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Newsletter of the San Fernando Valley Chapter of  
**THE NINETY - NINES**  
INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION OF WOMEN PILOTS

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Friends and family enjoyed a fabulous party at Lilian Holt's home on Saturday, December 9.



Barry Yates pours drinks for a full house.

Lilian, Linda Worden and Stacie Crowther did another great job decorating and organizing this year's event. Barry Yates kindly kept the drinks flowing. Many wonderful guests attended, including Southwest Section

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(Above Photo L to R: Jeanne Fenimore, Paula Sandling, Barbara Cesar, Jan Archibald, & Julieann Sikora)

## Chairman's Report

I would like to wish everyone a wonderful Holiday Season. This is a good time to reflect on all the good times we have had in the last year. The Chapter is growing; we now have 79 members and more to join. We have had fun at Section Meetings, the International Conference in Washington, DC, the fun fly-ins and all the social events that have brought us closer together and make us such a great Sisterhood. But it is also a

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The San Fernando Valley Chapter of The Ninety-Nines was founded on February 1, 1952. The mission of The Ninety-Nines is:

- To promote world fellowship through flight.
- To provide networking and scholarship opportunities for women and aviation education in the community.
- To preserve the unique history of women in aviation.

time to remember those we have lost and those who are not well. They will always be close to our hearts.

This wintertime holiday season is a time to count our blessings of being able to fly in this area. We gripe about a few days of wind that make it uncomfortable to fly, but remember those 99s in other areas who put their planes in the hangar in October and don't see them again until March.

We have a great Aviation Community around us that support us in every endeavor. We have the Aviation Explorers and the Girl Scouts for us to encourage, and to hopefully be the future of Aviation.

Remember the Fly for Breast Cancer Cure. We all know someone who has been affected by breast cancer: a friend, or for all too many of us, a family member. Please try to donate to this great cause.

There are lots of projects in the future: January will have the Girl Scout Cookie Kickoffs and the Southwest Section Winter Business Meeting (see details on page 4). February will be the 55th birthday of the San Fernando Valley Chapter of the 99s. This is not to be taken lightly. We will have a special meeting in honor of this recognition. We will also start the discussion on flying to Alaska for the International Conference in 2008. This trip is a must-do for those who have never been and a great repeat opportunity for those who have. We also have lots of fly-ins planned.

Please start planning for the Spring Southwest Section Meeting in Santa Maria, CA on May 18-20. You can book your room now at the Radisson on Santa Maria Airport (805) 928-8000.

Don't forget the Traveling Space Museum, Girl Scouts, and Aviation Explorers. We have many activities to discuss for these worthwhile programs. We will be electing a new Nominating Committee in January. Please

think about serving on this important committee. It is good experience! Have Very Happy Holidays!! See you at the Airport.

--Jeanne Fenimore

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## Member of the Month

Anne Marie Radel, Marcia Fuller, and Paula Sandling received Member of the Month recognition at the December Meeting.



Anne Marie worked double duty on planning another great Cookies to the Tower *and* a very successful Doo Dah Parade Fundraiser.

Anne Marie gave a special recognition to

Marcia Fuller for putting so much energy and enthusiasm into marching in her "Dying to Fly" coffin tail-dragger Doo Dah plane, despite the heat.



Paula was recognized for organizing the 99s, 49-1/2s and Explorers at the "One Six Right" screening at Syncro.



Photos: (Top) Anne Marie Radel "making a list and checking it twice" at Cookies to the Tower. (Middle) Marcia Fuller in her tail-dragger coffin lines up for the Doo Dah Parade with Melinda Lyon and drummer boys Mike Radel and Andy Radel. (Bottom) Paula Sandling with Nina Yates at Cookies to the Tower, prior to working at the "One Six Right" screening later the same day.

# Short Final...December

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Governor Martha Phillips and her consort Art, Ivor Dawson from the Traveling Space Museum, and Brian Terwilliger who gave a special "thank you" to the SFV99s for helping at the "One Six Right" screening on December 9. The evening would have not been complete without the arrival of Santa, Mrs. Claus, the Elf, the drummer boys and reindeer. And this year's recipient of the bowling ball was a very surprised Ceci Stratford!



## Happy Birthday!

December 1	Barbara Black
December 15	Ruth Mayle
December 24	Natasha Sunness
December 25	Virginia Harmon
December 27	Melinda Lyon

## Fly for Breast Cancer Cure

In the spirit of giving, Lisa Hineman will be accepting checks for the "Ninety Nines Fly for Breast Cancer Cure" in December, January and February. The Chapter's fundraising effort will continue into the new year to accommodate our busy schedules. If you do not have time to fly this holiday season...think of the money you are saving on fuel, and share a little for a good cause! If you can get some flying in for this cause, download the flight logs, donation receipts and other important information at [www.ninety-nines.org/breastcancercure](http://www.ninety-nines.org/breastcancercure). You can mail the checks to Lisa or she will happily collect them at the meetings in January and February.

Happy Holidays!

## Guests of the Chapter

The Chapter enjoyed a great presentation by guest speaker Patrick McFarland from the FAA at the December Meeting. Patrick spoke about runway incursions and showed three terrific animations of real events together with the actual radio transmissions. After each animation the group discussed the incursion, the mistakes made, and how to prevent similar events.

