

# Antelope Valley Ninety-Nines

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## January 2006

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Hello AV 99s from your Vice Chair!

As I reflect on the year, I am very thankful that our chapter has such a strong commitment to education. 2005 was the fourth year that we supported the Antelope Valley College Math and Science Odyssey with a donation of \$250, and Chapter members volunteered and were presenters. Approximately 200 8<sup>th</sup> graders, from local schools, learned about "our changing earth" from key note speaker Andrea (new AV 99). The students then had the opportunity to choose 3 of 22 different workshops presented by representatives from local aerospace organizations, covering topics as diverse as control room operations, electricity and magnetism, hot air ballooning, and UAV's. To make this year's Odyssey even more meaningful to us women pilots, it was announced that the event has been renamed the "Bohn-Meyer Math and Science Odyssey" in honor of Marta. If you have been wanting to do a little educational outreach yourself, this is an awesome event for students that I think you would find rewarding as a volunteer.

It is my pleasure to contribute to the first AV 99s newsletter of 2006... Happy New Year to you and your families! I wish you all the very best in the year ahead. May it be filled with friends, loved ones, joy, and laughter.

Thank you all for being the amazing women that make up our organization!

Michelle

## Chapter Events & Info

**Chapter dues are past due!** Send your \$10 to Elise

**\*\*Change\*\* Board Meeting is Tuesday, January 10<sup>th</sup>** at Jennifer's house. All members are welcome to attend!

**Our next Chapter Meeting is Thursday, January 12<sup>th</sup>** – It will be held at the **Greenhouse Café in Lancaster**. Social dinner at 6:00 and the Meeting starts at 6:30. We will be discussing the Poker Run!

**AV99s Annual Christmas Party and Fund Raising Auction** was a lot of fun and a great success. Members and guests contributed approximately \$200 to the chapter's funds! Elle and Phil, thank you so much for your warm hospitality!

**AV99s annual "Cookies to the Tower" event** – "Thank you" to the lovely ladies who provided goodies and put the packages together. They looked really tempting! Our tower and support folks welcomed them eagerly.

**The Chapter's Pilot Proficiency Report** for 2005 is due. If you have not provided a slip, please use the form at the end of this newsletter and mail it to Elise right away!

**2006 Poker Run (March 19<sup>th</sup>)** – We'll be rounding up the efforts and putting the plan for this year's poker run into place at the January chapter meeting. Please try to be there.

→ → AV99s Chapter members --- Please start collecting donated prizes!!!

**The annual AV99s fly-out to Death Valley** is right around the corner – **January 15<sup>th</sup>**. Brunch at Furnace Creek Inn – what a fun thing to do on a lovely winter day! Contact Michelle to be included in the reservation. Our reservation time is 11:00. The cost will be \$28 per person. Please bring cash, because we will all be on one check to get the discount. We will most likely be in the down stairs banquet room.

**Membership Chair is Vacant** – Many of you may not be aware of this, but Diana has decided to leave the Chapter for personal reasons. This leaves the Membership Chair vacant. Diana did such a good job that she will be a hard act

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to follow, but one of the key things she did was to establish a set of standard package contents and list of tasks. The job boils down to just a few primary activities, which are listed below (you can find them in our Chapter Duties document). You can see that most of the effort has to do with maintaining the Directory and monitoring membership status, both on a monthly basis. The other two functions are periodic, as needed.

### Chapter Directory

- Maintains file of current information on Chapter members (*Chapter Directory*) and distributes the file to Chapter members

### Monitors Membership Status

- Provides the list of the current members in good standing to the Chair, Treasurer (in December), the Aerospace Education Chair (in February), and the Pilot Proficiency Chair (in November) for their use in Chapter dues collection and chapter competitions
- Contacts members whose dues to International are 1-2 months late to give them a reminder
- Provides a list of the current members in good standing and the current Chapter Chairs to the Secretary in June of each year for the Chapter file and also updates of the various 99s databases

### New Member Support

- Point of contact for new members
- Receives and processes applications for Chapter members
- Provides Chapter information (packet) to new members
- Requests subscriptions for *Southwesterly* for new members

