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Quarterly Newsletter of the
Southwest Section of the Ninety-Nines

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FALL 2025

GOVERNOR'S CORNER

Burlington was a blast! Forty-four Southwest Section members were registered to attend the 2025 International Conference hosted by the New England Section, and a number of them flew themselves to Burlington. Our hostesses made sure the Hospitality Room was full of "local" treats and even managed to have Ben and Jerry's come and serve ice cream in the Fly Mart after the Business Meeting on Saturday.

While it is fun to attend the conferences, meet old friends, and make new ones, the focus is the annual meeting. This year, members were presented with two amendments to the bylaws and one to the Standing Rules.

1. The definition of a "Woman". After a lengthy debate, the motion did not pass. The Ninety-Nines will continue admitting members as they have in the past.
2. The definition of a "Pilot". There was much discussion regarding this topic also. This amendment requires that a "pilot" is physically on board and able to directly control the aircraft. This amendment passed.
3. The International Board voted to increase membership dues \$10 across the board - beginning August 1. An amendment was proposed to exempt student pilots from the dues increase. The amendment to the amendment passed. The increase for other members was ratified; student pilots will not see an increase for their first two years as a student pilot.

Claudia Assmussen, San Diego Chapter Chair, was in the meeting room very early Saturday morning to tape key flags to the undersides of the tables. The key flags are reminders for the members who were in Burlington that the **2026 International Conference** will be hosted by the Southwest Section in San Diego, July 8-12.

As a Section, we are asking for every chapter's help to create the best International Conference possible. We are **looking for volunteers** to host the Hospitality Room, suggestions for speakers (see the article elsewhere in the Southwesterly), and sponsors. Start making your plans now! We will be staying at the Westin Gaslamp Quarter Hotel in downtown San Diego.

Our Monterey Bay Chapter is in the final stages of preparation for the 2025 Fall Southwest Section Meeting. They have some great events lined up, including a tour of the Joby Aviation Facility, where electric vertical takeoff and landing aircraft are being developed, and a kayak tour of Monterey Beach and Harbor. The Section Meeting is being held from October 3 - 5 in Seaside, California. There is still time to register for the meeting - [SWS99s.org](https://www.sws99s.org), and click on Events to save your spot.

The Palomar Chapter is hosting our annual Winter Workshop at the Courtyard Marriott in Carlsbad, CA. Topics are: *Leadership and Effective Speaking* and *Fundraising: What works best?* Mark **January 31st, 2026**, on your calendars! Registration will be available soon.

We are looking for volunteers to serve on the Southwest Section Board and at the International level. The Ninety-Nines, for the most part, is an all-volunteer organization. We need everyone to share their talents and knowledge with us to keep the organization running and growing. The Ninety-Nines have Trusts, Boards, and Museums that need volunteers to run them. Please consider sharing your time and talents. Reach out to any member of the Nominating Committees (Section or International) for more information.

See you all soon in Monterey!

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The Ninety-Nines, Inc International Conference, Burlington, Vermont

~Irene Engard

Below are a few reasons why I attend our conferences:

I attend for the camaraderie. Within the Ninety-Nines, we make lasting relationships. At this conference, I roomed with a former OC 99, Sue Ballew, who is currently a CFI in Palo Alto and with the Santa Clara Valley Chapter of the Ninety-Nines. Attending an International Conference allows me to see longtime



Lori Plourd, 99s Magazine Editor

friends from outside the Southwest Section and new friends are added to my 99s family from all over the world. Indeed, you never know when one of these “family” members is the one who assists you in a time of need or enhances a visit to some area.

In Burlington, the Hospitality Suite was a great place to sit and chat with other members. And, the hosts of this conference outdid themselves providing a taste of New England. Here are just a few of the things that we experienced:

- New England Brown Bread – homemade served with crème cheese
- Blount’s Clam Chowder – family-owned company started in 1880
- Cape Cod Cranberries in mini cheesecakes
- Mac & Cheese claims a long New England history
- Molasses Baked Beans
- Tons of homemade cookies
- Local wines, beers and soft drinks



Jun Oikawa, AE Academic Winner-Ohio

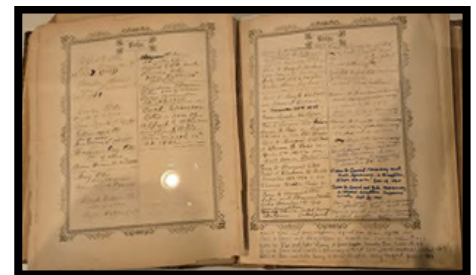


I attend to experience new areas. Burlington is a very walkable town. There is a pedestrian street (car-free zone) that has delightful shops and eateries, which was an easy walk from the conference hotel. The town also has great walking paths along Lake Champlain and you can see the Adirondack Mountains in New York as you look across Lake Champlain from the Hospitality Suite in the conference hotel.



