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From the Chair

My apologies to everyone. I had hoped we could schedule a 49 1/2 installation for February, but things just didn't work out. We'll have to put it on the list for next year. We actually need to start planning about two months ahead of when the meeting is scheduled to take place.

Clarissa has lined up a tour of the Center at Elmendorf for the February meeting. It should be interesting. I hope to see you all there.

Our BIG news right now is that we have a reception scheduled for Saturday, February 26, at the Aviation Heritage Museum. We are doing double duty on this one because Sandi Sumner's book, "Women Pilots of Alaska," is finally available and she'll be signing books that evening. Also, we will be getting a chance to talk with Pat Prentiss, 99s International Vice President, regarding the 2008 International Convention. Please be sure to put this on your schedule. Check for more specific details inside The Flypaper.

The Fur Rondy is fast approaching to be followed by the Iditarod. The days are getting longer, so it's getting easier to think "Spring." So hang in there, fly safely and do random acts of kindness!

Melanie



Chapter News

NEXT MEETING

When: Wednesday, Feb. 09

What: Tour of FAA's Center at Elmendorf AFB.

Where: FAA Control Center, Elmendorf AFB. Arrive at the Boniface Gate.

Time: Arrive 6 –6:15 p.m. Tour starts at 6:30 p.m.

For more information see page 03

99s ONLINE

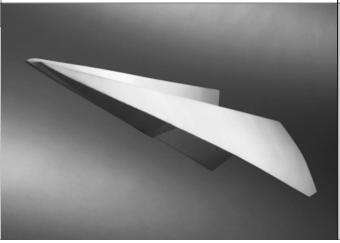
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For Web site updates and additions, call Gunilla Pendleton at 336.1863 or e-mail swedeflyer@gci.net.

National Web site

www.ninety-nines.org

The national site includes news updates, scholarship opportunities and mentor connections.



Flypaper Facts

The submission deadline for the March issue is Feb. 28, 2005. If you have an article, ad or information for the Flypaper, please contact Michelle Bartleman by phone or fax at 868.4736 or by e-mail at michelle@loscher.ca. Ads in the Flypaper are free for members.

Subscription Rates:

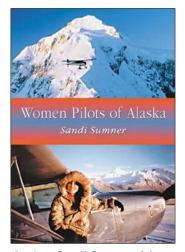
There are no dues for the Alaska Chapter of the 99s. Instead members are asked to subscribe to the Flypaper, with rates as follows:

\$10

October—September (Full year)
February—September (Half year)
June—September (Summer)

COMING UP...

Come celebrate the release of new book 'Women Pilots of Alaska'





Author Sandi Sumner (above right) and honorary Member of the Alaska Chapter 99s.

There are Living Legends in Alaska! There are 37 Alaskan women pilots who are getting the spotlight they deserve!

The Alaska Chapter of the 99s International Women Pilots Organization is proud and pleased to announce a reception and book signing to debut a brand new book on Alaska's women in aviation.

Sandi Sumner, author and Honorary Member of the Alaska Chapter of the 99s, will be signing her new book, <u>Women Pilots of Alaska</u>, on Saturday, February 26, 2005 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Alaska Aviation Heritage Museum.

From Marvel Crosson in 1927 through 2000 arrival Audrey Cole, women pilots have been shaping Alaskan aviation history. Sandi has captured their stories, their enthusiasm for flight, the obstacles they overcame and the goals they have achieved.

This evening's gala offers a rare opportunity to meet and talk with some of the women honored in this biographical history of women pilots in Alaska. Margo Cook, Ruth Jefford, Ann Wilbur, Ingrid Pedersen, Ellen Paneok, Roberta Degenhardt, TQ LaClair will be among the featured women in attendance. Never heard of them? It's time you did! Come to our event on Saturday, February 26.

To learn more about this historic first book logon to Sandi's website at: www.sandisumner.com.

One lucky attendee at the event will be given an opportunity to go flying with one of the book's honorees.

