

# The Ninety-Nines



The International Organization of Women Pilots  
Florida Suncoast Chapter [www.fpcg.net/sc99/](http://www.fpcg.net/sc99/)

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## Chairman's Message

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Chairman's Message November, 2011

The month of November was a busy one for me as I taught with Jeanne Burklund and Barbara Strachan at the Girl Scout IP College on November 5th, represented our chapter at NIFA (National Intercollegiate Flying Association) in Melbourne on November 10 and 11 followed this event by participating in the creation and painting of the Compass Rose on November 12 at Sebring Regional Airport.

The **Girl Scout Interest Patch College** kept us busy with a paper airplane flying contest, using the Microsoft Flight Sim X and iPads, researching women aviators for end-of-the-day presentations, and learning all about the forces of flight and controls. The day flew by and started us thinking about having a half-day program such as this with the entire chapter involved and using it as a fundraiser. Hmmm. We'll be discussing this one!

*Girl Scouts using iPads (L),  
NIFA Team Briefing (R)*



**NIFA** is an experience that each of you should put on your aviation list of activities at some point in your future. The seven colleges represented sent teams to this competition who participated in all facets of flying and were judged on every leg of their pattern from takeoff through landing. I was able to experience the judging of Message Drop, Power Off Landings (judging their turn to base and base leg), and Spot Landings. John Lawler was the chief judge and organizer of this weeklong event and had it planned down to the minute. Judges were treated to reduced rates at the Hilton Rialto Place, a complimentary full breakfast, lunch each day, the awards banquet on the final day, and as royalty throughout the day with water and transportation services. A judges briefing each morning set the tone for the day and allowed time for all judges to get to know one another as the pairings for events changed with each event. It was wonderful to be surrounded by so many aviation enthusiasts, young and the not-so-young like me. You won't be disappointed if you are able to give a day or more to support our young aviators as they reach for the skies.



## **Chairman's Message—continued...**

The **Compass Rose** at Sebring Regional Airport was spearheaded by Laura Sherwood from the Spaceport Chapter. As you can see from the pictures, it turned out beautifully. Besides those pictured at the end of the project, we had an additional five participants who weren't able to stay until the bitter end. This group began working around 8am and completed the Rose by 4:00pm. John Yeninas worked tirelessly with Laura in laying out each measurement for the Rose and the beautiful 99 in the center. The rest of us just kept plugging along with the edging and paintfill as the Rose took shape. Spaceport's Laura really has her act together and came well prepared with rollers, roller covers, newspaper, brushes, chalk, yardstick, protractor, a 99 template, and lots of expertise. Our complimentary lunch at the FBO restaurant was delicious and plentiful. If you need another \$100 hamburger location, Sebring Regional offers much more than hamburgers to tempt your taste buds along with their reasonable prices. If you like a mini-trip back-in-time, try a night at the Kenilworth Lodge in Sebring which was built in 1919. A relaxing place to stay. It was a windy but pleasant day on the tarmac and my legs are just now getting back to normal after hours of bending to paint. But I'd do it all again for this outcome and the fun we had with 99s from across Florida.



Don't forget to read through the proposed chapter by-laws amendments listed elsewhere in this newsletter. These proposed changes will be voted upon at the January meeting at Albert Whitted.

I hope everyone has made their reservations for our December 10<sup>th</sup> Holiday Luncheon at the Columbia Restaurant. I look forward to seeing everyone there!

**Marilyn**

## **Vice Chairman's Corner**

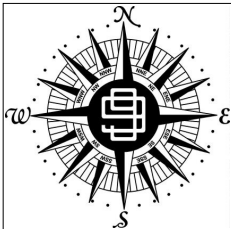
Thanks to Marilyn for a synopsis of the November 99s get-together: Florida Suncoast was represented at the Compass Rose painting at Sebring Regional Airport by Barbara & John Yeninas, Dominique Mellow & Marilyn Shafer. The expert layout and guidance was provided by Laura Sherwood, the Airmarking Chairman of the Spaceport Chapter. The airport was a gracious host and provided coolers of bottled water and a free lunch to each participant. Work began about 8 a.m. and the completed Rose was gorgeous by 4:00. We hope that someone will fly by and take an aerial of the Rose because it looked great close up - we can only imagine how wonderfully it will reach into the skies to guide pilots. It was a lot of fun working with other 99s from other Florida chapters.

*Note: A photo from the air has been added to the SE Section Facebook page. Go to Facebook and become a "fan" of the SE Section and take a look at the photos. Click link below.*

<http://www.facebook.com/groups/300540213289681#!/groups/300540213289681/>

Our next get-together is the December 10th Holiday Party at the Columbia Restaurant in Ybor City. (There is no meeting). We have had many RSVPs and the party is certain to be a festive occasion. We look forward to seeing you at 11:00 a.m. at the Columbia!

