

**Monterey Bay 99s**

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# Logbook

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Our scholarship winner with her parents Louie & Jennifer Ray and friend Miguel

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Our general meeting for Wednesday, March 16, 2016 at 7 p.m. in the EAA Building at Watsonville Airport, 60 Aviation Way.

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

**Chapter meeting—March 16, 2016 @ 7 p.m.**

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## Member Activities



Claudia Contreras—flight instruction & night flying  
Mona Kendrick—reading & research  
Stephanie Mendelsohn—local flights, new job @ Specialized Aviation  
Jeanne Sabankaya—newsletter, studying, SWS Winter Biz Mtg, Hiller Museum in San Carlos, got my medical renewed  
Joanne Nissen—SWS Winter Bix Mtg, Aviation Explorers 1st flight of RC planes, commercial to PHX, Hiller Museum  
Laura Barnett—attended EAA 119 speaker  
Katrina Espinoza  
Marita Espinoza—Katrina's mom  
Kay Harmon—SOPA  
Michael Serasio—SWS Winter Bix Mtg, Touch & Gos @ SNS, 1st flight Explorer Scouts, Hiller Museum in San Carlos  
Carolgene Dierolf  
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### 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, 2015 to June 30, 2016.

**Monterey Bay Yearly Chapter Members Donations 7/1/2015 – 6/30/2016**

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

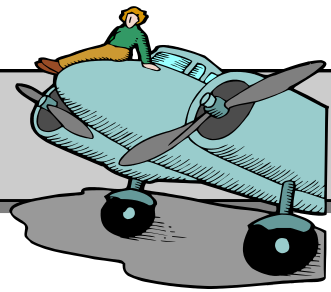
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## Prop Wash

By Claudia Contreras



I hope everyone has had a great job and able to sneak in some flights while the weather clears up a bit. I'd like to encourage everyone to take the time to get to know some of our student members and help to guide and motivate them while they are working towards their license. One of the best things about being in the 99s is the camaraderie and being able to have a group of friends to talk flying with. Please share that with our new members and other students even if they aren't 99s yet.

Claudia Contreras

*Hi Ladies:*

*Registration for the Southwest Section Ninety-Nines Spring Section Meeting scheduled for April 22-24, 2016 in Riverside, California, is going up March 1<sup>st</sup>. If you have not already registered plan to do so by the end of this month. March 1<sup>st</sup> to April 15<sup>th</sup> registration is \$149.00.*

*Friday is a Tour of the March AFB Museum and Saturday morning is a behind The Hangar Door tour of the Flabob Airport (probably the most Historic airport in California).*

*Registration information is available at:*  
<http://ninetynines.net/sws99sFlabob/index.asp>

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**Monterey Bay 99s Membership Meeting  
February 17, 2016**

**Call to Order- 7:08pm**

Presentation of MB 99s Scholarship to Danielle Ray.

**Attendance:**

Alice Talnack, Michael Serasio, Joanne Nissen, Jeanne Sabankaya, Mona Kendrick, Laura Barnett, Claudia Contreras, Sue Purvis, Marjorie Bachman, Carolgene Dierolf,

**Guests:**

Danielle Ray, Miguel Aguilar, Jennifer Ray, Louis Ray, Nick Contreras, Nate Contreras, Marita Espinosa and Katrina Espinosa, Ransom Leif, Jr.

**Treasurers Report- Alice T.**

Bank accounts up to date

**Secretary Report and Correspondences-**

Minutes for January have a correction under New Business regarding Girl Scouts. Girl Scouts inquiring about MB 99s having another Girl Scout Day. January minutes approved (with correction) as Motion by Carolgene D. and Seconded by Sue P. Motion carried.

**Reports & Unfinished Business-**

*SWS Winter Workshop:*

Report at March meeting

*Explorer Scouts:*

First Flight Report at March meeting

**New Business-**

*Human Race- Marjorie Bachman reporting*

May 7, 2016 this year. Event can only take Pledges/Donations until May 7, 2016

Posters and Pledge cards available. Please check out [www.humanracesc.org](http://www.humanracesc.org) for more information. You can also see our team page on the Human Race website. Our agency number is: 136.

