



# The Ninety-Nines, Inc.

## Phoenix Chapter Newsletter

### December 2014

#### From Our Chapter Chair:

Hope to see everyone at the Christmas party and Tower Tour! It has been a very fun and exciting Fall, with all the women in our group becoming more involved. We also have several new members who are working on their private. Yeah! After the holidays, we will continue to be busy and this year we will have the Flying Companion Seminar. This is a great fundraiser and introduction to The Ninety Nines Organization for possible new members.

The photos are from my flight to Cabo San Lucas (MMSL) for Thanksgiving. Direct from KSDL, it was 4.6 hours in the plane. It was an awesome flight both ways. If anyone is interested in what it takes to fly to Mexico, I can do a talk on that in a meeting or as a social.

Happy Holidays and happy flying!

~Marguerite Baier



Images Above: One of the many gorgeous sea views, a glimpse of the GPS screen.



Images Above: Cockpit view of the RV-10, Firebird Lake.

## Treats to the Towers

It is once again the time of year to get out all of your favorite baking recipes and gas up those sleighs

(airplanes) for Treats to the Towers. Please have all your baking done and deliver to our Christmas party on December 6th. We will be delivering to TEN towers in all. Scottsdale, Falcon, Williams, Chandler, Phoenix Tower and TRACON, Glendale, Goodyear, Luke and Deer Valley are all on the list. Please separate your goodies into 10 or more goody bags. We try to



give the larger facilities extra since they have more personnel.

Ashlie Gimbel will be calling the towers around the first week of December to set up Sunday or Monday deliveries (14th or 15th). Please let her know if you can help with dropping the goodies off.



Every year it is amazing how much we are able to make for the Towers. This will be another wonderful year! Please email or call Ashlie if you can help deliver [amgimbel@aol.com](mailto:amgimbel@aol.com) or 602-625-9411. Thanks to everyone for taking time out of their holiday season and spreading some holiday joy!

# Events and Fly-Ins

**Sat. Dec. 6th 11 am-** Phoenix Chapter 99s Christmas Party at Falcon Field- KFFZ CAF Warbirds Hangar. It is on the southwest side of the airport and it has car and airplane parking. The exact address is: 4702 E. Fighter Aces Dr., Mesa, 85215. It is close to the current museum CAF which is on the corner of Greenfield and McKellips. Bring your favorite yummy dish, your 49 1/2 and whoever else you want. Also bring your cookies for the Treats to the Towers, packaged to distribute to our ten area control towers.

**Wed. Dec. 10th, 7 pm-** In place of our regular business meeting on December 10th, we will tour the Phoenix Tower and TRACON. Only 20 people will be allowed to go, so it will be first come, first served. If you are interested in going you must send your name to Helen Beulen [hwbwheels@msn.com](mailto:hwbwheels@msn.com) to reserve a spot. On the day of the tour, you must have photo I.D. and you must be an American citizen. If you are not one of the first twenty to sign up there will be a wait list, but PLEASE let Helen know if you end up not being able to make it so that someone will be able to attend.



**Sat. Dec. 13th at 8:30 am KBXK-** Weather-Related Decision Making Seminar, sponsored by the Scottsdale FSDO. Discussion on the sources and uses of weather information for flying in Arizona with emphasis on regional weather that can create risks to the pilot. Will include preflight planning and the inflight decision-making process. Select Number: WP0759192

Location:  
Buckeye Municipal Airport Terminal Building  
3000 S Palo Verde Rd  
Buckeye, AZ 85326

**Fri. Dec. 19th-** Grapevine Monthly Fly-In Weekend sponsored by the AZ Pilots Association. This is the last Grapevine outing for 2014! All the hard work of clearing the runway is done and there is nothing left to do but use it! Come out for the day or camp overnight. Grapevine offers spectacular views, hiking and camping. Enjoy the benefits of our labors.

Friday - The quietest day of the weekend.

Saturday - Lunch provided.

Sunday 0800 - Bagel breakfast is served and a Falcon Field breakfast club will be joining us. A propane grill is available if you want to bring something else to share.

As always, No landing fees, free airplane parking, free camping, free Black Labrador Petting Zoo, hiking, and plenty of Sunshine!

<http://azpilots.org/images/attachments/GrapevineInfoPamphlet.pdf>

**Sat. Dec. 20th, 8 am, E95-** Benson Can't Pass Gas Breakfast Fly-In. Great deals on gas and a delicious pancake breakfast sponsored by Southwestern Aviation.

**Sat. Dec. 27th, 7:00-10:00 am at KCGZ- Casa Grande Monthly Fly-In Breakfast (details on flyer, left).**



**City of Casa Grande Municipal Airport  
3225 N. Lear Ave., Casa Grande, AZ 85122**

End of the Month, Saturday Fly-In Pancake Breakfast

**Pancakes, Sausage, Scrambled Eggs \$8.00**

City of Casa Grande Municipal Airport Terminal Building  
Hosted by the Pinal Masonic Lodge #30 F & A M  
Serving Breakfast from 7:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m.

