



# The Windsock

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## Push To Talk

by **Sue Ballew, Chapter Chair**

It is with high expectations for a great two years that I have assumed the SCV Chapter Chair position again – the last time was 2007 – yikes, has it been that long? And coincidentally or not, that was the last time our chapter hosted a Section Meeting, with great success – which was in San Francisco.

Our Section Committee is excitedly planning our Section Meeting to be held May 1-3, 2020 in Los Gatos with the theme of Women of Vision 2020. We are looking for more participants for planning, special projects, as well as staffing during the meeting. This is a great way to get to know your chapter members and have some fun doing it, so consider volunteering. Just contact Carol Munch, [camunch@comcast.net](mailto:camunch@comcast.net)

This year has already been a very busy year for some of our members venturing outside of our local chapter area with three of us (Leslie, Betsy and yours truly) attending the Arabian Section Meeting in Jordan, four of us (Pat, Laura, Carol, and yours truly) attending our Int'l Conference in Dayton, Ohio, and several members (Marjorie, Jan, Marcie, Nancy, Laura, Pat Forbes, and Carol attending the Section meeting in Sacramento in April – go team!!! This doesn't include Int'l business meetings and various other Section meetings members may have attended.

Our slate of new officers was announced at our annual Awards Banquet on May 23rd:

Chair: Sue Ballew  
Vice Chair: Louise Mateos  
Secretary: Marcie Smith  
Treasurer: Brittany Sabol  
Nominating Committee: Laura Del Favero  
Director: Pat Gregory  
Immediate past Chair: Marjorie Johnson

In addition to the announcement of officers at the Awards Banquet, we had a new Pilot of the Year recipient Louise Mateos!!! Very accomplished and well deserving – you can read about her in an article included in this Windssock.

We are off to a great start with the Fall Section Meeting coming up in San Luis Obispo in October, and the African Section Meeting in Malawi and Tanzania October 18th – 24th – which I will be attending. Plan on a complete report as well as tons of photos.

Sue

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## Report on the May Awards Banquet

by **Marcie Smith**

The Santa Clara Valley chapter had a very successful annual Awards Banquet on May 23 at Michael's at Shoreline. The annual event is where the chapter gives out its annual awards and announces the new slate of chapter officers. Combine that with a delicious dinner and exciting speaker and you get a really delightful evening.

This year was no exception, thanks to Sue Ballew who organized the event. Our keynote speaker was a member of our own chapter and it was really nice to get to know more about her. Marian Harris began flying in earnest in 2013 and flies competition aerobatics in the IAC in a Yak 52, formation flights with the Red Star Pilots Association, and is working on her instrument rating. When she's not in the airplane, she's at an airport: she's a board member at Hiller Museum and of the Half Moon Bay Airport Pilot's Association as well as being Director of the KHAFF Disaster Airlift Response Team (DART).



Marian talked about how she came to be flying, sharing a lot of personal history that led to her organizing and competing in the first US team to participate in the World Aerobatic Yak52 competition

in Russia in 2017. She also talked about the activities of the KHAF pilot's association and DART. Her story was fascinating and inspiring for all listening to get involved.



Louise Mateos was awarded the SCV99s 2019 Pilot of the Year Award. Louise is a private pilot with her instrument rating. She is very active with the Palo Alto Civil Air Patrol (CAP) where with the rank of Captain she supports missions weekly. Louse has her MS in Aero/Astro from Stanford and works as a software engineering manager at Lockheed Martin Space Systems. She has been an active member of our chapter, attending most meetings and fly-ins in her C182 since she joined our chapter a few years ago.

Sue Ballew presented the award and also showed a very cool flight track that Louise had flown in September 2018 as part of a CAP mission, which she used to win a flight tracking contest at Sporty's. Her flight track made a picture of a flower, I can't imagine how she did it!

To end the evening, the next 2 years chapter officers were announced.

