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What's Inside



(above photo) SWS Spring Conference in Chandler, Arizona. Monterey Bay chapter won first place for Air & Space Education (plaque presented by Barbara Crooker & received by Jeanne Sabankaya), and Airmarking (plaque presented by Lynn Meadows & received by Michaele Serasio)

The Ninety-Nines 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."

May 21, 2022 Noon

Meeting & Social

Pack your lunch. Long-time member, Sandy Pratt will be showing her painting and talking about her interesting aviation past. Address will be sent to members before the event.

Monterey Bay 99s Chapter Officers

Chair: Jeanne Sabankaya
Vice-Chair: Mona Kendrick
Secretary: Carolyn Dugger
Treasurer: Alice Talnack

Committee Chairs

Aerospace Education:Alice TalnackAir Marking:Michaele SerasioScholarship:Alice TalnackMembership:Kay HarmonHistorian:Carolyn Dugger

Laura Barnett

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The 5th of the month fis a soft deadline to submit articles, photos, notes for the current month's publication. Send info to jeannesabankaya@gmail.com





(information are from the members that attended the general meeting and photo documents)

Alice Talnack—local flying and aviation stuff

Michaele Serasio—Spring SWS meeting in Chandler AR (4/7-4/9), attended Phoenix chapter 99 meeting,4/13), attended Mountain Flying & ATC seminar (4/9), visited chapter member Petra Kirk 4/11-14), flew Cessna Skyhawk 172 at KDVT Phoenix & passed flight review (4/13), completed Wings program phase 7 basic level (4/13), listened to guest speaker Kiah Erlich civil sales director for Blue Origin (4/9), KWVI fourth grade class talk (4/22)

Jeanne Sabankaya—Spring SWS meeting in Chandler AR (4/7-4/9); attended Mountain Flying & ATC seminar (4/9); visited chapter member Petra Kirk 4/10-13); listened to guest speaker Kiah Erlich civil sales director for Blue Origin (4/9); KWVI fourth grade class talk (3/18, 3/25,4/22), 4/29;local flying

Mona Kendrick—local slying

Carolyn Dugger

Laura Barnett—library maintenance

Theresa L/B & Jeanne Hendrickson—helped with 4th graders (3/18, 3/15,4/22, 4/29

Mercedes Eulitt - Esstrella Air Museum (4/)

Behind-the-scene committees

WAAC—Marjorie Bachman, Sarah Chauvet

WEACT—Theresa L/Byers, Jeanne Sabankaya

SPA -Kay Harmon

Hollister Airport—Kay Harmon

Palms-to-Pines Air Race—Theresa L/Byers, Jeanne Sabankaya



by Jeanne Sabankaya

Go or No Go?

After the Spring Southwest Section Conference concluded, five of us 99s planned a special trip over the Grand Canyon and Sedona. The low pressure system that hit California also brought to Arizona extreme winds blowing from 35 to 50 knots over the Grand Canyon. The two Cessna Skyhawks 172 would leave at Deer Valley—Phoenix Airport but all weather forecasts indicated that the winds would not die down and with the higher elevations (stronger winds) we would have to fly, it was confirmed what we already knew, No Go. To make sure we didn't continue to focus on willing the wind to die down, we hopped into Karen Husten's (SWS secretary) SUV and did a road trip. We drove to Flagstaff Airport and took a peak and went sightseeing in Sedona. Later we went to Slide Rock State Park and Montezuma Well. The following day Petra, Michaele, and I went to see "Chihuly in the Desert" the Desert Botanical Garden decorated with artistic glasswork interspersed amongst the cacti. What a sight of nature and art in harmony. Dale Chihuly is a famous glass artist so it was extra special to see his work. Petra did a wonderful job of exposing us to Arizona. I was able to order some sectionals on line from mypilotstore.com and pick them up at their warehouse. There are several flight schools around such as Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University (Prescott) and other local colleges with air transportation programs. When I left for the airport to return home, the weather was calm which enabled Michaele to go up and get her biennial flight review and WINGS credit. You just can't depend on the weather.





