



Monterey Bay Ninety-Nines

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# LOGBOOK

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Some of the Monterey Bay 99s went to KSBW Radio Station and presented 99+ aviation related toys (such as Pilot Barbie) for the annual "Share Your Holidays." (Pictured from left: Laura, Erin Clark, Kay, Sophia, Sue, Michaela, Alice, Theresa)

**Flying High, Ladies!**

**HAPPY NEW YEARS & A FULLFILLING 2017!**

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EAA Building at **Watsonville Airport**, 60 Aviation Way.

Directions: **Coming From CA-1 North** take the Airport Blvd/Freedom Exit. Merge on-to Larkin Valley Road., Turn left onto Airport Blvd. Turn left onto Aviation Way.

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**NO MEETING IN JANUARY**

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## Member Activities



November 16,17,18 NIFA—Alice, Carolyn, Jeanne, Joanne

November 18—Lyceum Sophia, Theresa, Joanne

Dec. 9—Share Your Holidays—Laura, Kay, Sophia, Sue, Michaele, Alice, Theresa



White Reindeer and holiday potluck party

## Membership Donations

If you haven't please make your membership donations minimum of \$20 please do so. **Make check payable to Monterey Bay 99s and send to Alice Talnack, 140 Dovewood Ln, Aptos, CA 95003.** Our local dues run from July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017.

**Monterey Bay Yearly Chapter Members Donations 7/1/2016–6/30/2017**

Below is the latest list of members who have paid dues / made a yearly donation to the MB 99s.

Adelman, Gabrielle	Arnold, Earline	Barnett, Laura
Chauvet, Sarah	Contreras, Claudia	Dierolf, Carolgene
Dugger, Carolyn	Eiseman, Mary Ellen	Fagan-Smith, Barbara
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# Prop Wash

By Joanne Nissen



Well, a Happy New Year to all our members! I trust you all enjoyed a nice Holiday Season. I spent mine in Tucson with cousins including a great trip to Pima Air and Space Museum. I was last at Davis Monthan Air Force Base in the mid '60s.....many things have changed. I did not remember the museum at all and was relieved to learn it was not created until the early '70s. What I had walked thru was the boneyard with the aircraft that were being cannibalized or chopped up (recycled) into aluminum. It is a wonderful museum with a new 5<sup>th</sup> hanger filled with yet more planes and aviation treasures. We visited on the 26<sup>th</sup> of December, so I followed Laura's advice and looked for aviation related toys for our 2017 Share Your Holiday...good thing I had lots of room in empty ice chests for the goodies (can't go visit relatives without taking lots of artichokes, garlic, lamb, etc.) The still present boneyard is a separate visit area as is a silo tour from the cold war missile defense days. The displays included some wonderful stories of pioneering female aviators. I loved it all.....

I look forward to hearing how much fun our chapter Holiday party was. I am curious who is attending the Southwest Section Winter Workshop? It sounds like a very informative one, but I will still be in Denver at the Lamb Board. (Even with an hour time difference, I cannot get out early enough on Saturday morning to make it to Santa Ana.) My emails from the FAA show a (Wings) seminar in the south Bay on the 17<sup>th</sup>...anyone want to go? There is NO MEETING in January so you would not have to be out 2 nights in a row. Then there is February coming up.....COOKIES FOR THE TOWER TIME. Usually Kay or Michael corral some cookies for the Salinas tower plus the airport management team.....who can volunteer some cookies for that sweet thank you for all they do for us.....and we need a team leader in WVI and lets try for MRY or even King City to keep promoting and thanking these folks from our Aviation community. It doesn't have to be on Valentine's Day, but that is a good choice. Please offer to help with the "Cookie Caper" at your local airport!

Looks like we will be meeting in Salinas for the February meeting to check out the new restaurant for dinner before the meeting begins at 7pm. Please trust your executive committee to make some dinner decisions once the restaurant is up and running later in January.

Make careful decisions with the winter weather and all the surprises it can offer a pilot. See you on the 15<sup>th</sup> of February in Salinas.

## **AOPA AIR SAFETY INSTITUTE SEMINAR**

### **Nontowered Case Studies: What Went Wrong?**

**Wednesday, January 11, 2017**

**7 –9 pm @ Embassy Suites—Milpitas (901) East Calaveras Blvd., Milpitas)**

"Flying at nontowered fields is a balancing act...the margin for error can be very slim. ..ASI's new seminar turns a spotlight on real-life accidents in the nontowered environment. Together with our expert presenters, you'll play the role of accident investigator —starting at the crash scene and working through physical evidence, eyewitness testimony, and other leads to figure out what went wrong, and why.

