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

- 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


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 7. Correspondence: Others to Ona Gieschen, professional. 1976-1986
Folder 8. Correspondence: re: TWA historical files 1946, 1992
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 16. Correspondence: re: TWA Ford Tri-motor, photo (January 2001), William T. Larkins to Jim Thompson
Folder 18. Correspondence – 2005
Folder 20. Ona Gieschen – Hostess Training Packet 1948
Folder 21. Ona Gieschen – Hostess Training 1948
Folder 24. Training material, list of employees, bulletins, request for transfer, organization chart 1946-1951


Folder 30. Flight Attendant Payroll Schedules, issues, types of pay 1977


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 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 6. Publications: “Service Aloft” ALSSA newsletters, 5 issues – April 1949 to September 1950 (incomplete set)


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 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 28. Robert Stevens; Leah Conquest; Lou Proctor; Rita Fabac; Jack Taylor, Lee Flanagan, Francis W. Williamson, Walt Gunn
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

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 11. TWA Formative Years: Conquistadores (see Loutbland Collection KC Museum) 1945, 1946.


Folder 15. Ona Gieschen, notes re: TAT, TWA


Folder 17. Publications: misc. TWA, Includes Ona Gieschen 35th anniversary celebration


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 25. Airline Timetables: Western Air Express 1929, 1932


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 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 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.

Item 1. Magazine: Saturday Review April 22, 1967

BOX 006

“BLACKBURN LETTERS” / PHOTOGRAPHS

Folder 2. “Hal” Blackburn, Mgr. TWA ICD – portrait
Folder 3. Harold E. Neumann 1906-1995
Folder 5. Gordon “Parky” Parkinson letters from Hal Blackburn 1977-1979 (2 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 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 Flanagin: 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 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 25. Notes: Save a Connie; Prairie flowers, grasses; Postcards: mural Lounge – TWA Jetstream aircraft (14); TWA Transatlantic Pass, tickets. Ona Gieschen 1954.


Folder 27. Photographs: Save a Connie, participants, individuals 1988.

Folder 28. Save a Connie, Inc.: museum photos, negatives, slides


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 40. Brochures: The Greater Kansas City Community Foundation

Folder 42. John Roche – Two Red Stripes, history

**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 2. Dynamic Supervision (1967-1968)
Item 4. TWA Employee Benefits (1965)
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 4. TWA Labor Relations Training (1972)
Item 5. Basic Hostess Course (1962)
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 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 14. Publications: Lockheed Constellation by Terry Morgan 1967; Lockheed Constellation C-121, Naval Fighters Number Eight by Steve Ginter 1983
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 23. Promotional inflight materials: Junior Jet Club, Coloring Book.


**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, Bettleware*
- Item 24-25. Coffee cups (2), tan, yellow, one with detachable handle, Bettleware*
- 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, Bettrleware*
Item 45. Creamer container, red, Bettrleware*
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 Bettrleware (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 6. Poster: “75 Years of Aviation, TWA 1925-2000”, (3), 17x22


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 Zeitreng*, 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 15. Menu: “Foreign Accent Flight”-Manhattan penthouse


Item 17. Advertisement: Lockheed Super Constellation

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 25. Advertisements: TWA


Item 27. Article: “The Story of Transcontinental and Western Air” by Leon Kelly, Airtransportation Vol.10 No. 1, July 1933


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 32. Article: “Retiring Manager Recalls infant years of TWA”, Kansas City Star, June 14, 1973


Item 35. Newspaper Photograph: “Captain Randy Kramer Retires”, December 5, 1983


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 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 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 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 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 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


**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