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K0562

Ona M. Gieschen Papers

1935-2005

14 cubic feet, oversize

Personal professional files and collected materials of former TWA hostess, supervisor and director of customer service, and historian of TWA. Also articles written by the Gieschen, histories and recollections by former employees, and correspondence between two pioneers of TWA, Hal Blackburn and Gordon "Parky" Parkinson. And research materials, photographs, and correspondence concerning Watts Mill and Dallas, MO.

BIOGRAPHY:

Ona Gieschen worked for TWA from January 1946 retiring in August 1988. Her first two years were spent in advertising, then system reservations. In 1948 she became an Air Hostess and spent the next forty years in the In-Flight Department crisscrossing the globe world-wide on TWA's round the world routes. Her job gave her the opportunity to fly on almost every commercial American built airliner from the DC-3 to the L-767. She experienced the opportunity to supervise, to become a DCS (director of customer service) as well as being chosen to help crew a very special six week "The Great World Air Cruise of 1971".

A year after her retirement, the Save A Connie/Airline Museum in Kansas City asked her to organize and set up their archives and static museum, a job she directed for the next eleven years. Since then she's been working with the Western Historical Manuscript collection in Kansas City in processing and digitizing TWA's *Skyliners* newspaper which was published throughout TWA's history.

In her spare time, Ona manages her first love, an inherited native tall grass prairie in Pettis County on the edge of the Osage Plains Major Land Resource Area.

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DESCRIPTION:

This collection consists of the personal professional files and collected aviation materials of Ona Gieschen. The personal files include correspondence, employment information, flight attendant/hostess training guidelines, union information, photographs, publications, and research files.

The collected materials pertaining primarily to TWA include: airline timetables, an aircraft accounting ledger (1928-1961), training manuals, publications, aircraft photographs, a photograph album of airport views (1935-36), the flight logs of pilot Lester Munger, and artifacts including the travel display "Food Gets Around", and Rosenthal China produced specifically for TWA.

The collection also contains articles written by the donor, histories and recollections by former employees, and correspondence between two pioneers of TWA, Hal Blackburn and Gordon "Parky" Parkinson. See also: K0482 TWA Oral History Project (interviews conducted by Ona Gieschen).

Also included are research materials, photographs, and correspondence concerning Watts Mill and Dallas, Missouri.

INVENTORY:

BOX 001*WATTS MILL / TWA (not full)*

- Folder 1. Publications:
Historic Watts Mill Restoration Master Plan 1990
Archeological Monitoring during construction of the Indian Creek
Interceptor: The historic Watts Mill area, Kansas City, Jackson
County, Missouri 1983
Watts Mill 150th Anniversary Celebration 1993
The Unusual Tale of a Dallas you may not know: Early days
around old Watts Mill 1985
- Folder 2. Correspondence: 1985-1991
- Folder 3. Articles: 1881-1992
- Folder 4. Research articles and notes
- Folder 5. Research articles and notes
- Folder 6. Research articles and notes
- Folder 7. Watts Family
- Folder 8. Photos
- Folder 9. Interview typescript with Busch Voigts, Oct. 2004
Publications: TWA Senior Skylines, March 2005
"The Lockheed Constellation"
clipping "Sky Girls" (KA1384)

*Transcontinental and Western Air, Inc. (TWA) applications for letter of
authority to fly between: (1409kc)*

- Folder 10. Columbus, Ohio and Cleveland, Ohio, November 12, 1935
- Folder 11. Kansas City, Missouri and Newark, N.J., July 18, 1935
- Folder 12. Chicago and Newark via Cleveland, October 18, 1935
- Folder 13. Winslow and Kingman via Grand Canyon, December 4, 1934
- Folder 14. Albuquerque, N.M. and San Francisco, November 16, 1935

BOX 002*ONA GIESCHEN / PROFESSIONAL*

- Folder 1. Early Correspondence
- Folder 2. Correspondence and memos 1948-1977
- Folder 3. Correspondence (personal and professional): to Ona Gieschen re:
positive passenger comments 1952; Clipping: "Hawaiian Holiday,"
Ona and friends on holiday, November 23, 1952

- Folder 4. Correspondence: Suits filed against airlines 1960-1961
- Folder 5. Correspondence: Professional; Flight Attendants 1977, 1978
- Folder 6. Ona Gieschen – Correspondence: re: Flight Attendants Commendations, misc. 1981-1986
- Folder 7. Correspondence: Others to Ona Gieschen, professional. 1976-1986
- Folder 8. Correspondence: re: TWA historical files 1946, 1992
- Folder 9. Correspondence: to Ona Gieschen 1966, 1981, 1997
- Folder 10. Correspondence: Peter J. Marson, Lockheed Constellation Historian 1994
- Folder 11. Correspondence: TWA – to all Flight Attendants 1988; misc. to Ona Gieschen 1995
- Folder 12. Correspondence: Ed Betts (TWA historian) 1995
- Folder 13. Correspondence: 1995
- Folder 14. Correspondence: Angela Lucas with William T. Larkins re: TAT, Vernon Lucas and Jim Jet Thompson 1998; Ona Gieschen and Jim Thompson 1998
- Folder 15. Captain William Judd – October 7-8, 1940 flight w/passenger Gene Autry and horse Champ 1999; Correspondence with Allan Judd – 2008, information regarding Colt Super .38 Automatic Pistol.
- Folder 16. Correspondence: re: TWA Ford Tri-motor, photo (January 2001), William T. Larkins to Jim Thompson
- Folder 17. Correspondence: Ona Gieschen to Jim Thompson: re: [TWA DC-3, flt.NC 1946 crash – Carole Lombard Jan. 16, 1942] 2002, Las Vegas
- Folder 18. Correspondence – 2005
- Folder 19. Ona Gieschen – New Hire Orientation, notes 1946
- Folder 20. Ona Gieschen – Hostess Training Packet 1948
- Folder 21. Ona Gieschen – Hostess Training 1948
- Folder 22. Ona Gieschen – In Flight Evaluations – Flight Reports 1949-1981, Welcome Aboard Sheets (2)
- Folder 23. In Flight Evaluation – procedures, guide, management information 1961-1979
- Folder 24. Training material, list of employees, bulletins, request for transfer, organization chart 1946-1951
- Folder 25. Personal Pocket Diary – Ona Gieschen: 1973, 1974, 1975, 1977, 1980, 1981, 2002-blank, TWA cover