Open to the community / Plenty of Car and Motorcycle parking

<http://www.casagrandeaz.gov/web/guest/airport>

Visit our website for additional information on the City of Casa Grande Municipal Airport

Toys for Tots  
23rd Annual Hangar  
Party  
**CHANDLER AIR SERVICE INC.  
and  
CHANDLER AIRPORT ALLIANCE**

Friday December 12, 2014  
6:00pm

Chandler Air Service Hangar

Live Music

Santa Arrives 6:30

All you can eat BBQ Beef and Chicken  
Catered by Coopers BBQ

BRING A NEW UNWRAPPED TOY FOR THE TOY CORRAL  
AND  
IN ADDITION BRING A NON PERISHABLE FOOD ITEM  
All Toys and Food will be distributed by the Chandler Compadres to local families

THANKING OUR CUSTOMERS, AIRPORT USERS, AND THE COMMUNITY



For more info call (480) 963-6420



**Fri. Dec. 12th 6 pm-** Chandler Air Service Toys for Tots Hangar Party. Bring an unwrapped toy and non-perishable food items, and enjoy dinner, music, and a visit from Santa (details on flyer, above).

**Sat. Dec. 28th, 9:30 am KSEZ-** Special Fly-in for breakfast in Sedona to meet Canadian Pilot Sylvia. Contact Theresa Farley for more details [btfarley214@yahoo.com](mailto:btfarley214@yahoo.com).

# GIRLS CAN FLY UPDATE:

We are on the calendar for March 21st 2015 for Girls Can Fly Day at Gateway Airport. The Girl Scouts raised the age limit to 6th grade for this activity. With this in mind, we ought to talk about stepping up the STEM content of GCF to match the abilities of our students. We have already moved in that direction with the addition of the ASU simulator labs.

Phoenix Air National Guard provides youth tours only during weekday mornings. If we want to set up a tour for our Discover Aviation alumni, we will probably have to do that during a school break. They are ready to welcome us anytime we get back to them with a date.

We are ready to have a committee meeting to plan for our 2015 programming. Please look at your calendars and offer up some dates and times that will work for you.

Thanks for all you do for GCF!

Stacy Howard

[stacykhoward@msn.com](mailto:stacykhoward@msn.com)



## SHOP AMAZON AND SUPPORT THE 99s!

Go to [Smile.Amazon.com](http://Smile.Amazon.com) and log in like you would on Amazon. Then choose Southwest Section of the Ninety-Nines Inc. (either Phoenix, AZ or Oklahoma City will benefit our chapter).

You see the same merchandise as if you were on Amazon.com and 5% of your total purchases come back to the chapter. Enjoy the holidays and shopping!

## Girl Scouts Introduced to Aviation

Members of the Phoenix Chapter recently hosted an aviation event on Nov. 18th for eight local Girl Scouts. The event at KCHD included aircraft tours and highlights of aviation career and recreation options.



Girl Scout Troop 1721 pictured at Chandler Airport with Ninety-Nines Kayla Waskowski, Helen Consolino, Ginger Rowley, Angela Dyer, Jeanne Rieck, and Emily Johnson.



Above: Three scouts pose with 99s Angela Dyer, Kayla Waskowski, and Emily Johnson.

Below: The girls learned about aircraft systems by inspecting this Piper Comanche with Kayla Waskowski.



# Accomplishments

## Stephanie Laymon-

### Hired at Mesa Airlines.



Stephanie starts ground school on December 4th in Phoenix, then sim training will be in PHX, STL, Toronto, or Copenhagen, Denmark. She will be flying the CRJ 700/900 upon earning her CL65 Type Rating. Congrats!

*Happy Holidays, Ladies! Remember to send news, achievements, announcements, and photos to Courtney Smith by the end of each calendar month to have it included in the newsletter. courtneyschung@gmail.com*



**OUR MISSION** --The Ninety-Nines is the international organization of women pilots that promotes advancement of aviation through education, scholarships, and mutual support while honoring our unique history and sharing our passion for flight.

Stephanie Laymon started flight training in 2010 with Chandler Air Service, earning her private, instrument, commercial, CFI, and CFII. She did a multi-engine add-on with an independent flight instructor based at KCHD, and then flight instructed for a year at Chandler



Air Service (she had around 800 hours of dual given). Stephanie went to Grand Canyon Airlines (aka Scenic Airlines) in March of this year with about 1100 hours total time. Based in Boulder City, Stephanie flew canyon tours in the DHC-6 Twin Otter. Tours left Boulder and went to the West Rim, or the South Rim, and very occasionally Kanab & Monument Valley. "Almost every flight was cross country, so it was a great way to build cross-country time," Stephanie explained. However, there was very little IFR flying -- she got 1.0 for the entire time she was there-- but was great experience!

