

AirScoop

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Ninety-Nines, Inc., San Gabriel Valley Chapter

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99s Mission Statement

- PROMOTE** world fellowship through flight
- PROVIDE** networking and scholarship opportunities for women and aviation education in the community
- PRESERVE** the unique history of women in aviation

From the Chair:

A warm hello to all San Gabriel Valley 99s,

I want to invite everyone to come and participate in as many activities as possible. Please check the calendar included in the newsletter for all the details. November will be busy with the Flabob Airport Veterans' Day Celebration and Airshow on Saturday, November 6, 2010. Our chapter will sponsor an informational booth about the Ninety-Nines and a kid's activity, making paper airplanes. Please contact Ilse Hipfel to sign up.

The following week brings the AOPA Aviation Summit to the Long Beach Convention Center, November 11-13, 2010. Our chapter is responsible for staffing the Ninety-Nines booth in the Exhibit Hall. Please contact Brenda Frazier to volunteer for a 2-4 hr shift. Thursday and Saturday afternoons are the available times. Share the fun benefits of being a 99 with others attending the AOPA Summit.

The Annual 99s AOPA Breakfast will be Saturday, November 13, 2010 from 7-9AM at the Hyatt Hotel adjacent to the Long Beach Convention Center. The cost is \$32. The speaker will be Gisele Mohler, 99 and FAA Airspace Optimization Group Manager. She will speak on "How we get to NextGen now." Our chapter is organizing this event. Please come and bring any interested pilot friends. Registration is available online via a link on the Southwest Section website or by mailing a check to San Gabriel Valley 99s, P.O. Box 314, LaVerne, CA 91750. The deadline for mailing is November 8, 2010.

The next chapter meeting will be Thursday, November 18, 2010 at 7:30PM at the Brackett Field Pilots' Lounge. The guest speaker will be chapter member, Kate Johnpeer, CFII. She will speak about her job as a flight instructor in the simulator at Flight Safety. If you would like to get together for dinner before the meeting, please let Traci Rodriguez or myself know.

Save Sunday afternoon December 12, 2010 for the chapter Christmas gift exchange and meeting. The gift exchange limit is \$15.

Finally, please contact Virginia Harmer to volunteer at the Cable Airshow, January 7-9, 2011. Planning meetings are held the 1st Tuesday of each month at 6:00 PM at Maniac Mike's Café on the airport.

Please think about a date for the 2011 Poker Run. Saturday, May 14 was suggested at the last meeting..

Safe skies,

Linda

Member Spotlight

Grace Ferris

A one hour flight over the Greenhorn Mountains was all it took to convince Grace that she was destined to be a pilot. At the tender age of 12, it was she who chose this flight as her birthday present from her parents and as she took off from Kernville Airport she knew that flying would have to be a part of her future. In July of 1991 Grace's dream became a reality when she earned her Private Pilot License.

With her gentle demeanor and quiet poise, few people would immediately recognize Grace as a skilled pilot and relentless advocate for women in aviation. Anybody who spends even a few minutes with her quickly finds out that beneath the soft charm and serenity beats the heart of an true aviator - eager for the excitement of flight and the thrill of being in command of her own destiny.

For Grace, her involvement in the San Gabriel Valley 99s is more than just putting her name on a piece of paper. Her leadership and experiences have helped sustain us for almost 10 years and she continues to be an inspiration for members new and old. She has volunteered her time and resources at countless events and activities through the years, including representing our chapter at the 99s International conference held in Hawaii this past year.



Margaret, Virginia, Heather, Grace and Linda attending the screening of "THE LEGEND OF PANCHO BARNES AND THE HAPPY BOTTOM RIDING CLUB"

Another way Grace shares her passion for flying is as a member of the San Bernardino Aero Squadron, a volunteer division of the San Bernardino Sheriff's Department. Attendance at local air shows and aviation events allows Grace the opportunity to encourage the General Aviation community by setting an example of flight proficiency and promoting aviation safety. This unique group also participates in air search and surveillance in the nation's largest county which covers 20,000+ square miles.



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Most recently, Grace was awarded the Jean Bustos Scholarship. This memorial scholarship is given to a mature woman pilot seeking further advancement in her interest in aviation, and it is no wonder Grace was the 2010 recipient. She plans to use the funds from this scholarship to reactivate the currency of her private pilot status.



Grace (middle row, third from left) with her squadron

The desire to fly is
an idea handed down
to us by our
ancestors
who, in their
grueling travels
across trackless lands
in prehistoric times,
looked enviously on
the birds soaring
freely through space,
at full speed, above
all obstacles, on the
infinite highway of
the air.

~Wilbur Wright



2010 Holiday Gathering

Sunday, Dec 12, 2010

Please join us for an afternoon of fun and friendship with your fellow SGV 99s and their families!

