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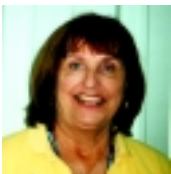
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Chapter Holiday Party December 10 St. Pete Yacht Club 11:30 meeting Lunch at Noon

Reports from Dima on the Wine Tasting, the January meeting and special report from **Ebony Hill** our Aerospace winner, with her **Mother Pat Clarke** present.

January's Meeting will be at Crystal River **January 14, 2006** at **10:30 am**, with Author CarolAnn Garratt, the 99 who flew solo around the world in 2003, doing a presentation of that trip. It will be a great meeting and plan to fly-in or drive to Crystal River for it. We need a good turn out of members for this one. **Page Two** is a poster that hopefully members will print out and post in FBO's, EAA Meetings or Civil Air Patrol. It is open to all who can attend.

We are still working on Airmarkings and Denise can bring us up-to-date on that.

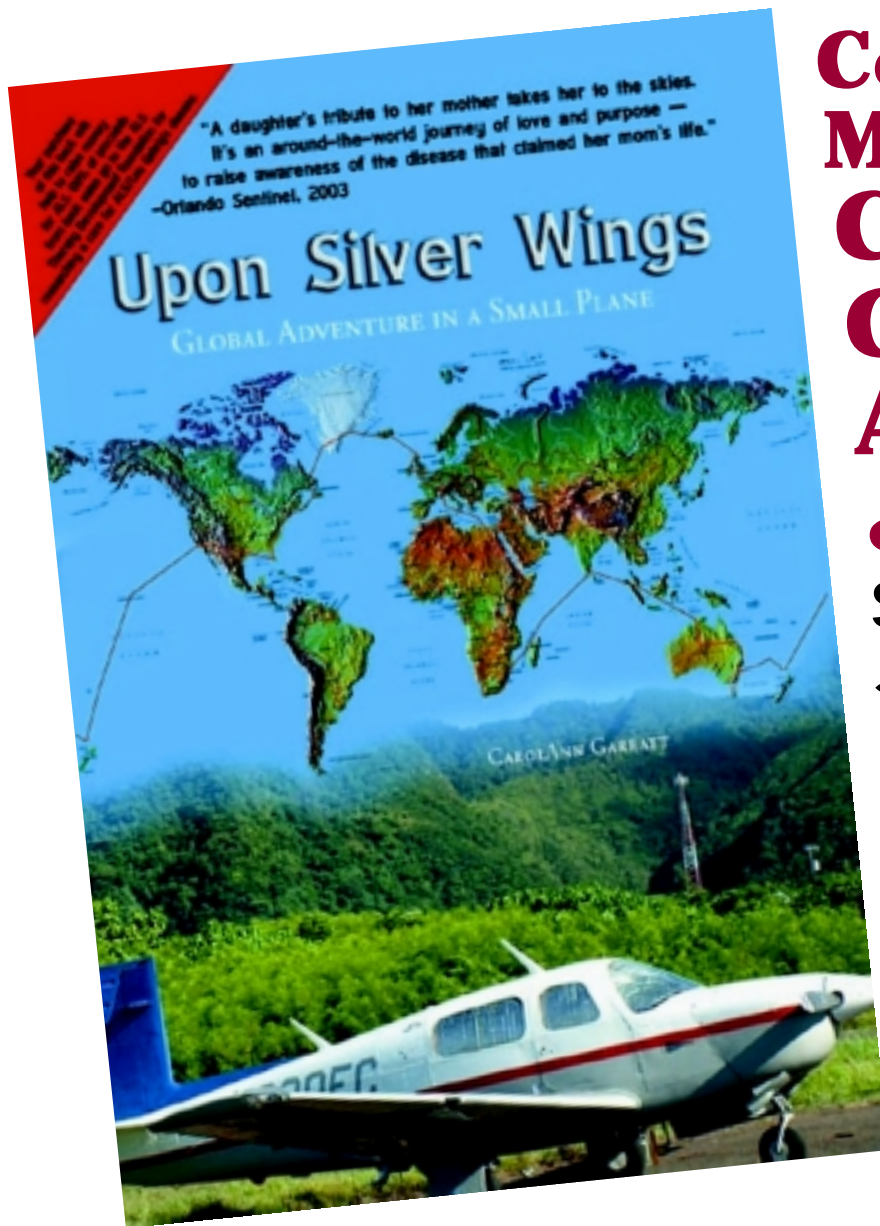
Sun 'n Fun is April 4-10 next year and the



WASP LUNCHEON is Thursday, **April 6th**. The luncheon starts at Noon on the 6th and it is in a tent by the Air Museum. Cost will be \$17. It is not too early to let Barbara Sierchio know if you will be attending. If you remember, checks are made out to Barbara and

mailed to her. The proceeds benefit the Building Fund.

Wishing everyone Seasons Greetings and Best Wishes for the New Year! Mary



**Come and
Meet...
CarolAnn
Garratt,
Author
& 99**

**Saturday,
January 14,
2006**

10:30 AM

**Crystal River
Airport**

**Hosted by the
Florida**

Suncoast 99s

CarolAnn Garratt, flew her small single engine Mooney plane around the world solo in 2003, only the 16th woman to make such a trip and the 113th flight of this type. Now she has written a book about the adventure.

**Fly-in or drive but don't miss this
outstanding presentation
January 14, 2006 - 10:30 AM
CRYSTAL RIVER AIRPORT!**

For more information contact Barbara Yeninas: e-mail: BARBARA.YENINAS@gbe.com/ 813-654-3780



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Chapter Meeting Minutes November 5, 2005

Marriott Waterside Hotel, Tampa, Florida

Attendance 99s: Denise Goldberger, Dima Deluise, Barbara Yeninas, Alice Paddock, Marilyn Schafer, Sophia Payton, Meredith Kupcho, Denise Rosenberger, Ellen Tracy, Barbara Strachan, Georgia Pappas, Trish Sauve'.

