



# The Flypaper



The Official Newsletter of the Alaska 99s  
May 2008

## Alaska Chapter 99s Officers

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#### **Membership**

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#### **Scrapbook**

Lavelle Betz 243-1898

#### **Airmarking**

Melanie Hancock 694-4571

#### **Aviation Museum Display**

#### **2008 International Convention**

Angie Slingluff 337-0253

*The Sunshine, Fly-Ins, Museum Display and Publicity Committee Chair positions are currently vacant.*

## *Notes from the Lawn Chair:*

*Okay, maybe I exaggerate just a bit... It's not quite warm enough to be sitting in the sun, but the days are getting so long it's easy to lose track of time, and there are shoots coming up in the garden. As I sit looking out on the lake I think the ice may be gone by the time I get back from Valdez and the float planes will be flying at last! Ahhh, summertime in Alaska!*

*April saw the annual AASF Float Plane Safety Seminar and it was a grand success. Many thanks to Melanie and Kimber who came out early to help with registration, and also to Margaret for help staffing our booth.*

*May began with the Airmen's FedEx Trade Show and I appreciate all of you who volunteered over the two and a half days, setting up, staffing, and packing up the booth. Melanie's quilt was on display and raised over \$500 in ticket sales. Patti Payne, a NWR member from Outside, contributed hand crafted silver jewelry to the fundraising cause and those sales brought in over \$200! While the focus of our organization is promoting aviation safety and education through safety seminars, airmarkings and scholarships, we cannot ignore the fact that, while we are an all volunteer group, it takes money to keep the organization running and the generous and talented contributions of members like Melanie and Patti do not go unappreciated.*

*There are lots of summer activities that will fill the next twelve or fourteen weeks, but I hope you will find time to help with the preparations for the August Conference and the airmarkings that are planned.*

*In the meantime, I hope to see you in Valdez*

*Berta*

## Next Meeting

May 14, 2008  
6 p.m. at Stewart Title  
2601 Denali St., Anchorage

Program: We will be working on the chapter's scrapbooks and history in preparation for the 2008 Convention.



# Calendar of Events

- May 9, 10 & 11    *May Day Fly-In and Air Show, Valdez*
- Sat., May 10 \*\*    *Kenai Peninsula Air Fair and Poker Run, Soldotna & Kenai*
- Monday, May 12    *2008 Convention meeting, Stewart Title*
- Wed., May 14    *Regular Monthly Meeting, Stewart Title, 2601 Denali St. Anchorage*
- Tues., May 20    *Mat-Su Chapter Regular Monthly Meeting*
- Sat., May 31    *Flying Companion Seminar, Mat-Su Valley*
- Deadline for **early registration** for 2008 Conference (cheapest price)*
- Tues., June 3    *Deadline for submissions for June Flypaper*
- Sat., June 7    *Annual FAA Pancake Breakfast, Palmer Airport*
- Wed., June 11    *Regular Monthly Meeting*
- Sat., June 14    *Short Field Clinic, Palmer Airport*  
*Youth Aviation Adventure Event, Palmer Airport*
- June 17    *Mat-Su 99s Picnic*
- June 28 & 29    *Arctic Thunder Air Show, Elmendorf Air Force Base*
- July 11 & 12    *Tentative date for Dawson City Memorial Fly-In*
- Aug. 6 - 9    *2008 International Conference, Anchorage*
- CORRECTION:**    **\*\* The Kenai Peninsula Air Fair had been listed in previous Flypapers as the 17th of May. It is actually scheduled for May 10.**



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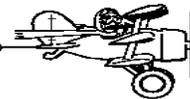
### Chapter Website (www.ak99s.org)

For website updates and additions, e-mail Caren della Cioppa at: [habataku@att.net](mailto:habataku@att.net)

### National Website (www.ninety-nines.org)

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

### Flypaper Facts



Deadline for the **June, 2008** Flypaper is **June 3, 2008**. 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](mailto:flyquilt@mtaonline.net). (Ads are placed in The Flypaper for members at no charge.)

