

Fly Girls

OF
**WORLD
WAR II**

Wings Across America's Traveling WASP Exhibit

Designed to educate and inspire visitors with the amazing history of the Women Airforce
Service Pilots of WWII, FIRST WOMEN IN HISTORY TO FLY AMERICA'S
MILITARY AIRCRAFT.

Faces of the WASP line the walls of the exhibit and the illustrated history comes alive
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the WASP and graphics, created to encourage those who experience the exhibit--
and challenge them to "FLY" just a little bit higher.



TRAVELING WASP EXHIBIT

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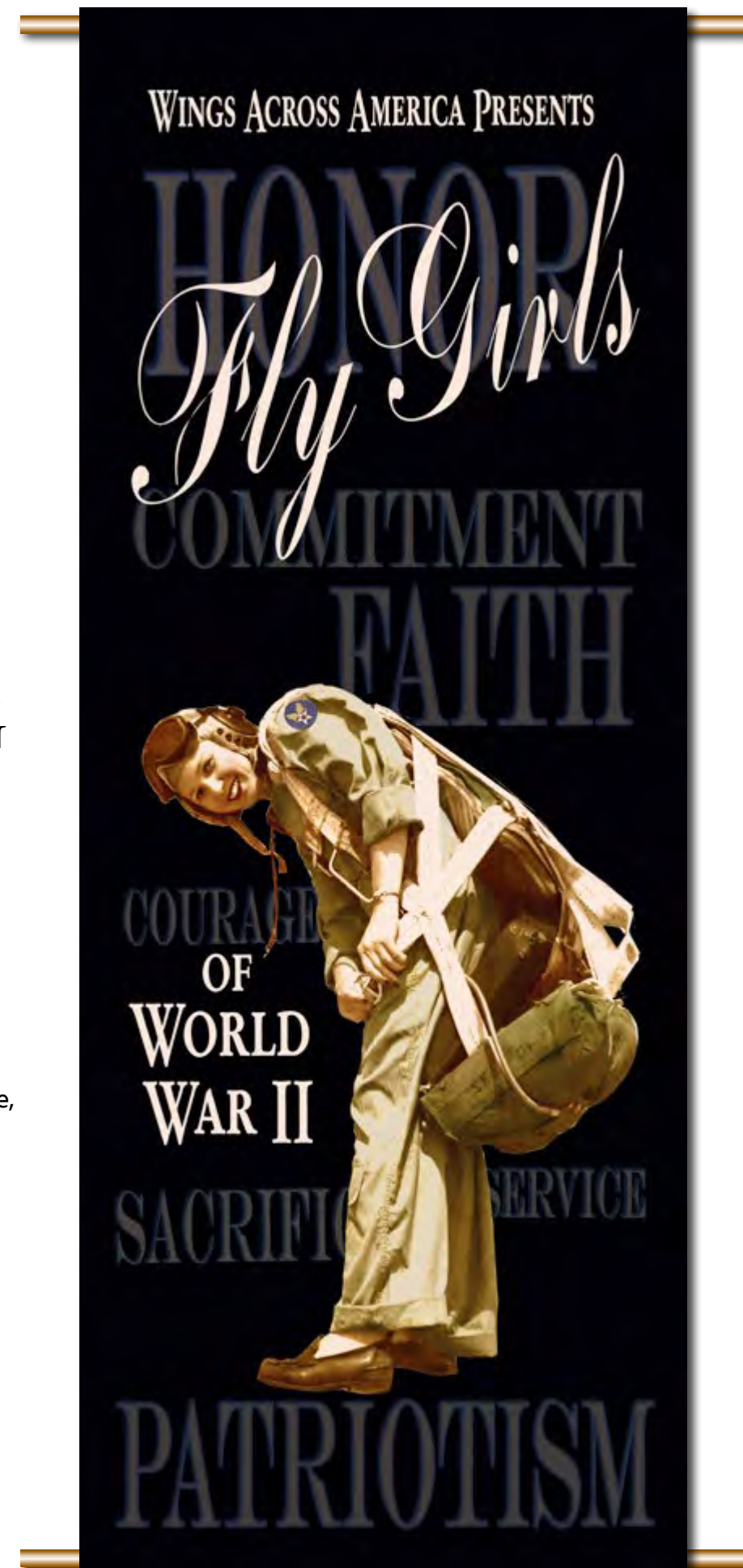


Poster on foam core 24" wide x 19" tall

Foam-core representation of original brass plaque, placed in the wishing well at Avenger Field on March 11, 1944 by General Hap Arnold..

OPENING BANNER

The exhibit begins with a 3' x 8' vinyl banner that highlights the contagious values of the WASP: honor, commitment, faith, courage, sacrifice, service and patriotism.





WOMEN AIRFORCE SERVICE PILOTS WASP - WWII

First women in history to fly America's military aircraft.



FLY GIRLS OF WWII OPENING PANELS

1. WASP Wings on foam core: 5' 7" wide x 24" tall
2. WOMEN AIRFORCE SERVICE PILOTS WASP-WWII 10mil laminate-- 15' x 2' high
3. Founders of the WASP--General Hap Arnold and WASP Director Jacqueline Cochran -framed posters 18" x 24"

ILLUSTRATED
WASP
TIME LINE

*SIXTEEN panels
representing the events
which surround the creation
and service of the WASP.

Length of wall space estimated
to display PVC panels: 32 to 36 feet

(*seven panels shown in this file)

WASP
TIME
LINE



TITLE PANEL: 24" wide x 60" tall

1938

MARCH 12 • Germany's forces march into Austria.

SEPTEMBER 28 • President Franklin D. Roosevelt confers with Brigadier General Henry "Hap" Arnold re danger of war with Nazi Germany. Germany has 8000 combat aircraft, U.S. less than 800 (over 700 are obsolete). President Roosevelt orders production of 11,000 new combat-ready aircraft.

SEPTEMBER 29 • General Arnold named Chief of Staff, Army Air Corps (1,650 officers, 16,000 enlisted). Orders civilian flying schools be established to train Air Corps Cadets to fly military aircraft.

1939



Jacqueline Cochran

SEPTEMBER 1 • Germany invades Poland

SEPTEMBER 3 • Britain, France, Australia and New Zealand declare war on Germany.

SEPTEMBER 28 • America's most famous woman pilot, Jacqueline Cochran, contacts America's First Lady, Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt. She suggests women could fly non-combat state-side military missions. "as, for instance, in flying ambulance planes, courier planes, commercial and transport planes, thereby releasing male pilots for combat duty." And, she adds, "If they had official standing or patriotic objective... there would be thousands more woman pilots than there are now."

1940

SEPTEMBER 15 • FIRST peacetime draft in history enacted by Congress.

• Jacqueline Cochran addresses the Ninety Nines, women pilots organization, at the New York World's Fair: "There should be an organized women's air corps auxiliary to the other air forces in the government—controlled, supervised and supported by our government."

OCTOBER 30 • Gen. Arnold named Deputy Chief of Staff for Air.

NOVEMBER 7 • Robert Lovett appointed Sec. of War for Air. Begins reorganization plan to modernize the US air arsenal.

1941

MARCH 11 • President Roosevelt signs Lend-Lease Act, HR 194.

APRIL 16 • Britain receives its first American Lend-Lease aid shipment of food.

MAY • Army Air Corps Ferrying Command established.

MAY 29 • Col. Robert Olds, WWII pilot, ordered to organize Ferry Command to pilot Lend-Lease planes bound for Britain.

JUNE 7 • Canada placed off-limits by Congress. The first Ferry Command Lend-Lease planes land in Maine. Crews shove them across the border to waiting British and Canadian pilots.

EARLY JUNE • Chief/British Air Mission in Washington confers with Gen Arnold re staggering British losses and shortage of pilots. Ms. Cochran offers to pilot a Lend-Lease Lockheed "Hudson" bomber to Great Britain and, as suggested by Gen. Arnold, study the use of British women pilots.



Lockheed Hudson bomber

• Lord Beaverbrook authorizes Ms. Cochran's flight. She must first pass a Canadian flight test. Assigned male check pilot continually 'stalling' to pass her, Ms. Cochran finally demands to be passed. She passes.

JUNE 17 • Ms. Cochran becomes FIRST woman to fly a military aircraft across the Atlantic. Meets the 50 British women ferrying pilots, examines their records, and begins formulating plans for American women pilots to join Britain's war effort.



President Roosevelt

PANEL 2: 24" wide x 60" tall

JUNE 20 • Reorganization of Army Air Corps. Air arm of the Army becomes Army Air Forces. Gen. Arnold named Army Deputy Chief of Staff for Air and Chief of the Army Air Forces.

JULY 1 • Ms. Cochran 'hitches' ride back from England to the U.S. on B-17. Enroute they pass the first B-24 flying to England (armed with a single machine gun). At arrival press conference, she is asked why she went. "Because I wanted to check up on what those girls were doing, and to see how we could organize a similar group in this country."

• President and Mrs. Roosevelt immediately issue Ms. Cochran an invitation to come to lunch and discuss it.

JULY 2 • Ms. Cochran has lunch with Pres. and Mrs. Roosevelt to discuss women in aviation in England and ideas about using American women pilots to fly military aircraft. Pres. Roosevelt gives Ms Cochran note of introduction to Asst. Sec. for Air, Robert Lovett. He instructs Mr. Lovett to research plan for an organization of women pilots to serve with the US Army Air Forces.



Asst. Sec. for Air, Robert Lovett

JULY 3 • Ms. Cochran meets with Robert Lovett. She is offered office space as a "Tactical Consultant" in Ferry Command Headquarters, Washington, DC.

JULY 4 • Ms. Cochran receives telegram: "I should be greatly interested in discussing your investigation concerning the use of women pilots in national defense stop would it be convenient for you to see me in my office, ...some day next week." signed Robert Olds, Commander Air Corps Ferrying Command.

EARLY JULY • Ms. Cochran meets with Col. Olds re using women pilots. She goes to work at Ferry Command Headquarters, Washington, DC in the basement of the old Munitions Building. With no budget, she pays expenses and staff salaries out of her own pocket. She creates feasibility study for using women pilots, combing through thousands of CAA files in order to send questionnaires to 150 commercially rated women pilots.

JULY 21 • Ms. Cochran submits first proposal to Col. Olds, outlining a detailed plan for utilizing women pilots. She realizes that the Ferry Command has a specific need: however, she sees a much broader use of women pilots:

"I urge that the women not be permanently organized on a civilian basis. Need for a woman only where a man is not available, or when he can be used more effectively in higher grade duty. I think the essence of any difference we may have on the subject of method of organizing the women (and I don't know that we have any) is that you are thinking more in terms of present movement of equipment, which of course is important, and I am thinking in terms of shaping up a women's pilot organization for its future usefulness in time of war, with present ferry work as an initial, although important, incident."

JULY 28 • Ms. Cochran submits memo to Col. Olds:
• Subject: Base Locations for Women Ferry Pilots (Seeks to know delivery points to determine flight routing)
• Subject: Pay for Women Pilots
• Subject: Pay for Ferrying Advanced Trainers

JULY 30 • Ms. Cochran submits a memorandum: "Subject: Time for Starting of Ferrying by Women". She notes that a small group could start immediately, but suggests 30 days transition and a 90 day trial period, once the program is authorized.

• Col. Olds dictates supporting memo to be sent to Sec. Robert Lovett. If the plan is activated, he proposes that Ms. Jacqueline Cochran should be appointed 'Chief of Women Pilots', stating: "All women pilots will operate under her direct administrative jurisdiction subject to policies initiated by the Commander, Air Corps Ferry Command."
• Col. Olds directs Ms. Cochran to send questionnaires to qualified women pilots with more than 500 hours.
• Ms. Cochran sends the questionnaires, but she adjusts the questions to include all women pilots, not just those who might qualify for the Ferry Command. (She is determined to build a case to include her broader vision).

AUGUST • Ms. Cochran submits her feasibility study for using women pilots: "Organization of a woman pilot's division of the Air Corps Ferrying Command." Her plan is for a separate unit for women, to be headed by a woman directly under Gen. Arnold. It includes tabulations on the CAA card files and names of women pilots (total of about 2109). Few have more than the 200 hours, which is pre-requisite for Ferry Command.

• Col. Olds disagrees. Col. Olds sends his recommendations to Gen. Arnold, but without advising Ms. Cochran. Ms. Cochran realizes that Col. Olds is not in favor of her proposal for training women pilots.

AUGUST 5 • Eleanor Roosevelt writes in her column, "My Day": "I have been hearing lately how much women pilots are doing in England. I wonder if, in this country, in the Civilian Aeronautics Authority courses or in the Services, we have begun to train women so they may perform such duties. It would seem to be wise to give women pilots this opportunity, since we know they have been useful in other countries."



Eleanor Roosevelt

PANEL 3: 24" wide x 60" tall

August 7 - Ms. Cochran writes to attorney, Sidney Weinberg, asking for a one-on-one meeting with Gen. Arnold: "... It looks to me as if the project is going to be organized in the wrong way. I can only guess, because Colonel Olds has not let me see the recommendations as he made them, and on the other side has brushed aside, or overruled in conversation, many of the basic suggestions I have made. Naturally, I don't want to antagonize Colonel Olds, for I like him personally, he is a good flyer, and I may have to work under his command. I really think the women's organization should be set up as an entirely separate, but parallel unit under the same person who is senior to Colonel Olds."

SEPTEMBER 19 - Gen. Arnold politely declines Ms. Cochran's proposal: "For the time being, there are too few women available or capable of flying trainer aircraft to justify assuming all the problems of housing and training them." His decision is that all resources are needed to train fighter pilots, not ferry pilots. Suggests Ms. Cochran accept British request for American women pilots.

OCTOBER 4 - Ms. Cochran replies to Gen. Arnold, again requesting a one-on-one meeting: "I have never had the opportunity to present my own proposal to you... I found the Ferry Command was only interested in the ferrying of ships in the immediate future. My opportunities for forming a women's auxiliary were thus immediately delimited for all practical purposes. But I did, on several occasions, express myself on the subject, and even in the field of ferrying suggested the woman's auxiliary be limited in the beginning, at least, to a very few pilots who might thus prove themselves and justify recognition of my own different program."



Gen. Arnold is willing to listen.

OCTOBER 28 - Ms. Cochran meets with Gen. Arnold face-to-face and lays out her detailed plan. The General is impressed and, although there is no need at present, he asks her to devise a women's training program, including a proposal of what kind of piloting women might do for the Army Air Forces.

A FEW DAYS LATER - Gen. Arnold confers with England's Air Marshall Harris, who is in Washington. England desperately needs more pilots.

Gen. Arnold telephones Ms. Cochran and suggests that this is a chance to show what American women pilots can do. General Arnold requests Ms. Cochran recruit and oversee American women pilots to fly with the British Air Transport Command.

Ms. Cochran agrees to take the job only with Gen. Arnold's promise to call her back if/when - to direct work of women pilots for US.

DECEMBER 1 - Civil Air Patrol established.



DECEMBER 7 - Pearl Harbor is attacked by the Japanese. 7 hours later, Japan sends formal declaration of war. The casualty list from Pearl Harbor eventually includes 2,335 servicemen and 68 civilians killed, with 1,178 wounded. Included are 1,104 men aboard the Battleship USS Arizona.

DECEMBER 8 - President Roosevelt signs 'DECLARATION OF WAR' against Japan.

DECEMBER 11 - Germany and Italy declare war on the U.S. President Roosevelt signs 'DECLARATION OF WAR' on Germany and Italy.