For more information, contact Angie Slingluff at 907 271-3422 or Sandi Sumner at 694-2080.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

WED FEB 08 6:30 PM

Alaska 99s meeting @ FAA Air Traffic Control Center on Elmendorf. See page 03 for more information.

TUES FEB 15 6 PM

Mat-Su Chapter 99s monthly meeting with a presentation by the medallion Foundation. Please see below left for more information.

SAT FEB 26 6:30—8:30 PM

Release and book signing of Snadi Sumner's new book 'Women Pilots of Alaska' @ Alaska Aviation Heritage Museum. See top left for more information.

If you have an event you would like published in the calendar, please contact Michelle Loscher at 868.4736 or e-mail michelle@loscher.ca.

MAT-SU 99s

News from the Valley

We will have a presentation by the Medallion Foundation (rescheduled from the Jan. meeting). At this time we will be headed into their facility in Anchorage. If we get several more people to participate they will come out to the Valley. If you are interested in joining in attending this event please call Gayle 746-5273 or Denise 745-5867.

MAT-SU CHAPTER JANUARY MEETING

Tuesday, Feb. 15 Location to be determined

The mission of the Medallion Foundation is to reduce accidents in Alaska by fostering a new safety culture and by promoting higher safety standards through research, education, auditing and advocacy. For more information, log on to: www.medallionfoundation.org.

FEBRUARY MEETING...

Tour of Alaska Air Traffic Control Center

Have you always wanted to learn more about Anchorage and Alaska's air traffic control system? This is your chance!

The February 9th program will be a tour of the FAA's Alaska Air Traffic Control Center on Elmendorf. This will be a great opportunity see first hand what air traffic control is all about and from the controller's perspective.

This is a great opportunity to ask questions about Alaska's VFR and IFR flight services. Hope you can make it!

Where: FAA Control Center Elmendorf Air Force Base.

When: Arrive Boniface Gate between 6 p.m. & 6:15 p.m. The tour starts at 6:30 p.m.

<u>How to Get There</u>: The Center is on the left hand side of the road shortly after you go through the gate.

Because of Elmendorf's elevated security level, you must be a U.S. citizen and have valid ID such as a driver's license and passport. All vehicles will be searched. Should you have questions, contact Clarissa Quinlan at 248-5530.

99s Museum Donation >>>

The 99s Museum of Women Pilots in Oklahoma City is doing ongoing improvements. One of the projects is renovating the Archives Room. If we make a donation between \$100-\$2500 we can have our chapter name on the front of an archive shelf. We would like some feedback on how much we should donate, if any. If you have any comments or suggestions regarding this, please contact Melanie at flynquilt@alaskalife.net or 694.4571.



99s **VESTS** >>>

The vests were a big hit at the January meeting. If anyone ordered one and have not received it yet, please call TQ at 868-1495. If you did not order one and would like to, TQ am starting a list for the next batch. A minimum of 20 requests are needed to place an order. Five requests have been made so far. To order, please contact TQ at 868-1495.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED...



June 17-18, 2005 Alaska State Fairgrounds

The Girl Scout biennial encampment is attended by over 1500 girls ages 8-17. They pitch their tents at the fairgrounds for three days, and one of the things they do is attend several hands-on, fun workshops. Past workshops have included a wide range of choices such as:

- Yup'ik dance,
- fly tying,
- quilting,
- box oven cooking,
- paper airplanes and pop bottle rockets,
- ham radio.
- self defense.
- all about reptiles (with animals from the Imaginarium),
- raising alpacas,

- pet care,
- jewelry making,
- double Dutch jump rope,
- orienteering,
- gold panning,
- Irish dance,
- magic tricks,
- spinning and weaving,
- fingerprinting,
- auto mechanics
- and more!

Programs may be outdoors or in one of the fairground buildings and may be with large or small groups.

You need not present on the same topic if you have presented before, and in fact we would be happy to make suggestions if you are looking for a change but just can't think of the right one to change to.

If you are available, willing, and able to volunteer to present a program at this year's Encampment, please call Angie Slingluff at (907) 271-3422 or contact Kris Miller at krisjill@gci.net.