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Vice Chair: Louise Mateos

Secretary: Marcie Smith

Treasurer: Brittany Sabol

Director: Pat Gregory

Nominating Committee Chair: Laura Del Favero

Past-chairman: Marjorie Johnson

Other members of the Nominating Committee are Mary McEnroe, Meaghan O'Neil, and Joyce Willis



Thanks very much to Sue Ballew for organizing this event!

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# Santa Clara Valley Chapter Board 2019-2021

CHAIRMAN: Sue Ballew

VICE CHAIR: Louise Mateos

SECRETARY: Marcie Smith

TREASURER: Brittany Sabol

DIRECTOR: Patricia Gregory

PAST CHAIRMAN: Marjorie Johnson

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Laura Del Favero, Mary McEnroe, Meghan O'Neil Joyce Willis

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## 2019-2020 Membership Contributions

Our fiscal year is June 1 to May 31. The **2019-2020** chapter contributions are being accepted, \$15 per year. Please indicate the year(s) for which you are contributing. An asterisk by your name confirms your contribution for the following year(S) as well.

Sue Ballew\*

Monica Barrett\*

Laura Del Favero\*\*

Claire Florio\*\*

Carole Gamble\*

Willy Gardner\*

Patricia Gregory\*

Marjorie Johnson

Carol Munch\*\*\*\*\*

Brittany Sabol\*

Susan Schiff

Kristen Tarabetz

The following list is current as of May 6, 2019.

Make check out to SCV99s, and email our Treasurer, Brittany Sabol, for mailing address:

[brittany@zibellina.com](mailto:brittany@zibellina.com)

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## Report on 2019 International Conference in Dayton, OH

by **Carol Munch**

Photos: **Carol Munch, Sue Ballew**

Four of us SCV 99s attended the International Meeting this year; Sue Ballew, Laura Del Favero, Pat Gregory and I. Since the weather was uncooperative Laura and Pat had to make some detours on the way out in their plane, but arrived nearly on time. Dayton was very hot during the entire time of our visit, but despite that we enjoyed some outdoor activities including visits to the Huffman Prairie Flying Field where the Wright Brothers practiced with their modifications of each flying machine they built. Some of us also visited Hawthorne Hill, the Wright Brothers home, the Carillon Historical Park and the Dayton Aviation Heritage National Historical Park. Although we got close Pat, Sue and I were

unsuccessful in our attempts to get a ride in the Wright B flyer secondary to the over 92-degree heat with elevated density altitude abetted by a cross wind.



All of us spent several hours in the huge National Museum of the USAF where we enjoyed seeing many prototypes of aircraft, some of which flew and were developed into great fighters, bombers and helicopters while others were tried and found wanting in one or another facet of flight and were abandoned. There were Presidential aircraft, rockets and spacecraft - enough to entertain us for several days, had we more time to spend there. The museum hosted a reception and film on the WASP on Wednesday night which engendered some interesting questions to and answers from the film makers who were present and had interviewed many of the WASP and their families.

Earlier on Wednesday evening we heard a presentation on the B -17F bomber Memphis Belle which traced her history in WWII and restoration up to her placement in the Museum last year.



The AE Scholarship banquet was held under the wings in the USAF Museum on Thursday evening when we had a bit more time to inspect various aircraft. The keynote speaker, Lt Col Cristine Mau, was quite inspiring and very dynamic in her description of her flying career.



She was the first woman to fly the Defense Department's F-35A and led the first combat mission flown entirely by women, in 2011. She is currently Senior Flight Instructor on the F-35 at Elgin AFB in Florida.

I chose not to attend any seminars this year, but did take as many of the above tours as I could ending with a tour of Sinclair Community College's Aviation Department on Friday where we tried to fly drones, flew simulators and examined 3D printed aviation parts. The wealth of new equipment and teaching aids in that program was mind-boggling. Many of the students go on to four-year programs at Embry Riddle or other aviation focused colleges. Others are well on their way to working as pilots, in aircraft maintenance or into developing new aviation tools - Quite a difference from the Wright Brothers' self-taught experience!