DECEMBER 12 - Ms. Cochran sends telegrams to 76 qualified women pilots (with minimum of 300 hours) re becoming British Overseas Airways ATA pilots. Women must travel at their own expense to NY for an interview, and on to Montreal for a physical and flight check ride. If accepted, groups of 5 will travel to England for specialized training and serve as a civilian auxiliary to the Royal Air Force.

Ferry Command reorganizes.

DECEMBER - Major Robert Love, AAF Reserves, is called to active duty in Washington, D. C. as Deputy Chief of Staff, Ferry Command. His wife, Mrs. Nancy Harkness Love (licensed woman pilot who owns her own airplane) accompanies him. She soon lands civilian job with the ATC Ferrying Division Operations Office.



DECEMBER 20 - Flying Tigers (Claire Chennault's American pilots) enter combat in Kunming, China.

DECEMBER 17 - Britain surrenders Hong Kong to Japan.

1942

JANUARY 18 - Ms. Cochran receives phone call from an American woman pilot who had been accepted to fly in England. She is calling to say she has heard that women pilots are to be hired in the US, and, if given the choice, she would fly in the US, closer to home. Ms. Cochran asks only one question: "Who says?" The caller admits she was advised not to tell Ms. Cochran—that the program is 'being worked out through a woman pilot who is the wife of a high official'.

Ms. Cochran calls Gen. Olds, who affirms the information. In his desperation for pilots, he has resuscitated the proposal by Ms. Cochran for using women for ferrying duties. He advises Ms. Cochran he plans to hire women immediately on the same basis as male civilian pilots. Ms. Cochran immediately writes a letter to Gen. Arnold:

"Gen. Olds' plan is in direct conflict with the plan of a women's unit for England. Any woman would rather get \$360 at home than a much lesser sum in England, where food and living conditions are comparatively bad. It's terribly confusing to have you say the women won't be needed here for many months to come and have Gen. Olds tell me the next day that there is a shortage of pilots and he is going to use women as a consequence; and that, while his plan for an organization of women was turned down, he had not been stopped from hiring individual women pilots and proposes to do so unless stopped immediately."

JANUARY 19 - Gen. Arnold, CG/AAF to Gen. Olds, CO/FC: "... as per instructions you received from me this date, you will make no plans to open negotiations for hiring women pilots until Miss Jacqueline Cochran has completed her present agreement with the British authorities and has returned to the US."

JANUARY 24 - Women pilots going to England sign 18-month contract. Ms. Cochran's contract w/British will dissolve if/when AAF needs her.

MARCH - Jacqueline Cochran and 25 American women pilots cleared to go to England. Some go via air, some via ship. They train and start flying for Britain.

Gen. Olds' health forces him to retire.

MARCH 9 - Ferry Command expanded into Air Transport Command, Gen. Harold L. George in charge of ATC. Col. William H. Tunner is responsible for the Domestic Wing of the Ferrying Division.

MARCH 11 - Mrs. Nancy Love goes to work for Maj. Robert H. Baker at Logan Field. Maj. Baker's orders are to set up the Northeast Sector, Domestic Wing of the Ferry Command.

APRIL 9 - American forces on Bataan ordered to surrender.

APRIL 18 - Sixteen B-25s take off from USS Hornet. Doolittle's Raiders bomb Tokyo.

APRIL 28 - Coastal 'dinosaurs' go into effect along a fifteen-mile strip on the Eastern Seaboard, in response to German U-boat activity off the U.S. Atlantic coast.

END OF APRIL - Mrs. Love works in ATC NE Sector in Baltimore, helping plan flight routes and setting up airline priorities for returning ferry pilots. ATC needs more pilots. Col. Tunner discusses need for ferry pilots with Maj. Love, who mentions his wife, Nancy. Col. Tunner passes on the suggestion to Gen. George, head of the ATC. Mrs. Love suggests idea that qualified women pilots be hired to ferry aircraft. Gen. George likes idea women pilots being added to ferry pilot pool. ATC staff approves Nancy Love to be in charge of women pilots when/if employed.

MAY 12 - Gen. Arnold in Walter Reed Hospital (May 12-22).

MAY 14 - U.S. Congress establishes The Women's Auxiliary Army Corps (WAAC).

MAY 18 - Col. Tunner sends memo to Col. Baker, CO of the 2nd Ferrying Group at New Castle Air Base, Wilmington, DE and to Col. Luke Smith. Tunner wants to hire women pilots to ferry aircraft. Wants 25 women to be under WAAC as 2nd Lt., stationed at New Castle.

MAY 23 - General Arnold leaves for England. B-17s of 8th AF to arrive June 7.

MAY 25 - Ms. Cochran in England working on ferrying plan for 8th Air Force.

Gen. Arnold lands in England. Desperate for combat pilots, he confers with Ms. Cochran re creating organization of women pilots to relieve male pilots for combat. Asks her to return to US. She is obligated to finish plans for 8th AF but plans to leave for US as soon as possible.

JUNE 2 - Gen. Arnold departs England for US, fully expecting Ms. Cochran to return to US to supervise a women pilots' program as soon as possible.

JUNE - Arnold ill. Ms. Cochran out of the country. Gen. George and Col. Tunner are not aware of Gen. Arnold's commitment to Ms. Cochran or the initial proposals from Ms. Cochran.

JUNE 11 - After meeting Nancy Love, Col. Tunner suggests hiring women pilots as officers in the WAAC (Women's Army Auxiliary Corps). Gen. George tells AAF Chief of Air Staff he wants to hire women. Mrs. Nancy Love transferred to Washington to AAF Chief of Air Staff office, located in the same building where Jacqueline Cochran's original questionnaires, records and proposals are stored. Mrs. Love begins compiling statistics and drafting proposal to hire women pilots to assist in ferrying.

Col. Tunner sends memo to Mrs. Oveta Culp Hobby, Commander of the Women's Auxiliary Army Corps, asking how many licensed pilots are WAACs.

JUNE 12 - Mrs. Love tells Col. Tunner she can readily enroll 25 women on short notice. Col. Tunner notifies New Castle Air Base that 25 women pilots will be there Aug 1. Sends copy to Mrs. Oveta Culp Hobby at WAAC.

JUNE 13 - Colonel Baker and Mrs. Love work out detailed plan to hire women pilots strictly as civilians.

JUNE 18 - Col. Tunner receives Mrs. Love's plan.
• Hire women as civilian ferry pilots
• Lower pay than male pilots
• Require 500 hours, compared to 200 for men
• Restricted to flying AAF smallest trainers and liaisons

Mrs. Hobby sees no way to incorporate women pilots into the WAAC.

JUNE 22 - Col. Tunner sends the proposal to hire women pilots to Gen. George.

JULY - AAF Ferrying Command changes name to Air Transport Command (ATC). ATC begins a program of hiring civilian male pilots to ferry planes.

JULY 2 - Jacqueline Cochran now working as commissioned officer with 8th Air Force. Gen. Arnold formally requests Ms. Cochran return to U.S. Starts paper work.



JULY 4 - First Army Air Force bomber mission over Western Europe in WWII is flown by B-17s of the 97th Bombardment Group against the Rouen-Sotteville Railyards in France.

JULY 13 - Mrs. Nancy Love and Col. Baker submit detailed plan to hire women pilots. Women will not enter service as commissioned officers. They will be hired 'under short term contracts' as civilians.

JULY 18 - Gen. George sends a memo to Gen. Arnold suggesting women be employed as ferry pilots, experimentally.

JULY 20 - Gen. Arnold sends proposal back: "NO. Forget women fliers. Draw pilots from the Civil Air Patrol until that supply is exhausted. Then, and not until then, will be the time to reopen this proposition."

FEW DAYS LATER - General Arnold leaves for England.

JULY 30 - WAVES (Women for Voluntary Emergency Services) authorized by US Congress.

AUGUST - Mrs. Love, working as a civilian employee in the AAF Chief of Staff office, continues gathering statistics on women pilots.

SEPTEMBER 1 - Mrs. Roosevelt, in her syndicated column, MY DAY: "... this is not a time when women should be patient. We are in a war and we need to fight it with all our ability and every weapon possible. Women pilots, in this particular case, are a weapon waiting to be used."



EARLY SEPTEMBER - Letter from British Air Minister releasing Jacqueline Cochran from her contract with the A.T.A. With the consent of the Minister, Miss Cochran is now returning to the United States.

The women pilots recruited by Miss Cochran and accepted by the A.T.A. are giving complete satisfaction and it is possible that "we may as a result of changed circumstances again look to the U.S. for further pilots for the A.T.A."

SEPTEMBER 3 - Gen. George sends another memorandum to Gen. Arnold, saying he could implement women ferry pilots within 24 hours.

To head the women pilots, "an unnamed person is required, to have these specific qualifications: 1200 piloting hours, a commercial license, a high horsepower rating, and also one who has been indoctrinated in the system of the operation of the Air Transport Command by employment there in various administrative capacities."

No official response from Gen. Arnold. Mistakenly, Gen. George thinks he got a 'no!' from Gen. Arnold.

SEPTEMBER 5 - Without his knowledge or approval, Gen. Arnold's office directive: 'Recruit women pilots within 24 hrs'. Immediately:

- ATC names Mrs. Nancy Love as 'director' of women.
- Mrs. Love sends out first telegrams to recruit women pilots as civilian ferry pilots.

• Jacqueline Cochran stopped at London airport as she is about to board airplane to return to the US, asked to delay departure, no reason given.



Jacqueline Cochran

SEPTEMBER 8 - Ms. Cochran departs England for U.S. intending to implement her plan for training women pilots, per Gen. Arnold's request.

SEPTEMBER 10 - Mrs. Nancy Love and Gen. George make official announcement to media: "Qualified women pilots will be hired by Air Transport Command to ferry light military aircraft."

• Ms. Cochran sees announcement when she arrives in NY. Ms. Cochran furious. Calls Gen. Arnold, who can't see her until the 12th.

SEPTEMBER 12 - Ms. Cochran meets with Gen. Arnold. The General is furious about announcement. She hands Gen. Arnold a memorandum, outlining her plan. She requests her broader plan (women pilots to be militarily trained to do more than ferrying) to begin immediately. Ms. Cochran does not press for abandonment of Mrs. Love's project. Most important is her insistence that: 'The use of women pilots not be limited to the Ferrying Command, but must be recognized as an over-all job.'

• 3 women pilots have reported to New Castle in answer to Mrs. Love's telegram.

SEPTEMBER 14 - Gen. Smith submits memo to Gen. Arnold outlining Cochran's plans and qualifications for entrance to training program for women pilots. Gen. Arnold approves.

MID SEPTEMBER - Female pilots, hired as civilian contractors to ferry planes for the Ferrying Division. ATC, will sign 90 day contract, with option for renewal if service is satisfactory. They will receive 4 weeks of orientation/transition training at New Castle AFB. Newly formed squadron unofficially named 'Women's Auxiliary Ferrying Squadron'; women pilots nicknamed 'WAFS'.

SEPTEMBER 15 - 319th Women's Flying Training Detachment (WFTD) created and officially approved. Women to be given same training as Army Air Forces cadets.

- Gen. Arnold's staff sets up meeting for initialization of Ms. Cochran's program. She attends meeting with Col. L.S. Smith (representing Gen. George) and Gen. Strattemeyer, (Chief of Air Staff) and Capt. Teague (representing the ATC).
- Gen. George notes that the ATC (Mrs. Love) wants small numbers of highly experienced women pilots, and the Women Pilot Training Program (Ms. Cochran) has a broader vision of larger numbers of less experienced women pilots who can be trained for variety of programs.
- Recommendations include training to be done by the CPT and that the Ferrying Division only hire woman pilots with 500 hours or more.
- Ms. Cochran shoots down both proposals: (1) Many young women pilots have already taken and passed the CPT program. (2) If cadets can be trained to do combat work in about 225 hours, starting from scratch, then it is ridiculous to assume that girls cannot be qualified in the same number of hours to ferry training planes under daylight, non-instrument conditions.

SEPTEMBER 16 - Jacqueline Cochran appointed Director, Women's Ferrying Training, to supervise activities of all American women pilots flying military aircraft. Salary: \$1 per year.

• A total of 4 women pilots have reported to New Castle and hired by ATC as ferry pilots.

MID SEPTEMBER - Gen. Arnold continues to investigate how authorization of women ferry pilots occurred without his knowledge or authority.

SEPTEMBER 21 - First members of the Women's Auxiliary Ferrying Squadron who have reported to Nancy Love, Cmdr. WAFS, New Castle AFB will get 4 weeks of orientation & transition at New Castle.

SEPTEMBER 22 - Ms. Cochran discovers inadequate facilities in Houston for training women pilots.

SEPTEMBER 26 - Ms. Cochran flies between NY and Washington, personally interviewing and selecting young women to report for training in Houston. Tells each of them that the future of the entire program rests squarely on their shoulders. They must not fail. If they are not prepared for the military discipline, hardships, and many hours of tough flying, they should go home. Ms. Cochran considers this a 'magnificent opportunity for American women pilots.'

• Gen. Arnold's question finally answered in memo from Col. Tunner, CO/AFRD, to Arnold, CG/AAF: "Subject: Women's Auxiliary Ferry Unit to be under the jurisdiction of the Commanding General, Army Air Forces Training Command. "AAF (General Arnold) did not authorize the Women's Ferrying Squadron. The Ferrying Division has permission to hire civilians, including women, and does not need Arnold's OK." Gen. Arnold is now sure. No mistake.

PANEL 4: 24" wide x 60" tall

PANEL 5: 24" wide x 60" tall

PANEL 6: 24" wide x 60" tall

PANEL 7: 24" wide x 60" tall



Poster on foam core 24" wide x 36" tall



Air Zoo, Kalamazoo, Michigan

WASP FILMSTRIPS

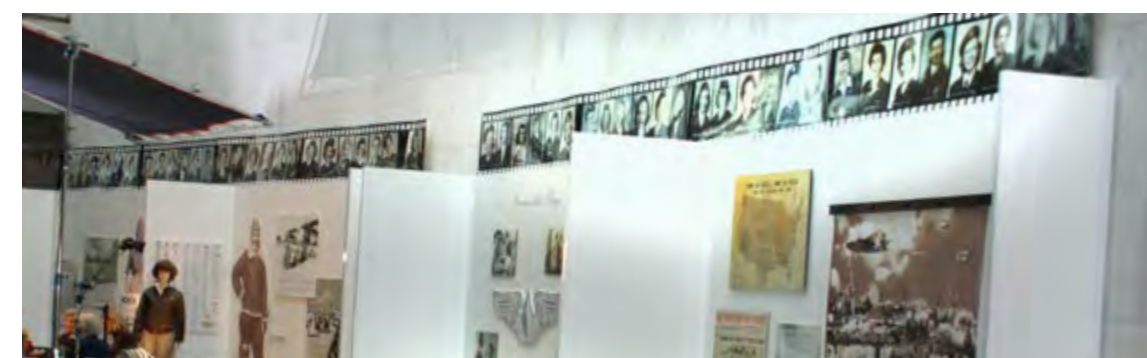
SIX WASP FILMSTRIPS @ 30' long and 2' tall.

Faces of women pilots who graduated from training and became WASP are featured, along with their name in training and their class number.

Filmstrips are created with 10 mil laminate, are flexible and can be attached to wall with carpet tacks or nails.