- Folder 26. Donald L. Ferguson: "The Great World Air Cruise of 1970" – [Ona Worked this 40 day, around the world flight] 1970.
- Folder 27. TWA Employee Files: "Your TWA Retirement Plan" January 1, 1976; TWA Personal Accident Insurance Program – for Flt. Crew Personnel April, 1979; TWA Miscellaneous Accident Insurance Program May, 1978
- Folder 28. "Logging Your Flight" – a general introduction to the various routes – by G. Etzel Percy TWA System Geographer
- Folder 29. Flight Service Manual October 11, 1968 – obsolete 1971
- Folder 30. Flight Attendant Payroll Schedules, issues, types of pay 1977
- Folder 31. Management Training – Labor Relations 1966-1979
- Folder 32. ALSSA Local 550 – Hostess Purser Discrimination 1983
- Folder 33. Seniority List, Flight Attendants, June 1979
- Folder 34. Lists: TWA Flight Attendant Seniority List, January 1983
- Folder 35. Seniority Comparisons, TWA and American Flight Attendants 2000
- Folder 36. Event – Celebration of Senior Hostess, Plaza International Hotel ca. 1995
- Folder 37. TWA Flight Announcements
- Folder 38. DC-3 Emergency Evacuation Procedures, TWA May 3, 1950
- Folder 39. TWA, 767 Emergency Landing Procedures
- Folder 40. Publications: "Welcome Aboard!" Your New Job with TWA 1953
- Folder 41. Publications: TWA in-flight announcement cards 1973-1984
- Folder 42. Publications: TWA Emergency Procedures Handbook 1981-1988
- Folder 43. Uniform Change-over – appearance manual – 1974 Stan Herman Design
- Folder 44. Hostess Uniform information
- Folder 45. TWA Hostess Hats were Stetson's 1940's-1950's
- Folder 46. Promotional Flight Attendant 1953, 1965

BOX 003*TWA EMPLOYEES / UNIONS*

- Folder 1. Constitution and By-laws of the Airline Stewards and Stewardesses Association (ALSSA) 1947; Agreement between Transcontinental & Western Air, Inc. and the Hostesses and International Flight Pursers ... 1947, 1948, 1949

- Folder 2. Agreement between TWA and The Hostesses and Flight Pursers ... July 11, 1960; January 25, 1963; February 27, 1965 – Cabin Attendants Agreement, August 8, 1967; Flight Attendants Agreement, October 22, 1970 and December 14, 1973; Flight Attendants Scheduling Policies, August 1, 1974
- Folder 3. Agreement between TWA and the Flight Attendants ... July 29, 1976; as represented by the Transport Workers Union of America, AFL-CIO and The Independent Federation of Flight Attendants (IFFA) Oct. 11, 1978, April 12, 1983
- Folder 4. Independent Federation of Flight Attendants (IFFA) 1984-1986.
- Folder 5. Independent Federation of Flight Attendants January 27, 1994; July 17, 1996 – IFFA update, Flight Attendant Advocate, Memorial Edition Flight 800, July 17, 1996
- Folder 6. Publications: “Service Aloft” ALSSA newsletters, 5 issues – April 1949 to September 1950 (incomplete set)
- Folder 7. Ona Gieschen: Flight Time and Pay Records, August 1979 – March 1983
- Folder 8. Ona Gieschen: Flight Time and Pay Records, May 1983 – April 1988
- Folder 9. TWA Club Credit Union, annual report 1977, April 1, 1950
- Folder 10. TWA Seniors Club 1991-2003
- Folder 11. Inflight Services Award Nominations: Nancy LeCraft Steele, Pamela Blaschum, Byron Dean Willey
- Folder 12. Inflight Services Award Winner Beverly Cundiff 1978, 1979
- Folder 13. Rita Fabac models Raymond Lowey/Don Loper Uniform 1960’s
- Folder 14. Collections file of Jeannette Phillips Ragen, Former General Manager Hostesses ORD-MCI
- Folder 15. Dorraine Strole (passenger flight set record time LAX-NY 7hrs 27mins)
- Folder 16. News Articles/Clips Hostess/Flight Attendants
- Folder 17. Booklets (information, training, promotional)
- Folder 18. TWA Flight Portfolio 1947
- Folder 19. Publication: “The Breech Training Academy may be for You”
- Folder 20. Breech Training Academy (Hostess), High Flight – John Gillespie Magee Jr.
- Folder 21. TWA Clipped Wings 1989, 1991
- Folder 22. Clipped Wings 2005-2009

