

Santa Rosa Ninety-Nines *International Organization of Women Pilots*

December 2012 Newsletter

WINGS AND THINGS

Annual Christmas Dinner Meeting

Join the fun for our Annual Christmas Dinner meeting.

Sunday December 9 at 5:00pm

Wild Oak Saddle Club

550 White Oak Drive, Santa Rosa, CA 95409.

Cost is \$30 per person, dinner choice Roast Pork or Vegetarian.

Please RSVP by December 4th and send checks to:

Judy Knaute

575 W. College Ave, Suite 201

Santa Rosa, CA 95401

Bring a gift (\$20) to participate in our annual spirited gift exchange.

CALENDAR

December 9th – SR99s
Annual Christmas Dinner
Meeting

December 15th – Santa
Fly In at PCAM

January 26th – Southwest
Section Winter
Workshop, Redding

May 2nd – Southwest
Section Spring Meeting,
Bakersfield

International Needs Your Help!

Bobbi Roe, of the Ninety Nines International is looking for issues of past International Newsletters for our archives. She is looking specifically for those issues between 1929 until 1969. If anyone has copies of these newsletters, please contact Bobbi Roe at bobbi99@comcast.net

CONGRATS LADIES!!

Thanks to your efforts and the multiple get out the vote campaigns we staged at AOPA, Oshkosh and other aviation events, the 99s and AEMSF won a \$10,000 grant. The grant competition inspired us to reach out to many new friends, tell them about the 99s and our scholarship fund and share our enthusiasm for aviation. While the 2012 Pilot's Choice awards are concluded, the 99s and AAEMSF are also eligible for a Customer's Choice award. Lightspeed customers still have the opportunity to vote for their favorite charity when they complete their on line warranty registration for a new headset.

The Ninety-Nines and 99s Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarship Fund are one of 20 finalists who will each receive cash distributions of no less than \$1,000 and the top 5 organizations, as voted by customers, will each receive checks for \$5,000. The voting window will be open until the end of March, 2013. The Customer Choice awards will be presented at Sun 'N Fun in Lakeland, Florida, April 9–14, 2013. Lightspeed donates a portion of its headset sales proceeds to the Customer Choice awards. A substantial number of Lightspeed customers fail to designate one of the eligible aviation charities when they register their headsets. So if you or any of your pilot friends purchased or will purchase a Lightspeed headset between April 1, 2012-March 1, 2013, please make sure the purchaser goes to the Lightspeed product registration site and designates the 99s and Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarship Fund to receive part of the purchase for a Customer Choice award. We have a plan to capture the votes of some of the uncommitted Lightspeed customers.

We are asking our friends in local pilot shops to insert a small "Support The 99s and Aviation Scholarships" card in Lightspeed headset boxes on their shelves or, alternatively, to hand the card to the purchaser at the time of sale. Please help us win a Customer Choice award by taking the cards to your local pilot shops in time for the holiday shopping season. Click here to download the file and click here for instructions on printing the card. Please let me know if where and when you put the cards at a local pilot shop. We are keeping track of our efforts so we will know what works well if we are lucky enough to be one of the finalists in the 2013 competition. FYI, the outreach to towers and ATC friends was a great success and garnered hundreds of votes. Let's keep our fingers crossed that local pilot shops can get us votes in the Lightspeed Customer Choice competition.

Thanks and Happy Thanksgiving.

Susan Liebler, Ventura County and International 99s Fundraising Chair

99s Memorial Garden Brick Sponsorship

The Ninety-Nines Memorial Garden at the Santa Maria Airport was dedicated on September 8, 2012 at the Southwest Section Fall Conference. If you were there at the garden dedication, you saw the memorial bricks that have been sponsored by individuals, 99s chapters and other organizations in honor of their own heroes and heroines of aviation.

We have almost enough sponsors for our next batch of memorial bricks which will be installed this winter. With the holidays coming, perhaps there is someone you would like to honor in the Memorial Garden. Sponsoring a brick for that special person would make a great Christmas gift! Attached is the order form with further information.

