



The International Organization of Women Pilots

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Chairman's Message

The Holidays are upon us in full force and 2009 is fast drawing to a close. I hope to see many of you at our Holiday Luncheon at Fantasy of Flight which was arranged through the hard work of Barbara Yeninas. Thanks, Barbara! If any members would like to arrange our Holiday Luncheon for future years, don't hesitate to speak up! We would enjoy visiting YOUR neck of the woods and allowing you to host this annual December event. Reservations are often

required more than a year in advance for some locales so start thinking about this today and let your chapter know your suggestion.

The New Year will be bringing some new things to our chapter so stay tuned and be ready to give us your input through our surveys and brainstorming sessions currently being planned. This chapter runs solely for its members and its our members who steer our course. So, when asked to participate, please jump in with

both feet and help guide your chapter to meet your expectations and needs. More to come in our January newsletter.

If I don't see you on the 12th at Fantasy of Flight, I wish you a joyous Holiday Season and the best in the New Year! Enjoy your families and stay safe on the roads and in the skies.

Marilyn

Vice Chairman's Corner

The AOPA Convention, the Ninety-Nines booth and raffle and our Saturday morning breakfast was a huge success!

Over the three-day convention, we gained 8 new members nationwide and had 37 interest cards completed from current and future women pilots! A resounding success for our efforts. We spoke with many women and, of the numbers above, our chapter gained one new member and 14 interested women who live in our area. With the AOPA Convention returning to Tampa in two years, our chapter needs to use this event to promote ourselves and gain more new members so we hope to have many chapter volunteers for the booth in 2011. A big thank you goes out to our chapter members who manned the booth this year over the 37 hours that it was open:

Marilyn Shafer, Elinor Kline, Janeen Kochan, Barbara Strachan, Sophia Payton, Angela Green, Michelle Raines, Barbara Yeninas, Alice Paddock and Dominique Mellow.

The raffle cleared over \$2000 for the Vicki Cruse Scholarship and building fund and was operated solely by Susan Liebler and three of her chapter members from California.

Our Saturday breakfast gained a few dollars profit for our chapter with 33 women in attendance. The breakfast buffet was topped off with a great performance by Michael Norton portraying Tony Jannus. The audience was awed, inspired and entertained by Michael's enthusiastic presentation of Tony and his aviation feats and missteps in the early 1900s. Many groups and

individuals took advantage of getting their pictures taken with Michael aka "Tony". Our November chapter meeting was conducted afterwards and Marilyn and Sophia were the last to leave the convention at 5:30 on Saturday after assuring the tear down and packing of the Ninety-Nines' booth. Another successful Ninety-Nines' endeavor had ended.

Hope to see many of you at our Holiday Luncheon on the 12th at Fantasy of Flight. Be sure to contact Barbara Yeninas at jiybmy@verizon.net if you plan to fly into Winter Haven airport. She is coordinating your car transportation to FOF from there.

Marilyn (for Judy while she's "on the mend")

Upcoming Events

2010 Southeast Section Meetings

Spring New Orleans Chapter TBA
Fall Paradise Coast Chapter TBA

Chapter Meetings

December 12, 2009 :

Christmas Party, Fantasy of Flight

January 9, 2010 :

TBD

February 13, 2010 :

Plant City Airport

March 13, 2010 :

99s Building at Sun 'n Fun—includes a touch-up of the Sun 'n Fun runway lettering

April 17, 2010 :

99s Building at Sun 'n Fun

May 8, 2010 :

Sarasota Heliport

June 12, 2010 :

Tentative—Crystal River

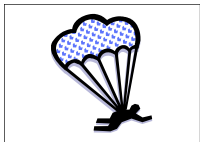
Upcoming International Conventions

July 2010

The Ninety-Nines International Conference, Kailua-Kona, Big Island, Hawaii

July 2011

The Ninety-Nines International Conference, Oklahoma City, OK



Hanging 'Round the Hangar We Hear...

Welcome to the 99s, Florida Suncoast Chapter and back to the U.S., Ying "Laura" Gao, as our newest Associate member! She joined at the AOPA Conference and then promptly took her husband to visit her family in China! We hope to see you at one of our meetings very soon!



Wishing You Blue Skies....

Our thoughts and prayers go out to Judy Bowser who is recuperating from a near fatal hospital stay and ultimate surgery! We send you fair winds to lift your spirits and wish you a quick recovery.

DUES KUDOS

The Florida Suncoast Chapter wishes to THANK all the members listed below for paying their Annual Chapter Dues in a timely fashion!!! So, if you haven't gotten "around to it", please send in your \$20.00 Annual Dues to our Treasurer, Jeanne Burklund ASAP. It's a very busy time of year and perhaps, it just slipped your mind!!!!

Thanks,

Barbara Yeninas

Membership Chairman

Alice Paddock
Barbara Sierchio
Barbara Strachan
Barbara Yeninas
Bertha Podwys
Blanche O'Brien
Connie Farrell
Denise Rosenberger
Dima Haobsh

Eleanor Sharpe
Elinor Kline
Evelyn Van Kesteren
Gudi Davis
Jane Oparowski
Janice McWilliams
Jeanne Burklund
Judy Bowser
Lee Easom

Lisa McCreery
Maria Mulder
Marie Grein
Marilyn Shafer
Nancy Wright
Pat Hange
Rita De Beer

FLORIDA SUNCOAST NINETY-NINES
November 7, 2009 Tampa Convention Center

MEMBERS PRESENT: Marie Grein, Elinor Kline, Dominique Mellow, Marilyn Shafer, Barbara Sierchio (Vivian Sierchio), Nancy Wright (Jim Pappas), and Barbara Yeninas (John Yeninas).

GUESTS: Georgia Pappas and Trish Savse from Eastern New England.