I attend for the education. Our opening day keynote address was given by Colonel Laura Caputo, USAF. She reminded us that the Ninety-Nines provide infinite *Resources* and *Relationships*. She also reminded us that time is finite. Remember to *write it down, schedule dedicated time* and *take small steps*.

Our welcome reception speaker was Brian Kleppner, the Burlington Representative in the Vermont Legislature and Amelia Earhart’s great-nephew (Muriel Earhart Morrissey’s grandson). He told many great stories and even brought the huge family bible with Amelia’s birth recorded. This is the first time this book has been shared with the public.



Further education led us to the *Leadership Roundtable*, where I sat with Iowa and four New England Chapters. It is important to note that there is a Chapter Chairman Roundtable every 4th Wednesday of each month at 5:30 Pacific time. This is nationwide. All Chairs will receive an email invitation, but the roundtable is open to all. You just need to contact Lori Parker @ lorigparker@gmail.com.

We also had the following *Educational Seminars* available to us:

- Celeste Pearce (AA First Officer)– B777 to the Afghan Rescue, 9/2021. She shared the event of her lifetime, flying this life-saving mission. Total Evacuees: 5349— Total missions: 26— Legs flown: 102— Employees involved: 600+.
- Aileen Watkins shared her story from Private Pilot in 1989 to Boeing 767 Captain, assisted by the Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarship fund. She co-founded the Past Winners/Pay it Forward Scholarship. Aviafion for a Cause – Beth White: Women Build Planes. Check it out: www.habitafforaviafion.org What a story!!!!
- Aviation for a Cause – Kelli O'Donnell: Turtles Fly Too! Check it out: <https://www.turtlesflytoo.org/learn>
- Flying to Greenland – Minnetta Gardinier: Fascinating journey in truly remote flying. Example: Stop for gas, you buy the whole 55 gal drum. You bring your own pump and put your name on the drum so you can use it on the return trip. (I think we could invite her to present this as a future educational chapter Zoom meeting.)



I attend for the annual business meeting. Our *Annual Business Meeting* was also held at this conference and I attended as the Orange County Chapter Representative. At our annual business meeting:

- Each attendee carries one vote. We needed 157 voting members present either in person or on Zoom for a quorum. We had 192 (including 30 online).
- There were lots of reports and even more information.
- Two bylaw changes were highlighted:
 - **Clarifying how 99s will define "Woman"*. Although I thought this was a no-brainer (how a person identifies oneself), it failed to achieve a 2/3rds vote. There was a lot of good discussion with a final vote of 100 for and 85 against.
 - **Defining "Pilot"*. Basically excluding drone pilots. Wow – so many great discussions that I changed my vote. The amendment needed a 2/3rds vote to pass, which was 129 votes. Final tally 129 for and 55 against. It passed. Our chapter bylaws are not affected by the amendment passed.
- Ratification of Standing Rules Amendment – Dues increase. There were lots of comments, mostly concerning student pilots. An amendment to the amendment was made to keep the first 2 years student membership the same. Passed – 164 to 17 Amended amendment also passed – 92 For 88 Opposed. Standing rules are passed with a plurality (more votes) and not a 2/3rds vote as needed for bylaws changes.



The meeting ran long, but we got business handled and members were heard.

Traveling by air is always an adventure and an opportunity to practice patience, whether you are flying yourself or flying commercially. Weather is the master and controls your movement. Thunderstorms impacted the northeast and all it takes is one missed connection or flight cancellation to change an 8-hour trip into a 34-hour trip. It is essential to have the airline app for any carrier you might use on your phone. Using the app, I was able to book a flight on United when American had cancelled all of their flights. Then after another cancelled flight (mechanical), using the chat feature, I was able to avoid waiting for a counter agent, change my flight and got home after 34 hours instead of 42 hours on the flight that re-booked automatically.

