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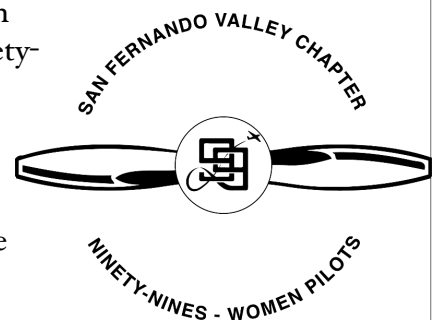


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Our Mission

The Ninety-Nines® International Organization Of Women Pilots® promotes the advancement of aviation through education, scholarships, and mutual support while honoring our unique history and sharing our passion for flight.

Established in 1929 by 99 women pilots, the members of The Ninety-Nines, Inc.® International Organization Of Women Pilots® are now represented in every area of aviation today. And to quote Amelia, fly “for the fun of it!”





NOTAMs

- **Keep it Fresh:** Need to update any personal information? Here's who you need to contact:

- SFV99s Website and Local Directory - [Pam Distaso](#)
- Google Groups Email Subscription - [Maureen Kenney](#)
- [International 99s Directory](#)

- **Holiday shopping Already?** Did you know you can always donate to our Chapter? [Click here to make a donation to the SFV 99s](#). Also make sure to designate the The San Fernando Valley Chapter of The Ninety-Nines, Inc. when shopping on [Amazon](#).

FROM THE CHAIRWOMAN

Dear 99s,

Happy Autumn Equinox! September 22 marks the equinox when the length of day and night are almost equal, and it is the first day of astronomical fall in the Northern Hemisphere. 'Tis the season for Pumpkin Spice Lattes, brisk nights (= great IFR & nighttime flight conditions), and the return of (fantasy) football. Though this autumn ahead looks to be unlike any we've seen yet, I hope you'll stay safe, keep flying and stay involved with the 99s, both locally, regionally and internationally if you're able!

As I struggle for better words to write this month, I will simply defer to some far better resources. And provide a few friendly reminders heading into the fall months:

[Register to Vote Here](#)

[What's Happening in Our Southwest Section of 99s?](#)

[AOPA Pilot Resources](#)

[The FAA's New Podcast, "The Air Up There"](#)

Be Well,

Kimberly Chan, Chairwoman



Upcoming Events

October 13th @ 7:00pm: Monthly Zoom Chapter Meeting

November 10th @ 7:00pm: Monthly Virtual Zoom Chapter Meeting

December 8th @ 7:00pm: Monthly Virtual Zoom Chapter Meeting

Happy Birthday to:

Susan Sloan
September 4th

Alisa Liley
September 13th

Marjorie Foster
September 17th

Gabriella De Asis
September 27th

Coralee Tucker
September 27th

Annual Membership

Members, your annual dues donation of \$25 is due each September. Please refer to the Members Only section of sfv99s.org for the link to pay by PayPal, or use the post office box address:

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Maureen Kenney
Treasurer



Faith Hillman's Retirement

**Happy Anniversary
to:**

Golda Neuman 1991

Jan Archibald 1992

Maureen Kenney 1997

Lisa Fusano 2013

Gabriella De Asis 2014

Geny Haase 2014

Star Simpson 2018

Chelsea Sanders 2019



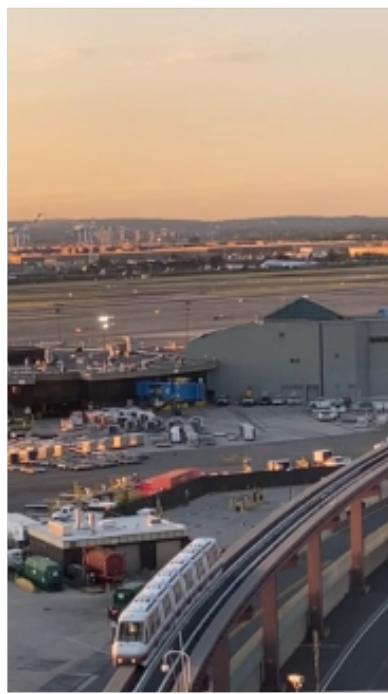
Long-time member and former FWP, Faith Hillman, now a Captain for Continental Airlines, joins guests Kelsey Lomen, Mindy Jacobson, Leonie Darcel, and Kelly Stacy at our January 2009 chapter meeting. [Photo courtesy of SFV 99s' website]

Faith began her aviation career as a SFV 99s' [FWP](#). Her retirement flight was an all-nighter – Los Angeles to Newark.

Ironically, this was the same route as Faith's first flight as a 6 week-old baby. Faith told her passengers that she received her aviation start in The Ninety-Nines. She was accompanied on the last three legs by her husband, Jim. After everyone had gone, he told Faith that he'd give her a moment alone in the cockpit to thank the plane.

Faith thanks all the 99s for supporting her career and showing her "WE CAN DO IT!" Her advice for people who are working on ratings is that there are ALWAYS cycles in career hiring. Regardless, this is the BEST career possible!

