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The Sunshine, Fly-Ins, Museum Display and Publicity Committee Chair positions are currently vacant. February certainly was a busy month for the Chapter! On the 3rd the chapter volunteered for the Girl Scouts Susitna Council's Women in Science and Technology Day. I was out of town and I want to thank again the members who generously gave of their time to inspire young girls and young women that day.

On February 10th we volunteered to assist with the Aerospace Career Day sponsored by the Girls Scouts and the FAA. The girls were introduced to women in different aviation and aerospace careers including airport managers, weather specialists, A&P mMechanics, pilots, as well as representatives from the FAA, ROTC and Civil Air Patrol. In addition the girls, ages 12-17, experienced the UAA ATC simulator and the aircraft simulator. We even made the Channel 2 news at 5 pm and 10 pm---perhaps you saw us?

On February 17th I was the morning keynote speaker at the ASD Middle School Girls Math Conference. I was a little worried about facing over three hundred 7th and 8th grade girls who were still enjoying breakfast in the Yellow Hall (aka cafeteria) but they were truly engaged while I described my education and career, and tried to share with them that not only Mathematicians and Scientists use math and science in their jobs.

We also had a wonderful evening celebrating the life of Ruth Jefford at the Aviation Heritage Museum. The potluck was delicious, thanks to everyone who contributed. And as for the stories, well, all I can say is that I wish we had recorded the night for there were so many wonderful, funny and touching stories shared.

And on the same subject, remembering wonderful women, that is. March is Women's History Month! Take a moment to think of all of the wonderful women you know, or have known. If they are still in our life ask them to write down their story, and if they are only in your memories then write the story yourself. I, for one, am always proud to be part of such a wonderful organization. When I need inspiration, or just fun company, I don't have to look any farther than the women I am lucky to call friends - YOU!

Hope to see you at the March meeting,

Berta



Deadline for the April Flypaper is April 2, 2007, If you have an article, ad or information for The Flypaper, please contact Melanie Hancock by phone or FAX at 694-4571 or e-mail at flyquilt@mtaonline.net. (Ads are placed in The Flypaper for members at no charge.)

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Meeting

Wednesday. March 14, at 6:00 p.m.

Medallion Foundation

5520 Lake Otis Parkway

(located just south of the YMCA

on the opposite side of the street)

Calendar

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Events

Wed., March 14	Regular Monthly Meeting
Tues., March 20	Mat-Su Regular Monthly Meeting
Wed., April 11	Regular Monthly Meeting
Tues., April 16	Mat-Su Regular Monthly Meeting
May 5 & 6	Airmen's Trade Show & Conference
Wed., May 9	Regular Monthly Meeting
Tues., May 15	Mat-Su Regular Monthly Meeting
May 11 - 13	Valdez Air Show
Sat., May 19	Spring Flying Companion Seminar, Mat-Su
July 20 - 21	The Amelia Earhart Festival, Atchison, KS
July 20 - 26	Amelia Earhart Peak Climb 2007
Aug. 23 - 26	Northwest Section Meeting, Gillette, WY
Sept. 11 - 16	Ninety-Nines International Conference, Denver, CC

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<u>Chapter Website</u> www.ak99s.org

For website updates and additions, e-mail Caren della Cioppa at: habataku@att.net

<u>National Website</u> www.ninety-nines.org

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

March Program

Please join us for pizza, conversation about flight safety, and a tour of the training facility and flight simulators at the Medallion Foundation. The Foundation board members will be joining us. They have graciously offered to provide the pizza and sodas for this meeting. They would like to hear ideas from the 99s for additional safety programs for pilots.

We have been requested to provide them an estimate of how many attendees will be at the meeting so they have enough pizza and soda. If you plan to attend, please contact Diane Erickson by e-mail (dianeerickson@gci.net) or phone (694-4221) by Monday, March 12.

Coming Programs

April 11: Angie Slingluff, NASA Smart Skies and the Build-a-Plane Program

Angie, an active 99 and FAA staff member, will share information about these new and exciting programs.

May 9: FAA Weather Center Tour

Join us for a tour of the weather center. Directions to the center will be provided. Members will need to sign up in advance for this tour and provide their full names (as they appear on your social security cards). When you sign up you will also need to indicate whether or not you are a U.S. citizen. Names of all people planning to go on the tour must be provided to the FAA in advance for security reasons.



The Mat-Su Chapter will not have a regular meeting in March. Instead, we will be staffing the registration table at an Alaskan Aviation Safety Foundation seminar on Wednesday, March 21, from 7 – 9 pm. The seminar will be held at the MTA Building in Palmer.

One top at the seminar will be transitioning from winter to spring flying. Ellen Paneok, Alaskan Aviation Safety Foundation, is arranging the seminar. For more information, contact the Safety Foundation at 243-7237.

