

# THE FLYPAPER

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## FROM THE CHAIR

We had a great presentation at the January meeting about the Alaskan Aviation Heritage Museum, by Norm Legasse, Executive Director. There are some really exciting things being planned for the museum in the coming years.

Hopefully, winter will loosen it's death grip of cold weather soon and we'll see more of you at the coming meetings.

It's not too early to think about spring and summer fly-ins, airmarkings, and other activities. If you have any suggestions about additions to our summer activities, please let me know.

February's meeting brings a very interesting guest. Lieutenant Jennifer Avery

## DETAILS

**WHAT:** ALASKA CHAPTER MEETING  
**WHEN:** WED. FEB. 03  
**WHERE:** PEGGY'S CAFÉ  
**TIME:** 6:00 P.M.  
**WHO:** EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

will talk about her career in the Navy, and the people and influences that made her take the "road less traveled." You won't want to miss it—for more details see page 02.

Stay warm. See you at the February 8th meeting!

*Melanie*

## 99s ONLINE

**Chapter Web site** [www.ak99s.org](http://www.ak99s.org)  
For Web site updates and additions, e-mail Caren della Cioppa at [habataku@att.net](mailto:habataku@att.net).

**National Web site** [www.ninety-nines.org](http://www.ninety-nines.org)  
The national site includes news updates, scholarship opportunities and mentor connections.



## FLYPAPER FACTS

The submission deadline for the January issue is Jan. 25, 2005. If you have an article, ad or information for the Flypaper, please contact Michelle Bartleman by phone 1-877-552-8926 or by e-mail at [michelle@loscher.ca](mailto:michelle@loscher.ca). Ads in the Flypaper are free for members.

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## A NOTE OF THANKS

Awesome moments in my life happen occasionally, but great surprises are very rare! My shock for this decade happened at the Alaska Chapter 99's 2005 Christmas Party at the Hilton Hotel.

I was blind-sided...I didn't see it coming, not even in Melanie's eloquent lead-up presentation. Then wham! She said my name...who me?...awe, she can't mean me? I was so flabbergasted, so honored and soooo humbled.

I love the 99's and all they stand for, and am deeply moved to be honored for the one thing I enjoy doing as much as flying. Painting and art are my second love. Thank you Alaska 99's, for this endearing recognition.

*Sincerely, Janet Oxford*

## ALASKA CHAPTER: February meeting

The speaker for the February meeting of the Alaska Chapter of the Ninety-Nines will be Lieutenant Jennifer Avery.

Since graduating from Texas A & M University in 1997 with a degree in Aerospace Engineering, Lieutenant Avery's naval career has included being a senior advisor to the Virginia Military Institute during their first semester of assimilating women into the cadet corps.

Other assignments have included a two year assignment in Sicily, Submarine Base Bangor in Washington, and a just-completed field exercise commanding a company of 60 Seabees, only two of which were women. She has traveled extensively in Europe, Morocco and Egypt and returned from China this fall.

Lieutenant Avery will talk about her career, and the people and influences that made her take the "road less traveled." Everyone in attendance will find Lieutenant Avery's talk stimulating and enjoyable.

### DETAILS

**WHAT:** ALASKA CHAPTER 99S MONTHLY MEETING  
**WHEN:** WED. FEB. 03  
**WHERE:** PEGGY'S CAFÉ, ADJACENT TO MERRILL FIELD  
**TIME:** 6:00 P.M.  
**WHO:** EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

## MAT-SU CHAPTER: February meeting

The next meeting of the Mat-Su Ninety Nines will be on Valentine's Day, Tuesday Feb. 14 at 6:00 p.m. at the Mat-Su Evangelical Covenant Church. Ernie Koehrer will lead a discussion on **Flying in Canadian Air-space**. Bring your own experiences and information as this will be an informal give and take. As usual bring a sack dinner. Valentines invited!

**Bring your completed poster displays to this meeting.** Deadline to get posters to Patty for shrink-wrapping will be the end of February at the latest.