You may now also order a certificate (suitable for framing) so that your honoree has a permanent reminder that they have a place in the garden, Celebrating Aviation's Heroines. The certificates are an additional \$10.00 which includes shipping and handling.

And we still have sponsorships available for the Presentation Stands which tell the stories of Aviation's Heroines from the earliest women flyers to the astronauts. The sponsorship for a stand is \$499.00 including a beautiful bronze plaque to memorialize your honoree.

If you have questions, please don't hesitate to contact our garden artist and visionary, Sunni Gibbons at sunnig40@comcast.net or me at dpirman@comcast.net.

Thank you and have a wonderful fall season!

The Bakersfield Chapter of the 99s invites you to join us for Southwest Section's Spring Meeting from Thursday, May 2nd to Sunday, May 5th 2013.

Fly into Meadows Field (BFL) and park your plane at Loyd's. Bakersfield Jet Center, where there will be free shaded parking and tie downs, discounted gas and light refreshment. You may want to take advantage of Amtrak and come by train. The station is only two blocks from the hotel. Of course, you can drive; I-5 to 99 will bring you through our rich agricultural valley, where fresh fruits and vegetables grow to feed the world. Commercial flights on United or US Airways will bring you into our new Bill Thomas Terminal at Meadows Field. We will shuttle you away to your weekend home at the Downtown Marriott. You will want to arrive early so you can get a good night's sleep before our adventures begin on Friday.

Our Downtown Marriott offers a great rate of \$94.00 per night for King or Double Queen rooms and has extended the rate to include three days before and after the Section Meeting. Come early and stay late, there are many things to see and enjoy beyond our offerings to you. Call the local reservation desk at 661-323-1900 and tell them you are with "The 99s".

Full registration for the Spring Section Meeting includes the Hospitality Room, Friday night authentic Basque dinner at the famed Noriega Hotel and restaurant, delicious full Saturday Breakfast Buffet in the Marriott restaurant, Saturday afternoon seminars, the no-host Governor's Reception and Saturday evening Banquet.



Our Friday optional tour includes a great white-water rafting trip down the Kern River. We have air-conditioned bus transportation to and from the hotel to the rafting site and lunch is included. Saturday morning the 49 1/2's will be treated to a tour of our Kern County Museum and Pioneer Village. Pioneer Village has over 55 exhibits of pioneer life in the area on sixteen acres of beautifully landscaped grounds. The tour includes a steam locomotive and a black gold exhibit famous for its exploration of our oil industry. On Saturday an optional tour in the afternoon will take you to historic Minter Field, where we will tour the museum and explore aviation's past. We will also explore



an adventure from the too. an optional Village.

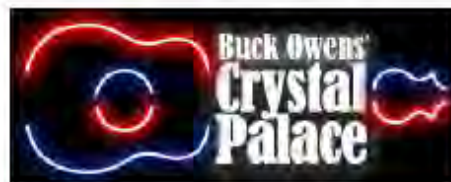
aviation's current practices by touring a wooden prop manufacturing operation, an aircraft restoration facility and home of the Strega. Unlimited winner of the 2012 Reno Air Races, and an operating crop-dusting site. For those who want to explore on their own Saturday afternoon, we suggest a stroll through the lovely Mill Creek area where you will find some wonderful antique shops and our own Bakersfield Art Museum.



On Sunday morning you will not want to miss the breakfast buffet at the world famous Crystal Palace, home of Buck Owen's memorabilia. The food is excellent and even for non-country western fans, the museum surroundings are outstanding in quality and quantity. The Crystal Palace is on your way home, so plan to save time to enjoy on your own the hearty brunch at Buck's



For those who would like adventure in and around the California Living Museum plants and animals native to the Buena Vista Museum of



place. more Bakersfield. features California. Natural

Science features the findings from our own Sharktooth Hill, and there are wind farms and glider rides in Tehachapi.