Wings Over the Rockies, Denver, Colorado



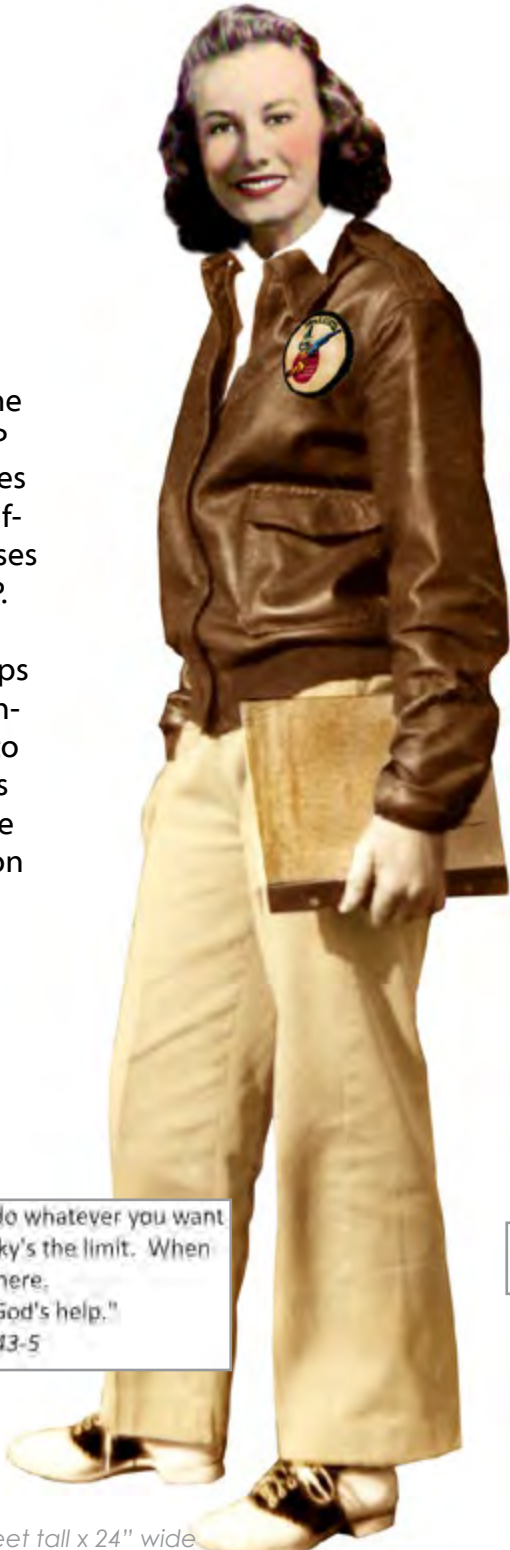
Women in Military Service to America Memorial, Arlington, VA



WASP 7' TALL STANDUPS

Designed to be interspersed with the illustrated history panels, the WASP Standups include inspirational quotes from the WASP and represent the different uniforms, commands and phases of training and service of the WASP.

These waterproof cardboard standups can be applied to the wall with pushpins placed outside the cardboard to steady the surface. Each standup is completed by the cardboard plaque with the WASP name, her information and an inspirational quote.



"You either had a chance of doing it (at Camp Davis), or go home. Those who wanted transfers went home! We did what we were assigned to do, With no regrets."
Ruth Thomason Florey 43-4

"It is natural for a person to seek happiness in life; however, I believe that this desirable aim is never achieved if one attempts to find it directly. Instead, happiness is found indirectly as a by-product from devoted service to the lives of others."
Marie Mountain Clark, 44-1

"Put God first family next, and then do whatever you want to do, or whatever's needed. The sky's the limit. When you're needed, be there. You can do anything with God's help."
Marion Hodgson, 43-5

"As for me, I want my life to be a legacy of love!"
Anita Paul (a.k.a. Sister Teresa) 44-6

3 fold standup-- seven feet tall x 44" wide

3 fold standup-- seven feet tall x 24" wide

3 fold standup-- seven feet tall x 34" wide



The Beginning-ATC



New Castle Army Air Field, Delaware

September 10, 1942:

Brig. Gen. Harold L. George, Chief of the Air Transport Command and Mrs. Nancy Love, a Civil Service employee of the ATC and a commercially rated pilot, issue a joint public announcement that 'qualified women pilots will be hired to ferry military aircraft within the Continental United States'. Women pilots must have a minimum of 500 hours.

December 31, 1942:

A total of **27 women pilots have been hired, each signing a 90 day contract with an option for renewal.** Assigned to New Castle Army Air Base, the group forms a squadron called: 'Women's Auxiliary Ferrying Squadron'. Women ferry pilots are nicknamed: 'WAFS'. Mrs. Nancy Love in charge. By the end of 1942, most WAFS have ferried Piper Cubs and a few military primary trainers. Official orders are issued by ATC: **'Enroll no more WAFS'**

Poster on foam core 32" wide x 31 1/2" tall

The Beginning-319th FTD

Houston Municipal Airport, Houston, Texas

September 15, 1942:

319th Women's Flying Training Detachment, created by Ms. Jacqueline Cochran, America's foremost woman pilot, officially approved by Gen. Hap Arnold, Chief of AAF. Ms. Cochran named as Director of Women Pilots.

November 15, 1942:

28 qualified women pilots, with a minimum of 200 hours, enter the AAF flying training program at Houston Municipal Airport, Houston, Texas as members of the 319th WFTD. Women trainees nicknamed 'Woofeds'. At Houston Municipal Airport, the first women trainees arrive, take the military oath and begin Army Air Force flight training.



Poster on foam core 32" wide x 31 1/2" tall



WASP TRAINEE'S MASCOT



FIFINELLA

Fifinella was created by Walt Disney animators who were inspired by a story written by Roald Dahl. Using the Disney cartoon character illustrations, Roald Dahl later turned his story into a book, 'The Gremlins'.

The little Fifinella character had been languishing in the 'future projects' files in the Disney Studios, awaiting development for the animated version of 'The Gremlins'. Mr. Disney received a request, through a relative of WASP trainee, Byrd Granger, to use Fifinella as the mascot of the newly created 319th Army Air Force's Flying Training Detachment in Houston, Texas.

Mr. Disney granted the request, and Fifinella first appeared as the name of the 319th's newsletter, the 'Fifinella Gazette', on February 10, 1943. She was soon known as 'FIFI'.

When the 319th Detachment was moved to Avenger Field and became the 318th, the little Fifi mascot moved with them. She was soon embedded on patches worn on every trainees' A-2 leather flying jacket.

Fifi's mission: 'Watch over them and keep them safe as they train to fly the Army Air Force's military aircraft in the skies over West Texas.'



Original artwork of Fifinella
Walt Disney Studios, 1942

Walt Disney's "Fifinella"
Official WASP Mascot

On Foam Core 24" x 48"



On PVC board 36" across

Entrance to Avenger Field



Avenger Field, Sweetwater, Texas is the only air field in history used exclusively to train women pilots to fly military aircraft. It is also the only field where all three phases of military flight training (primary, basic and advanced) were taught simultaneously.

WASP trainees were under the command of, and supervision of, 40 Army Air Force commissioned officers and 81 enlisted men, who were stationed at Avenger Field. Aviation Enterprises, Ltd. (civilian contractors), with 700 civilian employees, maintained the aircraft and facilities and trained, housed and fed the WASP trainees.

Poster on foam core 32" wide x 31 1/2" tall



Marching to Ground School

Trainees lived in wooden barracks with rooms called 'bays'. Six trainees lived in each bay, which contained 6 Army cots, 6 lockers, 2 study tables and 6 chairs. It was connected to another bay, with six more trainees, by a latrine, with 2 showers, 2 sinks and 2 commodes.

From bugle call at 6am to lights out, trainees were required to march everywhere they went. As they passed by the wishing well, they often tossed coins into the fountain and made a wish, usually to pass a check ride or an exam. It was also used to 'dunk' the first trainee to solo in each phase of training

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Primary Training

Winter of 1943: Trainees are weathered in due to a terrific snowstorm which blanketed West Texas and grounded all the aircraft at Avenger Field.

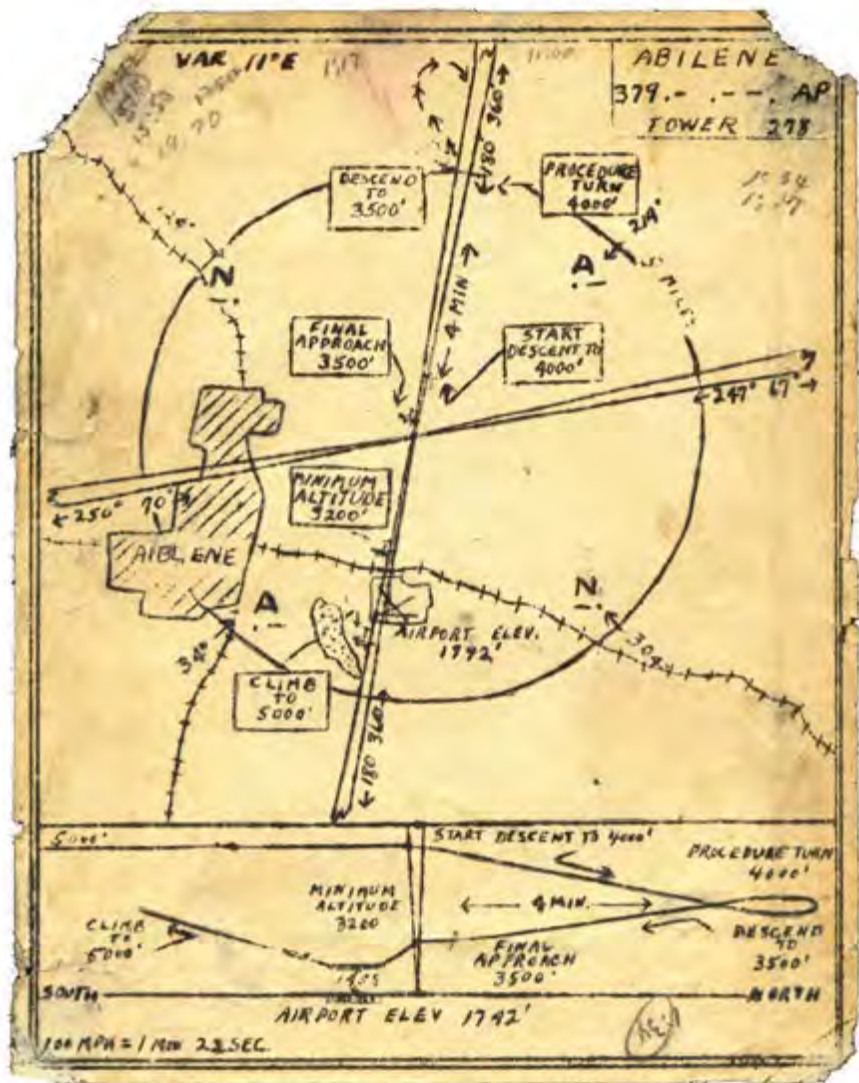
The primary phase of training (70 flying hours) was primarily flown from the auxiliary fields, due to the congestion of basic and advanced training planes flying from the main field. PT-19s (Fairchild) were flown until Nov. 1943, then phased out and replaced with PT-17s (Stearman).

One half of each day was spent on the flight line and one half in ground school (560 hours). College level required courses included physics, math, meteorology and navigation. Other requirements included Morse Code, physical education, Link Trainer, and military training.

Poster on foam core 32" wide x 31 1/2" tall



ABILENE RADIO RANGE, 1943



The Abilene Radio Range was one of many 'radio ranges' across America, used by pilots flying on IFR (instrument flight rules). This range was used by WASP trainees during basic training (instrument flying). Trainees learned to navigate using only instruments--and the Morse Code signals on their radios. AAF pilot training required trainees to fly 70 flying hours of instruments plus Link Trainer practice.

Poster on foam core 23,5" x 36"

Link Trainer



The Link Trainer was created in 1929 by Edwin Albert Link, out of the need for a safe way to teach pilots how to fly by INSTRUMENT FLIGHT RULES.

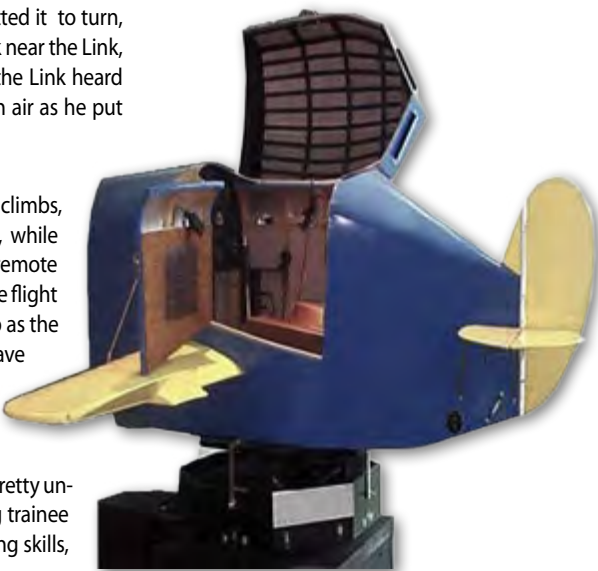
During WWII, this basic instrument trainer, known to tens of thousands of fledgling pilots as "The Blue Box," was standard equipment at every military basic training school in the US, including Avenger Field. More than 500,000 US pilots were trained on these Link simulators.

Every WASP trainee was required to pass the 'Link Trainer' course before she could move out of the instrument phase of flight training and into the advanced phase.

