



## FROM THE DESK OF MIREILLE GOYER

"It was my turn at last. Everybody was expectant. I was eager to get into my seat and be off. My heart was not in my mouth. I felt impatient to realize the project on which I was determined, despite the protest of my best friends," said Harriet Quimby about her thoughts before she took off from Dover, 100 years ago.

### OUR TURN

**The beginning of the 2012 Women Of Aviation Worldwide is just 30 days away.** From 62° of latitude North in Yellowknife, Canada, to 38° of latitude South in Geelong, Australia, and within hundreds of degrees of longitude, girls and women are about to discover that aviation is for them too, thanks to you. There is so much excitement building. Victoria, who is heading the Frederick Airport community and intends to make sure that the Frederick Airport community retains the title of "Most Female Pilot Friendly Airport Worldwide" in 2012 has managed to motivate over 130 girls and women to sign up for a flight. Other airport communities have their eyes on the trophy and some very strong challengers are emerging.

Of course, all the over titles are also up for grab: Most Dedicated Woman Pilot, Most Dedicated Female Flight Instructor, Most Supportive Male Pilot, and Most Supportive Male Flight Instructor.

**We have more prizes than ever this year thanks to the support of our pro-diversity sponsors, Airbus, Sennheiser, Goldstripes Aviation, AOPA, Baron Services, Aircraft Spruce, OSRM, Powder Puff Pilot, Windtee, Barry Schiff, FFPULM, and many more local sponsors.** In fact, the total value is well over \$11,000 USD. Did you notice for example that there are four Sennheiser S1 Digital headsets, worth \$1,095 each, available to win? If you have not taken a look at the list of prizes recently, please take a [look](#) now.

Many event organizers have found that local businesses are eager to help with the cost of making a difference in the community and that's heartwarming.

## **CELEBRATE 100 YEARS**

As [Headcorn in the U.K. and Le Touquet in France](#) ready to hold a great celebration for the centennial of Harriet Quimby's flight over the English Channel, pilots at 100 different locations in the U.S.A are getting ready to **join the party by introducing at least one girl or one woman to the joys of flying at 100 different airports on March 10, 2012.** One flight is sufficient to qualify an airport. Take this opportunity to tour the various airports in your area.

To salute 100 years of women seaplane pilots, I encourage all seaplane pilots to be particularly active in 2012. **How about a record of female flight introductions in seaplanes?**

## **A SPECIAL GIFT TO EVENT ORGANIZERS FROM AIRBUS**

Each pilot that participate to the "Across the Nation: Women Unifying Nations" in Europe will receive a unique t-shirt. Featuring photos of Harriet Quimby before and after her flight across the Channel and the white cliffs of Dover, this t-shirt cannot be bought. **Our sponsor, Airbus, wants to reward each event organizer with one of this exclusive "Across the Channel: Women Unifying Nation" t-shirt.**

To be eligible to receive this t-shirt, you must [announce your upcoming event](#) on the website by February 15, 2012.

## **WHO WILL REPRESENT THE NEXT GENERATION OF AMERICAN WOMEN PILOTS IN EUROPE? VOTE**

**The finalists of the "Across the Channel: Women Unifying Nations" video contest are announced. You have until February 7, 2012, midnight, to vote for your preferred representative.**

She will fly to Europe on the largest and most comfortable airline jet in the world, the Airbus A380, take the train to travel underneath the English Channel, discover the region around the Headcorn Aerodrome, fly from England to France on Harriet Quimby's footsteps, attend the dinner in Le Touquet City Hall's room of Honors, and meet Women Of Aviation from around the world.

## **TEMPORARY TATTOOS & WOAW CLOTHING GEAR**

Have you noticed the [temporary tattoos](#)? They guarantee fun at your event and give all the girls and women that go on a flight to brag to the world about their experience. **"I am a girl. Today I flew a small plane." What a statement!** These can be free for [VIP Club members](#). However, **to have them in time for**

**your event, you must request or order before Feb 15 2012.**

We have a winner for the Women Of Aviation Worldwide Jacket! Alicia Sikes of Quakertown, PA is the winner.

T-shirts and WOAW embroidered jackets are available but time is flying by. If you want either one before Women Of Aviation Worldwide Week (March 5-11, 2012), don't wait.

Whether you are planning one special flight or planning an event to celebrate the 2012 Women Of Aviation Worldwide Week, have fun!

Fly safe,

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