PACIFIC COAST AIR MUSEUM

Welcome the Holidays! Santa Fly-In is December 15

Santa Claus will arrive at the Pacific Coast Air Museum a little early, on December 15! And he's traded in reindeerpower for horsepower, leaving his sleigh back at the North Pole and arriving instead in a special 21st Century sled. Thanks to the folks at REACH Air Medical Services, Santa will be flown to the PCAM Landing Zone by helicopter! After Santa arrives around 10:30 he will set up shop on a stage by the F-15 with his bag of treats and will take requests from all kids. Every child will get a free bag of goodies. While the kids wait to see Santa they can get their faces painted and play in the jumpies.



During a previous visit, the Jolly Old Eli prepares to take requests from young hopefuls as a couple of his Elves stand by for crowd control.

This event is free, the Museum's gift to the community. So you don't have to wait in a really long line we will give every child a numbered ticket. We will use our PA system to call 25 ticket holders at a time to line up for Santa. Pick up your ticket in the Gift Shop as you arrive.



Santa and one of his Elfish flight crew

Doors open at 10:00 AM.

The Museum will have a selection of food and beverages available for a small charge. This will be similar to the famous Hot Dog Thursday menu, with extra items such as popcorn, hot chocolate, tea and coffee. The Gift Shop will be open for your shopping pleasure with wonderful gifts for your children or grandchildren, including our new gift certificates (see story on page 8). Admission is free for everyone. Please spread the word to your family, neighbors and friends. Posters and flyers will be available, so pick some up and spread them around.

When: Saturday, December 15, 2010, 10:00 – 4:00

Santa Arrives by Helicopter: Approximately 10:30 AM.

Where: Pacific Coast Air Museum

Cost: FREE!

www.pacificcoastairmuseum.org
(707) 575-7900

2013 Southwest Section 99s Winter Workshop

Saturday, January 26th, 2013

Hosted by the Mount Shasta Chapter

Location: Come to the beautiful northstate, to the **Hilton Garden Inn**. Our meeting will be held in their larger conference room.

Time: 9:00 am to 4:30 pm.

Rooms: The **Hilton Garden** has generously reduced their rates to \$99 per night plus tax for our group. We have set aside rooms for both Friday and Saturday nights.

Their website www.redding.stayhgi.com gives you all the details.

For reservations call **530-226-5111** and let them know you are with 99s. That will insure you get the reduced room rate.

Transportation:

Driving: From Interstate 5 take exit 675 as you enter Redding. Check the website for detailed directions. It is only a block off the interstate. Parking is free at the hotel.

Flying

Private: The hotel provides shuttle pickup from the Redding Jet Center and Air Shasta at KRDD, Redding Municipal airport.

Commercial: KRDD is also the closest commercial airport. The hotel also provides shuttle pickup from the terminal. If you desire, the terminal also has car rentals available if you want to see more of the area.

Registration:

Registration fee is \$30.00. Cash, checks or credit cards.
Make checks to Mount Shasta 99s.

Lunch: Yummy buffet lunch included in your registration fee.

Breakfast: On your own. The hotel has a restaurant and room service available prior to the meeting.

Note: Registrations are nonrefundable. You may transfer or donate your registration if you are unable to attend.



Registration Form

2013 Southwest Section 99s Winter Workshop

Saturday January 26th, 2013

Complete and mail this form or register at <http://ninetyines.net/swswm/> to pay by credit card.

Name _____ Chapter _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Day phone _____ Cell _____ email _____

Registration includes buffet lunch and coffee or tea.

Registration fee: \$30.00 payable to Mount Shasta 99s.

Rooms: See invitation flyer for room block details.

If arriving by plane:

FBOs: Redding Jet Center – no tie down fee and reduced fuel

Air Shasta – has self-serve fuel

Hotel shuttle from either – call 530-226-5111

Commercial: Hotel shuttle or rental car pickup at terminal.

Any special transportation needs _____

Paying by check?

Mail completed registration and payment to:

Barbara Crooker
22452 Stagecoach Rd.
Palo Cedro, CA 96073

Questions or concerns – contact Barbara Crooker

flylady@frontiernet.net

530-515-7929 – cell

530-549-4275 – home