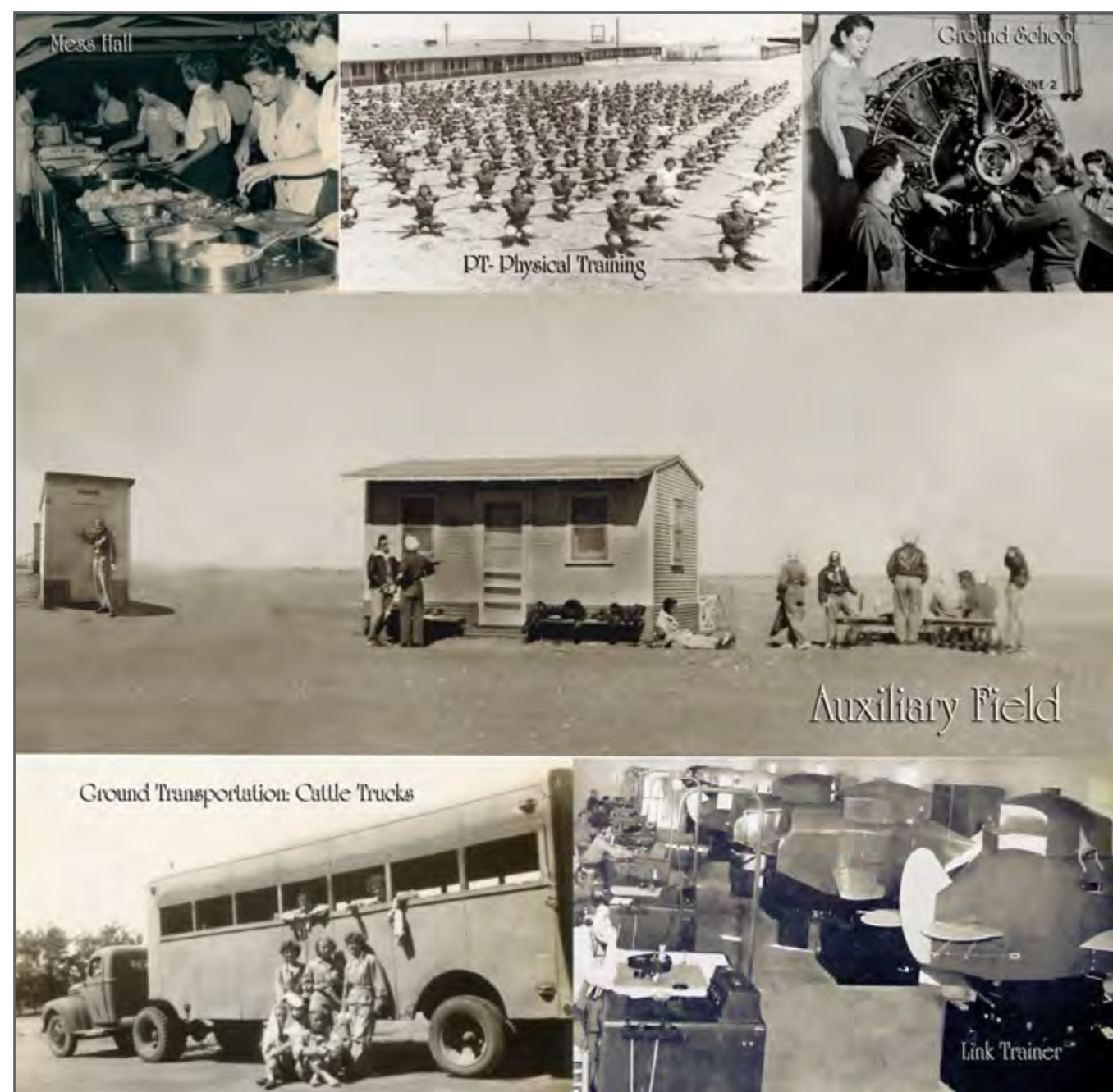
The Link was mounted on a base, which permitted it to turn, tilt, and bounce. The instructor, who sat at a desk near the Link, transmitted radio signals, which the trainee in the Link heard through her ear phones. He would create rough air as he put the trainee through simulated flight conditions.

The trainee "flew" the Link through various turns, climbs, and descends by relying solely on its instruments, while her flying route was being traced in red ink by a remote "bug" on a map on the instructor's table. After the flight was completed, the trainee would study the map as the instructor pointed out any mistakes she might have made.

There was no air conditioning in these Link trainers, so on a hot West Texas day, it would get pretty uncomfortable inside this 'blue box'. Many a young trainee almost crashed and burned--not from lack of flying skills, but from the heat!



Poster on foam core 24" x 28"



Poster on foam core 32" wide x 31 1/2" tall



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SILVER WASP WINGS

Authorized to be worn by all women pilots flying military aircraft for the United States Army Air Forces during World War II.

On April 5, 1943, 10 days before the graduation ceremony of the first class of women pilots to complete the Army Air Forces flight training program, the Commanding General of the Civil Control Administration issued a memo: "Graduates of the Civil Control Administration will be entitled to pilot. Only history personnel of the United States will be authorized to pilot. Only history personnel of the United States will be authorized to pilot. Only history personnel of the United States will be authorized to pilot."

Director Jacqueline Goddard is hospitalized and cannot be reached. Mrs. Goddard, WAFS Staff Executive, asks and tells to Mr. Goddard, National Travel Director. He suggests "Jackie would wear these right to home wings. Take care of it and send her the bill."

One day later, 15 Allied Bombers have 22 pairs of regulations sets. After pilot wings and taken them to Taylor and Co. in Detroit, with the design approved by Mrs. Goddard, which includes the class number and "WAFS" attached to the star.

In November, 1943, the first official WASP wings were awarded to the graduates of Class 43W-8. Mrs. Goddard knew how important "winning the wings" were to the graduates, so she picked up the bill. All subsequent graduates were awarded the same official wings.

General Hap Arnold had previously ordered that all women Army military aircraft would be known as "WASP". Therefore, they were all automatically awarded the official WASP wings.

There were two versions of these wings. However, the only difference was in the cut of the bottoms. The front boards in the center symbolized inheritance for women was the same in both designs.

These official WASP wings were slightly smaller than the standard Army Air Forces wings. In the current Air Force wings, worn by military pilots.



CLASS 43W-1 & CLASS 43W-2

Wings for Class 43W-1 and 43W-2 were identical except for the class number on the shield. Both received with the Silver Wasp Wing Transport Attachment in Houston.



CLASS 43W-7

Wings awarded to class 43W-7 were new original wings, but differ in that they feature "WAFS" instead of the regular "T" wing design to signify.



CLASS 43W-8

Class 43W-8 was scheduled to be awarded the first regulation official WASP wings. When they failed to arrive, AMCCO wings were found. In great haste, the center part of the shield could not properly cut these and the new "WAFS" language substituted.



CLASSES 43W-4, 43W-5, 43W-6

Wings for these classes were created from original wings, in regulation pilot wings, with no flight board. While the original shield was not using the "WASP" word and this shield were then applied.



CLASSES 44W-1 through 44W-10

Classes 44W-1 through 44W-10 received the new official WASP wings. The standard official wings in the center is the history, symbol for women.



WAFS

The women pilots trained by the Air Transport Command during the war were designated A.T.C. civilian pilot. Regulation official WASP wings were awarded. The shield border is red and blue instead of yellow and black. It is known as the "WAFS" wings. The "WAFS" wings were awarded to the women pilots.



"My favorite word? Honor!
That, to me, is more than a word.
I mean, that's a way of life.
I'd die for honor!"
Shutsy Reynolds, 44-5

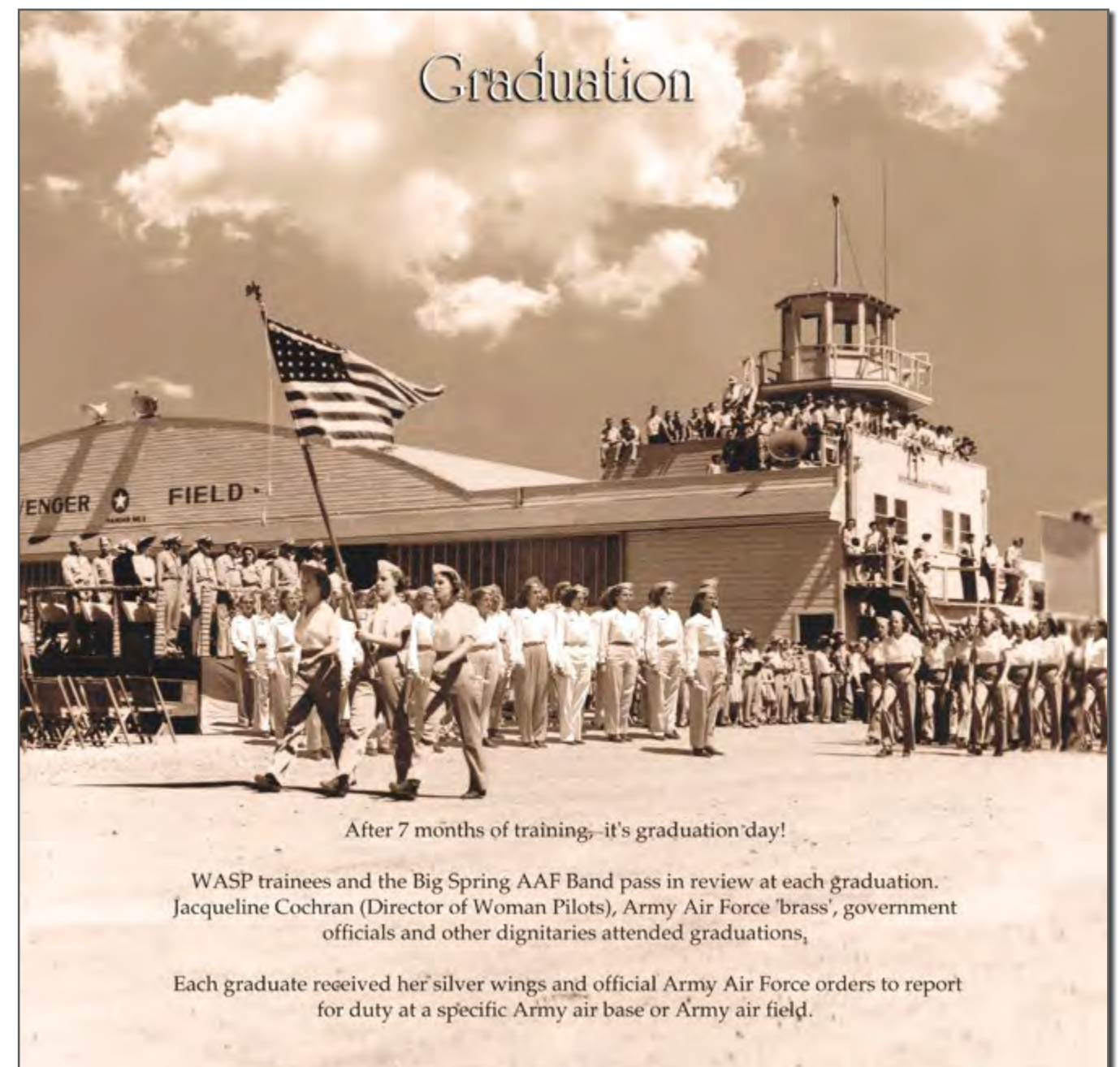
STANDUP: 7' x 2'

Silver Wings under glass 24" x 36"
requires special hardware to hang SHIPPED IN SPECIAL CRATE



"It was both an honor and a privilege to serve this country during some of the darkest days of WWII. We did things that were dangerous, that's what it took in order to keep this country free. I believed it then, I still believe it today, with God's help, nothing is impossible."
Deanie Bishop Parrish, 44-4

STANDUP: 7' x 2'



Poster on foam core 32" wide x 31 1/2" tall





WASP FLYING ASSIGNMENTS

Tow target pilots
 B-26s to train gunners for combat
 A-25s and A-26s for anti-aircraft practice
 AT-6 for pursuit pilot proficiency
 Engineering test pilots
 Cargo/utility pilots
 Administrative pilots
 Ferry pilots
 from factories to points of embarkation
 from factories to bases
 base to base
 to salvage areas
 Troop carrier pilots
 Top secret transport for atomic bomb project
 Weather observation pilots
 Smoke laying
 Flying drone planes
 Radar tracking
 Flying gliders
 Instrument instructors
 Bombing range runs to train bombardiers
 Navigation training flights
 Flight checks for returning overseas pilots
 Night target towing
 Radar deception missions
 Piloting radio-controlled aircraft
 Flying B-26s to prove to male pilots they were safe
 Flying B-29s to prove to male pilots they were safe
 Instrument safety pilots
 Check pilots
 Flying pursuits for photographic 'shooting'
 Flying pursuits for range estimation
 Searchlight missions
 Slow timing aircraft engines
 Instrument safety pilots
 Towing gliders
 Instrument calibration missions

There are values that are important, and those are the values we lived by: you are responsible for your actions; there's right and there's wrong; sexual relations are for marriage; marriage is for life; and a strong faith in God. I think, if you had those characteristics, that any generation could change the world."

Ruth Daily Helm, 43-2



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STANDUP: 7' x 2'

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Poster on foam core 20" wide x 32" tall

WASP DUTY STATIONS 1942 - 1944



Map on stretch canvas frame 40" x 30"
Hang with hardware

ALABAMA

WAFS Crews, Nancy B. (Batson)
43-4 Bane, Elizabeth (Mitchell)
43-5 Segallin, Margaret Cn(Cox)
43-6 Bullock, Martha L (Smith)
43-8 Stamps, Kathryn
44-6 Hansen, Mary B. (Brendenbach)

ARKANSAS

44-6 Crockett, Geraldine M.(Tribble)
43-8 Barnes, Imogene
44-10 White, Betty (Fulbright)

COLORADO

43-4 Trebing, Mary E.
43-5 Trick, Marion (Carlstrom)
43-7 Folk, Eleanor C (Bryant)
43-7 Clark, Betty J
43-8 Brown, Ruth (Humphreys)
43-8 Martin, Dorl M (Marland)
44-2 Pattee, Anna Mae (Pettyes)
43-5 Frink, Ann M (Brothers)
44-5 Miller, Jane C (Dyde)
44-5 McCaffrey, Peggy M (Moynihan)
44-6 Gaufman, Jane C (Norton)
44-7 Pickerton, Bernice M (Dannefer)
44-9 Harman, Jean D (Downey)
44-9 Htner, Phyllis (Lee)
44-10 Seidenberg, Carmel (LaTora)

OHIO

43-4 Schaefer, Helen M
43-4 McConkey, Mary C (Wilson)
43-5 Johnson, Ruth C (Carter)
43-5 St. Martin, Eugenia (Garvin)
43-5 Robart, Annabelle (Kekic)
43-5 Blaylock, Lorraine (Stekel)
43-6 Hurlburt, Margaret M
43-6 Stevenson, Margaret R (Kirchner)
43-6 Cook, Carol E (Webb)
43-7 Marsh, Marie E (Barrett)
43-7 Bosca, Caro (Bayley)
43-8 Glendinning, Donna S (Spellick)
44-1 Brinkford, Betty J (Rutherford)
44-1 Vaughn, Eleanor (Hinkle)
44-1 Jenkins, Jeannette Jean
44-1 Adams, Ruth
44-2 Campbell, Virginia D (Dulaney)
44-2 Zimmer, Leona H (Golbinic)
44-2 Heiman, Kathryn F
44-2 Kell, Mary Ellen
44-2 Bergemann, Clarice J (Siddall)
44-4 Thurston, Harriet M
44-4 Dourdeville, Mary M (Brown)
44-5 Wethey, Dortha E (Sexten)
44-5 Wiltsee, Anne (TePas)
44-5 Hubbard, Virginia M (Williams)
44-6 Niehoff, Betty (LeVeaux)
44-6 Saunders, Marilyn (Miller)
44-6 McCurrah, Wilda W (Winfield)
44-9 Gordon, Mary Ann (Baldner)
44-9 Baron, Anna C (Beiliveau)
44-9 Ransom, Elizabeth W (Davis)
44-9 Nicot, Marjorie (Osborne)
44-9 Wilkinson, Mary (Regaluto Jones)
44-9 Turner, Betty S (Stag)
44-10 Gaunce, Martha B (Blair)
44-10 Temme, Margaret E (Eger)
44-10 Miller, Thelma K (Hench)
44-10 Thokey, Louise (Magoon)
44-10 Harlan, Betty S (Stabler)
44-10 Leckie, June S (Wolfe)

MINNESOTA

WAFS McElroy, Lenora L (McElroy)
43-4 Grant, Mary E (Hines)
43-4 Caldwell, Hazel W (Pracht)
43-5 Clayton, Sylvia D (Dahmes)
43-5 Finley, Ethel M (Meyer)
43-6 Roberts, Ruth
43-6 Currier, Ann (Waldner)
43-7 Hope, Virginia M
43-8 Browning, Marilyn L (Seafield)
44-1 Murphy, Catherine A
44-1 Strohus, Elizabeth B (Wall)
44-2 Twito, Margaret E (Ethers)
44-2 Brady, Eleanor J (Peterson)
44-2 Lytle, Joan W (Whelan)
43-4 Erenberg, Betty Jane (Hanson)
44-5 Wright, Helen P "Patti" (Ordway)
44-6 Mayfield, Marion A (Hagen)
4-10 Kimpfort, Julia L (Loufek)

KENTUCKY

43-4 Born, Martha H (Bevins)
43-4 Kngle, Mary Edith
44-9 Chchoa, Frances D. (Stroud)

GEORGIA

43-1 Howren, Evelyn (Greenblatt)
43-1 Johnson, Ann R.
43-4 Kidd, Louise
43-4 Hickerson, Gwendolyn E (Cowart)
43-4 Watson, Ann H. (Howell)
43-4 Menaching, Ruby E (Mullins)
43-4 Riviere, Margaret H (Reeves)
43-4 Raines, Hazel J (Raines)
43-5 Hodgson, Marion S. (Stegeman)
43-6 Waterer, Virginia (Broome)
43-6 Carreer, Mimi P (Platter)
43-6 Trammel, Evelyn L
43-7 Rinehart, Robbie (Grace)
43-7 Long, Mitchell
43-4 Ralnes, Hazel J (Raines)
43-5 Blake, Harriet T. (Train)
44-7 Campbell, M. Ellen (Wimberly)

WASHINGTON D.C.

