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Chairman's Corner

It is still the week before Christmas, as I write this, but I leave for Houston this Friday to spend Christmas and New Year's Eve with my two sons and their families.

The Florida Suncoast Chapter had a wonderful holiday luncheon at the St Pete Yacht Club on December 8th, thanks to the efforts of Barbara Sierchio and Nancy Wright. We were honored by the presence of both of our scholarship winners who gave us a presentation of their activities at Space Camp. We were treated to a slide show of the facility, which I have never seen before. It was quite impressive. What a joy to see the enthusiasm in those girls' faces, these scholarships are so important.

I hope all of you had a great holiday season and I wish you all a Happy and Healthy New Year. I was remiss in not including the minutes from the November meeting in the last newsletter, so they are in this issue.

I am donning my other 99 hat now. As a Trustee/Secretary on the Endowment Fund Board I recently mailed a letter to every chapter that has not been represented on the list of donors to the

Fund. It was sent to the Chapter Chairs, and as Chairman of the Florida Suncoast Chapter I would have received a letter. I would like to remedy that situation. Any large organization needs an income other than dues to sustain it and fulfill its goals. This fund will be our source of income. Once it reaches its goal of one million dollars, and not until then, the interest from the fund will be used as the Board of Directors decide is needed. It will also help stabilize our dues. As the oldest and largest organization of women pilots in the world, we want to see it continue. We will have a motion at our next meeting and I hope everyone will vote in favor of a donation.

I have the Florida Suncoast Chapter Display, which consists of two large framed posters. I would like to update these and add new photos to make it more current and interesting. Sun n Fun, Wings N Things, presentations to from chapter members, etc, anything about our chapter members. Please bring your pictures or clippings to our meeting in January at the Zonta dinner.

Attached is a poster describing the event sponsored by the Zontas on **January 16th**. This

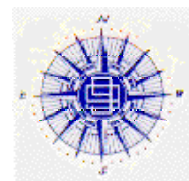
is a special dinner and we have been invited! Come and join the fun; the reservation form is on the poster.

A local corporation is on the verge of making a contribution to our chapter and I would like to start a new scholarship fund in their name, (to help increase their commitment) for women in our area.

This would be for chapter members or female aviators in the local area, who could use it to learn to fly, to get current, to get an instrument rating, a BFR, or whatever in the Florida area. This helps both the women and our struggling FBOs as well.

Blue Skies,

Barbara



FLORIDA SUNCOAST Minutes

Wings 'n Things, Lakeland,
November 3, 2007

MEMBERS:

Jeanne Burklund, Marie Grein, Nancy Wright, and Barbara Yeninas.

1. The members present opened the Ninety-Nines station at 8:45 AM with 100 gliders. They taught the children the concept of tail numbers. The children constructed gliders, with their tail numbers on the gliders. By 10:15 AM all gliders were gone.

2. Nancy moved that the chapter reimburse Barbara Yeninas \$26.75 for the banner Barbara made. This banner is small enough to be used inside.

2nd by Jeanne.

Motion passed.

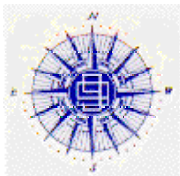
3. Letters must be sent to members who have not paid their 2007-2008 dues. Jeanne will send the list to Marie and Nancy. They will send out the letters.

4. Nancy moved that the chapter through the Aerospace Education Budget pay the lunches for the two Space Camp winners at the December Christmas Luncheon. 2nd Barbara. Motion passed.

5. We would like to express our thanks to Dima for hosting the wonderful Wine Tasting Party.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 AM.

Marie Grein, Secretary



I learned to fly....

at age 49, which is pretty old to start a new adventure. I got my private pilot license at a small grass field in Michigan. I also took my instrument check ride in Michigan. I joined the 99s in 1980. I received a scholarship from the Florida Goldcoast Chapter and got my Commercial. My examiner was Pat Hange. There began my ride to many experiences —some smooth and some rocky, but all very worthwhile.

My main interest is the future of flight. This begins with the young people, which our Chapter has mentored. I started the Jessie Woods Space Camp Scholarship for this reason. We gave our first scholarship in 1982 and continue to support this program to this day. I cherish my role as Chapter Aerospace Chair and permanent trustee for the Jessie Woods Scholarship

I was Chapter Chairman 1982 thru 1984. I was Southeast Section Governor 1993 thru 1995 and was the spokes person for the Council of Governors in 1995. I have been on the International Nominating Committee 3 times. I was International Aerospace Education Chairman for four presidents. Marie Grein and I Co-Chaired the Aerospace for Jody McCarrell and Elaine Morrow. I chaired the International Convention in Orlando in 1993 and have chaired many Southeast Section meetings.

Barbara Sierchio and I ran an Air Bear program for 2nd graders and worked for 3 years giving presentations at many Pinellas County schools. Marie Grein let me help with her Wings Program for four years.

I have volunteered at Sun n Fun for 25 years helping in our tents and our building with Barbara Sierchio. I also have participated in the Wings and Things program for Scouts at Sun n Fun for many years,

From the day a future fashion designer cut up her dad's logbook, to make paper doll clothes, I have loved aviation.

I love being a member of the 99s and appreciate all of the dear friends I have made over the years.

Would I do it again?

YOU BET!!!