- Folder 23. National Recovery Administration – pilots union 1934
- Folder 24. TWA Pilot Seniority List 1935
- Folder 25. Seniority List, TWA Pilots July 1, 1955
- Folder 26. Lists: TWA Pilots Seniority List, January 1, 1966, 1969, 1981
- Folder 27. Lists: TWA Purser Seniority List July 1, 1971; TWA Director-Customer Service List June 30, 1972
- Folder 28. Robert Stevens; Leah Conquest; Lou Proctor; Rita Fabac; Jack Taylor, Lee Flanagan, Francis W. Williamson, Walt Gunn
- Folder 29. Wes Bunker Memories: “Memories of KC and TWA Days (1930-1938)”
- Folder 30. TWA pilots, articles about: Capt. Frank Niswander; Harold Snead; Ernest L. Smith; Arthur Burns; Jack Frye.
- Folder 31. Artifacts: Paul Richter, uniform button; Jack Frye personal card; Stratoliner TWA Color-foto; exhibit labels; “The Spruce Goose” postcard.
- Folder 32. Flight Engineers – Study for article published TARPA
- Folder 33. DCS Directors – Customer Service 1970-1976

BOX 004*GENERAL TWA / TAT / TIMETABLES*

- Folder 1. Jack Frye
- Folder 2. Les Munger File TAT
- Folder 3. Banquet honoring Col. Charles A Lindberg KC 1927
- Folder 4. TAT Start Up – Transcontinental Air Transport 1929
- Folder 5. Inauguration of first 48 hour coast-to-coast service
- Folder 6. Lester Munger, TAT, TWA pilot 1930’s – 1963
- Folder 7. Port Columbus
- Folder 8. TAT Booklet (copyright, 1929 TAT) (Holland Engraving)
- Folder 9. Ford Anniversary TWA Flights; The Bushmaster, Ford Tri-motor, TAT
- Folder 10. TAT, TWA formative years, “Between Calls” 1940 Paul Richter, Planes (includes photos) Northrup, “TWA Flite Facts” Oct./Nov. 1962.
- Folder 11. TWA Formative Years: Conquistadores (see Loutbland Collection KC Museum) 1945, 1946.

- Folder 12. Programs: "Promise Her Anything." Warren Beaty and Leslie Caron, In-Flight Motion Picture. Memento: Boeing 307 Stratoliner – Coin
- Folder 13. "Parky"(Gordon Parkinson): Seniors, Caballeros, Archives 1976-1985.
- Folder 14. James G. Smith: Aviation History – Jack Frye, TWA, Emily Nevada Smith Display 200, 2002.
- Folder 15. Ona Gieschen, notes re: TAT, TWA
- Folder 16. Publications: "On the Line," TWA Newsletter of In-Flight Services Dec. 1981, Sept. 1985; "Service Aloft," Airline Stewards and Stewardesses Association Fall 1957; TWA Skyliner, April 29, 1994
- Folder 17. Publications: misc. TWA, Includes Ona Gieschen 35th anniversary celebration
- Folder 18. "The TWA Employees Club News," September 1970
- Folder 19. On the Line – The Newsletters of In-Flight Services 1969-1988
- Folder 20. Publications: "TARPA Topics" – "Transcontinental and Western Air Flight 3, March 31st, 1931" by Ona Gieschen, p. 71-76, March 1998.
- Folder 21. TWA inter-office dispatch envelopes
- Folder 22. TWA notebook w/notepad, memo notes – two letters (removed to correspondence)
- Folder 23. Airline Timetables: American Airways 1930, 1931; Bowen Air Lines; Braniff Airways 1931, 1932; Central Airlines 1936; Century Air Lines 1931; Chicago-Detroit Airways 1931; Continental Airways 1932; Ozark Airways 1933; Pennsylvania Airlines 1931, 1936; Rapid Air Transport 1933; Southwest Airlines 1930, 1933; Trans American Airlines 1931; United Airlines 1931; United States Airways 1931, 1932; Universal Airlines 1929; Wyoming-Montana Airlines nd.
- Folder 24. Airline Timetables: Transcontinental Air Transport, Inc. (TAT), Maddux Airlines 1929, 1930
- Folder 25. Airline Timetables: Western Air Express 1929, 1932
- Folder 26. Airline Timetables: Transcontinental Western Air, Inc. 1931-1937; Trans World Airline 1946.
- Folder 27. Professional: Ona Gieschen – TWA timetables, first and last flights January 4, 1946 – July 1988
- Folder 28. Airline Timetables: TWA and American Airlines 1976-2001
- Folder 29. Seat packet TWA route maps

- Folder 30. Memorial Service TWA Flight 800 1996
- Folder 31. TWA 2002 Calendar
- Item 1: Lester Munger's Pilot's Log Books, (Small gray metal edge box)
- #I [509 miles] pre October 22, 1928
Munger flew 9651 June 28, 1928, Clovis to Detroit
9651 July 11-13, Detroit to Winslow
- 9651 was second plane of the inaugural Eastbound
LAX to Clovis, July 2/8/1929
- # II Aviator's Log Book: October 22, 1928-April 30, 1934
- #III- IX Pilot's Log Books: May 5, 1934-May 1961
- # X Pilot's Log Book: June 4, 1961-August 12, 1963
[25,400.32 hours total]
- Item 2: WA napkin, Old Forester
- Item 3: TWA Folder

BOX 005*RESEARCH FILES*

- Folder 1. Research: N.Y. Times index, plane accidents, air/rail travel 1929, 1949
- Folder 2. Early Accidents, incidents 1939-1997
- Folder 3. Airway Pioneers – Richards Flying Field – Ong Airport 1922-1952
- Folder 4. Events: Eisenhower Centennial Commission, events 1990
- Folder 5. Research File: Knute Rockne 1999-2006
- Folder 6. Correspondence, research, photographs: Rockne Crash 2001-2006
- Folder 7. Notebook: Accident at Bazaar, Kansas – March 31, 1931; Knute Rockne, Transcontinental and Western Air, flight 3, Rockne memorial, research, articles 2006
- Folder 8. Articles written by Ona Gieschen about crash in Bazaar Kansas, killing Knute Rockne, Correspondence
- Folder 9. Clipping: re: Knute Rockne, Irish in Kansas City, by Joe Popper, Kansas City Star, March 15, 1997
- Folder 10. Ona Gieschen Speeches
- Folder 11. Personal – Ona Gieschen's "Prairie" – article: "America West Airlines Magazine" May 1986
- Folder 12. Who is Who – notes by Ona Gieschen
- Folder 13. Research for 2 articles "With a Rocket on the Top" TWA Skyliner, Jackson Co. Historical Journal