Saturday's Business meeting went well with very few objections to the proposed Bylaw changes all of which were passed with only minor changes. The major problem related to using the Electronic Ballots which in some instances increased the election costs significantly. More work will be done to alleviate the costs, if possible. In the afternoon visits to the Fly Market, Silent Auction and Hospitality Suite were interspersed with conversations with 99s we'd met at previous meetings and newly met members.



The meeting ended with a group of us SW Section members dressed in blue and white shirts, sailor hats and red ties some carrying placards inviting members to next year's meeting on the Queen Mary in Long Beach.

Irene Engard engineered this and the accompanying slide show presented by Jeanne Fenimore about the Queen Mary and environs.

Saturday evening's Awards Banquet provided more opportunities to meet with fellow 99s from all over the country and several from other countries. I enjoyed speaking with Australian and New Zealand members as well as some from New York, sharing projects, events, flying anecdotes and ideas.

Pat and Laura headed off to Oshkosh following the Dayton meeting. Sue and I headed back home after very satisfying five days.

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# Report on AOPA Expo at KLVK

by **Marcie Smith**

AOPA held one of its summer Expos at Livermore this year on June 21-22, 2019. Their programs have expanded since they were local at Salinas a couple of years ago and they now have 2 full days of activities. Both days start with a Pancake breakfast option, then there are 3 tents with talks from 9-4, options for workshops, flight demonstrations and a big exhibit hall.

I attended Friday afternoon and Saturday and had a great time. The weather was great (a bit warm on Saturday, but not unexpected for Livermore) and well attended. I drove up; parking was easy. Talking to pilots who flew in (and many did), they were parked on the far side of the runways and shuttled over to the exposition area. I found the exhibit hall, since I would be working in the Angel Flight booth there on Saturday. I wandered around all the aircraft on display, everything from the new Cirrus Jet, float plane flight schools, the Civil Air Patrol (where I found Louise Mateos), to a booth of Girls in Command, encouraging young women to fly. There was a corral from Trade a Plane for aircraft for sale, and the pen where the aircraft supporting the STOL take-off and landing demonstrations were displayed.

I ran in to an ex-SCV99 – Kay Sundaram now works for AOPA and lives in the San Diego area. She was up for the show and we had a great time reminiscing over our flight to Oshkosh together back in 2002 and catching up. I stayed for the optional BBQ, but a drone aerial light show for Friday night was cancelled due to a software bug. I was sorry to miss it but glad to be able to get home and sleep before coming in early on Saturday. I joined Meaghan O’Neil for the BBQ, she was with Barbara Blissert and Lynne Orloff from the San Juquin chapter, and was all excited about her upcoming check ride.

Saturday, I attended the breakfast (cheaper and tastier than the BBQ the evening before) and then worked in the Angel Flight booth. Laura Del Favero had a later shift in the same booth. We were right behind the Ninety-Nine booth where many 99s were hanging out including our SWS Governor Jeanne Fennimore. California Pilots Association, Women in Aviation and Pilots and Paws were other organizations with booths. And of course, vendors: Garmin, Aircraft Spruce, Insurance reps, etc. as well as several displays with AOPA information and resources.

I caught the end of Barry Schiff’s talk and hooked up with Betty and Fred Bucci and Penny and Ron Blake. Laura and I stuck our heads in many aircraft and picked up some swag. After a delicious falafel wrap lunch from one of the food trucks, I watched the STOL demonstrations with a woman and her daughters who she is excited to see them going in to engineering and be interested in flying. The

demos were amazing, several aircraft could take off and land in less than 100', although as the wind picked up and moved around, landings did get a bit longer. Back in the Angel Flight booth for the last hour where I met up with 2 other ex-SCV99s: Doreen Jurado who is working to get some flight action in a building she owns at RHV; and Cody Lawrence who is flying again but now lives up in Oroville. Mary McEnroe stopped by in between seminars; I think she attended most of them!