### DETAILS

**WHAT:** MAT-SU CHAPTER 99S MONTHLY MEETING  
**WHEN:** TUES. FEB. 14  
**WHERE:** MAT-SU EVANGELICAL COVENANT CHURCH  
**TIME:** 6:00 P.M.  
**WHO:** EVERYONE IS WELCOME!



## CALENDAR

**WED.FEB.03 @ 6 P.M.**

**Peggy's Cafe  
 Alaska chapter monthly meeting**

See details left.

**TUE.FEB.14 @ 6 P.M.**

**Mat-Su Evangelical  
 Covenant Church  
 Mat-Su chapter  
 monthly meeting**

See details left.

**FEB. 15-18**

**Hotel Captain Cook  
 Alaska Air Carriers  
 40th Annual Convention &  
 Trade Show**

For more information call 277-0071.

**FEB.25**

**Mat-Su College  
 Women in Science &  
 Technology Day**

The Mat-Su Chapter will be presenters at the Girl Scouts Women in Science & Technology Day. We still need volunteer presenters. We welcome volunteers for all or part of the day. We try to have a 99 host in each activity in the room. There will be approximately 5 or 6 stations going on simultaneously. Lunch is provided for the volunteers. Alaska Chapter members are welcome too. Contact the Mat-Su chapter for more information.

**APR. 28-30**

**Valdez, AK  
 Annual May Day Fly-in**

For more information contact  
 Randy Maag 831-0275 .

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.

## UPCOMING: Girl Scout Flying Companion Seminars

The Girl Scouts Flying Companion Seminar is scheduled for Saturday, April 22, 2006. The Susitna Council for the Girls Scouts is again coordinating a Flying Companion Seminar for Senior High School girls. I am looking for volunteers to assist in presenting the sessions.

Share your enthusiasm for flying with young women. Previous classes have led to several girls going on to earn their private pilot license! Contact Angie for more info at 271-3422 days or 337-0253 evenings.



### DETAILS



**WHAT:** GIRL SCOUT FLYING COMPANION  
**WHEN:** THU. APR. 22  
**WHERE:** TBD  
**TIME:** ALL DAY  
**WHO:** VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



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## MAT-SU: Meet the Ninety-Nines

On Saturday, March 25 the Mat-Su Ninety-Nines will be hostess-ing a "MEET THE NINETY-NINES" event to recruit new members into our chapter.

Each current member is asked to "find" at least one item to be given as a door prize.

It will be held at the Mat-Su Community College, room 116 in the main building . Invitations are going out to women pilots in the area. Of course there will be food.

We will still hold our regular meeting on Mar. 14 at the Mat-Su Evangelical Covenant Church in order to firm up details for this event and start on planning the spring flying companion seminar.

## AWOS telephone service to switch to pay-only

It's possible to listen to AWOS broadcasts via a toll-free telephone number through a company called anyAWOS. The idea was to have a short commercial message from sponsors to pay for the system but it apparently hasn't worked out that way.

"...anyAWOS is a private business and like any business, it has to make money to survive. We have received no funds from any external source to date. We have tried various means of subsidizing access to anyAWOS, but so far none has been successful."

In a note on its Web site, anyAWOS has announced that it will be charging subscription fees for using the system effective Feb. 6.

anyAWOS has also approached the FAA, looking for a subsidy similar to that enjoyed by the privately operated DUAT service, but so far the FAA has turned the request down.

The current "premium" service, free of advertising, costs \$5.95 per month.

**ONLINE:** <http://www.anyawos.com>



## GREETINGS FROM AFAR

Hi all! I have a new e-mail again: nillaflyer@earthlink.net Hope you all are doing great, and staying warm! Here it is summer every day; I love it! I am settling in to my new career as a Realtor, and also awaiting a new arrival: We are expecting a baby in June. I still keep up to date through the meeting e-mails and the website. Take care and happy flying!

*Gunilla Pendleton*

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Time for the weather report. It's cold out folks.  
Bon-crushing cold. The kind of cold which will wrench the  
spirit out of a young man, or forge it into steel.

**Diane Frolov and Andrew Schneider**  
*Northern Exposure, Lost and Found, 1992*

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