DELTA	5357 York-LGA	New Y: 2:35PM	2:35PM	11 ure	À l'heure
American	5188 Charlotte	2:46PM	2:46PM	6	Annulé
UNITED	1148 Denver	3:40PM	3:40PM	3 ure	À l'heure

You know you're close to the French/Canadian border when they cancel your flight in French!

Here are some interesting facts about Burlington:

Burlington is situated on the eastern shore of Lake Champlain, between the Adirondack Mountains of New York to the west and the Green Mountains to the east. Burlington is the most populous city in the state of Vermont. The city is located just 45 miles south of the U.S.-Canada border. Burlington was chartered by Governor Benning Wentworth of New Hampshire in 1763 and named for the Burling family, who were pioneer landowners. Burlington is home to the University of Vermont, Champlain College, and Vermont's largest hospital, the UVM Medical Center. We all scream for ice cream! Ben & Jerry's began in 1978 when Ben Cohen and Jerry Springfield opened their first ice cream shop in an old garage.

Attention Southwest Section Members

Have you given an outstanding presentation to your Chapter or Section that you would like to share at the International Conference? We are looking for **dynamic presenters** for the **2026 International Conference** to be held July 8-12, 2026, in San Diego, California. We invite you to share your aviation knowledge and expertise with Ninety-Nines members and guests. Presentations should be approximately one hour, including time for questions and answers.

If interested in presenting, please submit:

- Your name (and chapter if applicable)
- A short abstract of your proposed topic
- A brief biography, including previous speaking experience

Send to: 99scallforpresenters@gmail.com by October 1, 2025.



Selected speakers will be notified by November 1, 2025. If selected, you'll be asked to submit a photo for publication in the Ninety-Nines magazine and International Conference program. Please note: Participation is on a volunteer basis. Membership in The Ninety-Nines is not a requirement but preferred. Each presenter is responsible for his or her own transportation, lodging, meals, registration, and parking. This is not a venue for promoting products or services.



Make Your Passion Shine! 2026 Winter Workshop

Saturday, January 30, 2026, in Carlsbad, CA.

Courtyard by Marriott is the place (adjacent to Palomar Airport).

Spend the day exploring your passion for aviation in the roles of Leadership, Effective Public Speaking, Fundraising, and Providing Mentorship



Spotlight on the Website Workshop at the Fall Section Meeting

If your chapter's website has been "on the to-do list" for a while, this is your chance to get it done! Our hands-on, one-hour workshop will walk you step-by-step through setting up a functional, polished site.

Here's why you'll want to join:

- **Build together, spark ideas** – Working in a group setting inspires creativity and helps you see new possibilities for your chapter's online presence.
- **It's easier than you think** – Even if you've never set up a site before, we'll guide you through it.
- **Ask questions in real time** – We'll have experienced members on hand to help you troubleshoot and answer anything that comes up.
- **Take it home** – Prefer to gather information first? You can attend, take notes, and bring the know-how back to your chapter to implement later.

What to bring:

- Your **laptop**
 - Your **creativity**
 - A **domain name** if you already have one (or choose one from the list below before the workshop)
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Need a .org domain before the workshop?

Here are some trusted registrars and their current first-year prices for .org domains:

- **Namecheap** – Around \$7.48 (includes free privacy) → namecheap.com
 - **Hostinger** – Around \$7.99 → hostinger.com
 - **Domain.com** – Around \$9.99, renews at \$20.99 → domain.com
 - **101domain** – \$9.99 on sale (normally \$13.99) → 101domain.com
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Why act now?

- Tours and the workshop have limited space.
 - The website workshop will give your chapter an online presence before you even leave the conference.
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Step 1: Register now before August 31 to save your spot. Register at:

<https://conferences.sws99s.org/events/2025-fall-southwest-section-meeting/>

Step 2: Reserve your seat in the kayaking tour, scenic hike, Joby tour, or website workshop.

Step 3: Bring your laptop (and your new domain name) and get ready to build!

We can't wait to see you there.

Warm regards,

Monterey Bay 99s

Choosing How To Spend My TIME and \$\$\$!

This year, I made the exciting decision to attend the Women in Aviation 2025 Conference instead of our SWS Meeting in Arizona. While it was a tough choice, I saw it as an opportunity to invest in my growth and also give back to the aviation community by volunteering - a small extra cost for a big return in inspiration and connection.

Since joining Women in Aviation and the Ninety-Nines in 2017, both organizations have been life-changing. They've opened doors, provided invaluable support, and made my journey to becoming a pilot possible without the burden of extra debt. My first conference in Long Beach, where I received the Dianne Ballweg IFR Scholarship, set the stage for years of encouragement and mentorship.