*Adjournment of General Meeting: 07:25pm*

**Speaker:** Ransom Leif Jr. speaking about his Dad, Lt Col Ransom W. Rideout USAF Ret.

A WWII Flying Tigers Pilot. He was a fighter pilot with the 27<sup>th</sup> Fighter Squadron of the 14<sup>th</sup> Air Force at Chickiang. Shot down by enemy gunfire in 1945 and captured and re-captured by Chinese Guerillas. Mr. Leif brought the silk parachute used by his Father after he was shot down and his Purple heart and Distinguished Flying medals.

*Hospitality-* Thank you Marjorie !!!

*Hospitality-*

*March Jeannie Sabankaya*

*April Michael Serasio*

*May Mona Kendrick*

*June*

*July*

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## Meeting minutes

### *Next Southwest Section Meetings:*

Spring	Riverside (Flabob EAA#1)	SWS Joint	April 22 – April 25, 2016
Fall 2016	(Lancaster)	Antelope Valley	September 29 – October 2, 2016
Spring 2017	(Oakland)	Bay Cities	April 27 – April 30, 2017
Fall 2017	?	Mount Shasta/Redwood Coast	TBD

### *Next International Business Meetings:*

Ottawa, Canada	July 7-9 2016
San Antonio, Texas	July 11-15 2017
Philadelphia, PA	2018 Dates TBD

## **HOSPITALITY for 2016 meetings** —Please sign-up and let Joanne know

January — Claudia Contreras

February – Marjorie Bachman

**March**— Jeanne Sabankaya

April – Michael Serasio

May - Mona Kendrick

June -

July -

August -

September -

October -

November -

December— Holiday party



## **Are there still any tiles for sale for the Compass Rose at Headquarters?**

There are still tiles available. What a great way to have you, your Chapter, or anyone else you select gain the historic prestige of having a tile named just for you or whomever you choose. Need to honor an outgoing Chapter Chairman or Section Governor? Need a birthday or anniversary present that is so unique and long-lasting? Tiles are priced from \$49.50 to \$199 depending on color and location. Go to <http://www.ninety-nines.org/compass-rose.htm> for more information.

**Comments or Questions?** Contact President Martha Phillips at [president@ninety-nines.org](mailto:president@ninety-nines.org).

A huge congratulations to Danielle Ray, who became the proud recipient of the Monterey Bay 99s 2015 scholarship! Danielle earned her Private Pilot License with AeroDynamic and quickly moved on to flying tail-draggers. She is a full-time student in the Airline Transport Professional's Airline Career Pilot Program. She started her training on February 22 at the Sacramento Campus. The projected enrollment will end in June. Danielle plans to complete her Commercial, Multi-Engine, and ATP ratings while in training.

**See the following page for her bio (page 6).**



**Name:** Danielle Ray

**Birth place & date of birth:** I was born in Salinas on 3/25/96

**How did aviation enter your life/when did you get bitten by the aviation bug:** Well, it all started for me when I wanted to be an aviation mechanic (which I would still like to achieve) My dad took me to the airport to submerge me in the aviation environment. My first flight was with the Young Eagles.

**Where did you receive your first flight lesson & when:** I received my first flight lesson at the Salinas Airport (my favorite place to be!) With Erik Teeters @ Airmotive Specialties. That was about 7yrs ago.

**Where & when did you get your Private Pilot license:** In 2014 @ the Salinas Airport!! Most challenging thing I've ever done. Best day ever!

**What other certificates do you hold:** I have a high performance rating and tailwheel endorsement. I encourage anyone to fly a tailwheel aircraft (so much fun and a great challenge!)

**Where did you fly for your cross country:** I flew to Paso Robles. That was the point in my training when I felt like an actual pilot.

**Airport you fly out of:** I love flying out of the Salinas Airport, however, I have recently switched to flying out of the Monterey Airport due to the plane being moved there for training. Salinas Airport will always be my home though.