The Spring Flying Companion Seminar is scheduled for Saturday, May 19. It will be held in the Valley. More information will be available in the April Flypaper. If you will be available to help, please contact Judy Foster at 746-0991.

Aerospace Education

Many thanks to Roberta Degenhardt, Jean White, Helen Jones, Brenda Staats and her daughter Megan O'Connor, and Melanie Hancock for helping with The Girl Scouts Women in Science & Technology Day on February 3 and to Roberta Degenhardt, Lani Kile, and Judith Foster for putting on the Girl Scouts Aerospace Career Day on Feb. 10. We will be offering activities for the Girl Scouts again in June for the Top of the World Jamboree at the Palmer Fair Grounds June 8 and 9 and we are looking for volunteers. Contact Angie at 271-5228 if you want to have a fun time!

Flying Companion Seminar

The next Flying Companion Seminar will be hosted by the Mat Su Chapter on May 19 at the Mat Su Community College. For information and/or to volunteer to help, contact Gayle Kase in Wasilla.

2008 Convention

Only 17 1/2 months (or 529 days) to go before we welcome the International Convention to Anchorage. Many thanks to Judith Foster, Mat-Su Chapter, for gallantly putting together a preliminary budget that for Mio and Angie to take to the Spring International Board Meeting in Oklahoma City on March 2 & 3. (Thanks to Mio for the airline miles to make it possible!) Look for e-mails in the near future from Angie asking for people to setup up and serve as Committee Chairs of the committees on which you volunteered to serve. There's still LOTS of places we will need help so don't be shy. We plan to have lots of AVIATION FUN UNDER THE MIDNIGHT SUN in August 2008!

Scholarships

Submission Deadline: June 15, 2007 Winners Announced: June 30, 2007 Scholarships Awarded: July 11, 2007

If you have questions, please call:Roberta Degenhardt: (907) 274-5168 bertahome@yahoo.com or Angie Slingluff: Home (907) 337-0253, Work (907) 271-5228 akwoman@ak.net or visit our website www.ak99s.org

Eligibility: Alaska Chapter 99s scholarships are open to female residents of Alaska. Scholarships will be announced June 30, 2007 and awarded at the July meeting of the Alaska Chapter 99s (July 11, 2007).

The scholarship winner must agree to complete the goal for which the scholarship will be used within 12 calendar months of award. She will also be required to attend a 99s meeting to report on the progress toward her goal, or to submit a written report if unable to attend.

Mail completed application to: The Alaska 99s, P.O. Box 91962, Anchorage, AK 99509



Minutes -January 7, 2007

The meeting was called to order by Roberta Degenhardt, Chair at 6:11 pm. Sixteen were in attendance. The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as amended and presented at the meeting.

Hangar talk & Business:

Judith Foster reported that a Charter member of both the Alaska and Mat-Su Chapter 99s, Ruth Jefford died. Her memorial service will be held in the valley.

Future meeting program ideas were contemplated. In March we are scheduled with the Medallion Foundation. Angie Slingluff, the FAA Education Coordinator will probably present FAA's Education Program and its resources at the February meeting. There efforts are diverse. Angie mentioned that Build-a-Plane, a non profit corporation is partnering in a program where by kids get wrecked planes to rebuild.

When discussing fly-ins, Melanie mentioned that we used to go to Fairbanks in the spring and help the Mid-Night Sun 99s plant flowers at the airport. We may try to arrange a fly-in to participate this year.

Roberta, as 99s Chair, receives, hard copy, of all Alaska affective FAA notices of changes in airspace rules and other public information. If you would like to receive these notices via e-mail, e-mail gary.ctr.rolf@faa.gov to be placed on his list. This month she had one regarding the decommissioning of the Kodiak TACAN.

Upcoming events reported:

- January 25th is the Aviation Hall of Fame at the Sheraton Hotel.
- ♣ February 3rd the Girl Scouts will have their Science and Technology fair. Several of our members Roberta, Angie and Brenda are participating and presentation aviation.
- ♣ February 10th is Aero-Space Career Day by the FAA and the girl Scouts and the 99s.
- ♣ February 17th is a Girls Math Contest
- ♣ February 21. ALPA/FAA/Airlines have a program for recovering alcoholic pilots.

Program:

The program speaker was Ellen Paneok, a long-time 99's member. She discussed her work with the Alaskan Aviation Safety Foundation. The organization is affiliated with AOPA, but is an independent. The mission of the foundation is to promote aviation safety through public education and research. Ellen shared information about several new training and educational programs of the foundation including an upcoming (late February) program to be held in Mat-Su.

2008 Conference Committee:

The committee meets monthly, usually the $\mathbf{1}^{\text{st}}$ Thursday of the month. The logo is getting close to completion. Angle & Mio are going to Oklahoma City in March to the International Spring Board meeting to present our preliminary conference budget. Melanie will be the fashion show chair.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mio Johnson Secretary