The Expo was well attended by both pilots and non-pilots and I think they will report a great success. I was happy to attend and participate.



# 99s Annual Birthday Picnic August 15, 2019!

by **Carol Munch**

Please plan to attend our 64th Annual Birthday Picnic on Thursday, August 15, 2019

Place: Portal Park, 10225 Portal Avenue, Cupertino

Time: 5PM - 8PM.

Bring your family, new members and prospective members and spend some time chatting with fellow aviation enthusiasts. This is a good opportunity to get to know newer members and to introduce prospective members to our group.

Food assignments to share are made to ensure that we do not get too much of one item and none of others as has happened a few times in the past. The assignments are by first letter of last name as follows:

A-C: Entree

D-I: Beverages (beer and wine are allowed)

J-R: Side dish or salad

S-Z: Appetizer

Dessert will be provided

If you wish to bring something not in your category please switch with someone in another category.

**Please let Carol Munch know no later than August 12 whether you will attend and how many people are coming with you so that we have enough supplies and dessert for all.**

Please also let her know if you are able to come early (4:30pm) to help set up.

Look forward to a large turn-out! See you there!

Carol Munch

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# Flying Companion Seminar August 24

by **Britany Sabol**

Our annual Flying Companion Seminar is coming up and I would love to have as many members of the chapter involved as possible to make this another great success. Below is a description of all of the different ways you could help.

## **A Little Background (for our newer members)**

The Flying Companion Seminar is a full day workshop we provide for non-pilots. Most attendees have a pilot in their life who takes them flying. The workshop teaches them about what is going on in cockpit (e.g. what are all those instruments?) and why we do things as we do (e.g. structure of how we say things on the radios). We also try to alleviate fears about things like turbulence what happens if their pilot is incapacitated.

## **Ways to Help**

### **Spread the word**

I have sent information to other local 99 chapters and all the local flight schools. It is posted on the aviation community calendars, event bright, and our Facebook page. Ways you can help:

- Share our Facebook event: <https://www.facebook.com/events/438211940101303/>
- Post a flyer
- Post on your Nextdoor (see the Facebook post for verbiage).
- Tell your friends

**Giving a presentation** - 9:10 am "Flight from the Right Seat" is a basic overview of the stages of a flight from flight planning to landing. I have someone who can fill in if needed, but we would love to find a new person to help with this one. The presentation is already prepared for you.

**Pre-flights** - At 3:00 take 2-3 attendees out to your plane to demonstrate how we do a pre-flight

**Breakfast and snacks** - We usually have 99's donate food for morning breakfast and afternoon snacks.

**Lunch pick up** - We order Togo's and it needs to be picked up around 11:00 am.

**Set up/Clean up** - 8:00am and 3:30 pm (30-45 minutes)

Contact Brittany for more information - [Brittany@zibellina.com](mailto:Brittany@zibellina.com)

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# Ninety-Nines 90th Anniversary Scavenger Hunt



## Add More Fun to Your Flying!

Maybe, if you like scavenger hunts! Join in on an aerial scavenger hunt and sharpen those eagle eyes. Ninety-Nines and Friends of The 99s are challenged to find "90 Things in 90 Days for the 90th Anniversary."

- Sign up for the aerial scavenger hunt for \$25.
- Take aerial photos of as many items on the list as you can between August 1 and October 27.
- Post your photos in the album you create in The 99s Scavenger Hunt Facebook group.

The pilot with the most points will receive a paid registration to the 90th Anniversary Dinner on November 2 in Oklahoma City, or a \$50 Amazon gift card if unable to attend the dinner. Rules and instructions may be found at [www.ninety-nines.org/scavenger-hunt.htm](http://www.ninety-nines.org/scavenger-hunt.htm).