**Which is/are your favorite airplane(s):** That would have to be a Citabria 7KCAB. Fun little plane! I also like the Christiansen Eagle.

**Do you own your own plane:** No, that will be something for me to think about farther down the road.

**Where are your favorite spots to fly to:** I had to think long and hard on this question, flying on its own is such an amazing experience all the places that I've been were all such a thrilling adventure. So, I guess I don't have a favorite place to fly, but just love flying!

**What are your hobbies:** My parents saw this question and started laughing, because they have always told me that I do too many different things. My hobbies include horse riding (which is my current job as an assistant horse trainer), dirt bike riding, archery, and pencil drawing. I also have a huge passion for music and can play the guitar and piano.

**What are your plans for the next 5yrs:** Another tough question. I've always had an idea and a direction that I've wanted to go such as flying and wanting to be a pilot for CalFire. However, I will always be open to the direction that God wants for me. I don't know what His plan is for my life, but I shall continue pursuing aviation in any way that I can and let God direct me from there.

**Interesting information about you that might surprise most people:** I'm a pretty open book when it comes to that. One thing I did think of that most people can't imagine me doing is when I was younger I used to compete for CSHA (California State Horseman's Association) as a Little Miss and have won the title of CSHA Little Miss Royalty. That competition really helped me to step out of the box and become more confident in myself.

**Aviation advise:** I would like to encourage anyone pursuing aviation to NEVER give up. No matter how hard it may get the accomplishment is worth it. Never give up on your dreams and when you accomplish it continue to shoot for the stars.



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What exactly do we earn?? When the sales reach \$200 we will receive a combined 20% of all sales (excluding shipping and tax). Stacey will donate her commission in lieu of free products. More sales will equal more money for the WASPs and 99s Scholarship Funds, sales over \$1000 will increase the donation amount to 25%.

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**DEADLINE DATE**

Mail, email or call in all orders by **February 12<sup>th</sup>**.

Editor's Note:

This advertisement has expired but the idea as a fund raiser might still be a possibility.

## **Ransom Wythe Rideout** (Oct. 1920 - Dec. 2015)

known to many as "Bud," passed away peacefully on December 4, 2015, at the age of 95, in Scotts Valley, California. A pilot with the Flying Tigers during World War II, Bud had recently told his family that he was ready to climb back into his old P-40, and fly away to join his late wife, Betty - and so he has. Born in San Jose, California, Bud grew up on his family's ranch on Trimble Road, spending much time as well with family in Berkeley and along the San Francisco Bay waterfront. He was raised in a creative and diverse family; he often found themselves in the company of the farmers, musicians, thespians, and



educators who made up the circle of friends of their parents, Ransom and Charlotte Rideout. Bud's grandfather, Ernest Vincent Rideout, a master mariner and tugboat captain, frequently took Bud along on his tug, towing a variety of cargoes around the Bay. By the age of twelve, Bud was taking the helm of the 100-foot tug and towing barges - even at night. When his father took the opportunity to work in the film industry in Los Angeles in the mid-'30s, Bud and his dad sailed a small sloop, Spindrift, from San Francisco to Santa Monica. They lived on the boat for three years, rubbing elbows with the likes of fellow sailors Claudette Colbert, Humphrey Bogart, and Johnny Weissmuller. There his father wrote screenplays and taught English, and Bud took classes at Santa Monica Junior College. Bud then returned to San Jose to begin his studies at San Jose State College, at which time he developed an interest in aviation, and got his pilot's license through the Civilian Pilot Training Program. As the war overseas became increasingly dire, Bud found himself unable to concentrate on his studies. He enlisted in the Army Air Corps, and began military flight school at the Ryan School of Aeronautics in San Diego in September, 1941. Upon completion of his training, he was assigned to the 115th Reconnaissance Squadron. During the next three years, he flew every type of military plane in production, became a flight instructor, and was stationed at a series of bases in California, Mississippi, Florida, Arizona, Texas, Louisiana, and finally, at Marshall Field in Ft. Riley, Kansas. It was at Ft. Riley that Bud met Betty Austad, an Iowan who had trained to be an Army nurse. They married in October, 1944, and soon thereafter received their orders: Betty headed to Europe with the 119th Evacuation Hospital, and Bud was sent to the China-Burma Theater of operations, where he became a fighter pilot with the 27th Fighter Squadron of the 14th Air Force at Chickiang - otherwise known as the Flying Tigers. Bud flew 38 search-and-destroy missions in P-40s and P-51s. He was shot down during his last mission by enemy gunfire in July 1945. He was captured, but then re-captured by Chinese guerillas, who befriended him and helped him return to his base, a grueling journey that took nearly two weeks. Bud and Betty were reunited after the War. They ultimately settled in Redwood City, California, where they began their family while Bud earned his Masters of Education from Stanford, and began teaching.