Blue Skies and calm winds

MONTEREY BAY 99s' PERPETUAL CALENDAR

May

MB99s Scholarship Award & Luncheon

Monterey Bay chapter's election

June

Chapter Reports Due to International MB99s – History & Scrapbook Remembrance/ Updates Identify pilots for Section Award @ Fall SWS meeting

<u>July</u>

International Conference Officer Installation — Bi-annual Installation — Forest of Friendship Membership donations due Share the Holidays — start collecting toys



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If you already have an Amazon Prime account, you will need to open a different account using Smile-Amazon. When selecting your charity, go to International Orgnization of Women Pilots, SWS, Monterey Bay chapter.

Did you know that Amazon gives a small percentage to our chapter if you select the Monterey Bay 99s charity and order from Smile.Amazon? This is one of our income sources.

Some of the Smile. Amazon orders arrive just as quickly as Amazon Prime, in most cases.

You can have both Smile. Amazon and Amazon Prime accounts.

Select Monterey Bay Chapter of the Southwest Section of the Ninety-Nines as your charity to support.

More Photos to Share

Theresa Lewandoski/Byers & Jeanne Hendrickson





The EAA hangar was one of 4 locations visited by the 4th graders from Pajaro Valley Unified School District. 3 sections were identified in the hangar: What is EAA, wind tunnel and what makes lift, and the third section was seeing & hearing about Theresa's plane. The 99s had about 5 minutes to talk about Women Pilots.



Bookcase of M Bay 99s awards @ SNS lobby



Some notes from the business meeting

(by Jeanne Sabankaya)

The Southwest Section Ninety-Nines just completed its Spring meeting in Chandler, Arizona, April 9, 2022. The Phoenix chapter hosted this conference. At the business meeting there were 87 attendees (in person) and 15 via Zoom (one was our Alice Talnack). 20 private planes flew in and there were 20 first timers (to a conference).



Meeting Minutes

The new board was sworn-in and will take their official position in July. The following are the new officers:

Chairman Pat Chan
Vice Chair Nobi Button

Secretary Anelie Brooks (San Luis Obispo)

Treasurer Leslie Ingram
Director Robin Gartman
Director Laura Del Favero

Nomination Chair Kim Ernst

Nomination Susan Conner-Steeb Nomination Annelise Hubinette

Nomination Andrea Garcia
Nomination Debbie Balsley

Members who voted electronically were only 20%. 219 printed ballots were mailed and only 31 were returned. It was discovered that paper ballots are not cost effective and members were asked to check to see who can switch from paper to electronic voting. Everyone in the Monterey Bay Chapter have email.

Because our treasurer reported that we have \$9,00 profit on our books, there was a lengthy discussion and vote regarding donating \$1,500 from our section to the Endowment Fund. The motion failed. If in the future we are asked to help and donate funds, it is very possible that we will but feelings were reserved since we weren't asked.

Chapters gave a one-minute report on what their chapters were doing. Here's some ideas that maybe we can try.:

- Guest speakers e.g. "Day in the life of an airline pilot"
- Student pilots "Baby Birds" discussion groups and zoom study session
- Monthly book club discussion
- Approach corporate business for donations
- Movie night
- Sell items at events

Contribution from Joanne Nissen. Where in the world does she get all her ditties?

The Difference Between Airplanes and Women

- Airplanes usually kill you quickly—a women takes her time.
- Airplanes can be turned on by a flick of a switch.
- Airplanes don't get mad if you do a "touch and go."
- Airplanes don't object to a preflight inspection.
- Airplanes come with manuals to explain their operation.
- Airplanes have strict weight and balance limitations.
- Airplanes can be flown any time of the month.
- Airplanes don't come with in-laws.
- Airplanes don't care about how many other airplanes you've flown before.
- Airplanes and pilots both arrive at the same time.
- Airplanes don't mind if you look at other airplanes.
- Airplanes don't mind if you buy airplane magazines.
- Airplanes expect to be tied down.
- Airplanes don't comment on your piloting skills.
- Airplanes don't whine unless something is really wrong.

However, when airplanes go quiet, just like women, it's usually not good.



Voting for the new slate of officers for the Monterey Bay 99 chapter is May 1—15. It only takes a few minutes. Open the Election Buddy that was sent to you and vote. The winners will be announced at the meeting/social later this month.