For rules of the hunt, items to find and registration:

<https://www.ninety-nines.org/scavenger-hunt.htm>

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## Mayetta Behringer – 101<sup>st</sup> Birthday Party and Updated Address

by **Judy Stark**

After Mayetta Behringer celebrated her 101st birthday with her family on May 20th at the Atria, a few days later some of her 99 friends surprised her with another birthday cake at the Atria's Ice Cream Parlor. In addition to the 99s--Penny Blake, Betsy Britten, Debby Cunningham, Candice Tuttle, and Judy Stark—and Mayetta's granddaughter, Andrea Moore, several Atria residents also stopped by to offer birthday wishes. There was also something bubbly to drink and something chocolate.



Starting July 15, Mayetta will have a new address, which is the same building but a different room on the first floor.

Mayetta Behringer  
The Atria Willow Glen  
Madrone #3  
1660 Gaton Drive  
San Jose, Ca 95125

It's hard to reach her by phone—she doesn't always answer, let alone retrieve messages. Notes and cards are better. If you want to visit her, the best thing is to contact her daughter Linda at 815-546-7995 (it's Illinois-Central time zone, so be aware of time differences) and she can let you know which days/times are good.

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## First Fly-in of the 2019



On June 15, 10 people in five airplanes made it to Santa Rosa for lunch at the Sky Lounge Restaurant. This was the first time in 2019 that we did not have to cancel a fly-in for weather!

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## Hollister Fly-in August 17

Join us on August 17 for a fly-in to Hollister (KCVH). We will meet at Seabrisa's, same place as the old restaurant, but new owners. The reservations are for noon.

Contact Penny Blake [pennyblake@sbcglobal.net](mailto:pennyblake@sbcglobal.net) to RSVP with a head count and any open seats or requests for seats.

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## SCV99s 2019 Fly-in Schedule

Each month an announcement will be sent with updated details for that month.

**August 17—Hollister**

RSVP Penny Blake [pennyblake@sbcglobal.net](mailto:pennyblake@sbcglobal.net)

**September 21**—Minden or Bridgeport (TBD)  
RSVP Marcie Smith [marcie.smith.home@gmail.com](mailto:marcie.smith.home@gmail.com)

**October 19**—Castle Air Museum  
RSVP Louise Mateos [louise.mateos@sbcglobal.net](mailto:louise.mateos@sbcglobal.net)

**November 16**—Auburn  
RSVP Sue Ballew [sue@skytrekker.net](mailto:sue@skytrekker.net)

**December 7**—Watts-Woodland  
RSVP Betsy Britten

**January 2020**—Whale Watching (date TBD)

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## SCV99s Meetings

**Aug 15**—SCV99s Annual Picnic **\*\* See announcement on page 10 \*\***

**Aug 24**—Flying Companion Seminar 8:30 - 4:00 **\*\* See announcement on page 11 \*\***

**Sep 19**— SCV99s Business/General Meeting, 6:30 PM, Advantage Aviation at PAO. All are welcome.

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## Upcoming 99s Conferences 2019

October 3 - 6 Fall SWS meeting: Embassy Suites, San Luis Obispo  
Information: [https://sws99s.clubexpress.com/content.aspx?page\\_id=4002&club\\_id=130494&item\\_id=925345](https://sws99s.clubexpress.com/content.aspx?page_id=4002&club_id=130494&item_id=925345)



### [The Windsock Information and Deadlines](#)

**We need your articles and input!!**

To our members, please give me your ideas and most of all...articles and photos for all to enjoy.

#### **Article Due Dates:**

- The Windsock is delivered four times yearly, on the 25th of the month:

[Feb, May, Aug and Nov](#)

- Due dates for articles is the [10th](#) of the month.

#### **Content Format**

Please provide to me with Word docs (preferred) or text within an email. Graphics as .jpg preferred.

Thank you,

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