#### Subscription Rates:

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Feb. -- Sept. = \$10.00  
June -- Sept. = \$5.00

#### Mailing Address:

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## Nominations for Alaska Chapter Officers

*It is once again time to consider election new offices for the Chapter. The elected positions are: Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and Treasurer*

*Terms are for one year, but members may serve two consecutive years in any one position. Berta Degenhardt and Diane Erickson (Chair and Vice Chair, respectively) have both held their positions for 2 years and will be stepping down. These positions must be filled with new people. However, members are encouraged to run for any office they choose, including Secretary and Treasurer, even though the people holding those positions have served only one year in their current spot.*

*Please consider running for one of the elected positions. It's a great experience and a good way to serve your organization.*

*Ballots will be mailed in June to current members as listed in the International 99s Directory. The ballot cards must be received by the chapter no later than June 25, 2008.*

*If you are interested in chairing a committee or helping on a specific committee, please contact Berta Degenhardt at 274-5168.*

*If anyone is interested in volunteering to be the Flypaper editor, please contact me, Melanie Hancock, at 694-4571. I am willing to continue doing it, but am also more than willing to let someone else take a turn.*

*The Mat-Su Valley 99s will hold their next regular meeting on Tuesday, May 20, at 6 p.m. at Judy Foster's house, 6860 E. Beechcraft Rd. at Wolf Lake*

*They will be working on table decorations for the convention banquets and fashion show luncheon. members from Alaska Chapter are welcome to come if they can. We need aviation, Alaska-theme fabrics and/or bug, mosquito, beetle, fly, butterfly or any similar fabric scraps. If you have any to donate, please bring them to the meeting, or give us a call. Mat-Su members will bring some of the other supplies needed to make luggage tags. Everything else needed will be supplied by the Mat-Su gals.*

*Business items will be discussed as the work proceeds. They will be some snacks available.*

### Mat-Su Chapter Officers

Chair	Gayle Kase (746-5273)
Vice Chair	Judy Foster (746-0991)
Secretary	Patty Livingston (746-2919)
Treasurer	Toni Merrigan (373-6569)

## Flying Companion Seminar



*The spring Flying Companion Seminar is scheduled for Saturday, May 31. The Mat-Su Chapter needs our help in putting on the fCS. You need not be current to volunteer. REMEMBER: It's a great refresher to get ready for summer flying!*

*Contact Judy Foster (746-0991) or Angie Slingluff (337-0253) to volunteer or get information for someone who wants to register.*



# 2008 International Conference

92 days? NO!

91 days? NO!!

ONLY 90 days till the Conference!

*They're coming! Really and truly. Your Conference Committee has been working to prepare programs, provide conference rooms, ensure that people get registered. We hope you are ready to step forward and be friendly and welcoming to our sister 99s from all around the world. We know five are coming from Germany, two from new Zealand and three or four from Australia.*

*We have some wonderful speakers lined up. We're planning a wild Alaskan Party for Saturday night instead of a formal banquet. let's show them our Alaskan hospitality!*

**REMINDER:** *The May 31st cutoff date for early registration is quickly approaching. The full registration fee is \$275 for registrations paid for on or before May 31 and \$350 for registrations June 1 or later. So, please, go to the website (<http://www.ak99aviationfun.org>) to register.*

## Youth Aviation Adventure Event

*This event will be held on Saturday, June 14. Working with Jane Dale at Palmer Airport and the Air Carriers Association, the FAA (i.e. Angie) is organizing a four-hour aviation event for kids grade 4 and up. The event will be held in the Forestry Service hangar at the Palmer Airport.*

*Nine or ten stations will be set up and the kids will be routed through each one. Volunteers will be needed for this, so if you are interested in assisting, please contact Angie at 337-0253.*

*This is being held in conjunction with Colony Days. Jane is trying to highlight Palmer Airport.*

## Miscellaneous Items

### Dish Still Missing

*I neglected to pick up my serving bowl and spoon following Ellen Paneok's memorial potluck. If anyone knows its whereabouts, please let me know. It is clear glass, about 8-9" tall, wide at the top, narrow at the base. There was a triangular shaped stainless steel serving spoon with it. When last seen it contained the remnants of a Brussels sprout salad. I will be happy to retrieve it (not the salad unless its still in the bowl). My number is 333-0262.*

*Thanks!*

*Betsy Nobmann*

### Raffle Quilt

*Ticket sales were over \$500 at the Trade Show. The quilt will be displayed in Valdez this weekend and also at the Elmendorf Air Show, Arctic Thunder, in June.*

