

On Saturday, June 7<sup>th</sup>, Salinas Pilots will be honoring our own Kay Harmon at Salinas Airport with a BBQ and speeches. Fun starts around 11am with BBQ at noon. The 99s are invited to attend to this event for Kay. Please RSVP Sarah asap at <u>sarahchauvet@sbcglobal.net</u> or 831-724-8256. See story on page 5.

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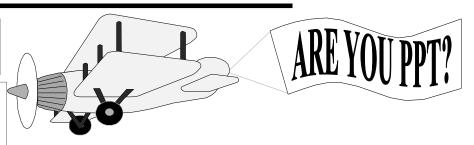
The MB99s June meeting will begin at 7pm at the EAA hangar on Wed., June 18. Exit Hwy 1 at Airport Blvd., go toward hills, turn left after 3rd stoplight (Hangar Way) onto Aviation Way, proceed past WVI terminal and Zuniga's restaurant. EAA hangar is on the left.

## Monterey Bay Chapter Officers

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As of January 1, 2002, we have a new Proficiency Training Program format and a new Form. Awards will be based on the total number of members who participate, not just how many active pilots take part, so as not to penalize chapters with non-flying members. So let's document all those activities and get the forms in to Carolgene Dierolf, our Proficiency Training Coordinator.

#### Southwest Section Ninety-Nines Proficiency Training Program 1/1/07 to 12/31/07

Instructor Signature:

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Return this completed form to:

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Carolgene Dierolf 652 San Mateo Pl. Salinas, CA 93901 Phone: 831-422-2331 **Prop Wash** By Sarah Chauvet



The Watsonville Fly-In and Airshow went off successfully in spite of the Summit Fire that sent smoke and ash over the airport until Friday when the on-shore winds sent them east. The FAA did not help either when they sent out a NOTAM on Thursday saying that the airport was closed. They retracted it on Friday but the damage was done. There were possibly not as many aircraft in because of the smoke and ash and also there was weather south of here that deterred many of the older airplanes. The high price of AV gas didn't help either. Teri Mantz did a great job of organizing the registration booth and all of us who worked there had a great time. Mary Doherty and Alice Talnack wore many hats as usual and were all over the airport. Mona Kendrick opened the booth on Sunday and was there till we took it down and then took one of the volunteers flying on Monday!!

Geneva Cranford was there Thursday in the wind and ash to supervise setting up the booth as were Theresa Levandoski-Byers, Teri Mantz, Mary Doherty and Sarah Chauvet. Alice Talnack had a minor glitch to her day off when she had to assist in evacuating a Science Camp in the fire area but she got there! George Byers, Theresa's husband, brought up their golf cart, we got our 99s sign on it and he helped for all 3 days moving anything we needed. We should make him an honorary 99!! Also assisting with set-up and take down was Hal Zamora of the Watsonville Pilots Association. Many thanks to everyone.

The month of June has always seemed to me to be the month of beginnings and endings, graduations, weddings, retirements, etc. It is also the month that I got my license to learn 10 years ago. After my soft field landing when my examiner said "Well, you have a license to learn," all I could think was, "Please God, don't let me wreck the airplane on the way back to the hangar." I have sort of the same feeling this month as I wind up my 2 years as your chair and hand off the gavel to a new chair. "Let me not mess up this final meeting." I must confess when I took on the job it was with trepidation and worry. However, with the help of many of you it was a great and fast 2 years! Now it is time to hand off the gavel to Michaele Serasio who will do a great job. She has been invaluable to me over the past 2 years, serving as my "ears" at meetings and taking over when I was gone. She will be ably assisted by Donna Crane-Bailey as vice-chair and Carolyn Dugger will fill in as Secretary till someone is appointed. I will take over the Treasurer position.

Thank you all for all the help and encouragement and laughter of the past two years. I have met many wonderful women pilots and have grown in so many ways. I leave you in great hands and I plan to enjoy our meetings from the sidelines again.

Blue Skies and Tail Winds!! Sarah Chauvet

## Coming event from <a>FAASafety.gov</a>

### For further details and to register for this FAA Safety Seminar, go to FAASafety.gov

#### "Instrument Test Prep Ground School"

Topic: 3 Day Instrument Pilot & Instrument Instructor Test Prep Ground School On <u>Friday, June 6, 2008</u> at <u>9:00 AM</u> Location: Squadron 2 Flying Club, 2655 Robert Fowler Way, San Jose, CA 95148

#### Select Number: WP1519504

**Description:** Prepare for your FAA Knowledge Exam in just one weekend with Fred Abrams, nationally known aviation lecturer, humorist and veteran instructor.

To the Monterey Bay 99s:

Thank you so much for the quilt square you donated for my Governor's quilt. The four airport design was so clever and everyone who sees it gushes over the design and intricacy.

Thanks also for loaning me Donna Crane-Bailey's ear and expertise in all things 99s. I could not have managed the last couple of years without her.

Martha Phillips

It is that time of year when you all get to apply for the most prestigious SWS award - Woman Pilot of the Year! So many times I hear, "I don't think I have anywhere near enough to receive this award." What an untrue statement! Sometimes we're just too modest to brag about ourselves, but there are always those who would love to brag for us. Filling out the application doesn't take long. It's a resourceful tool that depicts the strides you have made as a woman pilot, as a Ninety-Nine (big smile).

When I became a corporate pilot, I listed the SWS WPOY Award on my resume. Do you know that every single potential employer asked about this award with great interest? To this day, I truly believe it was the Award that kicked off my career.