Memories of Arizona









1—Petra &
Michaele in
native inspired
hut, 2–Blue
Origin, guest
speaker,



3- cave dwellings at Montezuma Well, 4-Sunflower Social, 5-Hole-in-the-Rock, 6-Botanical Garden



(Contributed by Mona Kendrick) The End of the All-Male, All-White Cockpit

By Niraj Chokshi as appeared in the New York Times (see attachment for the entire)

EXCERP...

It's been a half-century since airlines started hiring women and people of color to fly passenger planes, allowing a handful of pioneering pilots into the flight deck.

In the decades since, commercial aviation has grown exponentially, democratizing travel and rewiring how Americans live, work and play. But one part of the industry has remained mostly the same. Piloting is stubbornly monolithic: About 95 percent of airline pilots in the U.S. today are male. Nearly as many are white. Zakiya Percy is one of a small and growing number of people trying to change that. Ms. Percy, 29, used to dream about flying, watching planes pass overhead when she was growing up in San Francisco. "I told myself as a kid, you're already a captain on a 777 flying international," she said. "You just have to get there."

Now, Ms. Percy, who is Black and a first-generation college graduate, expects to have her airline pilot's license within a year, bringing her a step closer to that goal. For many like Ms. Percy, piloting has long been or seemed out of reach. Few women and people of color aspire to fly planes because they rarely see themselves in today's flight decks. The cost of training and the toll of discrimination can be discouraging, too. Now there's urgency for the industry to act. Pilots are in short supply, and if airlines want to make the most of the thriving recovery from the pandemic, they will have to learn to foster lasting change.

"The pilot shortage for the industry is real," Scott Kirby, the chief executive of United Airlines, told analysts and reporters on Thursday. "Most airlines are simply not going to be able to realize their capacity plans because there simply aren't enough pilots, at least not for the next five-plus years."

Airlines have started to do more to diversify. United recently launched a flight school with the aim of hiring thousands of pilots in the years ahead, at least half of them women or people of color. Other carriers have launched similar initiatives, too. The goal is to staff up to meet the industry's aspirations.

But for the people carrying out those ambitions, becoming a pilot is less about meeting an existential need and more about fulfilling a personal dream.

While flight school can be expensive, the payoff is improving. There were an estimated 164,000 certified active airline pilots in the U.S. last year, slightly fewer than there were in 2019, according to the Federal Aviation Administration. Desperate airlines looking to staff up have started offering early-career pilots higher salaries, bigger bonuses and better schedules. A student can earn a six-figure salary within a decade of graduating, sometimes much sooner, and a senior pilot at a major airline can easily earn several hundred thousand dollars per year. But the price is still daunting, especially in an industry that seems to swing so easily between good times and bad.

But the reason for racial inequality among pilots that is most commonly cited by experts and instructors is perhaps the most apparent: A lack of role models and exposure has played a central role in keeping many women and people of color out the field.

The Aviate Academy (in Phoenix area) covers 28 acres and has two pools, two aircraft maintenance hangars, five dorms and 27 planes, with dozens more on order. It is owned by United, which bought the flight training school in 2020, and is part of the airline's goal of hiring 5,000 pilots by 2030. Airline-owned schools are common abroad, but United's is a first for a large U.S. airline. The carrier says it wants at least half of the new pilots to be women or people of color. Of the 121 students enrolled so far, about 78 percent are women or nonwhite, the airline said.



Pam Van Der Linden Memorial Scholarship \$2000

Deadline—May 31, 2022

Coyote Country 99s offering scholarship to a female private pilot attending flight school in San Diego, Riverside, Imperial, San Bernadino, Los Angeles, Orange, Santa Barbara, or Ventura County.

https://sites.google.con/site/coyotecountry99s/flightscholarships

Palms



To Pines



Submission for Log-book

Please send me pictures, articles, personal stories, etc. to share with our readers. I do not want to monopolize the Logbook with all my pictures and stories. Thanks you from your Logbook editor. Jeanne S.



Palms to Pines Zoom Orientation May 7 9 a.m.