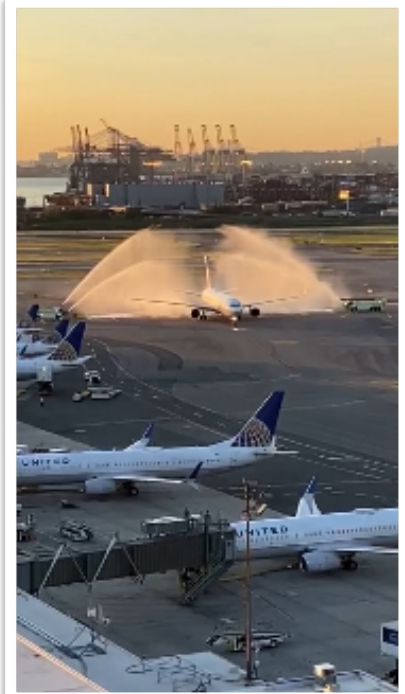
Now that she's retired, she's looking forward to new flying experiences. She'd love to go for an airplane ride with anyone! Hopefully, she'll be in Los Angeles soon and able to attend an in-person meeting.



Last Landing

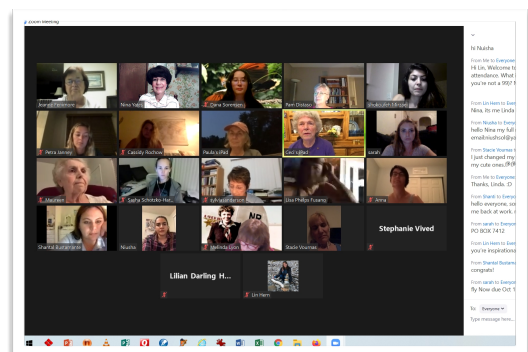
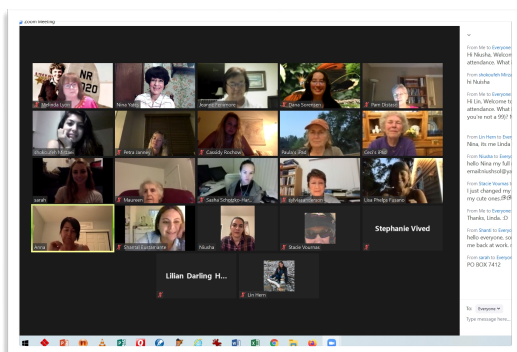
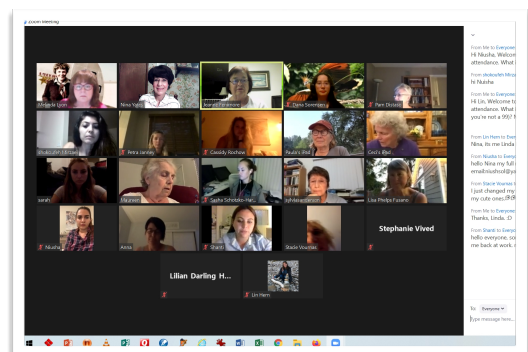
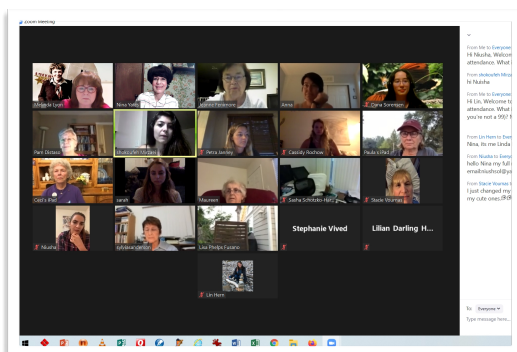
To view Faith's last landing and water salute movies (stills seen here), [click on this link](#).

Nina Yates



Water Salute

Where's Amelia? (99s' Version of Where's Waldo)



Flight Formation with Lisa Fusano

Here are pictures from Lisa's formation flight with a T28. It was an amazing experience!
The flight was on August 16, Whiteman to Camarillo via the Newhall Pass.



2021 Ninety-Nines International Conference

July 7-11, 2021

The Southwest Section Conference Committee was full speed ahead until March 19th, when the State of California and the City and County of Los Angeles were given “Stay at Home Orders” and the world shut down.

Businesses closed, we must use social distancing, and everyone must wear a mask when outside. Flights are canceled and planes are mothballed all over the Southwest.

We had hoped it would only last a few weeks, but as weeks and months passed us by, we realized that the 2020 Conference was not going to happen. Postponing the Conference was heartbreaking for us and passing this information onto the International Board was difficult.

We would like to thank the Arabian Section for graciously postponing their 2021 Conference to allow us to reschedule Long Beach for 2021.

- The Queen Mary is thrilled we plan to return
- Group Room Rates remain the same
- We plan to keep the same tours
- All speakers will return, we plan to add a few new ones
- The Post Conference Cruise is being renegotiated
- All registrations will remain but if you need to cancel, we do hope you will return, but the rates will increase next year

This will be a Conference to be remembered, we hope for better reasons than being canceled. We hope 2021 will be a time when we are all together and can enjoy each other's company again. Please stay safe and healthy!

The 2021 Conference Committee

[Register here!](#)



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There are a few Southwest Section Committee positions open, if anyone is interested in volunteering!

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Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarship goes to... Annelie Hubinette



She completed her IFR rating and 2 AS Aviation degrees at Glendale Community College 2019!