- Folder 14. Early KC Aviation: Clarence Melton, Charles W. Gatschet, Hawley, Longren
- Folder 15. Lost Birds – Airplane Crashes – Hijacking – Time Magazine and obit
- Folder 16. Women in Aviation
- Folder 17. News Cippings: re: Women in Aviation
- Folder 18. News Clipping: re: TWA, airplanes, museum etc. 1957-2002
- Folder 19. Correspondence: Richard S. Allen to Ona Gieschen 1998
- Folder 20. Research files: Lindberg visits KC, Jack Frye, Elise Murphy
- Folder 21. “Steel Rails and Silver Wings,” across the United States in 48 hours by George Foster and Robert J. Serling undated draft 1998
- Folder 22. Manuscript & Comments Steel Rails and Silver Wings, George Foster/Robert J. Serling
- Folder 23. More Airplane Booklets and all about them
- Folder 24. Transportation History Resources at the American Heritage Center: Melvin O. Bowen TWA, University of Wyoming.
- Folder 25. Publications: “Kawsmouth”: “The Kansas City Airline Legacy of Knute Rockne: by Ona Gieschen p. 26, 33. Autumn 1998
- Folder 26. Publications: Book, The Northrup Story 1929-1939 by Richard Sanders Allen
- Folder 27. TWA Publications: “Flaps 10,” “Welcome Aboard,” Grow Ahead Books, 1981.
- Folder 28. Publications: “Descriptions of Airports and Landing Fields in the United States” September 1, 1932; “Airport Management” U.S. Dept. of Commerce – Aeronautics July 1, 1932.
- Folder 29. Publications: Sky Lines – Air Travel Guide, January 1932; Tuxhorn Flying School, Inc. Municipal Airport, KC, Mo. 1930.
- Item 1. Magazine: Saturday Review April 22, 1967

BOX 006

“BLACKBURN LETTERS” / PHOTOGRAPHS

- Folder 1. Gordy R. “Parky” Parkinson (1908-1997) obit, correspondence
- Folder 2. “Hal” Blackburn, Mgr. TWA ICD – portrait
- Folder 3. Harold E. Neumann 1906-1995
- Folder 4. Gordon “Parky” Parkinson letters from Hal Blackburn 1970-1976 (1 of 3)

- Folder 5. Gordon "Parky" Parkinson letters from Hal Blackburn 1977-1979 (2 of 3)
- Folder 6. Gordon "Parky" Parkinson letters from Hal Blackburn 1980-1983, 1989 (3 of 3)
- Folder 7. Photographs: Harlan Hull 1929, others; Correspondence: to Ona Gieschen from Jim Raulston, 1998; Writing/Speech: re: Stewardess Corps.
- Folder 8. Photograph: 1936 winter air hostess uniform
- Folder 9. Photographs: Story – Dorothy Koke, hostess. Wedding, etc. 1938
- Folder 10. "Champion" photograph and story 1940
- Folder 11. Photograph: Rita Fabac models Raymond Loewy designed uniform, 1960's
- Folder 12. Hahn-Millard Promotional photos 1930's-1940's
- Folder 13. Lewie Proctor – Flight Engineer (Maiden trip of the Connie) Apr. 17, 1944
- Folder 14. John McMasters photos TWA of SAC taken early 1950's – left in camera until 1994 when Warren SAC developed them.
- Folder 15. Photographs: Ona Gieschen, last flight July 1988
- Folder 16. Photographs: Save a Connie, Inc. – Museum Displays 1994
- Folder 17. Photographs: copies – KC/TWA love affair; Bill and Pat Haynes Wedding; Blue TWA cut out uniform
- Folder 18. Photographs: copies from Phil Whelan – Airliner International
- Folder 19. Photographs: Beverly Cundiff
- Folder 20. Photos: includes 18th Baltimore Building, interior of DC-3, etc.
- Folder 21. Photographs
- Folder 22. Harold Neuman
- Folder 23. Randazzo Photos
- Folder 24. Photo – John Guy material
- Folder 25. Photographs: TAT Planes, routes, stations
- Folder 26. Photographs – Lockheed planes 049
- Folder 27. Ford Tri-Motors
- Folder 28. Boeing 307 Stratoliner
- Folder 29. Photograph: Mail Planes, Northrup Alpha (empty)
- Folder 30. Photograph: Speedpac L-749 A undercarriage/ mail
- Folder 31. Photograph: Douglas DC-2 planes

- Folder 32. Photograph: DC-3 interior
- Folder 33. Tommy Tomlinson and his research planes, DC-1 Northrop Gamma
- Folder 34. Photographs, negatives: TAT – Standard Planes, hanger shot
- Folder 35. Photographs, postcards: airplanes, TWA
- Folder 36. TWA Aircraft
- Folder 37. TWA Operations Office Kansas City
- Folder 38. Overhaul Base
- Folder 39. Photograph and Story: History of TWA by Ona Gieschen
- Folder 40. Lee Flanagan: TWA's Flight Through Time
- Folder 41. Clipped Wings Fashion Show

