



The Flypaper



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Notes from the Chair . . .

Well we can't whine too much about the weather, it's trying to be spring, at least during the day time. The longer days are GREAT!

I want to thank all of you who attended the meeting at UAA last month. Even though we did not have a lot of students we certainly showed the ones there that we have a varied and talented group of women pilots. You all represent the 99s very well!

I am sad to report that we had to cancel the Prepared Passenger Seminar this March 3 which was to have been part of the Alaska Air Carriers Association conference. I'm not sure whether it is a sign of the economic times or whether we just did not advertise enough. Note the change in title for this event from Flying Companion Seminar. We recognize that there are 2 different populations of passengers, those that are spouses, significant others, family members and those that must fly in small airplanes as part of their job. The modification for the Prepared Passenger were not huge, just a slightly different perspective for those that fly as part of their job. The Flying Companion Seminar will still be offered when we market to spouses, significant others, and family. The distinction between the 2 will evolve as we work on the details in future seminars. Speaking of, we tentatively will provide a seminar in Fairbanks on April 20 with around 8 attendees from Dept. of Natural Resources. If you know of anyone that might be interested please alert them, we would like to have a least 20 participants to make the trip worth while.

Hope to see you all at the March 11 meeting where Tom George will give a talk on MOAs and answer any questions regarding general aviation issues. He is the Alaska Region AOPA representative so his being available to you is an opportunity not to be missed!!

Gloria



Next Meeting
Wednesday, March 11, 2009
6:00 p.m. at
Peggy's Restaurant
(across from Merrill Field)

Calendar of Events

<i>Fri., March 6</i>	<i>AK Women's Hall of Fame Inaugural, BP Energy Center, 6 pm</i>
<i>Wed., March 11</i>	<i>Regular Monthly Meeting</i>
<i>Tues., March 17</i>	<i>Mat-Su Valley Chapter Monthly Meeting</i>
<i>Fri., March 20</i>	DEADLINE for submitting Scholarship Applications
<i>Wed., April 1</i>	DEADLINE for submitting articles for April Flypaper
<i>Wed., April 8</i>	<i>Regular Monthly Meeting</i>
<i>Mon., April 20</i>	<i>Tentative Flying Companion Seminar in Fairbanks</i>
<i>May 2 & 3</i>	<i>Alaska Airmen's Aviation Trade Show</i>
<i>Wed., May 13</i>	<i>Regular Monthly Meeting</i>
<i>May 8 - 10</i>	<i>Valdez May Day Fly-In</i>
<i>Tues., May 19</i>	<i>Mat-Su Valley Chapter Monthly Meeting</i>
<i>Sat., May 30</i>	<i>10th Annual Kenai Peninsula Air Fair</i>
<i>July 22 - 26</i>	<i>International Conference, Chicago</i>



ONLINE

Chapter Website (www.ak99s.org)

For website updates and additions, e-mail Caren della Cioppa at: 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 **April 2009** Flypaper is **April 1, 2009**. 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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Feb. -- Sept. = \$10.00

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March Program

*Tom George, AOPA Alaska Regional Representative will provide an overview of the Air Force proposal to create a new Military Operations Area south east of Fairbanks. He will also describe the **Special Use Airspace Information Service**, which has for more than a decade improved VFR access to the MOA complex in eastern Alaska. This will be followed by a general discussion of some of the current issues facing aviation in Alaska today.*



The Mat-Su Valley Chapter will meet @ 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, 3/17/09, @ the Medallion Foundation ATD (a/k/a simulator) site on the Palmer Airport. Address is 975 E Cope Industrial Way, New Horizon Building. There will be orientation on the use of the ATD for those interested. Please bring a fold-up chair.

For questions or information about the meeting, please contact Toni Merrigan at 373-6569.

Flying Companion Seminar



We have a tentative date of Monday, April 20, scheduled for a Flying Companion Seminar in Fairbanks. More information will be available in the April Flypaper.

If you are available to assist with the seminar, or you have the name and contact information for someone who may wish to attend, please contact Gloria at 279-1560.

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Pilot Conversations

"TWA 2341, for noise abatement turn right 45 degrees."

"Center, we are at 35,000 feet. How much noise can we make up here?"

"Sir, have you ever heard the noise a 747 makes when it hits a 727?"

Deadline for Scholarships Approaching

MERRILL FIELD VANDALISM ALERT

*The deadline for submitting applications for the two scholarships are being offered by the 99s is rapidly approaching. Applications should be mailed to the Alaska Chapter 99s, P. O. Box 91962, Anchorage, AK 99509-1962 and must be **RECEIVED** no later than Friday, March 20, 2009.*

The scholarships available are a \$1,000 Student Private Pilot Scholarship (Mat-Su Valley Chapter) and a \$1,500 Advanced Rating Scholarship (Alaska Chapter). The application form is available on the website at www.ak99s.org. Both scholarships are open to female Alaska residents over 16 years of age. Applicants for the Student Private Pilot Scholarship must have soloed prior to submitting the application.

Winners will be announced at the Alaska Chapter meeting to be held at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 8, 2009.

Recently, on two different occasions, an adult on a bicycle broke into two aircraft and stole miscellaneous items. Both incidents occurred late at night; the individual entered the Quebec Apron on the west and exited the airport to the east on Merrill Field Drive. In addition, over the past month fuel has been taken from two different aircraft.

If anyone has information about these incidents or sees something of interest, please contact the Anchorage Police Department at 786-8900.

Please remind your employees and customers to lock their aircraft and vehicles and not to leave "smash and grab" items visible. Be alert for strangers who are loitering, but avoid confrontation (call 911).

Alaska Airmens Association

Annual Aviation Trade Show and Conference

The Alaska & Mat-Su Valley Chapters of the 99s will again have a booth at the Trade Show. The dates are Saturday and Sunday, May 2 (9 am - 6 pm) and May 3 (10 am - 5 pm). There are already over 275 exhibitors signed up for this year's event. This is the 12th year for the Trade Show. Past attendance has topped 20,000!

Volunteers will be needed to take care of the booth. Sign-up sheets will be available at the March and April meetings.

Alaska Women's Hall of Fame

celebrating the women who shape alaska

In celebration of Women's History Month, the newly established Alaska Women's Hall of Fame will present the Inaugural Class of Inductees at the BP Energy Center on March 6, 2009 at 6:30 pm. The ceremony will honor 50 women who have made or are making significant contributions to shaping Alaska. Among the first 50 women (of particular interest to 99s) are Marvel Crosson, Celia Hunter, Irene Ryan and Ruth Jefford.

The Alaska Women's Hall of Fame mission is to honor women, in perpetuity, whose contributions have influenced the direction of Alaska in any and all fields, including, but not limited to the arts, athletics, business, education, government, health, the humanities, Native affairs, philanthropy, community service, conservation, adventure, theology and science.

The event is free of charge. You are invited to stay for coffee and conversation after the presentation. if you have questions, please call Jane Angvik at 277-6903.

IF

- You can live without caffeine or nicotine;*
- You can be cheerful, ignoring aches and pains;*
- You can resist complaining;*
- You can understand when loved ones are too busy to give you any time;*
- You can take criticism and blame without resentment;*
- You can ignore friends' limited educations and never correct them;*
- You can treat the rich and poor alike;*
- You can face the world without lies or deceit;*
- You can conquer tension without medical help;*
- You can relax without liquor;*
- You can sleep without the aid of drugs;*
- You can have no prejudice against creed, color, religion, gender,
sexual preference, or politics ---*

***Then you have almost reached the same level of
spiritual development as your dog.***