Additional guests at the December Meeting included Brandon Crain, Ayla Brown, and Barbara Cesar.

Thank you for joining us, we hope to see you again.

## December Membership Anniversary

Happy Anniversary to our SFV99s!

1971	Mary Lou Neale
1976	Ceci Stratford
2001	Cheryl Aranaga
2005	Del Rubio

## Thinking of You

For those who do not know, 49-1/2 Jack Gageby, husband of former San Fernando Valley Chapter member Jan Gageby, has suffered a stroke. Jan asked that if you send a card, please try to include a past photo to use for help in Jack's recovery. Jan and Jack's address is 1005 Aster Lane, Fernley, NV 89048.

# Turning Base...January

## Southwest Section Winter Business Meeting

Don't miss the Southwest Section Winter Business Meeting on January 27, 2007 in Ontario, California. **If you plan to attend (and everyone is welcome!), e-mail your RSVP to Barbara Crooker at [flylady@frontiernet.net](mailto:flylady@frontiernet.net) before December 29<sup>th</sup>.** Lunch will be \$25.00 per attendee. Rooms at the Hilton Ontario Airport Hotel will be \$89.00. Fly yourself into Cable Airport; the landing fee will be waived for 99s. For more information, go to [www.sws99s.org](http://www.sws99s.org).

## Girl Scouts Cookie Kickoffs

Get ready for two Girl Scouts Cookie Kickoffs! The first will be with the Pasadena Area Girl Scouts at Arcadia Park on January 13<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 – 2:00. The San Fernando Valley Girl Scouts will hold theirs on January 20<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 – 3:00 at Chatsworth High School. The SFV99s will have a display table at each event and will need volunteers to attend and talk to the girls about aviation. Find out more information at the January Meeting or contact Jeanne Fenimore.

**Next Meeting:**

**Monday, January 8**

## Condolences

We are sorry to report that Adam Berg passed away on December 4, 2006. Services were held on December 8 at Valley Oaks Griffin Memorial Park in Thousand Oaks, CA. Cards may be sent to the family at 4950 Louise Avenue, Encino, CA 91316.

## Scholarship

The Phoenix Chapter 99s will be awarding a \$1,500 scholarship. Please go to [www.phx99s.org](http://www.phx99s.org) for more information. Good luck!

## We've Moved

Jaye & Bill Howes have moved to Agua Dulce. Check the updated roster for their new address and phone numbers.

A note from Jaye:

Here's the scoop on Agua Dulce: the sun shines and the wind bloooooows!! Anytime you fly up here, let me know. We're about 2 miles from the airport. I'll pick you up and show off our new house to you.

# Forest of Friendship

## **Please Consider Nominating Someone for the Forest of Friendship**

"Flying, Forests, and the Future" is this year's theme for the Forest of Friendship. The emphasis with this year's theme is on making young people more aware of, and a part of, the Forest. The goal is to get a number of inductees under 35, along with other aviation supporters. Does someone in your chapter come to mind? How about in your community? If someone stands out as having

contributed much to aviation (and they don't have to be a pilot), why not honor them in the Forest? It is located near Amelia Earhart's Birthplace Museum. What better place to pay tribute than this?

Planning on visiting the Forest? We also wish to encourage those who attend the ceremonies to bring someone from the "next generation" to introduce them to the Forest, its goal of promoting "World Friendship through Flying," and the camaraderie of the events during the third

weekend in June (15-17 in 2007).

For more information, including the history, themes, forms, and other materials, please check out the website at: <http://www.ifof.org>. Early nominations are much appreciated, as it makes the paperwork and other arrangements flow more smoothly. Please also feel free to contact Laurie Probst with any additional questions at: [kosalof@aol.com](mailto:kosalof@aol.com).

--Laurie Probst

## **Thank you from Skytrails**

December 4, 2006

Dear San Fernando Valley 99s

Thank you for the delicious cookies and the holiday cheer. Have a great holiday and wonderful New Year.

Happy Holidays,

Skytrails Aviation



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## Calendar of Events

Date	Event	Reference
January 5	Board Meeting – 6:30	WHP – Rocky’s
January 8	Chapter Meeting Dinner in the Main Dining Room	Airtel Hotel -- 7:00 pm as early as 5:30
January 13	Pasadena Area Girl Scouts Cookie Kickoff, 10:00 – 2:00 Arcadia Park	Jeanne Fenimore
January 20	San Fernando Valley Girl Scouts Cookie Kickoff, 12:00 – 3:00 Chatsworth High School	Jeanne Fenimore
January 27	Southwest Section Winter Business Meeting Ontario Hilton	<a href="http://www.sws99s.org">www.sws99s.org</a>
February 5	Chapter Meeting (55 <sup>th</sup> Birthday Anniversary) Dinner in the Main Dining Room	Airtel Hotel -- 7:00 pm as early as 5:30

[www.sfv99s.org](http://www.sfv99s.org) (San Fernando Valley 99s)  
[www.sws99s.org](http://www.sws99s.org) (South West Section)

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