### Badges

- Coordinates and requests AV99s badges for new members and spouses
- Purchases and gives first new badge to new members [Note: If FWP Fly-up, badge is given to new member by Mentor]

You can see that these duties do not require meeting attendance, so the Board thinks this important role is one that is a good candidate for members who don't live in the Antelope Valley and can't attend meetings. It takes between 1-2 hours a month. Everyone, please give some thought to volunteering for this very important job. This is actually a cool job, because it has the perk of providing the opportunity of meeting and getting to know new members and staying in touch with most of our members! Please contact Jennifer or any Board member if you would like to volunteer.

**Forest of Friendship Nominees** – Those of you who have been attending Chapter meetings are aware that we have decided to nominate two of our members for the prestigious *99s Forest of Friendship*. We have been keeping this plan secret from them, so the information has been omitted from the minutes of Board and Chapter meetings. However, now they know. The two members are: Flora Belle, for her service as a WASP and her work with young people; and Shirley, for her extensive efforts in support of general aviation and her leadership as a charter member of the chapter. Rosemary is leading the effort to put the nominations together. If anyone would like to contribute to the nomination letters, please give Rosemary a call.

**Chapter Board Members and Committee Chairs** – From time to time, we show a list of who's doing what for the Chapter. We are a small chapter of about 30 members, and quite a few are not "local", so several people have volunteered for several jobs. As described above, we have the immediate need of a Membership Chair. Other high priority vacancies include: Airmarking (we need to replace our compass rose at Fox this year, if we can) and *99s News Reporter*. Elise and Carol would like to give up their roles as Pilot Proficiency and Scrapbook Chairs, respectively. And two jobs that have been vacant for a while, but seem interesting are Safety Education and Oral History Chairs. The Board thinks that Membership and *99s News Reporter* could be handled remotely, and the Airmarking Chair could be handled by someone who lives remotely, but within driving distance. It makes the Chapter a lot more interesting and dynamic if the functions are distributed throughout the group, so if you find you have a little more time this year, maybe you can give the idea some thought. As is our Chapter's practice, we don't want to put pressures on all members to sign up for jobs (except for Poker Run support), because we know that our lives have an ebb and flow

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that make it really difficult sometimes. But we are a fun group, and it's more fun for all if we maintain a relatively even distribution of effort.

Bunn	Lynne	Nominating Committee
Coussens	Elle	Christmas Party Host
Davis	Michelle	Vice Chair, Flyout Ch. (Aviation Act.), Poker Run Ch., Public Relations Ch.
Gravance	Elise	Treasurer, Pilot Proficiency Chair
Hansen	Cathy	FWP Committee
Horton	Carolyn	Asst. Airmarking Chair (also SWS Airmarking Chair)
Jensen-Coonrod	Rosemary	Director, FWP Com, Sunshine Chair, Scholarship Com., Videos
Justice	Nell	FWP Technical Advisor, FWP Mentor
Kelly	Leigh	Director
Reece	Flora Belle	Scholarship Committee, FWP Com., POC for FFA
Reukauf	Carol	Secretary, Aerospace Ed. Ch., Scrapbook, Inventory
Solee	Jennifer	Chapter Chair, Newsletter Editor
Spencer	Char	FWP Mentor
VanderWall	Berverly	Nominating Committee
Visco	Tina	Webmaster, FWP Technical Advisor

### Chapter Member News

**Lindsey's husband, Nick**, was a passenger in a major car accident just after Thanksgiving and suffered significant injuries. He has undergone quite a few reconstruction surgeries and has three plates in his face/skull. Word is that he is doing very well.