BOX 007*SAVE-A-CONNIE / INTERNATIONAL FOREST OF FRIENDSHIP*

- Folder 1. Photographic History of Early Midwestern Aviation by Earl Reed
- Folder 2. Aviation History in Greater Kansas City
- Folder 3. Transport Airplanes and all about them
- Folder 4. National Air Youth Project, My Flight with TWA. April 24-30 1939
- Folder 5. Western Air Express Booklet – Betty Davis on cover (1930's)
- Folder 6. Helen McLaughlin "History has Wings"
- Folder 7. Lou Holland – Paul Henderson Correspondence
- Folder 8. Aerobatics – Harold Newman
- Folder 9. Ken Griffen #42, Gieschen nephew
- Folder 10. Airline Seat book packets 1940's-1950's
- Folder 11. Museum of Flight Mentor Program
- Folder 12. International Forest of Friendship, Atchison, Kansas. 2003, 2005
- Folder 13. Atchison Kansas – International Forest
- Folder 14. UAL 2006 Calendar Labor Statement
- Folder 15. Words – need to know – on opening the Pacific route
- Folder 16. Voyager – Movie Premier – Staring "Star of America" SAC aircraft
- Folder 17. Wedding on the "Save a Connie" plane, Shelda-Haynes Wedding, Ona Gieschen, attendant
- Folder 18. Save a Connie

- Folder 19. Ona Gieschen speeches "Collectors Corner," given at monthly Saturday Meetings 1994-1998.
- Folder 20. Laura Hockaday interview with Ona Gieschen, The Kansas City Star, "The Connie" celebrates 50th anniversary, Heart of America Connection" – May 1994.
- Folder 21. Collectors Corner by Ona Gieschen: May 1994, May 1995; Reproduced Invitation: "Banquet in honor of Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh, KCMO, August 17, 1927.
- Folder 22. Speeches, Public Events, Newspapers 1997-2008.
- Folder 23. Save-a-Connie – Copies of newspapers-microfiche 1947,1950,1962
- Folder 24. Grants, requests – Save a Connie, Inc. Historic Aircraft Museum 1995-1998
- Folder 25. Notes: Save a Connie; Prairie flowers, grasses; Postcards: mural Lounge – TWA Jetstream aircraft (14); TWA Transatlantic Pass, tickets. Ona Gieschen 1954.
- Folder 26. Newspaper Clippings: Save a Connie 1984, 1990.
- Folder 27. Photographs: Save a Connie, participants, individuals 1988.
- Folder 28. Save a Connie, Inc.: museum photos, negatives, slides
- Folder 29. Save a Connie: displays, Collectors Corner. ca. 1992.
- Folder 30. Save a Connie and Connie history: newsletters 1993-1996, misc.
- Folder 31. Save a Connie Museum, "plans to move across the field"
- Folder 32. Save a Connie, Inc. Slide presentation
- Folder 33. Brochures: Save a Connie, Inc.
- Folder 34. Save a Connie Museum – Ona Gieschen 1989-1999.
- Folder 35. Save a Connie Museum – notebook, events 1992-1996.
- Folder 36. Save a Connie Museum – Ona Gieschen notes, notebook 1993-1998.
- Folder 37. "The Connie," Lockheed's Star: The Constellation, misc.
- Folder 38. TWA Clippings – re: keeping airline afloat, lawsuits, misc. 1985-1992.
- Folder 39. Save a Connie Airline History Museum – lawsuits 2011.
- Folder 40. Brochures: The Greater Kansas City Community Foundation
- Folder 41. Newsletters: "The Tale Dragger," Antique Airplane Association, K.C. Area Chapter, Article about Ona Giescher, April, May 2001; Save a Connie Museum Jan., Feb., March 2002.

- Folder 42. John Roche – Two Red Stripes, history
- Folder 43. Warren E. Sunkel: Save a Connie “A 50 Year Commemoration of the Delivery of the First Constellation” April 17, 1994.

BOX 008*AIRCRAFT ACCOUNTING LEDGER*

- Item 1. Transcontinental & Western Air, Inc. aircraft accounting ledger: record of airplane inventory which includes: plane #; manufacturer serial number, date of manufacture, date of purchase/lease, purchase price, depreciation, repair costs, hours in use, and final disposition (sale, wrecked, etc.) 1928-1961

BOX 009*HANDBOOKS, MANUALS, TRAINING*

- Item 1. TWA Horizons Handbook (1976-1981)
- Item 2. Dynamic Supervision (1967-1968)
- Item 3. TWA Supervisor's Guide (1966 – 1967)
- Item 4. TWA Employee Benefits (1965)
- Item 5. TWA In-Flight Service Manual (1982)
- Item 6. TWA 747 Cabin Service Training (1970)
- Item 7. Telephone Directories (1987-1991)
- Item 8. TWA Hostess Training (1962, 1964)

BOX 010*HANDBOOKS, MANUALS, TRAINING*

- Folder 1. TWA Labor Management
- Item 1. TWA Transportation Training Center, Kansas City, Missouri – Hostess Training (1961)
- Item 2. TWA Binder (contains various types of information for employees)
- Item 3. TWA Labor Relations Training (1969-1970)
- Item 4. TWA Labor Relations Training (1972)
- Item 5. Basic Hostess Course (1962)
- Item 6. TWA Supervisory Cabin Attendants Handbook (1966-1968)
- Item 7. TWA In-Flight Services Management Seminar (1973)
- Item 8. TWA Supervisory Cabin Attendants Handbook (1971)
- Item 9. TWA Employee Benefits (1965)