**RSVP: [www.airsafetyinstitute.org/seminars](http://www.airsafetyinstitute.org/seminars)**



## FAA REVIEWS AOPA MEDICAL COURSE

MEDICAL REFORM RULE EXPECTED SOON

JANUARY 5, 2017 BY AOPA EPUBLISHING STAFF

The FAA has reviewed the AOPA Air Safety Institute's aeromedical online course and confirmed that it meets the third class medical reform requirements that Congress created last summer. Pilots would need to complete the course, which AOPA will offer for free, every two years in addition to seeing their personal physician every four years to operate under the law.

"We worked with a lot of constituents to get this course done.... We've worked with a number of doctors, general practitioners as well as AMEs," said AOPA President Mark Baker.

In reminding pilots that they will continue to have the responsibility to assess their health before every flight, Baker remarked about the course, "It's a good assessment to yourself."

The course covers a variety of health subjects, including the importance of exercise and diet and their effect on your performance in the cockpit, as well as providing in-depth information on heart health and diabetes. The course concludes with a quiz. Pilots must pass in order to earn the certificate that is kept in their logbooks for reference if the FAA were ever to ask. Those not passing the first time can review the course and retake the quiz until they pass. AOPA will notify pilots when the course is available to take.

The FAA is expected to publish the third class medical reform final rule soon. In December, the agency indicated that it would release the third class medical reform final rule in January. Based on the legislation that President Barack Obama signed into law July 15, 2016, the FAA must publish the final rule within 180 days of that date. The final rule is expected to include the effective date that pilots can begin operating under the new reforms.

"We're looking forward to the final rule and implementation date from the FAA," said Baker. "This has been a long time coming. AOPA and our members fought hard for reforms, and we hear every day from pilots who can't wait to fly under the new rule."

AOPA will notify members as soon as the final rule is published and will review it in detail to provide answers for any questions pilots might have. AOPA also is preparing a suite of online resources for pilots and physicians to help them make use of the new rule and ensure implementation goes smoothly.

**MONTEREY BAY 99s**  
**Perpetual Chapter Activities Calendar**

**January**

Southwest Section Winter Workshop Meeting

**No MBY99s meeting**

**February**

Cookies for the towers

**March**

MB99s Nominating Committee – Bi-Annual

**April**

MB99s ballots distributed for new officers – Bi-Annual

Mojave Experimental Fly-In @ Mojave Air & Space Port – April 14-16. 2017

**May**

Southwest Spring Section Meeting

MB99s Scholarship Award & Luncheon

Scholarship Fundraiser – Human Race, Santa Cruz

**June**

Chapter Reports Due to International

MB99s – History & Scrapbook Remembrance/Updates

Identify pilots for Section Award @ Fall SWS meeting

**July**

International Conference

Officer Installation – Bi-annual

Installation – Forest of Friendship



## Afghan Woman Pilot Seeks Asylum in U.S

This information was submitted by Lin Caywood—99 member and it also appeared in the Wall Street Journal on Dec. 24, 2016 and additional source from Lin Caywood.

**Here's a follow-up on the situation regarding the Afghani woman pilot that appeared in the Wall Street Journal. In the F.A.S.T. FB page several pilots have already reached out to the author of the article (her name is at the end) and to her lawyer to inquire about assistance. Susan Larson has some contacts that she offered as well.**

As the first female airplane pilot in Afghanistan, Niloofar Rahmani became a powerful symbol of what women could accomplish in the post-Taliban era. But in the ultraconservative country, the limelight also brought threats, sending her into hiding from insurgents and vengeful relatives.

Now, more than three years after she earned her wings, the 25-year-old Afghan air force pilot hopes to start a new life in the U.S. where she has applied for asylum, saying her life would be in danger if she returns home.

Capt. Rahmani went to the U.S. in the summer of 2015 to train on C-130 transport planes with the U.S. Air Force. The course ended Thursday, and under the terms of her training stint, she was due to go back to Afghanistan on Saturday. She won't be going.

"I would love to fly for my country—that is what I always wanted to do," Capt. Rahmani said from Little Rock Air Force Base in Arkansas, where she completed the flight training. "But I'm scared for my life."

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Capt. Rahmani is the highest-profile member of Afghanistan's armed forces seeking asylum in the U.S. or neighboring Canada. Three Afghan soldiers were detained after fleeing a training exercise in Massachusetts in 2014 and heading for Canada. One was granted asylum and another immigrated to Canada. The third soldier has been denied asylum and is appealing the decision, his lawyer said.