**Carol's** New Year resolution: Fly more!

**Michelle's** New Year resolution: Finish the saga of her cross-country flight!

### Year 2006 Calendar of Events

Date/Time	Event	Contact
<b>**Change**</b> 99 Jan 10th (2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday)	AV99s Board Meeting 7:00 pm at Jennifer's Home	Jennifer
99 Jan 12 <sup>th</sup> (2nd Thursday)	AV99s Chapter Meeting 6:30 pm at Greenhouse Café in Lancaster (6:00 Dinner/Social)	Jennifer
Jan tbd	EAA Banquet	
Jan tbd	Soaring Club Banquet	
February	No Board Meeting in February	
99 Feb 11 <sup>th</sup> (2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturday)	AV99s Chapter Meeting 9:00 am @ Fox Terminal (8:00 Social Breakfast)	Jennifer

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<sup>99</sup> Mar 6 <sup>th</sup> (1 <sup>st</sup> Monday)	AV99s Board Meeting 7:00 pm at Jennifer's Home	Jennifer
<sup>99</sup> Mar 16 <sup>th</sup> (3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday)	AV99s Chapter Meeting 6:30 pm at Greenhouse Café in Lancaster (6:00 Dinner/Social)	Jennifer
<sup>99</sup> Mar 19, 2006 (3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday)	16 <sup>th</sup> Annual AV99s Poker Run !!!	Michelle
Mar 23-25	Women in Aviation Conference Nashville TN, Opryland Hotel	Tina
April	No Board Meeting in April	
<sup>99</sup> April 20 <sup>th</sup> (3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday)	AV99s Chapter Meeting 6:30 pm at Greenhouse Café in Lancaster (6:00 Dinner/Social)	Jennifer
<sup>99</sup> May 8 <sup>th</sup> (2 <sup>nd</sup> Monday)	AV99s Board Meeting 7:00 pm at Jennifer's Home	Jennifer
<sup>99</sup> May 12 <sup>th</sup> -14 <sup>th</sup>	Spring SWS Meeting Reno/Minden	Kathy
<sup>99</sup> May 20 <sup>th</sup> (3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday)	AV99s Chapter Meeting 9:00 am @ Fox Terminal (8:00 Social Breakfast)	Jennifer
June	No Board Meeting in June	
<sup>99</sup> Jun 15 <sup>th</sup> (3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday)	AV99s Chapter Meeting 6:30 pm at Greenhouse Café in Lancaster (6:00 Dinner/Social)	Jennifer

<sup>99</sup> Denotes a Antelope Valley 99's Function

## Year 2006 Fly-out Calendar

Date	Location	Event	Contact
January 15, 2006	Death Valley	Breakfast at the Furnace Creek Inn @ 11:00am	Michelle

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<http://www.freewebs.com/av99s/index.htm>

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**Return completed form to: Elise**

**QUALIFYING ACTIVITIES:**

Ground Based Activities

- a. Any flight safety seminary
- b. Industry-conducted re-currency training, includes simulator training and research studies
- c. Physiological training, such as high altitude chamber
- d. Aviation Judge training, such as NIFA or WPFC judging
- e. Aviation Judging, such as NIFA or WPFC
- f. Flight Instructor re-currency ground training
- g. Aircraft Maintenance Training, such as Cessna Powerplant Course
- h. Attendance at AOPA Town Meeting and Seminars
- i. Attendance of FAA ground school course, mountain flying, floatplane, or CAP training course, etc.
- j. Parachute Ground Training
- k. Poker Run support

Flight Activities

- a. Wings Certification, any level
- b. Biannual Flight Review (BFR), and/or an Annual Proficiency Training ride (APT)
- c. Instrument Competency Check (ICC)
- d. Any new rating
- e. Check-out in a new aircraft type, high performance, tailwheel, glider, ultralight, floatplane, etc.
- f. Flight Instructor re-currency
- g. Check rides with organizations such as Angel Flight, Los Medicos, Flying Sams, Civil Air Patrol, Sheriff's Patrol, etc.
- h. First Parachute jump
- i. Fly-ins/outs

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**Southwest Section Ninety-Nines Proficiency Training Program  
Ninety-Nines Chapter: Antelope Valley**

**Name: (Print)** \_\_\_\_\_ **Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Qualifying Activities:**

**Ground Activity Type:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date Completed:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Instructor Signature:** (only if appropriate) \_\_\_\_\_

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**Flight Activity Type:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date Completed:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Instructor Signature:** (only if appropriate) \_\_\_\_\_