For years, I dedicated every penny, nickel and dime to flight training, putting conferences out of state on hold due to finances and single parenthood. Yet, I always dreamed of attending a full conference, knowing the power of networking in aviation. According to Investopedia.com, "Networking is the process of exchanging information and ideas among professionals to expand their connections, discover job opportunities, and stay informed about industry developments."

Being an introvert most of the time, I have to make an effort to step out of my comfort zone. This year, I finally stepped out of my comfort zone since I am just below 1500 flight hours, and the rewards were immediate: meaningful conversations with Captains from both Part 121 and Part 135 operators, made new friendships, and connections with accomplished women pilots who inspired me to aim higher.

Had it not been for my fellow 99's Nominating Committee members who, while on Zoom, took time out from the end of the 60 minutes meeting time, and beyond, to encourage me to attend the conference. No, not the South West Sectional weekend conference. They actually pointed me in the direction of Women In Aviation conference in Boulder, CO. They also assured me when I arrived there the booth would have other 99s, including board members, whom I could look forward to seeing. Mentally knowing they would be there and be my fellow aviators in a mission to fly for a living and life - was a deal breaker.

It didn't take long to convince me. Though I arrived alone, attended alone and left alone I didn't feel lonely or out of place. The main reason was because I knew where my people were - at the volunteer booths! I quickly signed up for a 99s morning volunteer session, an afternoon session with Women In Corporate Aviation, and a final morning with the Women In Aviation PR room. Beyond a shadow of a doubt, this was my favorite time at the conference.

Being behind a volunteer booth versus in front of a booth is a world of difference. There is a layer of protection - in a way that allows you to observe attendees close up, and by the way they carry themselves, shake your hand, what they speak/ask about and how they speak you can tell a lot about them in less than five minutes. This gave me an idea on how to improve my own presentation while job hunting and also becoming more compassionate towards jobseekers because it literally can be an agonizing process, especially if you don't have a strong base to run back to for support: familiarity, smiles, jokes, and encouragement on how to improve. Wow, the list is almost endless. During my solo-job-hunting-day at the conference, I had a motto: to make the rounds I had prepared, marked off, and presented all my resumes. My goal was to meet 2-3 very good job opportunities. I was not disappointed, though it was disappointing to find that most regional and small carriers were in a temporary hiring freeze.

Choosing How To Spend My TIME and \$\$\$! (continued)

Literally. The market slowed down a lot this year but I am not too concerned because I think I picked my future employer. They are the ones that seem to fit me the most, and checked off the most boxes - despite a horrible uniform (joke).

My grandmother, who loved the Christmas season more than any other season, made it a huge deal by buying thoughtful gifts, decorating and preparing good food. She always told me, "It is more blessed to give, than to receive." Volunteering is this! I am more blessed when I give a few hours, more than doing anything else.

Sometimes, the best decisions require us to step away from routine and embrace new opportunities. By doing so, we not only grow ourselves but also strengthen our community.

Now, more than ever, the Ninety-Nines needs passionate, talented members to lead us into the future. Our organization thrives when each member brings their unique strengths and mentors the next generation. Whether you're a seasoned pilot or just starting, your time and commitment can make a real difference. Consider stepping up for a two-year term, sharing your experience, and helping shape our section and/or a chapter for the future.

At the WAI conference, I was amazed by the energy and ambition of very young women entering aviation today. While I sometimes wish I'd started sooner, I know I can give back by guiding and encouraging others. However, our success depends on dedicated leaders and volunteers—like you — who are willing to invest in our shared mission.

If you're ready to make an impact, now is the perfect time to join us. Let's work together to ensure the Ninety-Nines remain relevant, dynamic, and supportive for generations to come. Your involvement will not only enrich your journey but also help countless others take flight.

- Annelie J. Hubinette

Southwest Section is looking for members to serve on the 2026-2027 board.

Who Can Apply?

To be eligible for election as Secretary, Treasurer, Director, or Nominating Committee Member, you must:

- ✓ Be a member of The Ninety-Nines, Inc. for at least two years by January 15, 2026.
- ✓ Be an active member in good standing.

For those seeking Governor or Vice Governor positions, the above requirements apply plus experience as a Chapter Chair, Southwest Section Board Member, or Southwest Section Committee Chair.