43-1 Benesh, Lovelle (Richards)
43-1 Deacon, Marjorie (Ketchum)
43-1 Snapp, Helen Wyatt
43-1 Straghan, Jane S
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44-6 Lemley, Joan M (Michaels)
44-7 Lucas, Dorothy A (Smith)
44-7 Brookings, Frances W (Winter)
44-8 Horowitz, Carla H (Howard)
44-10 Davis, Helen P (Paine)

INDIANA

43-2 Trees, Ruth Grimmer(Trees)
43-4 Minton, Madge A. (Rutherford)
43-5 Williams, F. Virginian(Acher)
43-5 Ringenberg, Margaret (Ray)
43-5 Wheelwright, A. Lee (Leonard)
43-6 Scantland, Mary E
43-7 Hazzard, L. Ann (Morgan)
44-2 Stewart, Marjorie (Gilbert)
44-2 Palmer, Mildred W (Grossman)
44-2 Soard, Harriet Jean (Moore)
44-3 Norbeck, Jeanne L
44-4 Dourdeville, Mary M (Brown)
44-5 Anderson, Bette N (Richards)
44-5 Anderson, Norma A (Sisler)
44-6 O'Dell, Eleanor R (O'Dell)
44-6 Niehoff, Betty (LeVeaux)
44-6 Richey, Mary Anne (Showers)
44-10 Germaine, Mary Jo (Bardsley)
44-10 Gordon, Mary Ann (Martin)
44-10 Whiting, Elizabeth L (Phillips)

CONNECTICUT

43-6 Caldwell, Mildred C
43-6 Lawry, Eleanor L (Feeley)
43-8 Reck, Margot F
43-8 Milner, Marcia W (Wenzel)
44-1 Dary, Ann Russell
43-8 Bernhardt, Marguerite T (Tuffin)
44-6 Daley, Edith M (Craigin)
44-6 Powell, Margaret M (Godfrey)
44-7 Lotowycz, Grace E (Ashwell)
44-7 Burrill, Sylvia M (Miller)
44-7 Wysocki, Irene N (Norris)
44-9 Gleszer, Ann G (Griffin)
44-10 Celler, Helen B
44-10 Carter, Ann (Shaw)

MONTANA

43-5 Frassetto Monica (Flaherty)
43-5 Stortz, Caryl W (Jones)
43-5 Munch, Roberta E
43-5 Holland, Helen (Turner)
43-7 Durham, Lois (Bolein)
43-7 Martell, Isabel E (Tynon)
43-8 Ammerman, Esther (Mueller)
44-1 Smith, Mary (Beecham)
44-1 O'Rourke, Mary A (Jershin)
44-2 Warden, Eileen A (Kealy)
44-1 Rice, Alice L
44-3 Young, Lois A (Bristol)
44-4 Lent, Kristin S (Swan)
44-5 Nissel, Margaret L "Peggy"
44-5 Hammett, Dorothy L (Bancroft)
44-7 Kinney, Alberta A (Paskvan)

ILLINOIS

43-3 Fernandes, Betty A (Archibald)
43-3 McKown, Dora (Dougherty)
43-4 Richards, Faith B (Buchner)
43-4 Howerton, Constance L (Llewellyn)
43-4 Martin, Betty L (Naffz)
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43-4 Walters, Esther N (Reinholdt)
43-5 Christensen, Janice
43-5 Weigel, Irma (Cleveland)
43-5 Feyen, Leotta C (Cook)
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MASSACHUSETTS

WAFS Levalley, Gertrude T (Meserve)
43-4 Huber, Mary D (Darling)
43-3 Stinson, Isabel Fenton)
43-2 Brick, Katherine A (Menges)
43-4 Keefe, Lyda M (Cronshaw)
44-3 Richmond, Henrietta
43-6 Gibson, Patricia A (Bowler)
43-6 Monkiewicz, Anna L (Flynn)
43-6 Koecher, Margaret (Helburn)
43-6 Anonson, Moya (Mitchell)
43-6 Ware, Margery (Taylor)
43-6 Tibbets, Marion R (Tibbets)
44-10 Wyall, Mary Ann (Martin)
44-10 Whiting, Elizabeth L (Phillips)

MAINE

43-2 Erickson, Patricia C (Chadwick)
43-4 Phillips, Martha J (Potter)

FLORIDA

Cochran, Jacqueline
43-4 Lyman, Mary (Clifford)
43-4 Colburn, Dorothy R
43-4 Kestel, Mary N
43-4 Strehle, Katherine S (Loft)
43-4 Kelly, Willie P (Peacock)
43-4 Lundy, Elizabeth Sarah (Pearce)
43-5 Ebersbach, Dorothy Ellen
43-5 DeGray, Helen Irene (Fremd)
43-5 Sizemore, Marjorie T(Pope)
43-5 Lowewies, Elizabeth L(Carsey)
43-6 Jones, Catherine E
43-5 D'Meachem, Tex (Brown)
43-7 Irons, Katherine R (Cewis)
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MICHIGAN

WAFS Love, Nancy L (Harkness)
43-3 Trasky, Bertha (Link)
43-3 Medes, Beatrice A.T.
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44-4 Maloney, Florine P (Phillips)
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MAINE

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43-4 Phillips, Martha J (Potter)

IOWA

43-2 Anderson, Ann R.K.(Kary)
43-4 Gamber, Ruth I
43-4 Moorman, Dorothea M (Johnson)
43-4 Shultz, Dorothea G
43-5 Dunkle, Jean L (Livingston)
43-5 Cutler, Virginia (Streeter)
44-1 Beyer, Adele F
44-1 Hill, Madelon (Burcham)
44-1 Henry, Dorothy E
44-1 McDonald, Ethel D (Hoskins)
44-1 Clark, E. Marie (Mountain)
44-1 Eggleson, Madelyn M (Taylor)
44-2 Montgomery Alice M (Montgomery)
44-3 Bent, June E (Braun)
44-4 Arduengo, Marybelle J (Lyal)
44-5 Eno, Lillian D (Calkins)
44-5 Boshart, Martha M (Mace)
44-5 Moore, Madge (Louse)
44-5 Kleincke, Kathryn J
44-9 Chatham, Catherine (Parker)
44-9 Rumler, Esther L (Stahr)
44-10 Atkinson, Ann
44-10 Wagner, Mary J (Ceyanes)
44-10 McGinnis, Frances (Gimble)
44-10 Morrison, Nina K
44-10 Badger, Lerrie (Phillips)
44-10 Phillips, Ruth (Rees)
44-10 Sproat, Henrietta P (Speckels)

NEBRASKA

WAFS Sharp, Evelyn
43-4 Filesbach, Jane (Waite)
43-5 Clements, R. Grace
43-5 Munch, Roberta E
43-5 Holland, Helen (Turner)
43-7 Durham, Lois (Bolein)
43-7 Martell, Isabel E (Tynon)
43-8 Ammerman, Esther (Mueller)
44-1 Smith, Mary (Beecham)
44-1 O'Rourke, Mary A (Jershin)
44-2 Warden, Eileen A (Kealy)
44-1 Rice, Alice L
44-3 Young, Lois A (Bristol)
44-4 Lent, Kristin S (Swan)
44-5 Nissel, Margaret L "Peggy"
44-5 Hammett, Dorothy L (Bancroft)
44-10 Young, Millicent A (Peterson)

TEXAS

WAFS Watson, Florene (Miller)
43-1 Miller, Sidney
43-2 Buehner, Betty J (Bachman)
43-2 Helm, Ruth (Dailey)
43-2 Roberson, Florence L (Lawler)
43-3 Jones, Elaine
43-3 Berner Esther D (Poole)
43-4 Brennan, Ann B
43-4 Clair, Virginia (Clair)
43-4 Fender, Grace C (Clark)
43-4 Tilton, Mary Jo (Farley)
43-4 Dickerson, Rosa L. Meek (Fullwood)
43-4 Berkstresser, Betty (Heinrich)
43-4 Houser, Catherine M (Houser)
43-4 Hagerstrom, Virginia (Jowell)
43-4 Hessler, Elizabeth C (Chadwick)
43-4 Crout, Nancy Ruth (Lowe)
43-4 Collins, Bertha M (Miller)
43-4 Harris, Janice R (Tate)
43-4 Florey, Ruth T (Underwood)
43-5 Karl, Frances (Green)
43-5 Wheeler, Ruth (Hagemann)
43-6 Huesler, Ruth J (Myers)
43-6 Campbell, Jane (Thomas)
43-6 Lechow, Bernice (Moore)
43-6 Brooks, Hazel K (Pierce)
43-6 Jones, Grace R (Putnam)
43-6 Saunders, Velma Morrison
43-6 Beard, Louisa F (Thompson)
43-7 Myoss, Annabelle (Craft)
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43-4 DeBehnke, Nyla J (Cavette)
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43-5 Martin, Muriel V (Kiestler)
43-5 Moore, Madge (Louse)
43-6 Chappell, Mary H (Gosnell)
43-6 Richardson, Ava (Hamm)
43-6 Hanks, Nancy (Hanks)
43-6 Bretherick, Frankie (Lovvorn)
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43-7 Carder, Mildred E (Eckert)
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43-10 Phillips, Ruth (Rees)
43-10 Sproat, Henrietta P (Speckels)

PENNSYLVANIA

WAFS Fulton, Phyllis B (Burchfield)
WAFS James, Theresa D
43-2 Gery, Ellen H
43-2 Harden, Emily (Hiester)
43-2 Ruple, Martha D (Wagenseil)
43-3 Ware, Emma (Coulter)
43-3 Qualls, Vilma (Lazar)
43-4 Edwards, Marian J (Bradley)
43-4 King, Kittie (Leanning)
43-4 D'Amby, Jeanne Perot
43-5 Mulligan, Pauline (Marklie)
43-5 Sheffer, Helen B (Porter)
43-5 Richey, Helen
43-6 Webster, Mary R (Davoly)
43-6 Sullivan, Elizabeth M (McGeorge)
43-6 Middleton, Alice L
43-6 Brooks, Hazel K (Pierce)
43-6 Jones, Grace R (Putnam)
43-6 Saunders, Velma Morrison
43-6 Beard, Louisa F (Thompson)
43-7 Myoss, Annabelle (Craft)
43-7 Isbill, Marian
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43-2 Potter, Rose L (Puett)
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43-3 Chapman-Master, Mary Helen (Crane)
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43-3 Wallace, Mary T (Gillmore)
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43-3 Paschich, Beryl O (Owens)
43-3 Rees, Jimmie P (Parker)
43-4 Richter, Hazel Sue
43-4 Johnson, Leta M (Enll)
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43-10 Phillips, Ruth (Rees)
43-10 Sproat, Henrietta P (Speckels)

SOUTH DAKOTA

43-3 Nielsen, Laurie Y
43-4 Cowden, Violet C (Thurn)
43-4 Wright, Maxine A (Nolt)
43-8 MacKenzie, Loes M (Monk)
43-4 Christiansen, Marjorie (Redding)
44-7 Rexroat, Ola Mildred

SOUTH CAROLINA

43-5 Ledbetter, Julie E
43-6 Yates, Virginia H (Yates)
43-5 Linder, Codye Gwen (Clinkscales)
44-7 Williams, Vvian Mae (Williams)
44-8 Brown, Eula "Betty" (Morton)
44-10 Mayes, Nancy L

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WAFS Fulton, Phyllis B (Burchfield)
WAFS James, Theresa D
43-2 Gery, Ellen H
43-2 Harden, Emily (Hiester)
43-2 Ruple, Martha D (Wagenseil)
43-3 Ware, Emma (Coulter)
43-3 Qualls, Vilma (Lazar)
43-4 Edwards, Marian J (Bradley)
43-4 King, Kittie (Leanning)
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43-4 Cowden, Violet C (Thurn)
43-4 Wright, Maxine A (Nolt)
43-8 MacKenzie, Loes M (Monk)
43-4 Christiansen, Marjorie (Redding)
44-7 Rexroat, Ola Mildred

WEST VIRGINIA

43-6 Johnson, Nancy Ruth (Johnson)
43-6 Johnson, Capitola (Whittaker)
43-6 Crum, Irene I
43-6 Leahy, Irene M (McConihay)
44-7 Cross, Betty M (Roth)

NORTH DAKOTA

43-4 Mason, Viola (Thompson)
44-6 Nemhauser, Vivian G (Gilchrist)

MISSISSIPPI

43-3 McCormick, Margaret E
43-6 Brown, Rebecca H (Edwards)
44-3 Pine, Mary Louise
44-5 Fornal, Alma L (Newsom)

43-6 Fanslau, Dorothy (Fanslau)

ARIZONA

43-4 Kesti, Eileen M. (Roach)
43-5 Pozzobon, Helen (Hague)
43-6 Jackson, Evelyn M (Stewart)
43-7 Hunt, Frances M (Thompson)
43-8 Kempson, Effie M (Pratt)
44-1 Mitchell, Martha A (Wilkins)
44-3 Welch, Norine P (Patterson)
44-4 Petsch, Jina C (Barkley)
44-4 Russo, Anabel L (Earp)
44-4 Tisaw, Della (Greenling)
44-6 Scatena, Dorothea B (Revard)
44-7 Cunningham, L. Jane (Harris)
44-8 Killen, Marguerite "Ty" (Hughes)
44-10 Hash, Virginia