Bring your 49^{1/2}, your 24^{3/4}, a dish to share, a gift (\$15 limit please), and your holiday spirit!

Details are still being ironed out, but we know the event will be held at either Maggie's home or Virginia's home in La Verne from 1 pm to 5 pm. We will have a very quick chapter meeting at some point during the get-together and will have our annual gift exchange. The menu is also still being finalized, but will be similar to parties from past years. We would like to have everybody bring a dish to share (salad, side dish, dessert, etc.), so you have a particular item you wish to share, please call Virginia or Traci so we can work on the menu. Also please let Traci or Virginia know how many people you are bringing with you.

Cable Air Show

Jan 8-9, 2011



Cable Air Show is being held at Cable Airport, 1749 W. 13th Street, Upland
This will be the 36th anniversary of the air show and the 66th anniversary of the founding
of Cable Airport

ROB HARRISON
The Tumbling Bear



FRANK DONNELLY
DrD's Ole time Aerobatics



MIKE MONTGOMERY
Flying his Extra 300



STEVE STAVRAKAKIS
Announcing Throughout the Weekend



SEAMUS McCOUGHLEY
Flying his Christen Eagle II



*Freedom Skydivers, Just In Time Skydivers and
others*



Hands on Opportunities for the Kids



Car Show



*Flight Demonstrations, Corona RC Club &
More! Come Join Us For A Great Weekend!*

SAVE THE DATE!!

**JANUARY 13-16, 2011
PCIFA REGION II NIFA COMPETITION SAFECON
BRACKETT FIELD**

The Mt. San Antonio College Flying Team will host the National Intercollegiate Flying Association, Region II SAFECON, this year. The Chief Judge and Associate Chief Judge will be our very own Cathy Jameson and Virginia Harmer, respectively. All chapter members are needed to help as assistant judges for the flying events, proctors for the ground event tests and assistant scorekeepers. Come out to support aviation students as they practice aviation safety and compete in aircraft recognition, simulator, IFR, preflight, landing, and message drop and navigation events.

Annual 99s AOPA Breakfast

Saturday Nov 13, 7:00 A.M. – 9:00 A.M.

Long Beach Hyatt Regency



Gisele Mohler
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FAA Airspace Optimization Group Manager:

“How we get to NEXTGEN Now”

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Upcoming Events Calendar

Nov 2010

- 11-13 (Thurs-Sat) AOPA Aviation Summit**
Long Beach Convention Center, Long Beach, CA
- 13 (Sat) 99s Breakfast (Hosted by San Gabriel Valley 99s) - 7:00 am - 9:00 am**
Hyatt Regency, Long Beach, CA
- 18 (Thurs) SGV 99s Chapter meeting - 7:30 pm**
Brackett Pilot's Lounge POC (La Verne, CA)
- 30 (Tues) Cable Airshow Planning Meeting - 6:00 pm**
Maniac Mike's Café, CCB (Upland, CA)

Dec 2010

- 12 (Sun) SGV 99s Holiday Gathering and Chapter meeting - 1:00 -5:00 pm**
TBD - Maggie Byrne's or Virginia Harmer's Home (La Verne, CA)

Jan 2011

- 4 (Tues) Cable Airshow Planning Meeting - 6:00 pm**
Maniac Mike's Café, CCB
- 8-9 (Sat-Sun) Cable Airshow**
CCB (Upland, CA)
- 13-16 (Thurs-Sun) PCIFA (NIFA Region II) Safecon**
POC (La Verne, CA)
- 20 (Thurs) SGV 99s Chapter meeting - 7:30 pm [moved from the 13th]**
Brackett Pilot's Lounge POC (La Verne, CA)
- 29 (Sat) SWS Winter Workshop - 9:00 am - 4:30 pm**
OAK (Oakland, CA)

Feb 2011

- 10 (Thurs) SGV 99s Chapter meeting - 7:30 pm**
Brackett Pilot's Lounge POC (La Verne, CA)
- 24-26 (Thurs-Sat) Women In Aviation Conference**
Grand Sierra Resort, Reno, Nevada

Mar 2011

- 11 (Fri) Combined SGV 99s Chapter / WAI meeting**
TBD (CA)
- 20 (Sun) Antelope Valley Poker Run**
TBD (CA)

Apr 2011

- 2 (Sat) SGV 99s Flying Companion Seminar**
EMT (El Monte, CA)
- 14 (Thurs) SGV 99s Chapter meeting - 7:30 pm**
Brackett Pilot's Lounge POC (La Verne, CA)
- 28-May 1 (Thurs-Sun) SWS Spring Business Meeting**
SEE - (San Diego, CA)

May 2011

- 12 (Thurs) SGV 99s Chapter meeting - 7:30 pm**
Brackett Pilot's Lounge POC (La Verne, CA)
- 14 (Sat) TBD**
SGV 99s Poker Run
TBD (CA)