BOX 011*PUBLICATIONS*

- Folder 1. In Flight Services: Food Service
- Folder 2. Food Service: In Flight Services
- Folder 3. TWA Recipes
- Folder 4. Food Service: Menus
- Folder 5. TWA "Welcome Aboard" sheets (prepared by captain each flight)
- Folder 6. TWA In Flight Service Manuals 1986, Passenger Service Announcement Handbook 1983, Announcement Guideline Cards
- Folder 7. Technical Services: Overhaul Base – Kansas City
- Folder 8. Newsletters: "TWA News"; In flight food service, passenger service, highlights of TWA history, 45th anniversary, 1975 Transcontinental air-rail trip.
- Folder 9. TWA Ambassador: Nov. 1969; May, August 1972; January 1976-77; Oct. 1976, August 1979.
- Folder 10. Publications: TWA Senior Skyliner, Dec. 2002; March 2003; March, December 2005; March, June, December 2006; March, June, Sept., Dec. 2007; March 2008.
- Folder 11. Publications: "Aviation K.C." a supplement to the November 1966 Kansas Citian.
- Folder 12. Publications: "Time" April 19, 1976, "The Hughes Legacy"; "Flying Colors" vol. 5, Number 1. Braniff International 1976.
- Folder 13. Publications: "Men and Wings" by Assen Jordanoff 1942; "Wings over Washington" by David G. Gordon 1989; "Aviation's One World in the Jet Age" Pan American World Airways 1960
- Folder 14. Publications: Lockheed Constellation by Terry Morgan 1967; Lockheed Constellation C-121, Naval Fighters Number Eight by Steve Ginter 1983
- Folder 15. AAHS Journal (American Aviator Historical Society) Fall 1994, Summer 1997, Fall 1999
- Folder 16. Airplanes: Boeing; Stratoliner, 717
- Folder 17. Airplanes: Boeing Jetliners 1986
- Folder 18. Airplanes – Other Airlines – Alaska, British Airways
- Folder 19. Publications: Pamphlets, Brochures, Non-TWA
- Folder 20. Photographs: TWA photos – 1930-1975 45th anniversary of transcontinental airtservice.
- Folder 21. Book: Quotations from Chairman Mao-Tse-Tung 1967

- Folder 22. Records: "Wolf Creek Pass," C.W. McCall; "Something," Andy Williams. 45rpm. Brochure: "Voyager," Sam Shepard and "Star of America" 1992.
- Folder 23. Promotional inflight materials: Junior Jet Club, Coloring Book.
- Item 1. Book: TWA Skyliner (Mar. 20 1946 – Dec. 26 1946).

BOX 012*ARTIFACTS "Food Gets Around" Connie travel display*

- Item 1. Snack tray, brown 11.5 x 8.5, plastic
- Item 2. Snack tray, turquoise 9.5 x 8, plastic
- Item 3. Meal tray, clear 12.5 x 11, plastic molded to fit food dishes
- Item 4. Snack tray, tan 5.5 x 7.5, plastic
- Item 5. Bread and butter /dessert plate, tan 4x6 , plastic
- Item 6. Bread and butter / dessert plate, yellowish 4x6, plastic
- Item 7. Dessert plate, white/brown 4x5, plastic
- Item 8-9 Fruit / Dessert plates, white/brown (2) 3.5 x 4.5, plastic
- Item 10. White-twin globe, turquoise 3.5 x 5, plastic
- Items 11-12. Juice Glasses (2)
- Item 13. One handled cup, plastic
- Item 14. Round ceramic casserole (Hall) with lid, 6" diameter- doesn't fit carrier, very old [before DC-3 or DC-2, could be Ford Tri-motor]
- Item 15. Napkin, linen, TWA transcontinental airways, ecru
- Item 16-18. Napkins (3), linen, large white, with TWA logo woven
- Item 19-20. Salad bowls (2), tan, plastic
- Item 21. Metal pan, white/brown, 5.25 x 6.5
- Item 22-23. Juice cups (2), tan, Betteware*
- Item 24-25. Coffee cups (2), tan, yellow, one with detachable handle, Betteware*
- Item 26-29. Coffee mugs (4), tan, plastic
- Item 30-31. Coffee mugs (2), white/brown, plastic
- Item 32-33. Juice cups (2), white/brown, plastic
- Item 34-35. Bread and butter/dessert trays, 3x4, plastic
- Item 36. Glass dish with plastic food, 6" round see note**
- Item 37-38. Cloth Napkins, one white, one gold
- Item 39-40. Food trays, 1.5 x 4 x 6.5, tan , plastic, with plastic food

- Item 41-42. Glass goblets, tall, short
- Item 43. Shot glass
- Item 44. Salt and pepper set, Betteware*
- Item 45. Creamer container, red, Betteware*
- Item 46. Stir sticks (3), blue, red, tan
- Item 47. Toy Liquor bottles (2) plastic
- Item 48. 3 piece Silverware set, International Silver Co., raised TWA logo with arrow, wrapped in white damask napkin with red TWA embroidery***
- Item 49. 3 piece Silverware set, International Silver Co., swirl design with raised TWA logo, gold napkin
- Item 50. Paper napkins, TWA, one package
- Item 51. Plastic food
- * Early meal trays as well as dishes were Betteware (trade name urea-formaldehyde, manufactured by the British Cyanide Co., and displayed at the Wembley Exhibition in 1925. In 1929 American Cyanamid Co. purchased the patent rights and plastic production began in America). This hard plastic proved to be ideal for the airline. Light weight, not easily broken, could handle hot coffee or tea as well as iced tea or milk (the usual and only choice of beverages inflight in the 30s and 40s)
- ** TWA introduced hot meals in late 1936. Potatoes, a vegetable and meat were placed hot in these glass casseroles, then placed in the Stanley thermos container since neither the buffets nor galleys had electrical connections for heating in the early planes
- *** Silverware was marked with an arrow across the lettering, a design that can be traced back to Transcontinental Air Transport (TAT) 1929, predecessor of TWA.