Please take the time to download the application. If you are unable to do so, get in touch with me and I will make sure you receive an application. It is also preferred that the application be completed by hand. Read the instructions carefully and make sure the application is mailed back to me no later than August 15, 2008. The WPOY Award will be presented at the Saturday night banquet at the SWS Fall Meeting in Ogden, Utah.

Now I'm going to sit back and look forward to checking my mailbox!!

Best, Pat Prentiss

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# My Flying Career By Kay Harmon

My interest began just after WW II. Living in rural Fairview District in Hollister, I loved to walk through the orchard to the neighbor's field. Elmer Harmon, who was my future father-in-law, had a small strip and he would give lessons under the GI Bill, rides, etc. That is where I first met my best friend, Ron. The Harmons later moved their flight school to the Hollister Airport, and Mr. Harmon became the Airport Manager after the Navy evacuated that airfield.

Ron achieved his license at age 17, and I flew with him before we got married, and then we started raising a family. When Ron started flying again, I became his fair-weather companion, not wanting to take controls, but enjoying charts, navigating, changing frequencies, etc. Unbeknownst to me, Ron wanted to buy an airplane. One day he informed me he had made an appointment for me with Air Trails for an introductory flight lesson, which I reluctantly did. That was June 1st, 1971. Well, that was all it took. I got my confidence and came back to our office with all of the needed manuals to get started. Solo came on June 15th, 1971, and Private on August 30th, 1971.

Then came our first airplane. In 1971 we purchased a 1958 C172 Skyhawk, which we lovingly dubbed The SuperChicken. We flew the PAR (Pacific Air Race) in 1973 with daughter Dianne (she got her license while a senior in high school), placed 19th out of 99 teams and got trophies for best score for first time racers. Flew the PAR solo in 1975, fun but no trophy. Flew His 'n Hers Great Pumpkin Classic Air Race twice, with Ron -- placed 4<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>. Then just worked on the race as timer and handicapper. More Fun! As a side note: when daughter Dianne got her license, Ron made the statement: "Now I have my choice of right or left seat, as long as it's in the back!"

- 99s offices held: Vice Chair, Chapter Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, APT chair. Also Chapter Pilot of the Year in 1973.
- Salinas Airport Commission: Appointed in 1988, through 1993, then again in 1995 through 2002. Served as Chairman twice, Vice Chairman twice.
- SOPA Charter member and board of directors, Vice Pres., Secretary, Treasurer.
- Airport tour guide for Monterey County Lyceum for 5 years. Airport tour guide for numerous school and Boy and Girl Scout groups.
- Aviation informative talks to Kiwanis Club, Lyons Club and SIRS.

Aircraft checked out: Grumman T-cat, Tiger and American, Cherokee 140, 150, 180, Archer, Arrow, Cherokee 6-260 and 300, Cessna 150, 172, Hawk X-P, 182, Citabria, Taylorcraft L-2 WW II reconnaissance aircraft, Corbin Baby-Ace, a parasol-wing solo homebuilt. Left seat time in Thorpe T-18, another homebuilt; as well as Beachcraft B model, Mooney, Comanche 260 and Navion. Also, have right seat time in Cessna Concourse and Douglas DC-3.

Have flown into British Columbia, all Western States, and to Kansas to pick up first new plane, the Hawk X-P at the factory, purchased two aircraft in San Marcos, TX and flew them back side by side. Love to airplane camp in spots like Columbia and also at a forestry strip at 8,500' near Mt. Whitney.

Flight time logged: 2,200 plus hours.

# MB99S GETTING READY FOR AND WORKING AT THE WATSONVILLE FLY-IN & AIRSHOW





Clockwise from top left: Sarah & Theresa having too much fun; MB99s assembling pilot information; Sarah, Kay, Carolyn & Geneva preparing bags of flour for the flour drop; Sarah telling everyone how to assemble the 99s booth; Theresa at the booth; Sarah & Teri at the booth. Photos by Mary Doherty









# **MORE DAY-IN-THE-SKY PHOTOS**











The MB99s assist at this annual event at WVI that provides airplane rides to children with disabilities. All photos by Sara DeRouchey.

### Chapter dues are \$15. Make check payable to Monterey Bay 99s and send to Theresa Levandoski-Byers, P.O. Box 924, Freedom CA 95019 If you don't see your name here, you haven't paid! Our local dues run from June 1, 2008 to May 31, 2009. (If you paid for two years last year, let Theresa know.)

Newsletter editor has no record of paid memberships for 08-09.

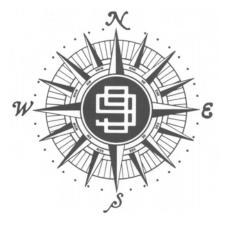
## **Member Activities**



Written & skipper Flew "co-pilot" charter King Air to Victoria Mexico Lessons, WVI Hoodwork; cross-country to MOD & approaches Local Local; post-annual check Lessons; studying for written

Save the Date: On Sunday, July 13, 2008, we will have a get together at Sarah's house, 147 Mesa Verde Drive, Watsonville, to celebrate the incoming officers of the Monterey Bay 99s for 2008-2010. Details will follow. Monterey Bay Chapter 99s c/o Dena Taylor Cabrillo College, 6500 Soquel Dr. Aptos CA 95003





Mailing Address Goes Here

June 7, 2008———	—-Celebrate Kay Harmon Salinas, see p. 1	
June 18, 2008——	MB99s Chapter Meeting 7pm, WVI. See page 1.	
July 13, 2008——	-—-Celebration of new MB99s officers See page 8.	
August 6-10, 2008-	——-International Conference Anchorage, Alaska	
September 26-28, 2	2008—Southwest Section Meeting Ogden, Utah	
May 1-3, 2009——	——Southwest Section Meeting Glendale, AZ	