



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

September 2013 Newsletter

WINGS AND THINGS

September Monthly Meeting

Our monthly meeting for will be held on Thursday September 12th at the Santa Rosa Airport restaurant, The Sky Lounge. The meeting will start at 6:30, come for hangar talk, drinks, food, and important 99s information. If you want to partake in Happy Hour, be sure to get there before 6:30!

North Bay Discovery Day

The North Bay Discovery Day, which popularizes Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math, would love your help! We have been asked to participate in this year's event, held at the Sonoma County Fairgrounds on October 26th.

If you would like to help the 99s participate in the NBDD by working at an interactive booth and help get kids interested in aviation, contact Val Suberg! If you can't attend, but have some ideas for an interactive booth, let us know!

Southwest Section 99s Fall Meeting

When: September 19th – 22nd

Where: McClellan Airpark, Sacramento

If you have not yet registered for the Southwest Section Fall Meeting, follow this link to register <http://ninetyines.net/sws99sSAC/general.asp>

The sooner you register, the cheaper your ticket!

This meeting's highlights will be information on applying for the Amelia Earhart Scholarship, Keynote Speak Lori Losey, a NASA photographer, and much more!

Calendar

September 8th – Willits Airport Discovery Day

September 12th – Monthly SR99s Meeting, 6:30pm

September 21st – Wings Over Marin

September 19th-22nd – Southwest Section 99s Fall Meeting

September 26th – AOPA Safety Seminar: Weather Challenge, 7pm-9pm

October 5th – SJC Open House, 10am-2pm

October 26th – North Bay Discovery Day

Remembering Betsy Taggart -

The Ninety-Nines lost a bright, beautiful light last month with the passing of Betsy Taggart after a hard fought and heroic battle with cancer. Betsy has been a member of the Santa Rosa 99s since 2001 when her work brought her to the Santa Rosa area from Napa where she had been a member of the Napa Chapter. At that time Betsy began working at REACH Air Medical Services, and became an invaluable fixture in the Maintenance Department handling all aspects of parts purchasing and logistics.

Betsy became active in the Chapter immediately, holding positions of Vice Chairman and Chairman over 4 years. She didn't hesitate to take the opportunity to get involved in fly-ins and our annual Airplane Proficiency Excursions, and made an excellent right seat companion. In 2002 she received the Chapter Pilot of the Year award for service and contributions to the organization.

Of course, she will always be remembered for her continued efforts in assisting in the logistics and planning for our Pacific Coast Air Museum Air Show hot dog sales. She not only assisted in the overall coordination of the event for several years, but also in handling the 2500 hot dog buns, year after year, as they were delivered to the REACH hangar for distribution to our hot dog booth.

Six years ago Betsy and her husband Bob purchased a Bed and Breakfast Inn. Between working full time at REACH by day and baking the breakfast goodies by night Betsy's plate was certainly full, but her tireless and enthusiastic energy proved to be an inspiration as she still managed to find slices of time for the 99s..

Who among us can ever forget her infectious joy, laughter and smile? Betsy was much loved and respected by all, and will surely be missed.

A celebration of Betsy's life will take place at Hans Fahden Winery (owned by a close friend of Betsy) will take place on Wednesday September 18th at 5pm. More details will follow.



PCAM Wings Over Wine Country Air Show

Our sixth annual Silent Auction and Raffle at PCAM was another huge success. We enjoyed two great days at the air show. I want to thank all of our wonderful sponsors and donors for their donations, as together we will continue to support aviation in our community. Also big thanks to our volunteers who helped to make this year's Silent Auction and Raffle such a fun and very successful event.

- Joan Bacci, SR99s

Thanks to our helpers and volunteers: Val Suberg, Miles Suberg, Darla Paulson, John Cody, Marsha Maki, Joan Bacci, Hannah Northern, Patty Foley, Cynthia Axell, Mary Caveza, Cheryl Brown, Jacquie Parr, Peggy Rohde, Tom Rohde and Frank Rohde.