*We still have plenty of tickets to sell, so please contact Melanie Hancock at 694-4571 to check out tickets to sell to your friends, visiting family members, coworkers, etc. Photos of the quilt are available with the tickets.*

## Need a Name Tag?



*Don't have a 99s name tag? Now is your chance to get one. The order has not been placed yet, so please contact Melanie Hancock at 694-4571 or [flyquilt@mtaonline.net](mailto:flyquilt@mtaonline.net) and let her know you're interested. Be sure she gets the correct spelling of your name. The name tags will be ordered after the May 14 meeting.*

*The cost of the name tag is \$10. Payment in advance would be appreciated. Checks can be made payable to: Alaska 99s.*

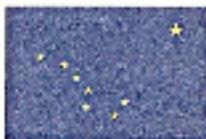
*Please plan to order your name tags. They come in handy at meetings, events AND especially for the 2008 Conference!*

*Jacque Biloff, a member of the Mat-Su 99s, has a website called [borntoflygraphics.com](http://borntoflygraphics.com) on which she sells her note cards and various other things, including some of the aviation fabric items that Judy Foster sells. Proceeds from Judy's sales benefit the Mat-Su Chapter 99s. Be sure to check it out when you need these items.*

#### Judith A. Foster

Aviation-Themed  
Fabric Crafts

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[jfoster@mtaonline.net](mailto:jfoster@mtaonline.net)



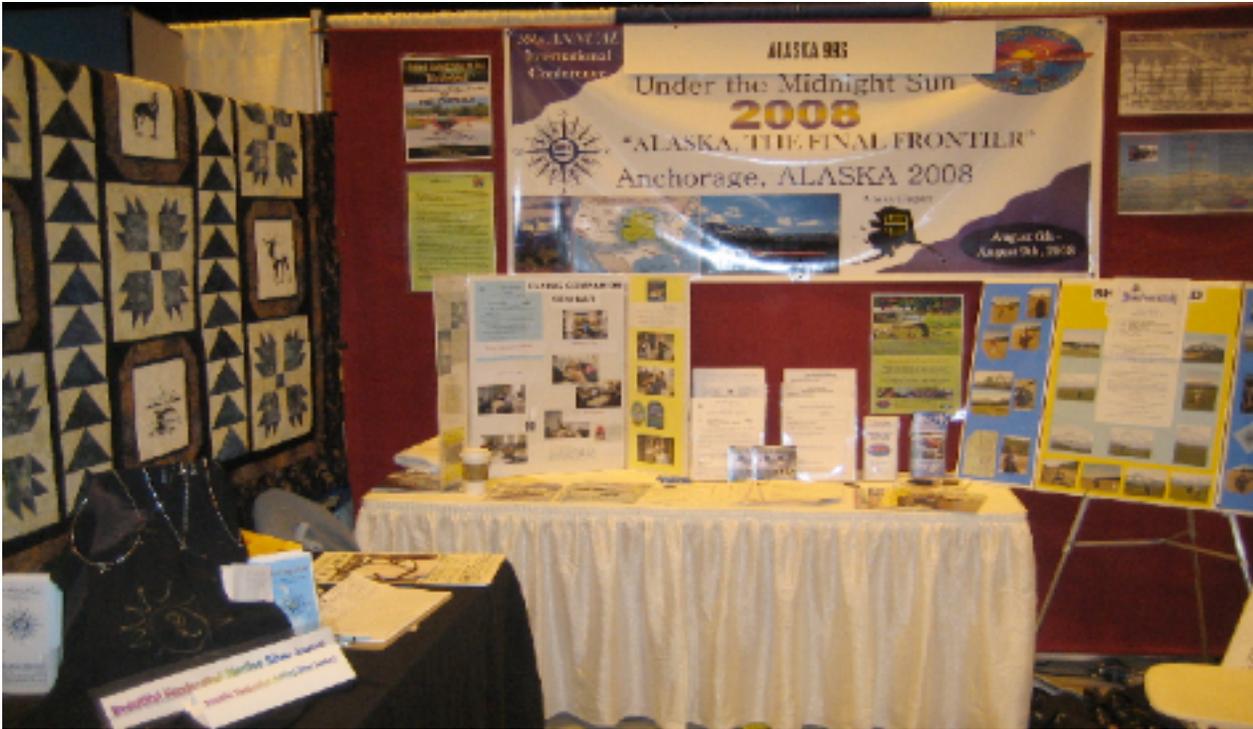
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# 2008 Alaska State Aviation Trade Show and Conference



Above: Alaska Chapter 99s booth at the Trade Show. The raffle quilt was on display and over \$500 worth of tickets were sold on Saturday and Sunday.