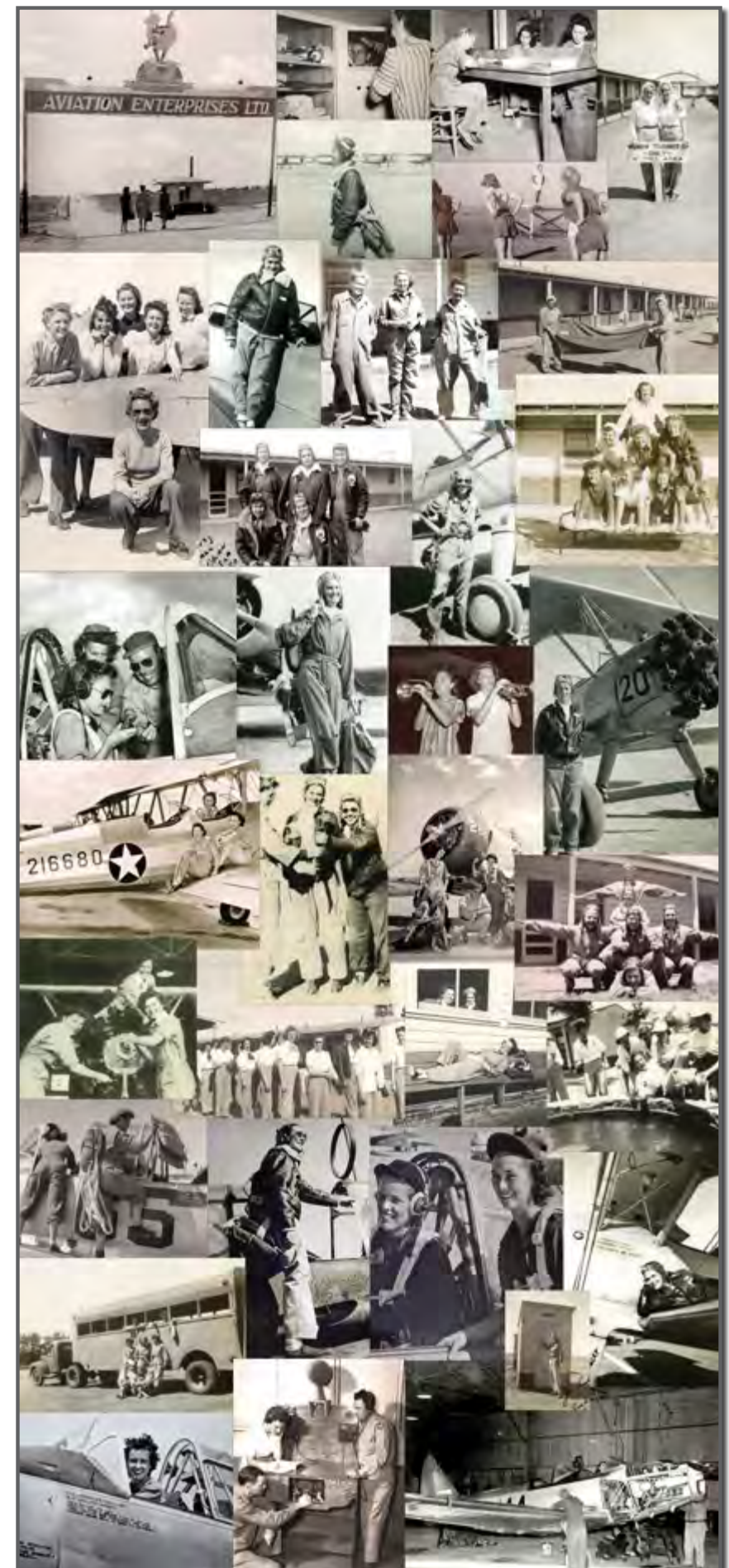
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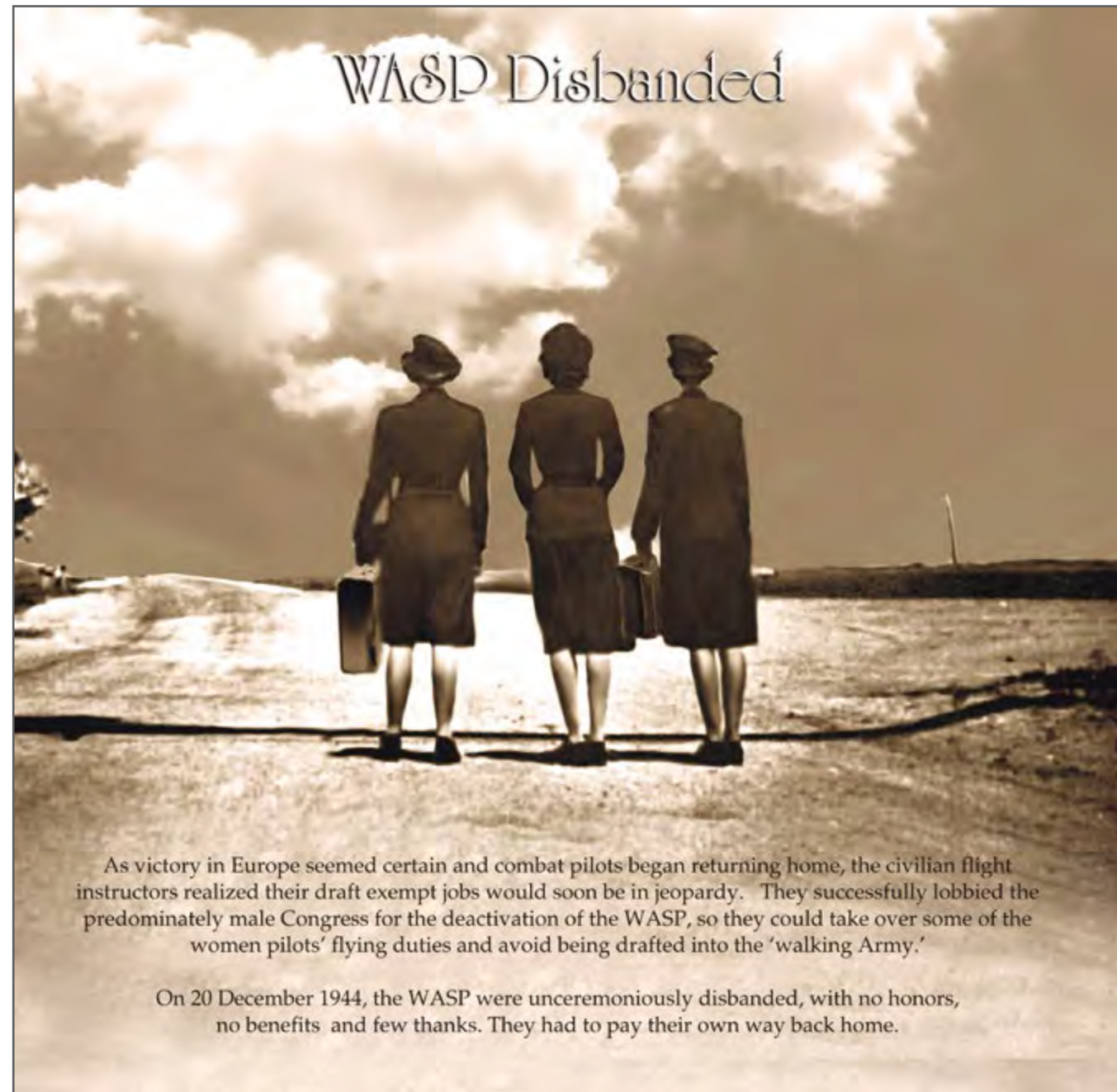
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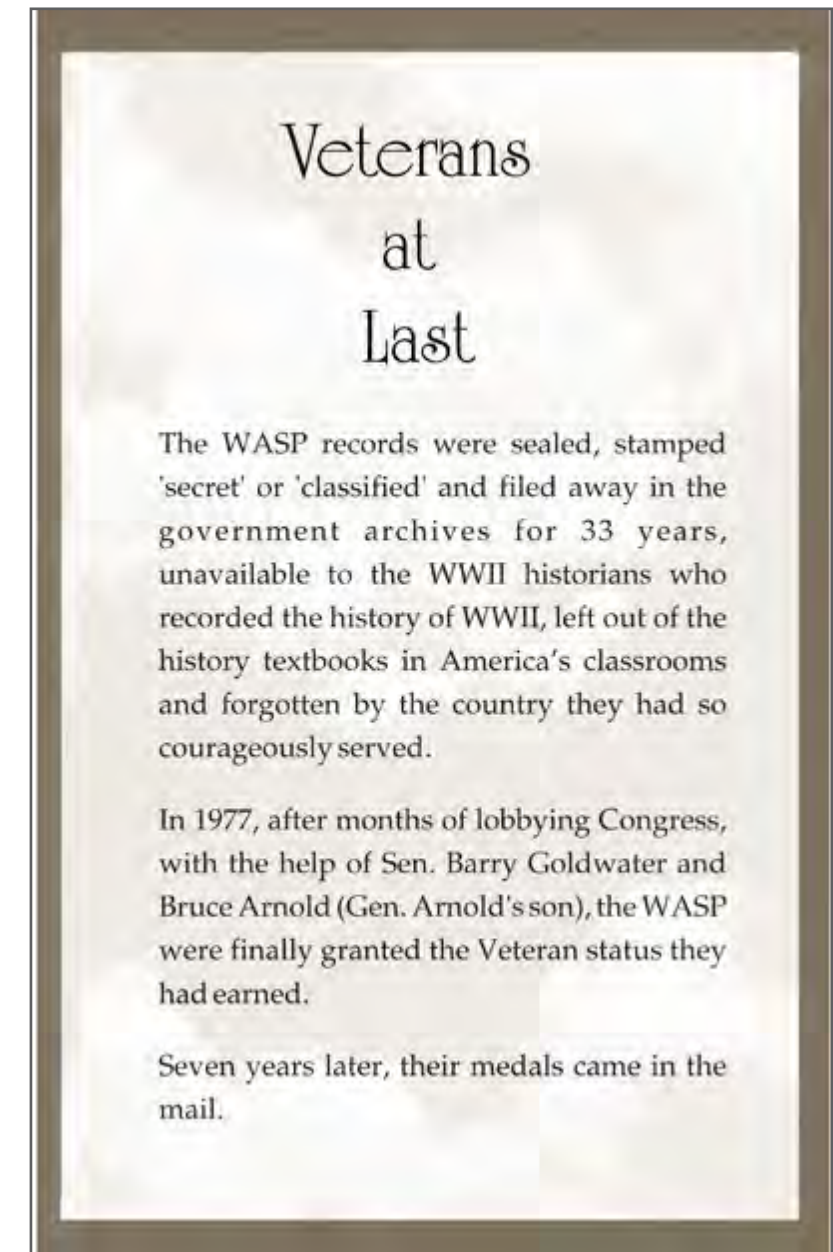
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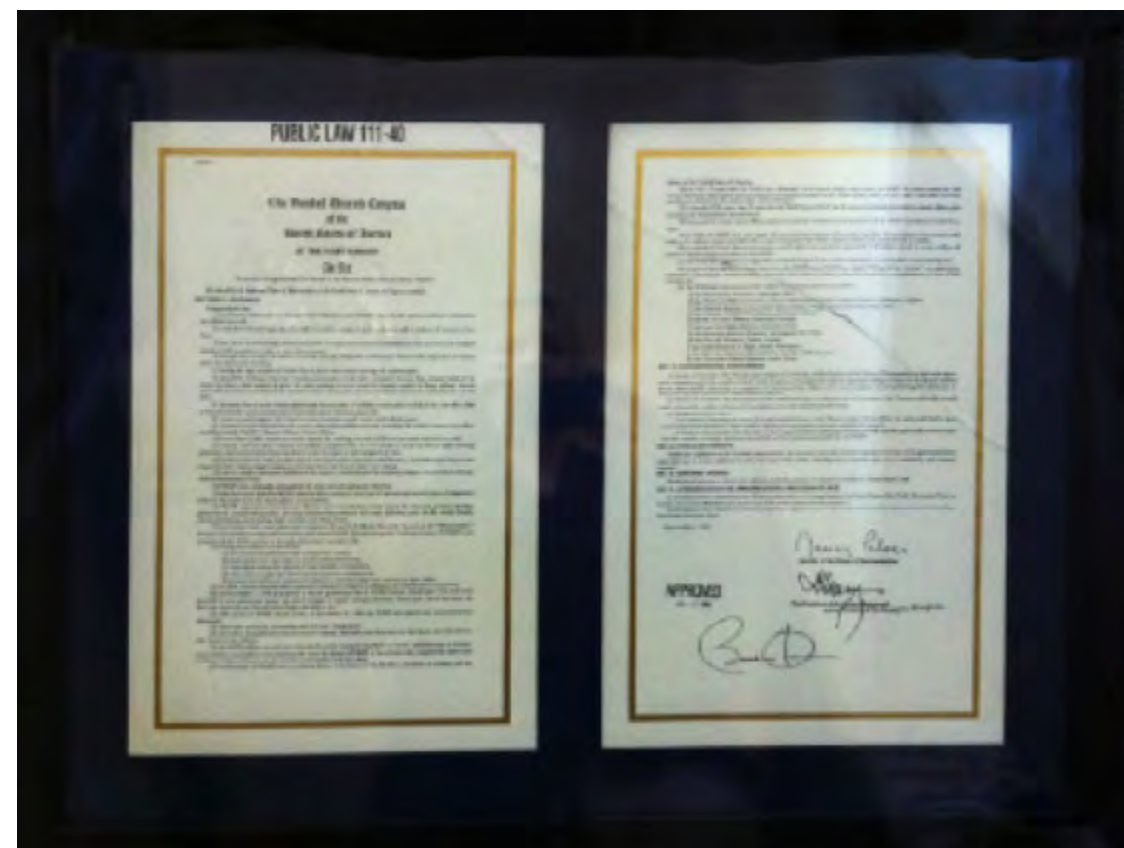
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Poster on foam core 32" wide x 31 1/2" tall

33 Years Later: 1977



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Poster on foam core 20" wide x 32" tall

66 Years Later: 2010



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Congressional Bill framed 18" x 24"



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Congressional Medal shadowbox
13" x 16"



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Poster on foam core 32" wide x 31 1/2"
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NASP MOSAIC KEY-

with names and locations of every WASP in mosaic.

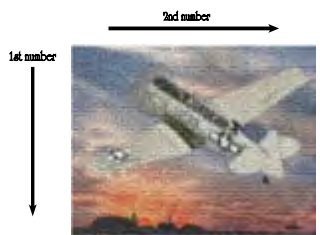
2 panels on pvc board: 24" x 48" each



The 'FACES OF THE WASP MOSAIC' is made up of the faces of the 1,102 WASP who flew for the Army Air Forces during WWII

The face of each WASP can be seen at least 4 or 5 times at different locations in the Mosaic.

- To find the face of a specific WASP:
1. Look up her name as it was while in WASP training.
 2. Her name will be followed by several brackets with two numbers inside each bracket.
 3. The first number in each bracket is the vertical count.
 4. The second number is the horizontal count.



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Final Tribute

"Let us acknowledge the measure of their sacrifice by honoring them as brave women, and by honoring them as women who served without thought of glory which we accord to heroes of battle. The service pilot faces the risk of death without the emotional inspiration of combat. Men who battle in the sky have the grim, triumphant knowledge that their bombs and bullets are destroying the enemy, and their courage is sustained by the emotions of conflict.

These women have given their lives in the performance of arduous and exacting duties without being able to see and feel the final results of their work under the quickening influence of aerial action. They have demonstrated a courage which is sustained not by the fevers of combat, but the steady heartbeat of faith—a faith in the rightness of our cause, and a faith in the importance of their work to the men who do go into combat.

Let us pay tribute to these women by honoring their memory . . .
Let us treasure their memory as women whose sacrifice has brought honor not only to their country, but also to their organization.

We shall not forget the accomplishments of our women fliers and their contributions to the fulfillment of our mission. And we shall always keep and remember the brave heritage of the women who gave their lives. It is the heritage of faith in victory and faith in the ultimate freedom of humanity."

General Barton K. Yount
Commanding General, Army Air Forces Training Command
December 7, 1944

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Poster on foam core -- 24" x 36"

MEMORIAL TO THE FALLEN 38

Women Pilots
Killed flying for our country.



Includes an authentic
6' x 9' 48-star American Flag
and ABOVE & BEYOND: a v54" x 68" canvas
featuring the names & faces of the '38.'