Those also helping with the prep prior to the actual weekend, Peggy Thompson, Joy Reinemer, Judy Knaute and Barbara Shubel.

And a VERY special thanks to Joan Bacci for orchestrating the raffle and auction and getting such great donations and prizes!!



Awarding of Our Aviation Scholarship

The Santa Rosa 99s awarded Heather Jay our 2013 SR99s Scholarship at the Installation and Prospective member dinner held at the Wild Oak Saddle Club on July 11th. We all enjoyed getting to know Heather and hearing about all her accomplishments in aviation so far. Heather flew in to Santa Rosa with her father and their mutual enthusiasm for aviation was a great addition to our dinner. Congratulations again to Heather and good luck on your CFI!

Willits Airport Day – O28

Sunday September 8th

This year's Willits Airport Day combines with the popular Willits Kinetic Carnivale www.KineticCarnivale.com to offer pilots and families access to a railroad steam-up, hand-car races, an eclectic fair with food and entertainment and more plus access to the world-famous Skunk Train www.SkunkTrain.com. Historic aircraft are encouraged to fly in and exhibit at Willits Airport Day. Transportation provided between O28 and the Carnivale.

For more information visit www.willitsairport.com



FLY NOW Scholarship Available

The Fly Now Award (formerly New Pilot Award) is a progressive award given to Associate members with a need for financial assistance to become licensed pilots. We've expanded the scope of this award to provide up to \$3000 toward completion of the Recreational Pilot, Sport Pilot, or Private Pilot certificate, or non-US equivalent, in any aircraft. This award will be given progressively to winners AFTER they complete four milestones in their training.

For more information visit www.ninetynines.org

Vote for the 99s at LightSpeed

Selected from a field of hundreds of nominees, the 99s are one of 15 aviation charities competing for grants up to \$10,000 that LightSpeed will award to the aviation nonprofits receiving the highest Internet vote tally in its annual grant competition.

In previous years the 99s have used LightSpeed Foundation grant money to increase outreach programs and expand our participation in aviation events, support our scholarship programs and expand the 99s' participation in the EAA Women Soar Program at Oshkosh. We have also been able to increase the number of flight training scholarship awards given to high school girls participating in Women Soar.

Through our scholarship and education programs we are committed to working with other aviation organizations to advance aviation and the growth of the pilot community. With votes and support from aviation enthusiasts, the aviation community, our members, friends and family, the 99s can win the 2013 grant competition and use the LightSpeed grant to establish and market a new solo scholarship. It will provide young women between the ages of 16 and 20 with the funding needed to support their flight training through their first solo.

Please vote for us at:

www.vote99s.com

Thank you for your support of the 99s! Please feel free to share this email and encourage your friends and relatives to support the 99s and aviation scholarships. Please also remember to only use your email address once to vote in the competition.

International 99s Conference July 10-13, 2013

Can you say ADVENTURE!!! That best describes the time we had in Bozeman during the International 99s Conference. Patty Foley, Marielle Coeytaux and I, Val Suberg, attended the conference as delegates from the Santa Rosa Chapter. There were 265 members at the annual business meeting and over 300 people at the conference. We were scattered over several hotels and we had a great time meeting 99s from other chapters.

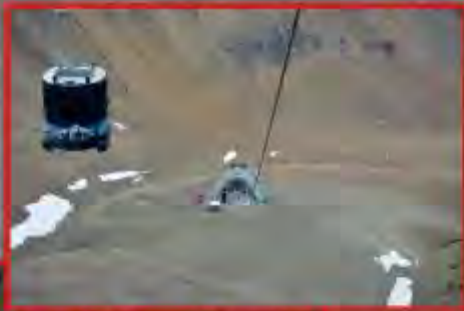
The first few days were filled with adventure. Yellowstone National Park was nearby and Patty and Val spent the morning hiking near Mammoth and the North Gate. Patty must have signed up for all the activities, Yellowstone, Hot Springs, Virginia City, Big Sky Resort, Zip Lining, horseback riding and fly fishing. She didn't want to miss out on anything.