Anyone interested in timing, spotting, general airport busy work during the air race, let Jeanne or Theresa know. Your email will be submitted to the committee chairperson and you will then be sent an invitation to join.

The orientation will focus on how to be a spotter and timer.

First Saturday—Kids Fly Free

Please contact the Watsonville EAA to see how you can help. They especially need pilots with planes. Please sign-up to help, if you can. Contact Tom Hail @ 831-531-8440.The 99s have offered to help so please show up around 9 a.m. There's a lot of kids and paperwork, supervision needed too. Kids fly Free will be extending into June.

Mercedes and Sean

Estrella Air Museum. Such a nice windy morning. Got to see the C-47 (DC-3) take passengers up. We got to walk around while the preflighted and talk to the pilot not preflighting.

The pilot, Sherm Smot, Reno Air Racer was telling us all about him. He also has a winery, Bella Luna, and we went there and tasted a very popular well known Fighter Pilot Red. He came out and talked to us. We bought a few bottles so we have to have a meeting at my house to drink it soon. Mercedes





Michaele Serasio got her (BFR) Bienniel Flight Review and Wings Basic Phase 7 sign off at KDVT (Phoenix—Deer Valley Airport) "the busiest GA airport in the Galaxy."



Sue Purvis

Sue just retired and left the state on April 29th to live in Washington. She is renting a place for now until she finds a place to buy. If you want her address, contact Jeanne Sabankaya

Sue was a very active member. In this photo, she is working with the Young Eagles in Salinas.

We'll miss you, Sue

Book Reviews

Review by Joanne Nissen

Quest for Flight by Craig Harwood

This is a book about some flights Before the Wright Bros., right in our backyard!! John J. Montgomery lived in the Central Coast generally around Aptos. It is historical for much of the locale of Chapter members.



Mr. Montgomery was experimenting with flying kites, leading up finally crawling aboard for human flight. This was occurring years before activity in Dayton, Ohio. It is confusing, but as often happens, the Eastern folks get more coverage than those in the West. Remember all the excitement over the gentleman that was connected to National Geographic. However, at last John Montgomery is getting recognition.

Have decided to donate my copy for eventual sale by the Chapter next time we sell things.

Review by Joanne Nissen

Powder Puff Derby of 1929 written by a former 99 International President, Gene Nora Jessen

This is a must read for all our membership.....you will recognize all sorts of familiar names from or origins!

This gives the reader an insight to what some clever women were doing in early aviation and what they had accomplished. The back grounds are varied, but always interesting. I always wonder if I would have been as adventurous in similar circumstances?

Review by Alice Talnack

The 99 Club by Fay Gillis Wells

Available: in The Monterey Bay Chapter Library

Fay Gillis Wells, charter member of the 99s and founder of the <u>International Forest of Friendship</u>, wrote a small blue book called <u>The 99 Club</u> documenting the beginning of the 99s. A quick read, filled with history and documentation of our organization's charter members and early air race history.

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Calendar of Events

May 1-15	Monterey Bay chapter election (Election Buddy)
May 6	9-1 4th graders @ WVI Airport (meet at EAA hangar)
May 7	9-12 Young Eagles—(meet at EAA hangar)
May 7	9-10 Palms to Pines orientation via Zoom for timers & spotters
May 18	7 pm—Chapter Meeting at SNS Airport (at Jet West)
May 20	9-1 4th graders @ WVI Airport (meet at EAA hangar)
May 21	Brief meeting and social time at long-time member Sandy Pratt's
May 21	The Food Truck Fly-In San Martin Airport 10-3 pm (live music, food, airplanes & displays)
July 6-10, 2022	Charleston, South Carolina International meeting
Sept 30-Oct 2	Fall SWS meeting—Air Hearts, Utah
Jan. 28, 2023	Winter SWS workshop—South Valley Aviatrix (LA chapter)
	Wellness Retreat
Pending	2023 Spring SWS meeting—Long Beach chapter
Fall 2023	99s International meeting— Jordan (Francis Marion Hotel)
2023	Vancouver, British Columbia International meeting
Pending	2023 Fall SWS meeting—(Ventura County chapter)