BOX 013

ARTIFACTS (not full)

- Item 1. Travel blanket, navy blue, in plastic protector
- Item 2. Travel purse, navy blue, with pens, nylon 6.5 x 5.5 x 2.5
- Item 3. TWA binder, leather "sport"
- Silverplate serving set: TWA (items 4-11)*
- Item 4. Tray, 8.5 x 11.5, with logo
- Item 5. Butter Dish, 6.75 x 3, Oneida, "Sambonet"
- Item 6. Round Bowl, with plastic muffin, 4.5"

- Item 7. Tray, small, with two sections (2), "Sambonet"
- Item 8. Creamer, "Sambonet"
- Item 9. Silverware set, knife, 2 teaspoons, fork, "Sambonet"
- Item 10. Salt and Pepper set on tray
- Item 11. Linen Napkin
- Item 12. Plastic parsley, one stalk
- Item 13. Knives (5), TWA logo- raised with arrow, early 1940's
- Item 14. Spoons (4), International Silver Co. TWA raised with arrow, early 1940's
- Item 15. Forks (2) "Sambonet" Oneida, TWA (on back)
- Item 16. Plate Stand, black wood, 6"
- Item 17. Coat check button tags, one package
- Item 18. Air sickness bag
- Item 19. Crew flight log and expense record, red leather, spiral 4.5 x 3.5
- Item 20. Photograph (mounted): Ten Air Hostesses (saluting) wearing the 1936 Summer uniform, selected by Jack Frye, standing in front of a Douglas plane.
- Item 21. Photograph (mounted): Two Air Hostesses (saluting) in 1938 Summer uniform, standing in front of BOE 307 Stratoliner
- Item 22. Photograph (mounted): Interior view of Douglas aircraft, Air Hostess in 1936 Winter uniform
- Item 23. Photograph (mounted): "Petty Betty" wearing 1938 Winter uniform, in front of DC-2, TWA
- Item 24. Photograph (mounted): Two pilots, two military officers, Air Hostess wearing the first Summer uniform 1936; in front of TWA U.S. Mail plane, pilot seated at window of plane.
- Item 25. 1942: War Regulations (mounted); regulations on air travel.

BOX 014

ARTIFACTS [Fragile] (in office)

Rosenthal China, Germany [specially produced for TWA with gold logo RA]

- Item 1. Bread and butter plates (6)
- Item 2. Dinner plates (8)
- Item 3. Saucers (6)
- Item 4. Plates, 7" (6)
- Item 5. Small bowls (6)

Item 6. Cups (6)

TWA Silverware (KA2115)

Item 7. TWA silverware: 2 forks, 1 spoon International Silver Co., 1938 (very rare) logo inscribed on back; 1 knife, 1 spoon Gorham, 1938 (rare), logo inscribed on back; 3 forks International Silver Co., early 1940s, TWA raised with arrow; 2 forks, International Silver Co., TWA raised; 1 knife, swirl design, TWA inscribed on front, 1950s-1960s (rare)

FLAT BOX 001

Items 1-3 “Connie” Travel Display- base trays: 11.5x16.5” brown; 9.5 x 15.5 turquoise; and 9.5 x 15.5 tan.

Item 4. Article: “The iron horse grows wings”, Saturday Evening Post , about Pennsylvania Railroad, Ford tri-motored planes, December 29, 1928

Item 5. Article: “Columbus Ohio-The Nation’s Greatest Air Harbor, *The Columbus Dispatch*, Sunday, July 7, 1929

Item 6. Poster: “75 Years of Aviation, TWA 1925-2000”, (3), 17x22

Item 7. Poster: “Save a Connie”, 1988. “Star of America”, 1959 Lockheed Constellation N6937C (pictured)

Item 8. Photograph: Watts Family, May 15, 1921. Identification on separate paper: Dodson, Matney, Muir, Watts, Howell, Holmes, Williams, Vaughn, Skeen

Item 9. Publication: *Jackson County Democrat*, 50th anniversary edition, October 26, 1961 (6)

Item 10. Poster: “Kansas City Stars Rising to the Occasion, American Red Cross”

Item 11. Article: *Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung*, German newspaper, about Kansas City, April 1997 (about Ona Gieschen and Save a Connie Museum)

Item 12. Photograph: TWA Constellation tail (N9120)