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The head of Afghanistan's air force, Maj. Gen. Abdul Wahab Wardak, recently warned pilots training in the U.S. against applying for asylum, saying they would be deported to Afghanistan and arrested if they attempted it, Capt. Rahmani said.

Asked Friday to comment about Capt. Rahmani's decision to seek asylum,

Lt. Jalaluddin Ibrahimkhel, a spokesman for the Afghan air force, said pilots must return home after completing their training abroad.

If she is granted asylum in the U.S., Capt. Rahmani says she will continue flying, either with the U.S. Air Force or as a commercial pilot.

“Everything I went through, all my suffering, was because I really wanted to fly. That was my dream,” she said.

Her asylum request comes just weeks before Donald Trump takes office as U.S. president and is expected to tighten restrictions on immigration, particularly on Muslims.

During the election campaign, Mr. Trump called for a total ban on Muslims entering the U.S. On Wednesday, he appeared to suggest that the deadly truck attack on a Christmas market in Berlin had justified the controversial proposal.

“You know my plans,” Mr. Trump told reporters who asked if the Berlin attacks would lead him to reassess his proposals to stop Muslim immigration to the U.S. or to create a national registry for Muslims. “All along, I’ve been proven to be right. One hundred percent correct.”

It wasn’t clear whether Mr. Trump was reconfirming his call for a complete ban on Muslim immigration or his subsequent clarification that he would block only those Muslims entering from countries with a history of Islamic extremism.

Last year, Mr. Trump was asked in a CNN interview whether the proposed ban would apply to people like Capt. Rahmani, a Muslim pilot fighting extremists.

“Good, good,” he said of her achievements, declining to say whether it would apply to her.

The U.S. Embassy in Kabul didn’t immediately respond to comment on Friday.

Capt. Rahmani came of age in Kabul after the U.S.-led invasion of Afghanistan toppled the Taliban in 2001, ushering in an era that promised unprecedented opportunities and freedoms for women in a country where few work outside their homes.

The U.S. and its allies spent millions of dollars in a bid to help narrow the gender gap by promoting women's education and employment, including in the male-dominated military. The decision by Capt. Rahmani to seek asylum is emblematic of the limitations of those efforts, which drew the ire of extremists, including Taliban insurgents.

Despite those obstacles, Capt. Rahmani in 2013 became the first woman to graduate from the pilot-training program run by the U.S.-led military coalition in Afghanistan and became a public figure, even a celebrity, in Afghanistan.

But she soon received threatening phone calls and a written death threat from the same branch of the Pakistani Taliban that notoriously shot and wounded the schoolgirl and Nobel laureate Malala Yousafzai.

The biggest danger, however, came from distant relatives, who believed her career choice had brought dishonor to the family. They wanted her punished and repeatedly tried to track her down in Afghanistan.

They also viewed Capt. Rahmani's father and brother as accomplices to her offense and sought to punish them, forcing them to move every few months along with her and other members of her immediate family. Her brother was attacked twice, once in a shooting and then by a car that sped away.

The U.S. State Department last year gave Capt. Rahmani an International Women of Courage Award, acknowledging the dangers she has faced because of her career.

The threats to members of Capt. Rahmani's immediate family have continued since she moved to the U.S., forcing them to move three times since she left Afghanistan.

Her superiors in the Afghan military have given her no support and instead have encouraged her to quit, according to Capt. Rahmani, her father and Western officials familiar with her case. Pressure from the U.S.-led coalition helped her keep her posting.



Under U.S. immigration law, an applicant for asylum must show a well-founded fear of persecution because of race, religion, nationality, membership in a particular social group or political opinion.

Capt. Rahmani's lawyer, Kimberly Motley, who worked in Afghanistan for years, said her client's asylum application meets those criteria.

"There are great concerns for her safety if she returns. The threats she has received have been well documented," she said. "Unfortunately, some of her superiors within the Afghan military have failed in their duty to protect her."

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## **Share Your Holidays** report by Kay Harmon

99s Laura B, Sofie T-H, Alice T, Theresa LB, Michael S and myself enjoyed being on KSBW for share Your Holidays again this year. We were prepared with bins of toys, totaling more than 99!! The favorite toy was the Barbie Doll Airline Pilot!! There were many other toys and books as well. We are still trying to convince TV Anchor Erin Clark to take that first flying lesson!!