Guests: Dominique Mellow, Stacy Booker.

The November Meeting of the Florida Suncoast 99s was called to order at 9:30AM by Vice-Chair Marilyn Schaffer.

Treasurer's Report: Denise Rosenberger read the reports for September and October. The reports were accepted as read.

Committee Reports: Wings and Wine with the 99s October 23, 2005

Dima thanked all who attended and donated to this fundraiser for Aerospace Education. Dima stated the net profit at **\$1,149**, with a small percentage of vendors yet to report.

AOPA EXPO November 3-5 2005: Denise Goldberger thanked all who volunteered at the 99s booth and who attended the breakfast social. She gave an update to those volunteers who would be staffing the booth later that day.

Air Marking 2006

Denise Rosenberger stated that Albert Whitted and Crystal River Airports requested Air Marking but both airports are still waiting for surveys to be completed. She will contact Sun 'N Fun to see if they would like a touch up. This is a possible meeting in February or March which we could invite other Chapters to attend.

Holiday Party @ St. Petersburg Yacht Club December 10, 2005

RSVP to Barbara Sierchio before November 22. Turkey \$20. Salmon \$22.50 NY Strip Steak \$25.

Barbara said it was okay to invite women who planned to join the 99s.

Old Business

Marilyn Schafer reminded members that the deadline for the Amelia Earhart Scholarship is December 1, 2005

Marilyn Schafer reminded members that the Spring Section Meeting will be April 28-30 in Fayetteville, NC.

New Business:

Barbara Yeninas contacted 99 member Carol Ann who agreed to give her presentation of her around the world flight. The meeting will be January 14, 2006 at Crystal River. To be confirmed with hostess Meredith Kupcho.

Denise Goldberger passed around the flyer for the Jumbolair Fly-in brunch. It is held the first Sunday of each month. Their website is www.jumbolair.com/brunch.htm This is a possible meeting for May or Feb. or March depending on the Air Marking meeting. The members were enthusiastic at the possibility of a fly-in. We would like enough pilots to fly and bring as many members along as possible so we can all arrive by plane.

Denise Rosenberger objected to the new method of receiving the newsletter. She would like to receive a paper copy in part because she feels our dues should cover the cost of the mail out. Other members stated they would like a paper copy also or some form of a reminder to read the newsletter. Either a post card in the mail or an e-mail. We will have Chairman Mary Fletcher address this at the next meeting.

Announcements: From **Meredith Kupcho**- FAA Safety meeting @Crystal River airport. Monday November 7, 2005 on IFR Charting, 6:30PM

From **Denise Rosenberger**- FAA Safety Meeting @ Clearwater Solid Waste Department, Tuesday November 15, 2005 on Non-Towered Field Operations.

Meeting was adjourned by the Vice-Chair at 10:15AM

Respectfully submitted, Denise Goldberger, Secretary

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Suncoast Member Pat Ohlsson who recently obtained her Sea Plane Rating from Brown's Sea Plane School in Winter Haven.

Way to Go Pat!



AOPA EXPO 2005



by Denise Goldberger Suncoast Chapter Member

Lucky.... I can't think of any other word to describe what happened November 3-5. I live five minutes away from the Tampa Convention Center and Peter O. Knight Airport where my aircraft is based. When I heard that AOPA EXPO would be descending upon my backyard I knew this would be a very exciting weekend. I wanted my local 99s chapter to be involved somehow. I contacted headquarters and they put me in touch with Trade show Committee Chairs Susan Theurkauf and Vicky Anderson. I'm fairly new to the 99s, and have never attended Expo in the past. I quickly realized that Susan and Vicky were old pros at this and were tireless promoters of the 99s. They staffed a booth in the exhibit hall and asked for local 99s to assist them. They emphasized the importance of having local pilots to address questions on flying in our area, in addition to promoting the 99s and embracing fellow and future women pilots to join our organization. Volunteering came with a guarantee from Susan—you'll have a great time, meet many women pilots from all over the country and you'll be amazed at how many local women pilots will stop by for information.

I can now see how Susan can stand behind her guarantee. Staffing the booth was incred-

ible. A steady stream of women pilots flooded the booth. It was so amazing to see the enthusiasm they exuded. I especially enjoyed meeting fellow 99s who stopped by from California, Arizona and New England. The excitement of student pilots from Mississippi and Virginia was infectious. There were such a large number of local women pilots interested in the 99s from students to professionals. We stayed very busy getting contact information so we could follow up with these potential members. Best of all, several new members joined our chapter along with Barbara Strachan and Ellen Shelby who transferred in.

I attended Expo all three days. The seminars were great. Keeping current with the latest technology in aviation was a challenge. Especially informational for me were the sessions on Datalink Weather, engine monitoring, and Waas upgrades for my GPS. I also took a fantastic demo flight with my family in a Columbia 400. On Saturday, the last day of EXPO, Susan and Vicky hosted a 99s breakfast social at the Marriott Hotel. The breakfast social was a great way to slow down and chat with members from many chapters. This was my first time attending an event that included 99s from other chapters outside of Florida. It was great to see so many (approx. 45) women pilots in one room.

A great big thank you goes out to my fellow volunteers Sophia Payton, Marie Grein, Barbara Yeninas, Dima Deluise, Marilyn Schafer, Meredith Kupcho and Alice Paddock. It was great to see them at the breakfast.... each one of them with a big grin on their face enjoying the fellowship the 99s provide.