Nancy L. Wright

Suncoast Chapter Calendar:

Meeting and Special Event Jan 16

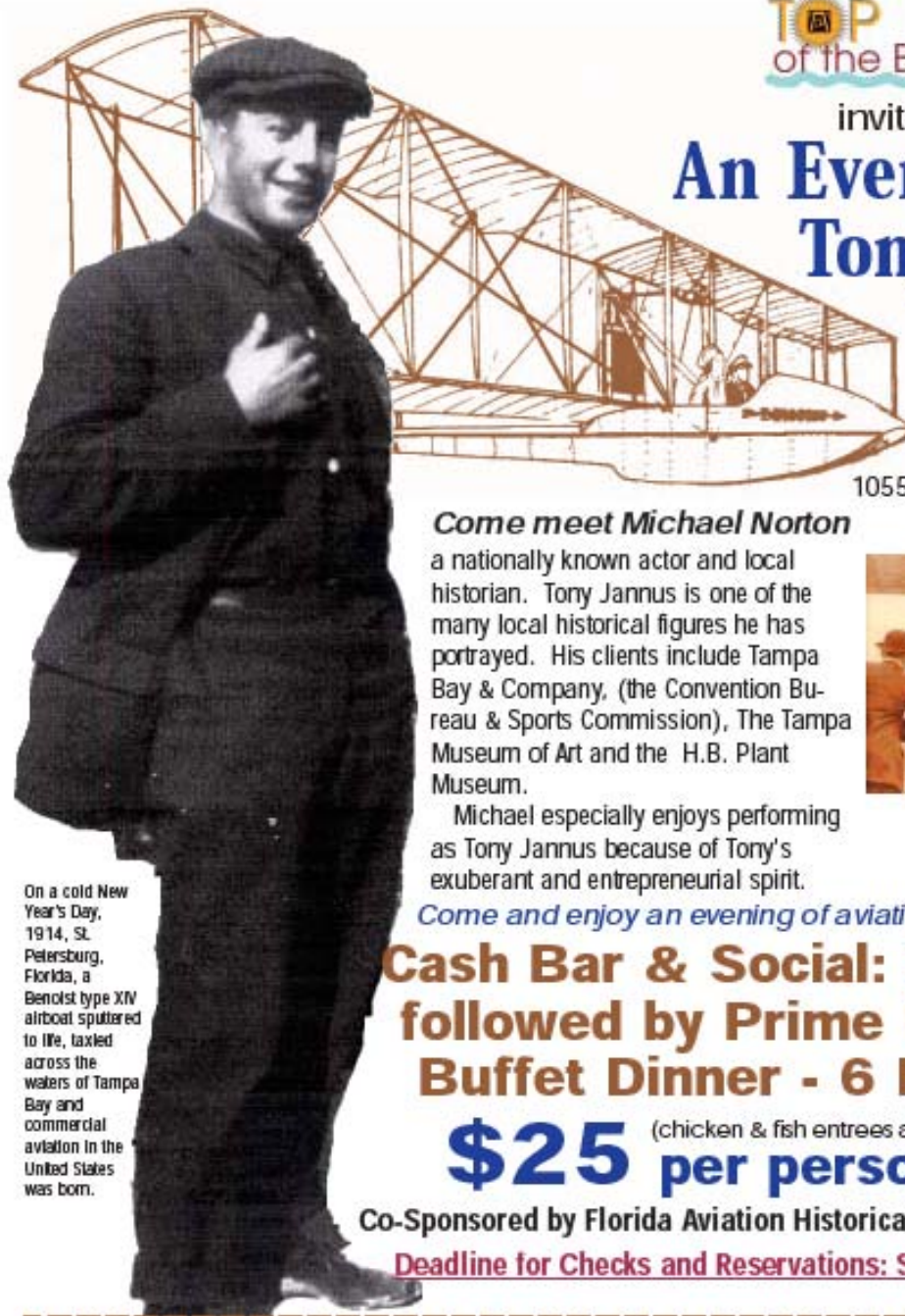
Zontas Dinner
Top of The Bay Zonta Club

Meeting Feb 9 Ocala

Meeting March 8
Strawberry Festival Lakeland
Barbara Yeninas

Meeting April 12
Sun n Fun
Lakeland

Meeting May 10
TBD



On a cold New Year's Day, 1914, St. Petersburg, Florida, a Benoist type XIV airboat spluttered to life, taxied across the waters of Tampa Bay and commercial aviation in the United States was born.

TOP
of the Bay Zonta Club

invites you to
An Evening With Tony Jannus

**Wednesday
January 16**

East Lake Woodlands
Country Club
1055 East Lake Woodlands Pkwy,
Oldsmar 34677

Come meet Michael Norton

a nationally known actor and local historian. Tony Jannus is one of the many local historical figures he has portrayed. His clients include Tampa Bay & Company, (the Convention Bureau & Sports Commission), The Tampa Museum of Art and the H.B. Plant Museum.

Michael especially enjoys performing as Tony Jannus because of Tony's exuberant and entrepreneurial spirit.

Come and enjoy an evening of aviation!



**Cash Bar & Social: 5:30
followed by Prime Rib
Buffet Dinner - 6 PM**

\$25 (chicken & fish entrees also)
per person

Co-Sponsored by Florida Aviation Historical Society-Flight 2014

Deadline for Checks and Reservations: Sat., January 12, 2008

YES! I'll be at the Aviation Dinner, ELW Country Club, January 16, 2008

Enclosed is my check in the amount of _____ for _____ dinner(s)

Name _____

PHONE # _____ E-MAIL: _____

Make check payable to: TOP OF THE BAY ZONTA CLUB and mail to:

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