P.S. The party room is handicap accessible.  
-Charleen Ramus Jaffe



## Upcoming Florida Suncoast Chapter Events

### Brief Outline of 2011-2012 Season:

**December 10th, 11:00am**

**Christmas Party!**

*Columbia Restaurant in Ybor City  
2117 E. 7th Ave.*

**January 14** St. Petersburg, Albert Whitted Airport

**February 11** Poker Run fundraiser  
(in conjunction with Clearwater EAA Chapter)

**March 10** Plant City Airport

**March 31** Sun 'N Fun

**May 12** Winter Haven

**June 9** Crystal River Airport

### THANK YOU!

A great big hug and thanks to Dima Haobsh for the \$99.00 donation to the Jessie Woods Space Camp Scholarship. In her note she asked to be remembered by her 99 sisters and said she misses us very much.

I replied to her and told her that we missed her too. She may be able to come to a meeting in the future. Anyway it was really great of her to donate to the scholarship. Dima is helping her son in his pizza business and if you want a really good one, go to Famous Pizza. They are in three locations. One is 180 Sunset Point Rd. in Clearwater, no. 2 is 109 Fairfield St in Oldsmar and no. 3 is 2810 34th St N in St Pete.

**Again—Thank You Dima.**

*-Nancy Wright*



## We Need Your Help to Support the Space Camp Scholarship!



*A Great  
Christmas  
Idea!*

### JESSIE WOODS BOOKS FOR SPACE CAMP WINNERS:

I found some of Jessie Woods books on Amazon and bought two of the cheap ones. I am asking for donations to pay for these books. They will be given to the Space Camp winners. Laura Gao has donated \$20.00 to pay for one and a bookplate will be placed in the front of one of the books with her name on it as the donor. Contact Nancy Wright if you would like to be a donor. These books are a very nice addition to the gift bag for the winners. I can also buy some more if we get some more donations. This is a good way to support the Jessie Woods Space Camp Scholarship.

*-Nancy Wright*

### WANTED:

If any of you have any of Jessie Woods 'On The Wing' books that you would care to part with, I would like to have them for our Space Camp winners. They are out of print and Ann Cooper gave me all that she had left.

Contact: Nancy Wright

### FOR SALE:

Jackets--1 black: large, 3 sky blue: medium, large and extra large. This is a good chance to get one and support the chapter and the scholarship. The chapter also has some lovely hand towels with the logo on them, some patches, and garden flags. These make great gifts.

Contact: Nancy Wright

## Grasshopper Events

**December 18, 2011**

Spruce Creek (7FL6)

Spruce Creek Holiday Party ETA 11AM

RSVP to Pat Ohlsson patohlsson@fly-in.com

**January 28, 2012**

TBD

## **\*\*Proposed Chapter By-Laws Changes\*\***

### **December, 2011 to be voted upon January, 2012**

**UNDERLINED items are additions. ~~Strike Through~~ items to be deleted.**

#### **Article VI – Section 2 – ELECTIONS**

The new Officers will assume their duties at the close of the June meeting. (add underlined portion to clarify exact timeframe for change of officers)

#### **Article VII – Section 1 – Duties of the Officers**

##### **B VICE-CHAIRMAN**

shall be in charge of all programs and public relations for the Chapter. (add underlined portion to Vice-Chair duties in order to get our chapter and the 99s name out to the public)

##### **D. TREASURER**

shall prepare a budget for the coming year to be presented to the membership at the ~~April~~ May meeting. (change month from April to May since April's meeting is at Sun 'n Fun)

#### **Section 2 – Committees**

##### **~~A. MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN~~**

~~shall be responsible for the 49 ½ program.~~ (eliminate since program is no longer conducted)

##### **C. NEWSLETTER CHAIRMAN**

shall write or assist the 99s News Liaison to write a report for inclusion in the 99 News magazine each month of publication. (add underlined portion to have option for a separate position for 99s News)

~~G. SUN 'N FUN CHAIRMAN shall coordinate all Sun 'n Fun activities; shall attend all Sun 'n Fun organizational meetings; shall be in charge of the Sun 'n Fun building.~~ (Eliminate entire item since Sun 'n Fun is NOT a chapter committee but an International position)

### **SECTION GOAL: Increasing Membership!**

The goal for the section, for the next two years, will be to increase membership. The present membership is 486. Our goal is 700! A contest was started and discussed at the section meeting, to increase membership.

The Chapter who increases their membership the most from Oct 1, 2011—April 30, 2012 wins. The prize is yet to be determined, but the current budget for prizes was increased to \$100.00 during the meeting. As soon as the BOD determines the prize, they will be contacting all chapter chairs.



*Because flying is more fun with friends!*



### **MILESTONES**

I would like to share a little milestone of my own with you...

It's taken me a while to feel comfortable with the responsibility of taking a non-pilot passenger, but on Sunday Nov. 20 I felt confident and more than ready. I took my husband up for our first flight together! He enjoyed himself and I was very happy to finally share my flying with him. It was a big day for us both!



*Here we are happily crammed together in the 150 .*

*-Linda Kaufman*



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