He continued flying jets with the California Air National Guard until a close encounter between his F-86 Saber Jet and a B-52 told him it was time to hang it up. By the end of his flying career, Bud had flown 56 different types of aircraft. The family moved to Santa Cruz in 1963, where Bud served the Santa Cruz City Schools, first as Personnel Director, then for nearly 20 years the principal of Gault Elementary School. During the '60s and '70s, Bud was also very active in the Santa Cruz Yacht Club in a variety of roles, including Commodore in 1972.



The Purple Heart was just one of many mementos that Leif brought to share with the 99s. The attached article is from Ransom's obituary.

**Guest Speaker** Ransom's son Leif came to speak on behalf of his father & share stories of his father's wartime & civilian flying experiences.



From AOPA go to [www.aopa.org/AOPA-Live](http://www.aopa.org/AOPA-Live) to see short video on Florence Shutsy Reynolds talking about the WASP's right to be buried at Arlington National Cemetery.

### [WASPs' final battle: Inside Heli-Expo](#)

Women Airforce Service Pilots, their families, and supporters by the thousands are fighting to honor these veterans by admitting them into Arlington National Cemetery, which was disallowed last year. The passing of Elaine D. Harmon of Maryland, who died at age 95, 70 years after joining the corps of female pilots, brought the issue back into focus. AOPA Live® talked to another WASP veteran in Pennsylvania who makes a case that the honor of Arlington burial was earned long ago. Also this week (March 3), join us on the floor of the Helicopter Association International 2016 Heli-Expo in Louisville, Kentucky.

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Alice Talnack—helping with Spring Section meeting in Flabob, SWS Winter Biz Mtg, Hiller Museum, local flights, attended EAA 119 speaker, 1st flight—Explorer Scouts

Sue Purvis—Aviation Explorers first flight of RC planes, Airport Commission mtg SNS, attended EAA 119 speaker, passed FAA medical

Marjorie Bachman—flight instructing, organizing safety seminars, Master Pilot Award Work, tailwheel training

On Saturday, February 6, four Monterey Bay 99s/SOPA members were present at the launching of the Explorer Scouts' radio controlled airplanes project. Congrats to the Scouts, Sue Purvis, Michael Serrasio, and Jim Shumaker for their efforts and support of this project.



...and it's a lift off!





## Meet Stephanie, our newest member!

**NAME:** Stephanie Mendelsohn

**BIRTH PLACE & DATE OF BIRTH:** Born March 4, 1987 at Dominican Hospital in Santa Cruz, California.

**HOW DID AVIATION ENTER YOUR LIFE?/WHEN DID YOU GET BITTEN BY THE AVIATION BUG?** I could say my fascination with helicopters began way back in high school when I used to run down the street to watch (with starry eyes at the bright orange jumpsuits) the MedEvac choppers and their flight nurses land at the hospital behind my house. But I believe I was truly bitten by the aviation bug in 2009 when I was living abroad and travelling in Glasgow, Scotland. While visiting the touristic Glasgow Tall Ship on the River Clyde with a friend, I noticed a Police Eurocopter EC135 gearing up for takeoff on the helipad across the water. Not sure exactly why, but for some reason I was totally transfixed on this helicopter and hardly blinked as I watched it whirl and roar until it finally lifted off the ground and flew past overhead. To this day, I still am stopped in my tracks whenever I hear that beautiful sound – at times, even trailing off mid-sentence during conversations as I get lost in a whirring aircraft cruising by.