Sunday afternoon's staff of 99s at the booth. Left to right: Berta Degenhardt, Melanie Hancock, Mio Johnson, Jean White and Helen Jones.



Berta was thrilled to have her photo taken sitting in the T-6, one of the airplanes on static display at the Trade Show.

**Alaska Chapter 99s**  
**April 9, 2008 Meeting Minutes**  
**Peggy's Airport Cafe, Anchorage, Alaska**

Meeting called to order at 6:10 p.m. by Chair Berta Degenhardt. Introductions were made. There were 14 members and guests in attendance.

**Rosemary Dunn presented the program, "Fear of Flying."** She had lots of information and tips on ways to AVOID the fear of flying.

**Brenda Staats gave the Treasurer's Report:** Checking: \$3,101.69; Savings (Museum) \$2,713.58; Scholarship CD: \$13,381.32.

**Patty Livingston from the Mat-Su Chapter gave a report on Airmarking.** An effort is being made to get airports near Anchorage ready for the 2008 Convention. Airports being considered for repainting are Talkeetna, Seward, Birchwood and Homer.

**Scrapbook Committee:** Brenda Staats reminded us that we still have lots of work to do to get our scrapbooks ready for the convention. Our May meeting will be held at Stewart Title, 2601 Denali Street, Anchorage. We have lots of loose pictures and we need help in identifying the people and activities. We need to get them organized on books.

We still need a coordinator for the **Museum Display**. Pat Bening is looking into a movable display for the Museum.

**2008 Convention** meetings are continuing to be held every other Monday evening at 5:15 p.m. at Stewart Title in Anchorage. Anyone interested in helping is encouraged to attend. The next meeting will be Monday, April 14. Time is getting short and we need lots of help.

**Scholarships:** Helen Jones, Chair, needs volunteers to review the applications. Petra Illig and Barb Spriggs will help. We will ask for a volunteer from the Mat-Su Chapter. The Mat-Su Chapter is contributing \$500 for one of the student scholarships again this year. Publicity for the scholarships was discussed. Suggestions included contacting radio stations to have the scholarship information in the public service announcements. Applications have been distributed to FBO's and other aviation-related businesses. Complete information is available on the website. Information and applications will be available at the Trade Show on May 3 & 4. Application deadline is May 31 with the scholarships awarded at the June meeting.

**Announcements:**

**AASF Safety Seminar on Float Flying** will be held on Saturday, April 12. Berta requested help with the registration table and to staff the 99s table. Sign-up sheet was circulated.

**Aviation Trade Show, May 3 and 4.** People were encouraged to sign up to staff the 99s both at the Trade show. Sign-up sheet was circulated.

The 99s will be assisting with registration at the **Valdez May Day Fly-In** on Saturday, May 10. Sign-up sheet was circulated.

The spring **Flying Companion Seminar** will be held on Saturday, May 31, at Mat-Su College in Wasilla from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Volunteers are still needed.

**FAA Fly-In Pancake Breakfast** will be held in Palmer on Saturday, June 7.

**AACA Golf Tournament** will be held in Palmer on Friday, June 13.

**Short Field Clinic** will be held on Saturday, June 14, 11 a.m. at the Palmer Airport. **The Youth Aviation Adventure Event** will also be held in Palmer beginning at 8 a.m. Both of the events are being held in conjunction with the **Palmer Colony Days**.

The Chapter is planning to have a booth at the **Elmendorf Air Show, Arctic Thunder**, to be held on Saturday and Sunday, June 28 and 29, at Elmendorf Air Force Base.

Petra Illig announced she plans to have a **Pilot Resource Center** at her office. She is hoping to have a simulator available. More information will be announced as plans are confirmed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Melanie Hancock  
Secretary