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## **Salinas Airport Restaurant and February's Meeting Location**

Submitted by Kay Harmon

The Salinas Airport restaurant will be opening mid January!! I (Kay) have spoken to the owner-manager Jonathan Sagul and he is eager to have our Monterey Bay 99s meet there every other month. I have tentatively set February 15th for our first meeting. Johnathon will be an asset to the airport, has a large following. He has been the chef at Laguna Seca Golf Ranch and also Poppy Hills, one of Pebble Beach premier courses and restaurants. He currently is well known for the great fried artichokes and burritos, as well as other tasty treats at The Choke Coach. The green Choke Coach is on Highway 1 at Pezzini Farms and has followers up and down this coastal route. The restaurant name will be called The Flying Artichoke.

**HOSPITALITY for 20167 meetings** – Please sign-up and let Joanne know

February – Alice

March – Jeanne S

April -

May -

June -



*Sign-up to bring snacks*

### **Valentine cookies to the tower or airport manager**

February 14th is the traditional day to bring home-made cookies to the tower or airport manager (when there's no tower.) If February 14th doesn't work, bring on another day. This gesture is to show our support and appreciation for those working to keep us safe while in the air and on the airport's property. Airports in the MBY areas are Salinas, Monterey, Marina, Watsonville, Monterey Bay Academy

Possible organizers to assign people to bake cookies; deliver them to the assigned airport (s) covering the Salinas, Monterey, Marina Airports—Kay Harmon, Watsonville—Laura; Monterey Bay—Marjorie. If you can't be the organizer, please ask someone to do it.

### **NINETY-NINES YEARLY MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL**

Go to the [Ninety-Nines.Org](http://www.ninety-nines.org) web page and then go to "Members Only" and type in your password. Check and edit as needed the information on file about you. You can call Headquarters, access online renewal, or send a check to renew your membership.

Headquarters at [844-994-1929](tel:844-994-1929) or [405-685-7969](tel:405-685-7969).

Renewal may be done online at  
<https://www.ninety-nines.org/index.cfm/renewal.htm> (internet is not 100% secure)

Mail \$65.00 to: The Ninety-Nines, Inc. International Organization of Women Pilots P.O. Box 950374 Oklahoma City, OK 74195-0374



## It's a bird, it's a plane, it's a drone delivering your groceries from 7-Eleven

DECEMBER 21, 2016

7-Eleven and Flirtey, a leading drone delivery service, have completed 77 autonomous drone deliveries to customer homes in the United States. Flirtey said it is the first drone delivery service to complete regular commercial deliveries to customer homes in the United States. The companies are planning to expand their drone delivery operations in 2017.

Flirtey conducted regular weekend deliveries during November from a 7-Eleven store to a dozen select customers who were able to use a custom app to place their unique order. Along with listing all items available for delivery, the interactive app also notified customers when their drone was loaded, when it departed from the store and when it was arriving at their doorstep.



Once an order was placed, 7-Eleven merchandise — including items such as hot and cold food and over-the-counter medicines — were loaded into a custom Flirtey drone delivery container and flown autonomously using precision GPS to a local customer's house. Once at the customer's home, the Flirtey drone hovered in place and lowered the package. On average, customers receive their packages by Flirtey less than 10 minutes from the point of order.

One customer was so excited by the experience that she called her family to tell them they had just become the real-life Jetsons. All of the customers who participated stated they will continue to use Flirtey drone delivery service as operations expand.

"Flirtey is the world's leader in the drone delivery industry and we have now successfully completed the first month of routine commercial drone deliveries to customer homes in partnership with 7-Eleven," Matthew Sweeny, Flirtey chief executive officer, said in a press release. "While other companies in this space are shipping jobs overseas, Flirtey's goal is to make delivery instant, and in the process create jobs at home for hardworking Americans and veterans. This is a giant leap towards a future

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future where everyone can experience the convenience of Flirtey's instant store-to-door drone delivery."

Customers of all ages participated in the deliveries — including elderly couples, working parents and busy college students — and feedback from customers cited the speed and convenience as the most appealing aspects of Flirtey deliveries.

### Happy Bottom Riding Club – Pancho Barnes



(Book Review) This book  
available to borrow from  
the 99s library. See  
Laura

Florence Leontine Lowe later known as “Pancho Barnes” was one of the original Ninety-Nines. She was an accomplished stunt pilot, the first woman stunt pilot and starred in a few movies. This was the impetus behind forming the Motion Picture Stunt Pilots group to help pilots get equitable pay and other benefits. She along with other women helped organize the Women’s Air Reserve (W.A.R. 2) with the purpose of getting equal flying qualifications for women. This organization provided medical attention during disasters that could only be reached by plane. She is best known for her ranch house “Happy Bottom Riding Club” to off-duty pilots which was located near Edwards Air Force Base in the Mojave Desert in California.

