictured above (right) at the cocktail party in Berlin with Linda Deos and Eva Brock, Sherry Hallson, Cammy and Jim McHenry.

- Carrie Conley, Shuttle America**
- Mary Honchock, Piedmont Airlines**
- Eun Jung Hong, Korean Air**
- Karen McNally, UPS Airlines**
- Alexandra Sotelo, SkyWest Airlines**
- Susan Waters, Atlas Air, Inc.**
- Lisa Wright, Spirit Airlines**

# Communications: Kathy McCullough



Check our website often. If you want anything added, let me know. [communications@iswap.org](mailto:communications@iswap.org)

Kim Bodoczky is working on the glitches and the “storefront,” that is, how the overall website appears. Email her with questions, problems, and concerns. Be patient, she will be upgrading to captain soon and may be a little busy! [kim@flygirlidiaries.com](mailto:kim@flygirlidiaries.com)

For an immediate look at more photos and the book I’ll have at the auction next year, click on this link: [Berlin Photo Book \(https://www.mypublisher.com/index/?e=OHm3Q8zJl3TC5nBhyaGmmniEUFsTTHP2&showForm=true\)](https://www.mypublisher.com/index/?e=OHm3Q8zJl3TC5nBhyaGmmniEUFsTTHP2&showForm=true)

Maria is keeping our Facebook page up-to-date, so don’t forget to post and read: [ISA+21 Closed Group \(https://www.facebook.com/groups/162425113930822/\)](https://www.facebook.com/groups/162425113930822/)

I have hundreds of pictures. If you don’t see yours, I am so sorry...trust me, it’s not intentional! Please let me know if you want copies of anything I have for your own use. I’m happy to share.  
*Kathy*

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**No-Host Ice Cream Social is at Oshkosh on Friday, July 24th from 3-4pm. The exact location will be posted at the Airline Tent on the airshow grounds.** *Mary Ana Gilbert*

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