Ready to Lead? Here's How!

The **"Intent to Seek Election Form"** is available in the **Members Area** at www.sws99s.org or can be requested from the Nominating Committee at nominatingcommittee@sws99s.org.

If you know someone who would make an excellent leader, we also welcome member recommendations!

This Is Your Moment!

International Nominating Committee Request

Sister 99s ~



Your newly elected Nomination Committee is looking forward to your help in identifying the 99s leaders of tomorrow – those willing to serve our organization with terms beginning in 2026. By mid-September 2025, you will have access to various documents that will help you help us, including SOPs and the “Intent to Seek Election” packet.

This election cycle needs members willing to serve as the International President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Directors, and on the Nomination Committee. In addition, each of our Trusts will have open positions: AE Scholarship Fund, AE Birthplace Museum, 99s Endowment Fund, and Museum of Women Pilots. NB: Those currently serving who are interested in running again must complete the Intent Packet for this election.

We are only as strong as our members and leaders. Your willingness to serve – or help us find sister 99s who are! – is crucial to be able to add to the many successes we have achieved over the past years.

Please contact anyone on the Nomination Committee if you have any questions, comments or a candidate who may wish to serve The 99s in a leadership position.

Respectfully,

Anele Brooks, Southwest Section

Kaylee Jeffries, South Central Section

Jill Oakes, West Canada Section

Anne Wen, East Canada Section

Kathy Lester-Ross, North Central Section [Chair]

Collegiate Women's Achievement Award



The Ninety-Nines is proud to announce the launch of the Collegiate Women's Achievement Award (CWAA)—a new initiative that recognizes the outstanding accomplishments of a collegiate member of The Ninety-Nines. This award will be presented annually to a student who exemplifies the values we hold dear: academic excellence, professionalism, leadership, and volunteerism.

The deadline for this \$3500 award is fast approaching on September 30th.

This year's [application form is available here](#).

The award recipient will be chosen on the basis of merit, career aspirations, dedication, contributions to community, goals, volunteer service, character, accomplishments, academic standing, teamwork, and leadership skills.

This 99 must be a member for at least three months, have a minimum GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale, and be a sophomore or higher with a class rank.

All other details and information can be found on the Ninety-Nines website at <https://www.ninety-nines.org/awards.htm>

OCT 1

Student Pilots - The application deadline for the Fall First Wings Award is October 1

[Award descriptions and application instructions](#)

OCT 3-5

2025 Fall SW Section Meeting Oct 3-5

Registration for the Fall SW Section Meeting is open!

[Click here for registration information](#)

OCT 15

990-N tax forms due October 15

Read the message from the International Tax Committee Chair in the latest Straight & Level

Instructions for filing the IRS Non-Profit Form 990-N are available on the International website in the members-only section.

[You will need to log in to view these detailed instructions:
https://www.ninety-nines.org/members/?fuseaction=Library&ViewID=115.](#)

JAN 1

Amelia Earhart Scholarship applications are due January 1.

Applications and instruments are in the members-only section of the website. Find them here

[https://www.ninety-nines.org/amelia-earhart-scholarships-awards.htm](#)

CHAPTER NEWS

Antelope Valley

Members of the Antelope Valley chapter visited Edwards Air Force Base and received a guided tour of the Air Force Flight Test Museum.

Las Vegas

Congratulations to Lauren Scott and Rebecca Carroll from the Las Vegas Chapter for winning First Place in the 2025 Air Race Classic



Marin

The Marin 99s, together with the Gness Field Community Association, had a float in the City of Novato's 4th of July parade.



CHAPTER NEWS

Fullerton Chapter

During this last quarter our chapter had an array of events, which included Fullerton Airport Day 2025 with aircraft on display, aircraft items for sale, helicopter rides, a police re-enactment, and our Fullerton Chapter booth selling plane rides with the intent of growing our scholarship fund; an afternoon BBQ for the installation of our new officers; a movie night showing “Hidden Figures” complete with pulled pork, watermelon and popcorn; a fly-in to Santa Ynez Airport and Solvang; the International 99s virtual business meeting was attended; and a few members flew to the EAA AirVenture in Oshkosh.