Pancho’s personality was uninhibited, cantankerous, obscene, and confrontational. She was totally absorbed with the spending of money, much on pricey items such as thoroughbred stallions and unaware of how to keep a budget, let alone live within one. Buying items and then selling items for less than she paid just to pay the bills was her M.O. I found Pancho a colorful character making her own life path. Pancho’s unconventional craving for life, her imagination, and creative showmanship came through in this book by Lauren Kessler. She lived life to the fullest and died the same way. When her ashes were being scattered over Edward’s Air Force Base, a gust of wind blew them back into the cockpit. Pancho had her last laugh..

# Save the Date

SWS Winter Workshop – 1/28/2017

Why Attend a Southwest Section Workshop? We hang out together, trade flying stories, see the local sights, enjoy the local food, and network with our wonderful organization of women pilots. This informative Southwest Winter Workshop brings together instrumental governing officers, chapter members and informs members of the SWS's goals, committees and the activities of southwest chapters. Join us in beautiful Orange County and have lots of fun with our fantastic Southwest Section 99's!

**Date:** 01/28/17

**Location:** Ayres Hotel, 325 Bristol St, Costa Mesa, CA – Minutes from KSNA–John Wayne Airport

**Cost:** \$42 includes lunch

**Registration:** Registration is made by paying for the workshop with credit card through the OC 99's PayPal account. You will be contacted for details and that will serve as your registration confirmation. Registrations are nonrefundable but may be transferred or donated if unable to attend.

**Hotel Information:**

Room block for Friday Night & Saturday night



**SWS Winter Workshop  
Orange County, CA – Ayers Hotel  
JANUARY 28, 2017**

8:00 a.m.	Registration	Orange County Chapter
9:00 a.m.	Welcome – Introductions - Agenda Bay Cities – Spring SWS Meeting Update SWS 2020 – International Conference Update SWS Memorabilia Update	Alice Talnack Bay Cities Jeanne Fenimore Jeanne F. & Paula S.
10:00 a.m.	<b>Topic #1</b> – International Awards Overview  Questions – discussion	Alice Talnack, Former Awards Chair Membership
10:30 a.m.	<b>Topic #2</b> – Chapter Awards  Questions – discussion	Chapter Chairs  Membership
11:30 p.m.	LUNCH	
12:30	<b>Topic #3</b> - SWS Awards Overview  Questions – discussion	Paula Sandling and Awards Chairs Membership
Afternoon	<b>Awards Breakout Sessions</b> - Awards Due Dates - Handout Select the awards session(s) that you want to participate in. Select one or all to attend. Bring samples of chapter awards to share, bring your awards questions, Get tips on how to write nominations. Share, learn. End the day with your awards submittals on their way to completion.	
3:30 p.m.	Wrap Up – Comments, Feedback ...  Next Winter Workshop - - location - agenda -topic(s) Other -	All
4:00 p.m.	Adjourn – Thanks for coming! Safe travels home.	

**99S MISSION STATEMENT**

The Ninety-Nines is the International Organization of Women Pilots  
that promotes advancement of aviation through  
education, scholarships, and mutual support  
while honoring our unique history and  
sharing our passion for flight.

# Logbook



January 11th @ 7-9 p.m. Embassy Suites – Milpitas FAAST Safety Team & AOPA – Non-towered Case Studies: What Went Wrong? Rsvp: [www.airsafetyinstitute.org/seminars](http://www.airsafetyinstitute.org/seminars)

January 18 – **NO** MBY 99 Meeting

Jan. 28, 2017 SWS Winter Workshop. Costa Mesa, CA [http://oc99s.sws99s.org/new/?page\\_id=937](http://oc99s.sws99s.org/new/?page_id=937)

April 27-30, 2017 SWS meeting/Spring 2017 hosted by Bay Cities Chapter in Oakland, CA

April, 28-29, 2017 – Camarillo, Ca. – KCMA AOPA Fly-In

July 11-16, 2017 International Conference – San Antonio Texas

September, 8-9 , 2017- Norman, OK. – KOUN AOPA Fly-In

October, 6-7, 2017 Groton, CT. KGON AOPA Fly-In

October, 27-28 , 2017- Tampa, FL. – KTPF AOPA Fly-In