Jane Dolores Champlin

Class 43-W-4

Born May 14, 1917 Chicago, Illinois
Graduate: Chicago High School
Entered Army Air Force Flight Training, Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
Stationed: Fort Worth, Texas, September 11, 1944
On March 14, 1945, WASP Trainer Jane Champlin was killed in a crash landing on a training flight near Sweetwater, Texas.



Lea Ola McDonald

Class 44-W-3

Born October 12, 1921, Hollywood, Kansas
Attended: Wayland Baptist College
Week 10, 1944, Sweetwater, Texas
Stationed: Sweetwater, Texas, October 1, 1944
On August 1, 1944, WASP Lea McDonald was killed in a crash landing on a training flight near Sweetwater, Texas.



WASP Lea McDonald was killed in a crash landing on a training flight near Sweetwater, Texas, August 1, 1944.

Alice E. Loring

Class 43-W-5

Born 1918, Scandinavia, New York
Entered Army Air Force Flight Training, Sweetwater, Texas, April 6, 1944
Stationed: Sweetwater, Texas, April 6, 1944
On August 1, 1944, WASP Alice Loring was killed in a crash landing on a training flight near Sweetwater, Texas.



WASP Alice Loring was killed in a crash landing on a training flight near Sweetwater, Texas, August 1, 1944.

Dorothy Mae Dottie Nichols

Class 43-W-2

Born 1918, San Diego, California
Graduate: UCCLA
Entered Army Air Force Flight Training, Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
Stationed: Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
On August 1, 1944, WASP Dorothy Nichols was killed in a crash landing on a training flight near Sweetwater, Texas.



WASP Dorothy Nichols was killed in a crash landing on a training flight near Sweetwater, Texas, August 1, 1944.

Marie Mitchell Robinson

Class 44-W-2

Born 1918, Michigan
Graduate: Northern Park Junior College, San Antonio, Texas
Entered Army Air Force Flight Training, Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
Stationed: Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
On October 2, 1944, WASP Marie Robinson was killed in a crash landing on a training flight near Sweetwater, Texas.



WASP Marie Robinson was killed in a crash landing on a training flight near Sweetwater, Texas, October 2, 1944.

Betty Pauline Pini

Class 44-W-2

Born Fort Worth, Texas
Attended: University of Arizona
Entered Army Air Force Flight Training, Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
On February 25, 1944, WASP Betty Pini was killed in a crash landing on a training flight near Sweetwater, Texas.



WASP Betty Pini was killed in a crash landing on a training flight near Sweetwater, Texas, February 25, 1944.

Susan Parker Clarke

Class 44-W-2

Born 1918, Cooperstown, New York
Graduate: High School
Entered Army Air Force Flight Training, Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
Stationed: Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
On August 1, 1944, WASP Susan Clarke was killed in a crash landing on a training flight near Sweetwater, Texas.



Mary E. Hartson

Class 43-W-5

Born January 11, 1917, Portland, Oregon
Graduate: Washington High School, Portland, Oregon
Entered Army Air Force Flight Training, Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
Stationed: Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
On August 1, 1944, WASP Mary Hartson was killed in a crash landing on a training flight near Sweetwater, Texas.



WASP Mary Hartson was killed in a crash landing on a training flight near Sweetwater, Texas, August 1, 1944.

Peggy Wilson Martin

Class 44-W-4

Born February 6, 1912, Seattle, Washington
Entered Army Air Force Flight Training, Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
Stationed: Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
On August 1, 1944, WASP Peggy Martin was killed in a crash landing on a training flight near Sweetwater, Texas.



WASP Peggy Martin was killed in a crash landing on a training flight near Sweetwater, Texas, August 1, 1944.

Mary Louise Webster

Class 44-W-6

Born June 30, 1919, Elmendorf, Washington
Attended: Central Washington State College
Entered Army Air Force Flight Training, Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
Stationed: Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
On August 1, 1944, WASP Mary Webster was killed in a crash landing on a training flight near Sweetwater, Texas.



WASP Mary Webster was killed in a crash landing on a training flight near Sweetwater, Texas, August 1, 1944.

Bettie Mae Scott

Class 44-W-3

Born July 25, 1921, Monterey, California
Graduate: Arcadia Junior High School
Entered Army Air Force Flight Training, Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
Stationed: Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
On August 1, 1944, WASP Bettie Scott was killed in a crash landing on a training flight near Sweetwater, Texas.



WASP Bettie Scott was killed in a crash landing on a training flight near Sweetwater, Texas, August 1, 1944.

Marian Teers

Class 43-W-8

Born Aberdeen, Idaho
Graduate: Idaho State Normal School
Entered Army Air Force Flight Training, Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
Stationed: Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
On August 1, 1944, WASP Marian Teers was killed in a crash landing on a training flight near Sweetwater, Texas.



WASP Marian Teers was killed in a crash landing on a training flight near Sweetwater, Texas, August 1, 1944.

Margerie Laverne Davis

Class 44-W-4

Born 1918, San Francisco, California
Graduate: Stanford University
Entered Army Air Force Flight Training, Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
Stationed: Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
On August 1, 1944, WASP Margerie Davis was killed in a crash landing on a training flight near Sweetwater, Texas.



Katherine "Kay" Applegate Prussing

Class 44-W-1

Born Dayton, Washington
Graduate: Hamilton High School
Entered Army Air Force Flight Training, Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
Stationed: Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
On August 1, 1944, WASP Katherine Prussing was killed in a crash landing on a training flight near Sweetwater, Texas.



WASP Katherine Prussing was killed in a crash landing on a training flight near Sweetwater, Texas, August 1, 1944.

Mary Holmes Housen

Class 44-W-1

Born February 16, 1919, Wapiti, Pennsylvania
Graduate: Smith College
Entered Army Air Force Flight Training, Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
Stationed: Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
On August 1, 1944, WASP Mary Housen was killed in a crash landing on a training flight near Sweetwater, Texas.



WASP Mary Housen was killed in a crash landing on a training flight near Sweetwater, Texas, August 1, 1944.

Edith Edy Clayton Keene

Class 44-W-1

Born 1918, Montana
Graduate: Montana State University
Entered Army Air Force Flight Training, Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
Stationed: Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
On August 1, 1944, WASP Edith Keene was killed in a crash landing on a training flight near Sweetwater, Texas.



WASP Edith Keene was killed in a crash landing on a training flight near Sweetwater, Texas, August 1, 1944.

Jeanne Louellen Norbeck

Class 44-W-3

Born November 15, 1912, California
Graduate: Washington State College, Pullman, Washington
Entered Army Air Force Flight Training, Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
Stationed: Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
On August 1, 1944, WASP Jeanne Norbeck was killed in a crash landing on a training flight near Sweetwater, Texas.



WASP Jeanne Norbeck was killed in a crash landing on a training flight near Sweetwater, Texas, August 1, 1944.

Frances Fortune Grimes

Class 43-W-8

Born 1918, Maryland
Graduate: Howard University
Entered Army Air Force Flight Training, Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
Stationed: Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
On August 1, 1944, WASP Frances Grimes was killed in a crash landing on a training flight near Sweetwater, Texas.



WASP Frances Grimes was killed in a crash landing on a training flight near Sweetwater, Texas, August 1, 1944.

Mary Elizabeth Erickson

Class 44-W-6

Born April 24, 1921, Seattle, Washington
Graduate: High School
Entered Army Air Force Flight Training, Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
Stationed: Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
On August 1, 1944, WASP Mary Erickson was killed in a crash landing on a training flight near Sweetwater, Texas.



Hazel Ying Lee

Class 43-W-8

Born August 1912, Portland, Oregon
Attended: Commerce High School, Portland, Oregon
Entered Army Air Force Flight Training, Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
Stationed: Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
On August 1, 1944, WASP Hazel Lee was killed in a crash landing on a training flight near Sweetwater, Texas.



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Paula Ruth Loop

Class 43-W-2

Born August 25, 1916, Wichita, Oklahoma
Graduate: Oklahoma College for Women
Entered Army Air Force Flight Training, Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
Stationed: Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
On August 1, 1944, WASP Paula Loop was killed in a crash landing on a training flight near Sweetwater, Texas.



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Beverly Jean Moses

Class 44-W-3

Born December 21, 1920, Dan Minner, Iowa
Graduate: All Saints School
Entered Army Air Force Flight Training, Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
Stationed: Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
On August 1, 1944, WASP Beverly Moses was killed in a crash landing on a training flight near Sweetwater, Texas.



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Malot Virginia Rawlinson

Class 43-W-8

Born March 19, 1917, California
Graduate: Western Michigan College of Education
Entered Army Air Force Flight Training, Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
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On August 1, 1944, WASP Malot Rawlinson was killed in a crash landing on a training flight near Sweetwater, Texas.



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Evelyn Sharp

Class 44-W-3

Born October 20, 1919, Missouri
Graduate: University of Missouri
Entered Army Air Force Flight Training, Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
Stationed: Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
On August 1, 1944, WASP Evelyn Sharp was killed in a crash landing on a training flight near Sweetwater, Texas.



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Marie Ethel Sharen

Class 44-W-4

Born April 21, 1917, Fayetteville, Missouri
Graduate: Jefferson High School, Portland, Oregon
Entered Army Air Force Flight Training, Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
Stationed: Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
On August 1, 1944, WASP Marie Sharen was killed in a crash landing on a training flight near Sweetwater, Texas.



Gleana Roberts

Class 44-W-3

Born January 11, 1919, Marion, Iowa
Graduate: University of Iowa
Entered Army Air Force Flight Training, Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
Stationed: Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
On August 1, 1944, WASP Gleana Roberts was killed in a crash landing on a training flight near Sweetwater, Texas.



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Bonnie Jean Alloway

Class 43-W-8

Born June 22, 1918, Bridgeport, Washington
Attended: University of Washington
Entered Army Air Force Flight Training, Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
Stationed: Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
On August 1, 1944, WASP Bonnie Alloway was killed in a crash landing on a training flight near Sweetwater, Texas.



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Betty Taylor Wood

Class 43-W-4

Born March 1921, New Berlin, Wisconsin
Graduate: Saint Joseph College, Auburn, California
Entered Army Air Force Flight Training, Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
Stationed: Sweetwater, Texas, September 11, 1944
On August 1, 1944, WASP Betty Wood was killed in a crash landing on a training flight near Sweetwater, Texas.



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Above & Beyond

WASP
WORDS OF
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Passing It On

And like my dad told me: "You fly the airplane, don't let the airplane fly you!"
I think that's the whole secret of life. Take command of your life. Get out there and do it!
(That's the whole thing to a nutshell)
Joan Mitchell Lemley, 44-6

How do I feel about being a WASP?
Out of nothing, it made me something, because it gave me the courage to try anything!
Rose Charlyne Cregar, 44-9-10

I think the world needs to stop and recognize that, while we were ready, or get ready to fight the war, I don't think it was all due to our strategies, our airplanes, and our ships.
I think nobody will ever know how many prayers were sent up and how many were answered.
Frankie Yearwood, 44-10

Follow your dreams.
It's so important to do what you want to do as long as it is not illegal or immoral!
Be the best you can. Whatever you're doing, just be the best.
Life is beautiful!
Elizabeth Wolf Stronius, 44-1

Failure is not failure unless you let it be. It's simply a change in direction.
Count your many blessings, and move on.
Remember, with God, nothing is impossible!
Dorothy Bishop Parikh, 44-4

Anything you want to do, you can do... anything... and believe it. You can do it.
Don't let people tell you you can't. Don't let people tell you you aren't good enough.
Be good enough.
Gayle Smith, 44-9

Don't ever put limits on your dreams. Dream farther and higher than you can imagine.
I would never have flown if I hadn't looked to the sky and beyond.
Scotty Bradley Gough, 44-7

I was the absolutely minimum of everything that you could be to get into the WASP.
I thought I could, and I applied myself and I made it. I think anybody who really wants to do something very bad, if they work at it, and they focus, and they concentrate, they can do it.
Mildred Davidson Dakymple, 44-8

There are values that are important, and those are the values we lived by: you are responsible for your actions; there's right and there's wrong; sexual relations are for marriage; marriage is for life; and a strong faith in God. I think, if you had those characteristics, that any generation could change the world.
Ruth Daulty Helms, 43-2

Follow your dreams. You can do it if you don't try, it won't happen.
Mary Ann Gonsky, 44-3

Get as much education or training as is practicable. When you have a choice, you need to make a decision. If it will advance your goal, do it.
If you don't know, don't do it. Evaluate things. Don't just react. Respond!
Millicent Peterson Young, 44-10

Women ought to be aware that they can do just about anything.
If they just don't lose their womanhood. Write women and if we don't lose that in order to accomplish something, we can go forward.
Jacqueline Lake Carmine, 43-8

If there's something you'd like to do, do it!
Trust that God's gonna take care of you, and He will!
Mary Jo Farley Tilton, 43-4

You have to have a goal in mind. If you make up your mind that you want something bad enough, you'll get there. It takes a lot of self-discipline and a lot of work.
Lucile Doll White, 43-7

You can be whatever you want to be and whatever you set your heart and head to try. Don't let anybody tell you you can't be, because one thousand and seventy-four women did it in World War II. I think that's the legacy that we should leave behind us — that love and loyalty and everything else doesn't make you what you are. It's what you want to be and what you go ahead and do that counts.
Annette Henderson Bulechek, 44-1

We all set our own priorities. As you go through life, maybe your priorities need to be an artist, or maybe a mission, or any field you can think of. It doesn't have to be divided. If you want to do anything in life fully enough, you can do it!
Betty Hahn Pinter, 43-5

"Start with Prayer," my mother taught me that.
We volunteered to do what we did. We were not drafted.
We were given an option of do or don't do, at the right age, at the right time, with the right qualifications. We did what we had to do, with no regrets.
Ruth Underwood Flory, 43-4

Realize that perseverance is the main ingredient in the recipe for success.
The harder you work, the luckier you get.
Bee Feltz Haydu, 44-7

Keep in mind that you don't have to say, "I can't do that." You really can.
Just be sure in the right thing.
Edna "Nitty" Poddler Bishop, 43-4

My father taught me to always have goals. It was more or less drilled into me. You make a goal and you reach it. Then you make another goal and you reach it. Make a goal and do your very best to reach it, and when you get there, make another one. It works.
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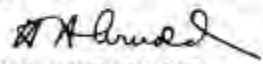
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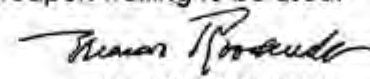
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QUOTES ABOUT THE WASP

"You and more than 900 of your sisters have shown that you can fly wingtip to wingtip with your brothers. I salute you and all WASP. We of the Army Air Force are proud of you, we will never forget our debt to you."


HENRY H. 'HAP' ARNOLD,
COMMANDING GENERAL, ARMY AIR FORCES
DECEMBER 7, 1944

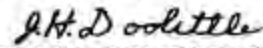
"This is not a time when women should be patient. We are in a war and we need to fight it with all our ability and every weapon possible. Women pilots, in this particular case, are a weapon waiting to be used."


ELEANOR ROOSEVELT
SEPTEMBER 1, 1942

"If the nation ever again needs them, American women will respond. Never again will they have to prove they can do any flying job the military has--Not as an experiment, not to fill in for men. They will fly as commissioned officers in the future Air Force of the United States with equal pay, hospitalization, insurance, and veterans' benefits. The WASP have earned it for the women of the future."