Item 13. Photograph: TWA Constellation from the tail

Item 14. In Flight Menu: “Foreign Accent Flight”- Francais

Item 15. Menu: “Foreign Accent Flight”-Manhattan penthouse

Item 16. Menu: “Foreign Accent Flight”-Olde English

Item 17. Advertisement: Lockheed Super Constellation

Item 18. Article excerpt: “Boy meets Girl-on the Airways”, Life, March 29, 1937

- Item 19. Certificate: Stratoliner Club, awarded to Lt. C.S. Towles, Jr., July 13, 1941
- Item 20. Advertisement: Patapor parchment, 1933
- Item 21. Magazine: Collier's featuring TWA story, June 1, 1940
- Item 22. Magazines: Life (2), August 8, 1940 and March 29, 1937
- Item 23. Poster: "Footsteps in the Sky"
- Item 24. Advertisement: "America on parade", The Lindberg line TWA
- Item 25. Advertisements: TWA
- Item 26. Article: "War Role Goes to Stratoliners in New setup", *TWA Skyliner*, March 1942, Vol.6 No. 3.
- Item 27. Article: "The Story of Transcontinental and Western Air" by Leon Kelly, Airtransportation Vol.10 No. 1, July 1933
- Item 28. Article: "Fast Air Flights confuse Internal Clocks" *Kansas City Star*, May 19, 1966
- Item 29. Article fragment: "Storm Knocks out one of World's busiest Airports", *Kansas City Star*, November 26, 1950
- Item 30. Article fragment about Howard Hughes
- Item 31. Article: "Air Hostess a 'Grandma'", *Kansas City Star*, April 8, 1971
- Item 32. Article: "Retiring Manager Recalls infant years of TWA", *Kansas City Star*, June 14, 1973
- Item 33. Article: "Howard Hughes Dies: Air Pioneer felled on Jet Ambulance", *Los Angeles Herald Examiner*, April 6, 1976
- Item 34. Article: "TWA Stock Issue perplexes Analysts", *Kansas City Star*, July 2, 1976
- Item 35. Newspaper Photograph: "Captain Randy Kramer Retires", December 5, 1983
- Item 36. Article: "Aviator's Birthplace is Dedicated: Amelia Earhart legend lives on", *Kansas City Star*, July 21, 1985
- Item 37. Newspaper Photograph: "Planes then and now- Ford tri-motor and TWA 747"
- Item 38. Clipping: "Remember When?", *Kansas City Star and Times*, January 8, c.1990
- Item 39. Article: "A Sky speeder Glows: TWA Pilot tells of Red-dish "Flying Saucer"
- Item 40. Article: "Seven decades of Airplanes and the passengers they carry", *Kansas City Star*, August 16, 1997

- Item 41. Article: "A trip through time", *The Orlando Sentinel*, June 27, 1993
- Item 42. Reprint of series documenting the history of the TWA and its birth in Kansas City, *Kansas City Star*, first printed July 2-5, 1995
- Item 43. Article: "Hometown Airline", *Kansas City Star*, July 2-5, 1995
- Item 44. Article: "TWA giving aircraft new colors and look", *Kansas City Star*, September 22, 1995
- Item 45. Clippings: "Two Honored as Aviation Pioneers", "Pilot Looks to Old Tricks"
- Item 46. Newspaper fragment: "Downtown Airport turns 70", *Kansas City Star*, August 16, 1997
- Item 47. Article: "Farewell to Jumbo 747s: moving to smaller, more-efficient planes, TWA closes a chapter on luxury jets", *Kansas City Star*, March 27, 1998
- Item 48. Reproduction of 1937 advertisement in *Skyliner*
- Item 49. Article: "The Rise of an Airline Magnate: with the growth of a New industry", *Kansas City Star*, May 7, 1939
- Item 50. *Starliner*, Vol. 1, November 27, 1946; Vol. 2, 1947
- Item 51. Laminated article: "Former flight attendant still in awe of the "Connie", *Kansas City Star*, May 15, 1994 (about Ona Gieschen and the Save a Connie museum)
- Item 52. TWA buttons/pin collection
- Item 53. International Forest of Friendship, award to Ona Gieschen, June 21, 2003, for exceptional contributions to aviation.

FLAT BOX 002

- Folder 1. *Air Trails*, Street & Smith Publications, Inc., 1940
- Folder 2. Assorted newspaper articles 1959-2005
- Folder 3. Various *Skyliner* articles, used for research
- Item 4. Photograph Album [from Jerry Cosley's office]: Airport views ca. 1935-1936. New York City, Floyd Bennett Field, Newark, Camden, Pittsburg, Philadelphia, Chicago, Columbus, Indianapolis, St. Louis, Kansas City, Wichita, Amarillo, Albuquerque, Winslow, Kingman, Glendale, Burbank. Views include: buildings (administration, passenger stations, hangars); equipment (fire and air-conditioning trucks, steps, battery carts, gas pumps, caterpillar tractors, limousines), planes, some passengers, general views of runways and airports.
- Item 5. Post binder of *Skyliner* magazines, January 1939-April 1944. Issues include: January, February-March, April, November 1939;

January, April, June, July, August, September, October, November, December 1940; January, March, June, July, September, October, November, December 1941; January-December 1942; January-December 1943 (March missing); January-April 1944.

FLAT BOX 003 (red box)

- Folder 1. *TWA Today*, September 21, 1970; November 23, 1970; March 11, 1974
Skyliner; June 9, 1960; July 1998; August 18, 1960; September 1937; September 13, 1956; May 13, 1963, May 13, 1963; April 12, 1965; May 10, 1965; March 31, 1966; March 27, 1967; April 10, 1967; April 24, 1967; December 4, 1967; September 9, 1968; February 23, 1970; February 9, 1970; may 4, 1970; July 13, 1970; April 9, 1984; July 25, 1991; March 31, 2000
- Folder 2. *Skyliner*: some 1950's
- Folder 3. *Skyliner*: 1942 v.6 1-12 [note: CRS sent complete set these are now dups]
- Folder 4. *Skyliner*; 1943 dups
- Folder 5. *Skyliner*: 1944-1957
- Folder 6. *Skyliner*: vol. 32 1969; vol. 38 1975
- Folder 7. *Skyliner*: vol. 39 1976; vol. 57 1993
- Folder 8. *Skyliner*: vol. 49 1996; vol. 67 2001; vol. 66 2000 dups
- Folder 9. *Skyliner*: Bev's (Beverly Cundiff): October 29, 1959; August 13, 1962; October 26, 1964; November 23, 1964; April 26, 1965
- Folder 10. Photocopies: *Air Transportation*, July 1933; Advertisement, "Surely, Silently, Swiftly" Sky Chief, Lindberg Line; "Where Ten Died in Crash of Stratoliner" *Kansas City Star*, March 19, 1939

OVERSIZE FLAT ITEMS (Park)

- Item 1. Poster: Mao-Tse-Tung (purchased in 1970 when Ona worked the *around the world* trip)
- Item 2. Poster: H.H. Gallup, pilot
- Item 3. Poster: Lester Munger, pilot