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We all went to the Big Sky Resort and spent the day in the village or participating in activities. Marielle had a nice lunch with some 99s, Patty went zip lining and I went to the top of the mountain with Bay City 99 Judy Barron and her husband Ben. It sounded like a good idea, but it was a long way up and I'm not sure you should go to 11,000 feet unless you are flying. We started with extra parkas, and then off to the chair lift... With no snow, the chairlift is pretty high off the ground. Then we boarded a safari type truck to take us across the mountain to the tram terminal. We were crossing a rock glacier and the weather started to cloud over. We boarded the tram and it took us straight up the side of the mountain to the peak. By the time we got to the peak, it was about 30 degrees, windy, cloudy, raining, snowing and cold. We looked around, you could see 360 degrees, and it was beautiful. Then we headed back down, tram, truck and ski lift. Just as we were about to sit on the ski lift our guide yelled out 'it's wet!' So by the time we got back to the village we all had soaked bottoms. Nothing little hot chocolate and Bailey couldn't cure. After drying out for a bit, we headed to the Broken Hart Dude Ranch for dinner. The Broken Hart was beautiful. We had a nice BBQ dinner and went on a Hay Ride. What a great way to start a conference.



On Friday we listened to the keynote speaker, Addison Pemberton. What a story he had to tell. He started flying in 1969 and is an A&P IA. He restores old airplanes and told us about a Boeing 40 that he restored to flying condition. The Boeing 40 was used as a mail plane during the 1920's and 30's. Addison told us about the history of the plane and shared his photos during the restoration. Google Addison and the Boeing 40 to see some great photos.



AE Scholarship Winners Past and Present

After the speaker we attended the AE Luncheon. This is always a highlight of the convention. It is so inspiring to hear the stories of this year's AE Scholarship winners.



Marielle, Val and Patty at the business meeting

Saturday we attended the business meeting. Voted on some by-law changes and listened to the committee reports. it's great to hear what going on at the International level.

There were some great seminars in the afternoon followed by the Awards Banquet. Kitty Houghton was posthumously awarded the Award of Inspiration. Her sisters and niece attended and accepted the award on her behalf.



Kitty's family

Wings Over Marin


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FLY NOW Awards for Student Pilots

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Milestone 1: Passing the FAA or equivalent written knowledge exam, if not completed at time of application: \$500.

Milestone 2: First solo, if not completed at time of application: \$1000.

Milestone 3: Long solo cross-country flight, if not completed at time of application: \$1000.

Milestone 4: Receiving FAA or equivalent flight certificate: \$500.

Requirements: Must be an Associate member of The 99s - there is no length of membership requirement. Must have, if required for the pilot certificate sought, a current medical certificate. **NEW:** Applicant need **NOT** have soloed or passed the written exam.

Procedures & Deadline: Each Applicant who belongs to a Chapter needs to request a recommendation from her Chapter Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarship Chairman. In addition, each applicant must have a Mentor, a 99 who will support her through the training process.

The deadline for the first FLY NOW award applications to be received by their Chapter (or Section) AE Chairman is **SEPTEMBER 15, 2013**. The deadline for the AEMSF Trustees to receive the approved applications is **SEPTEMBER 30, 2013**. Winners will be notified in October, 2013.

Application form: The files below may be downloaded or printed or filled out while online. The file can be saved to your personal computer. This application contains all the information needed by the applicant. In addition, there is a document containing instructions for the Chapter (or Section) Scholarship Chairmen. We have attempted to simplify the FLY NOW application process, so please read both documents carefully.

[FALL 2013 FLY NOW Award Application](#)

[FALL 2013 FLY NOW Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarship Chairman Instructions](#)

The next **FLY NOW** application deadline will be in March, 2014.

NO applications **for the FLY NOW Award** will be taken in December, 2013. 