Jacqueline Cochran, Founder
Women Airforce Service Pilots

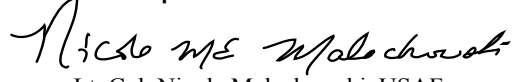
"It has been 50 years since you and I and all Americans struggled together to rescue freedom from those who would take it away. Though we worked in different ways toward that common end, every effort was an important one. That is certainly true of the Women Airforce Service Pilots. Thank you for your dedicated efforts on the home front to make our work successful on the battlefield."


GENERAL JAMES H. DOOLITTLE, USAF, RET.
JULY 15, 1993

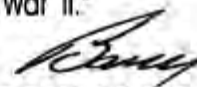
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EILEEN M. COLLINS, LTC, USAF
NASA ASTRONAUT
JANUARY 22, 1998

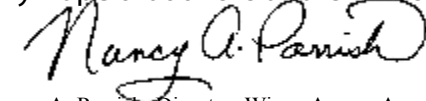
The WASP service to our nation at a critical time in the history of the entire free world is not remarkable because they were women, but is remarkable in its own right. Their legacy to all military aviators, women and men alike is the knowledge that perseverance, commitment, and the desire to serve can overcome tremendous obstacles. I know I was able to be a woman fighter pilot...and a woman Thunderbird pilot because of the WASP."


Lt. Col. Nicole Malachowski, USAF
(First Female Thunderbird Demonstration Team Pilot)

"One of the proudest things I've ever done in my whole life was to be associated with the Women Airforce Service Pilots as you were flying in World War II."


SENATOR BARRY GOLDWATER
MAY 5, 1994

The WASP are inspirational. Their spirit has sparked the lives of many, just like me, who have been touched and have gone on to greater heights in aviation or to the top of their own particular mountain. My prayer is that "Fly Girls of WWII" will touch even more hearts and encourage those who follow in the giant footsteps of the WASP to take their own leap of faith. It is also my hope that this is a torch. Pass it on.


Nancy A. Parrish, Director, Wings Across America
Creator of the Fly Girls Exhibit

Quotes about the WASP from Jimmy Doolittle, Hap Arnold, Jacqueline Cochran, Barry Goldwater, Nancy Parrish, Nicole Malachowski and Eileen Collins on foam core.
Quotes on foam core est: 16" x 24"

SPECIAL EXHIBITS



Mannequin wearing
Mechanic's coveralls
(Zoot Suit), summer helmet
and goggles w/ WWII USAAF
seat back parachute



Leather Flying Gear & Flying uniforms

1. Cold weather flying gear w/ heavy jacket, leather pants, boots, helmet and goggles
2. A2 leather flight jacket w/ fifi patch, white shirt, khaki pants, saddle oxfords
3. Santiago blue Eisenhower jacket and pants-- flying uniform

WASP Dress Uniform

4. Santiago Blue dress uniform, skirt, jacket, beret and purse.

5. WASP uniform doll, created for Jacqueline Cochran.

6. Classbooks



WASP MEMORABILIA



Original classbooks, newspapers, diploma, honorable discharge, goggles, compass, gloves, hardware and more -- all need to be displayed in secure display case. Also includes latest award: Air Force Association's Lifetime Achievement Award, 2010. Must be displayed in secure case.

PT - 17 MODEL AIRPLANE

This extraordinary scale model is an exact downsized replica of the training plane flown by many of the WASP trainees. This "STEARMAN" is 1/5 actual size, lightweight and easy to hang with built in aluminum hanging ring.



Model built by motion picture miniture/model artist Roxanne Cottrell.

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Photo of hanging at the
Women's Memorial,
Washington, DC, 2009



MULTIMEDIA

26" Magnavox TV/DVD player W/ 2 Videos



Poster on foam core 24" x 19"



Videos loop, showcasing the WASP history with WWII stock footage and short soundbytes from WASP interviewed by Wings Across America.

History of the WASP
rt: 13 minutes

Soundbytes of the WASP
rt: 5 minutes

ENDORSEMENTS



February 15, 2013

Dear Museum Colleague;

The Mayborn Museum Complex at Baylor University hosted the original version of the exhibit, *Wings Across America Presents: Fly Girls of WWII*, in 2008. This artifact rich exhibit shed light onto this oft forgotten piece of women's history. It was a wonderful addition to our museum as well as to the Waco Community. In fact, the exhibit was so popular it was extended four months past its originally scheduled closing date.

Nancy Parrish was wonderful to work with and her personal passion and dedication for the topic was reflected in the high quality of the exhibit. It was an honor to host this engaging exhibit and to be able to provide an opportunity for our visitors to learn the amazing and virtually untold story of the WASP.

After our initial launch, Nancy and her group further developed the exhibit and greatly expanded the audience well beyond Central Texas. I applaud and endorse all efforts that will enable the Wings Across America organization to preserve the history and tell the inspiring story of these amazing heroines of World War II.

Sincerely,

Ellie Caston, PhD
Director, Mayborn Museum Complex
Baylor University



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February 20, 2013

Ms. Nancy Parrish, Director
Wings Across America
2911 Wooded Acres Dr
Waco, TX 70740

Subj: Wings Across America Exhibit

Dear Nancy:

As I reflect about the various temporary exhibits we have had on display for various lengths of time at the Women In Military Service For America Memorial, your exhibit, Wings Across America, was one of the two most outstanding exhibits we've had. We've been fortunate in that we have had a variety of exhibits with many put on display by highly professional designers and exhibitors.

Your exhibit was a hit for us in so many aspects. It covered the history of the WASP from start to finish in a very factual but always interesting way to even those who knew little or nothing about the WASP or the WASP program. It brought out the individual achievements of many of the women pilots. The photographic depictions were excellent. It paid tribute to those who lost their lives in a very touching and respectful manner. For us, it put the spotlight on the contribution of some 1,170 women who made a major contribution to the World War II war effort but had to fight for over 30 years to get the veteran status they should have had from the very beginning.

The contribution of the WASP is a story that needs and warrants far more visibility than it has had to date. I hope other museums will pick up the torch and give this program and these women the visibility they deserve.

I have watched with interest where your exhibits have gone and the reception they've received. I hope you will continue to seek and obtain those opportunities.

Sincerely,

Wilma L. Vaught
Brigadier General, USAF, Ret.
President

Nancy Parish, Director
Wings Across America
2911 Wooded Acres Drive
Waco, Texas 76710

Concerning the WASP Exhibit.

Nancy, never a week goes by that I don't visit the WASP exhibit to read the heartfelt comments that are written in the guest book. In the 35 years that I have been the CEO of the Air Zoo, no other exhibit has come close to reaching the hearts of our visitors as this exhibit has. *Beautiful tribute to women, Awesome! I'm a 40 year old male that attended public school, why haven't I heard about these fabulous women before? This is the best exhibit I have ever seen,* are only a fraction of the comments that are left behind. Adrienne, from Chelsea wrote, *I came when I was a little but I've never seen anything like this.* And Armand, from Iowa wrote, *Whoa, we ain't got this stuff in Iowa... sniff, my throats burnin.*

I will honestly say, if we could only have one exhibit at the Air Zoo, this one is it because it truly changes the lives of those that experience it.

Wishing you the very best,

Robert E. Ellis



President & CEO
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February 11, 2013

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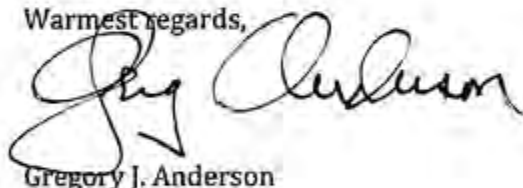
Dear Nancy:

I'm pleased to share with you our very positive experience with your "Fly Girls" exhibit and encourage other museums and aviation organizations to favorably consider hosting your exhibition.

Wings Over the Rockies had the honor of hosting "Fly Girls" in late 2012 and early 2013. Your exhaustive research lends historical authenticity. The presentation of the WASP helped visitors relate to ordinary women who did extraordinary things.

You and your mother were great partners in the planning and presentation of "Fly Girls," and my entire management team joins me in appreciation. Personally, as a father of three daughters, I find your exhibit and dedication to our WASP heritage compelling across generations. Keep up the wonderful work you are doing.

Warmest regards,



Gregory J. Anderson



SELECTED GUEST BOOK COMMENTS

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"It's a great story, unknown to most Americans. Thanks for telling it so well. We owe the WASP a deep debt of gratitude for their selfless and unrecognized service to our nation." Troy & Bonnie S.

"Inspiring. Young girls today need these women as role models. I hope this exhibit travels." B. Becker

"Great Exhibit!! Astounded that it took Congress and the nation so long to acknowledge the service and unfortunate that so few folks know of their great contribution."

"This was a very interesting exhibit and the exhibit mannequins were awesome."

"Absolutely wonderful knowledge for everyone!" Wennaville, N.C.

" This exhibit is amazing, inspirational, and informative. Thank you so much " A. Eisely

"Thank you for this exhibit. I was unaware of all the women who served as pilots. I wish I had all day to read and listen to everything." F. Horn San Diego, CA

"This exhibit is very inspiring and very emotional. I'm glad there's a place like this to honor those women. Thank you so much." Nicole P.S. "They should have one like this in Florida—Miami!"

"I'm so pleased to see this tribute to these courageous contributors to the war effort. With skill and integrity, they laid a foundation for ALL women pilots for generations to come. My hat's off to them." Adele M.

"Great exhibit! Never knew this story! You are awesome women! Thank you." Art from Indiana

"This exhibit really reached out to me and touched my heart. All of these women were strong, beautiful, and courageous. Thank you so much for this." J. S.

"Fly Girls of World War II, you were so brave. This exhibit is so amazing. Thanks for your service." Joanne

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"I'm so proud to follow in the WASP' footsteps and glad to know the public will get to hear their stories and finally get them the recognition that is long overdue." (Linda K McT, Brig Gen, DC ANG)

"Great Fly Girls' exhibit! Story is unbelievable. More people need to see this. Thanks!"

"Thank you for putting together such a great exhibit. I never knew how the WASP were treated upon disbandment until now. God bless each and every one for their courage and service to our country. It's great to see they are finally getting the recognition they deserved for so long." Col Lynne J., USAF

"I loved this exhibit. It was so inspiring! I hope to carry on the legacy of women pilots in the United 'States Air Force! Thank you for breaking ground and making my dreams possible! Thank you!"
Andrea F.

"Bravery has never been sexier!" M/Sgt, USAF

"A beautiful tribute to the women who lifted us all up by virtue of their belief that they could do anything they set their minds to, and then aimed that determination toward service and the greater good. Thank you."

"What a wonderful experience to meet these beautiful brave women and share in their history. I thank them all for their sacrifices and love of country. God bless them all." US Army Paratrooper

"Now I am inspired!"

"It both excites and inspires me to see how the women of this era bravely stepped up to the plate to do their part. What a wonderful exhibit!"

"Astonishing! So proud and moved by this exhibit. My grand-daughter will see this before I take her to see any monuments!"

"Thank you for the thoughtful educational exhibit. These women deserve mounds of respect."

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

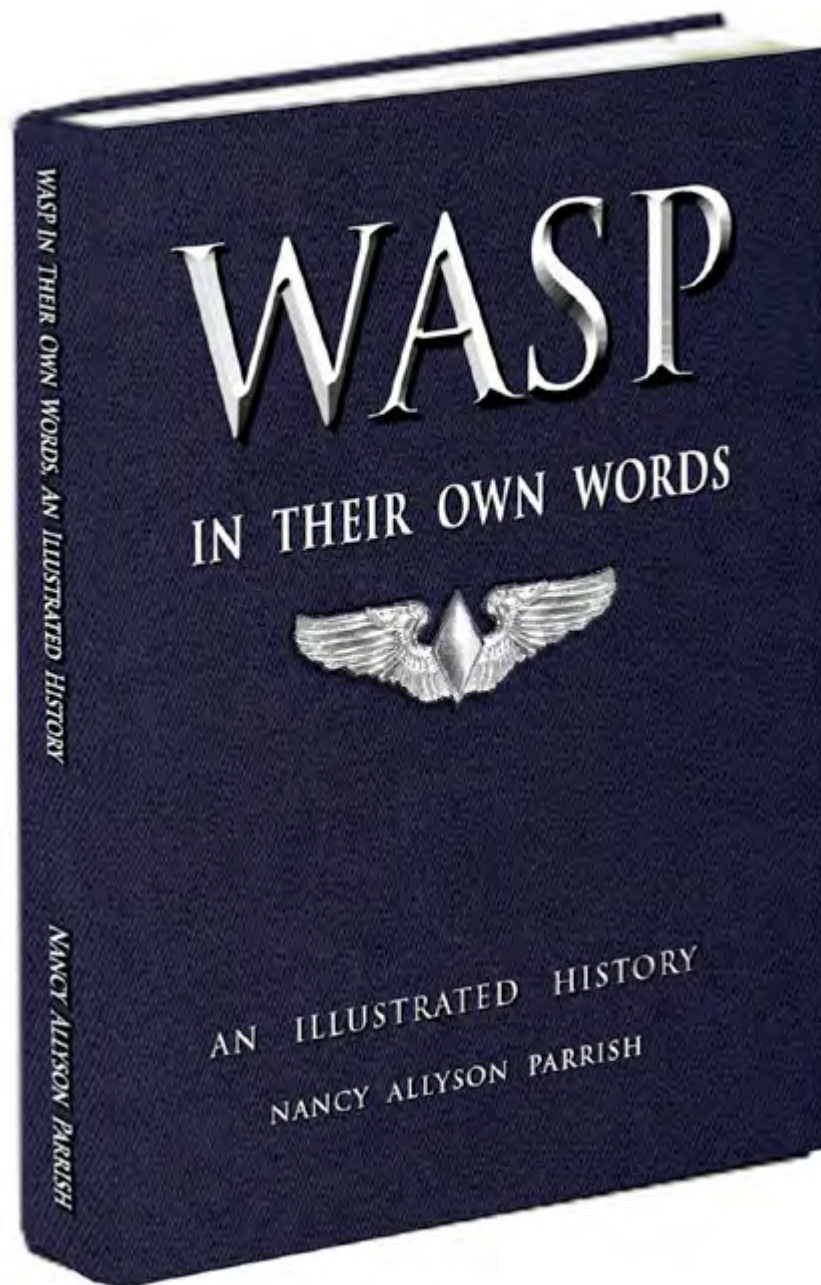
WASP MOSAIC ART PRINT



18" x 24" reproduction of the larger WASP mosaic created for the Fly Girls of WWII exhibit. 1,103* individual FACES make up the print of an AT-6 taking off from Avenger Field into the West Texas sunset.
Includes Mosaic Key with locations of the WASP.

Packaged in white shipping tube.
Suggested retail: \$60.00

COMPANION BOOK: WASP IN THEIR OWN WORDS



Quotes and/or stories from 128 WASP
Over 200 pages of color graphics and photographs
WASP classbook headshots of each of the 1,102 WASP
17 page illustrated WASPWWII timeline
8 page comprehensive WWII WASP Glossary

Suggested retail: \$50.00

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Fly Girls Traveling WASP Exhibit

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Best online resource on the WASP, Wings Across America's
"WASP on the WEB"

<http://www.wasp-wwii.org>



- FLYGIRL WWII--The FIRST WASP APP!

This first WASP APP includes interactive additions to the Fly Girls of WWII Traveling WASP Exhibit. Designed for the ipad with over 100 screens of memories, pictures, songs, and videos, all woven together as the interactive WWII experience of WASP Deanie Parrish -- one of the pioneering Women Airforce Service Pilots, the first women in history to fly America's military aircraft.

<http://www.flygirls.org>



Fly Girl WWII