Fullerton Airport Day 2025



Back row: Priya Gopinath, Brian Yount, Denise Jennings, Dana Glidden, Cameron LaFont, Nina Rodriguez, Marisol Duran, Cheri Rhynard, Justin DuFresne, and Lauren Hutson
Front row: Kim Ernst, Michelle Perine & her son, Shadia Huber



Back Row: Kimberly Wentworth, Hannah Smith, Kim Ernst, Bianca, Denise Jennings, Cameron LaFont, Maddie Ray, Lauren Hutson, and Marisol Duran
Front Row: Michelle Perine, Samarra Dalrymple, Cheri Rhynard, Bianca Vasquez

BBQ and Installation of Officers



Cameron LaFont, Cheri Rhynard, Maddie Ray, Lauren Hutson

Santa Ynez Fly-in including Solvang



Chapter members at Solvang



Movie Night



EAA AirVenture Oshkosh



Pictures from Dana Glidden at Oshkosh



CHAPTER NEWS

Palomar

In May, the Palomar Chapter of the Ninety-Nines proudly hosted a “High School Aviation Day” at McClellan-Palomar Airport (KCRQ), welcoming a group of bright and curious students eager to explore the world of aviation.

The event featured an exciting lineup of presentations and interactive activities designed to introduce students to various pathways toward becoming a pilot. We kicked off the day with an overview of the steps to become a pilot, including educational options and scholarship opportunities available to those beginning flight training or pursuing aviation studies.

We covered essential topics such as aerodynamics, weather, navigation, radio communication, and even discussed some of the exciting destinations pilots can fly to once certified. A highlight of the day was a presentation from a local air traffic controller, who gave students an inside look into the role of ATC and its critical function in maintaining aviation safety.

Students also participated in hands-on learning activities, including preflight inspections of both a Cessna aircraft and a helicopter, guided by local pilots. We also held an engaging navigation activity where students used sectional charts to plan a flight from KCRQ to Palm Springs (KPSP), calculating both distance and estimated flight time.

Throughout the event, the students asked thoughtful questions, showed an enthusiasm for learning, and impressed us all with their curiosity and ambition towards aviation. While our goal was to inspire the next generation of aviators, we left the event equally inspired by their passion and potential.

We’re incredibly grateful to all the students, volunteers and Civic Helicopters who made the day such a success. Events like this highlight the power of mentorship and education—and reinforce the importance of encouraging and supporting future aviators within our local community.



AMELIA EARHART BIRTHPLACE MUSEUM

KEEP AMELIA'S LEGACY SOARING

*And preserve her legacy for
generations to come!*

**Honor the woman who changed
the skies - Give Today!**

INVEST IN INSPIRATION - KEEP AMELIA'S SPIRIT ALIVE!



Amelia Earhart defied the odds, broke barriers, and soared into history. Now, you have the opportunity to help ensure her legacy continues to inspire generations to come. With your generous support, the Amelia Earhart Birthplace Museum will grow into a place of education and empowerment. Your gift doesn't just preserve history - it propels it forward. Join us in honoring Amelia's fearless spirit by making a lasting impact today!

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AMELIA'S LEGACY BY MAKING A MONTHLY
OR ONE-TIME DONATION TO KEEP
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INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION OF
WOMEN PILOTS,
IS THE PROUD OWNER OF THE
AMELIA EARHART BIRTHPLACE MUSEUM.**



Maureen Kenney

San Fernando Valley Chapter, June 4, 2025

Maureen was a pilot for many years and flew in the Air Race Classic and other flying events. She was also active on the Southwest Section level. As a programmer, she designed the Section meeting registration program, which we were able to use for many years. A free-spirited woman, she was also extremely independent.



CALENDAR

Upcoming SWS and International Meetings



Date	Meeting	Host/Location
October 3-5, 2025	2025 Fall SW Section Meeting	Host chapter: Monterey Bay Location: Monterey, CA Registration link
January 2026	2026 Winter Workshop	Host Chapter: Palomar
July 8-12, 2026	2026 International Conference	San Diego, CA



OUR MISSION — THE NINETY-NINES® INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION OF WOMEN PILOTS® PROMOTES ADVANCEMENT OF AVIATION THROUGH EDUCATION, SCHOLARSHIPS, AND MUTUAL SUPPORT WHILE HONORING OUR UNIQUE HISTORY AND SHARING OUR PASSION FOR FLIGHT.



SOUTHWESTERLY NEWSLETTER DEADLINES

Feb 20 submissions due for the Spring issue
May 20 submissions due for the Summer issue
Aug 20 submissions due for the Fall issue
Nov 20 submissions due for the Winter issue

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