**WHERE DID YOU RECEIVE YOUR FIRST FLYING LESSON & WHEN?** My first flying lesson was a 60minute Intro Flight at Specialized Helicopters (now Specialized Aviation) in February 2010.

**WHERE & WHEN DID YOU GET YOUR PRIVATE PILOT'S LICENSE?** I am currently pursuing my Private Pilot's License.

**WHAT ARE YOUR HOBBIES?** Besides aviation, I enjoy playing music (guitar & keys) and I love all things Italy (food, language, culture, etc.). I am also a bit of a movie buff!

**WHAT ARE YOUR PLANS FOR THE NEXT 5 YEARS?** I would like to spend the next 5 years working towards my dream of starting a flight school in Italy. This includes getting my own PPL and possibly further licenses, and also getting more involved in aviation to gain experience and knowledge about what it will take to make this dream a reality. Considering that I love to travel, and eventually would like to be based in Europe, I hope to spend some more time over the next few years living abroad – perhaps in the UK, Sweden, South Africa, or New Zealand.

### INTERESTING INFORMATION ABOUT YOU THAT MIGHT SURPRISE MOST PEOPLE?

Some interesting info about me would include...

- Although I was born and raised primarily in Santa Cruz County, before my junior year in high school I had moved houses 13 times and attended nearly a dozen different schools.
- I have 5 siblings who range in age from mid-twenties to early fifties.
- A good percentage of the things I say are a direct quote from some movie. A significantly smaller percentage of these quotes are caught by my listeners.
- I have donned many hairdos over the years, the most extreme being a funky faux-hawk, colored fire-engine red down the middle.
- I spent nearly 5 years living, studying, and/or working in Sydney, Australia; the better part of that time spent studying leadership at an International Leadership College and working for a church.
- My favorite flower is called Ranunculus (a terrible name, but beautiful flower). This flower blooms with seemingly endless petals only once per year for less than 3-4 weeks in early spring – which, in the northern hemisphere falls right around my birthday.

# Santa Clara 99's present **SJSU FLIGHT TEAM'S ANNUAL FUNDRAISER**

Date: April 30th

Time: 11:00 am

Location: SJSU Aviation Hangar  
2105 Swift Ave  
San Jose, CA 95148



Please join the Santa Clara  
Ninety-Nines and the SJSU  
Precision Flight Team for a  
BBQ and fundraiser at  
Reid-Hillview Airport in the  
SJSU Hangar.

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FLIGHT TEAM**





## HUMAN RACE—fundraiser for the 99s scholarship fund

This is an easy way to raise money for our scholarship. You can participate in the Human Race on race day and/or just donate money. Part of the money goes to the Volunteer Center which helps many people and agencies. Contact our representative, Marjorie Bachman for more information @ marjoriebachwoman@gmail.com. FYI—yours truly is in the 2015 video with Luna. See if you can recognize us.

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- 3) Talk it up. Ask for a few minutes on the agenda of any meeting you are attending. Explain why you are participating in the event and ask for support.
- 4) Fundraise as a team. Teams can have a lot of fun organizing activities and events to raise money for their favorite cause.



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March 16, 2016 (Wednesday) - Monterey Bay 99s meeting 7 p.m. @ EAA hangar

April 30 @ 11 a.m. SJSU flight team's annual fundraiser. SJSU Aviation Hangar @ 2105 Swift Ave., SJ

April 22-24, 2016 Spring Section Meeting at Flabob, Ca.

May 7 @ 8 a.m. Human Race fundraiser

July 7-9, 2016 International meeting at Ottawa, Canada

September 29—October 2, 2016 Fall Section Meeting at Lancaster, Ca by Antelope Valley 99s

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR!** April 27-30, 2017 SWS meeting/Spring 2017 hosted by Bay Cities Chapter