Marilyn Shafer, chapter chairman, called the meeting to order at 8:55. She reminded members that the reservation deadline for the Christmas Luncheon was December 1 and the cost was \$36.55. November 15 is the deadline for getting news for the 99 News to Sophia Payton,

Marie Grein, secretary pro tem, read the minutes. There were two corrections. The cost of one night at the Red Rose Inn for the WASPS is \$89.00, not \$75.00. The guest speaker's last name is spelled Vaughn, not Vonn. The corrected minutes were accepted.

Marilyn shared the treasurer's report since Jeanne Burklund was unable to attend the meeting. Marilyn will check with Jeanne as to the balance in the Aerospace Fund since we use that money for the bus to take youngsters to Sun 'n Fun.

Nancy Wright made a motion that we contribute \$300.00 to pay for one room for three nights for the WASPS at Sun 'n Fun. Seconded by Barbara Sierchio; motion passed.

The chapter needed 30 people to pay \$30.00 for the breakfast so we could break even. We had 32 people. Marilyn mentioned a possible change in the Bylaws regarding Academic members. Proposed changes must be postmarked no later than Dec. 31.

Marie Grein has been appointed the Chairman of the IBL/SR Committee.

Barbara Yeninas and Debby Palmer are making items for sale at Sun 'n Fun. Yes, the items must have a "99s" sticker. Nancy said she would make the stickers.

Kris Herren, International Treasurer, said International saved \$37,000.00 by eliminating the paper Directory (\$16,000.00) and cutting back on the number of issues of the 99s News (\$20,000.00).

Regarding chapter voting by mail, Nancy stated she thought voting should be by person at the meetings, because there usually is discussion, which might cause a person to change her mind. No action taken.

Marilyn attended the Tampa advance showing of "Amelia" and spoke to the audience concerning the 99s. She, Bobby Lasher and Pat Ohlsson were invited to speak about the 99s on a radio program. Sophia, Dima, and the Burklunds attended the Pinellas Park advance opening of "Amelia" with Michelle dressed as a pilot. Space Camp information was distributed. Dominique said she thought the movie was a good advertisement for the 99s.

Barbara Yeninas stated she received a letter from Women in Aviation, which offered her a year's free membership in WIA, through an AOPA grant. Georgia Pappas said there is a connection between AOPA and WIA as was evident at Oshkosh.

Thanks were given to Marilyn and Nancy for organizing the 99s Breakfast at AOPA.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:35.

Marie Grein, secretary pro tem

Hello Chapter Chairmen and Chapter Officers,

I am sure you know individuals or groups that deserve special recognition. Recipients may be living or deceased and from any country. the contribution may have occurred at any time in the past or present, as a single action or a series of events.

Please pass this information to your section members - and submit nominations. Nominations from previous years may be resubmitted. chapters, sections, and Trusts are not the only groups that may submit nominations. Individual members and/or groups of members may submit nominations for the 99 Awards!

To recap:

Three separate Awards of Achievement may be presented each year. The three awards are:

- a. The Award of Achievement for Contributions to The Ninety-Nines – which recognizes a significant contribution to the mission of the 99s or any of the organization's activities.
- b. The Award of Achievement for Contributions to Aviation – which recognizes significant contributions to any facet of aviation, such as aviation/aerospace education, aviation science, aviation history, aviation commerce, aviation legislation, etc.
- c. The Award of Achievement for Humanitarian Efforts – which recognizes significant contribution, through aviation, in a humanitarian effort.

In addition, two other awards may be presented to "non-99s." The first one, the George Palmer Putnam Award, is given in recognition of support of The 99s. The other award, the Award of Merit, is given to recognize a contribution(s) made to aviation in general. Each of these awards may be presented to an individual or an organization. Individual winners may be male or female.

The nominating requirements are very simple. Each nomination should be a one-page letter and should include the name, address, and phone number of the nominee (or the nominee's next of kin, if the nominee is deceased). Three additional pages of substantiating material (resume, newspaper articles, letters of endorsement, etc.) may be attached.

Don't delay! The January 15th deadline for submitting Award nominations is just around the corner!

Contact me (email or phone) if you have any questions!

Jan McKenzie
International Awards Chairman
970-980-9944



Florida Suncoast Chapter

Saturday

**December 12, 2009
Holiday Meeting**

Fantasy of Flight

11:30 am

Starts with Lunch at the Officer's Club followed by private guided tour of the Fantasy of Flight Museum Aircraft.

per person

\$36.55

Includes lunch, tour & entrance to FOF attraction

Lunch choice check one:

- Garden Club w/bacon-turkey-ham
- Chicken Caesar Wrap
- Tarragon Chicken Salad
- Ham & Cheese Panini

served w/bacon potato salad, homemade cookie, iced tea/water.

Deadline for reservations is December 1st

Make check payable to Barbara Yeninas and fill in the coupon below.

Mail to:

**Barbara Yeninas • 2023 Dockside Drive
Valrico, FL 33594**

Barbara phone: 813-654-3780 • e-mail: jjybmy@verizon.net

Checks and coupon must be received by Dec. 1



Name _____

Lunch choice _____

Amount enc. _____ Phone # _____

Fantasy of Flight Chapter Holiday Event

Please mark you calendars for Saturday, December 12, 2009. This year we'll be celebrating at Fantasy of Flight!!! Starting off with a Holiday Luncheon at the Officer's Club at 11:30 a.m. After Lunch the 99s will be given a Guided Tour of the FOF Aircraft Museum. The cost of 36.55/pp is all inclusive and includes admission to the FOF attraction, as well!!! Come and spend a Day of Fun with the 99s at Fantasy of Flight!!! See attached Poster in this newsletter with all the details!!!