## SOUTHWEST SECTION WINTER BUSINESS MEETING REMINDER

**When:** January 24, 2015 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

**Where:** Camarillo Airport, Department of Airports Building, 555 Airport Way, Camarillo, CA

**Cost:** \$25, which includes a yummy lunch

**Hotel:** Rooms are available at The Hampton Inn, 50 W. Daily Drive, Camarillo,. It is located just across Hwy 101 from the airport. Room rates are \$109 per night including breakfast.

**Discussion topics:** Public relations tool, section award criteria, and the organization's 501(c)3 responsibilities.

To Register, go to <http://ninety-nines.net/swswm>, complete the form, and submit it!

Questions? Contact Carol Vautin at [vautin@verizon.net](mailto:vautin@verizon.net) or (805) 379-0793.

# Member Profiles:

## Danielle Grekowicz, Private Pilot



Home Airport: **Chandler**

Aircraft: **Cessna 172**

Total time: **80 hours**

When did you start flying? **January 2014**

How often do you fly? **About once a week**

Most exciting aviation experience: **Going flying to California with my dad.**

Advice for student pilots: **Stay focused and never get discouraged.**

Aviation goal: **I want to be an airline pilot and am currently working on my instrument rating.**

Danielle joined the 99s in 2014.



Above: Danielle pictured with her dad/flight instructor, Joe at Chandler Municipal Airport.

## Ginger Rowley

Ratings: **Single-Engine and Multi-Engine Commercial and CFI**

Aircraft: **Cessna 172**

Total time: **1,400 hours**

How often do you fly?  
**About 20 hours per year**

Most exciting aviation experience: **Flying in Mexico with Robyn Hinnant.**

Scariest Aviation Experience: **Landing gear failure.**

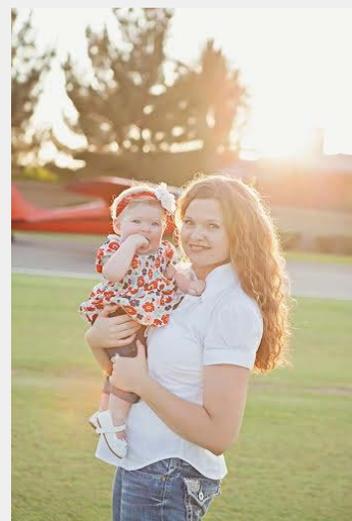
Advice for student pilots: **Have fun in spite of how stressful and difficult it gets.**

Aviation Goal: **My next goal is CFI and it feels like I "started" several years ago and never finished. I have my written done.**

Flight or trip you'd like to take: **My next big flying adventure is flying in the Bay Area with Kelly O'Dea.**

Fun 99 Story? **I flew 9 months pregnant with Marguerite and we had a plan if I went into labor!**

About Ginger: **I did all my training at CGCC/UND and finished with my SE/ME Commercial with Instrument in Dec. 2000. I then went to a flight school called Sunbird out at CHD and got my CFI in July of 2001. I planned to become a full-time instructor there, but started part-time while I still held down my 'real' job as a juvenile probation officer. When Sept 11th happened, I was up flying with a student. I remained a probation officer for several years, but didn't flight instruct much. Eventually I started instructing independently, and got enough time to be hired at SkyWest. I was supposed to start in July of 2008, but they postponed the start date over and over for a few years. In the meantime, I got pregnant and had my son. In Sept of 2010 they were finally ready for me, but I had a newborn. I put it off for a few months but went in Dec. of that year. I ultimately decided to be at home with my son, and eventually my daughter. My son is 4 and my daughter is 2, so that is where most of my time and energy goes right now. I also do real estate. I love to travel, I am a runner and have hiked the Grand Canyon over a dozen times. I am also a baker and have won an apple pie contest, a chili contest, and a salsa contest. I also love shooting and have taught a few in our chapter. I have been a member of the Ninety Nines since 1999.**



## NEW SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:

The San Diego Chapter of the Ninety-Nines, International Organization of Women Pilots, is sponsoring the

**Darlene Kelly  
Advanced Certificate/Rating  
Flight Training Scholarship  
\$2,000**

One \$2,000 award to help fund training for the Instrument, Commercial, Multi-Engine or any Flight Instructor certificate. Applicant must be a member of the SW Section of the 99s, have a current medical, and have a private pilot certificate. There is a 90 day limit to apply funds towards training.

**Scholarship Funds to be awarded  
January 2015!!!**

**Application deadline Wednesday,  
December 31, 2014**

## Support Shelby Hooker's Red Note Foundation:



*Celebration of Carols Annual Benefit Concert*  
December 8, 2014 7:30 p.m.  
Mesa Arts Center  
One East Main Street, Mesa, Arizona

Admission is non-perishable food items to benefit United Food Bank  
We will host a Donation Raffle with an array of elegant pieces, just in time for the holidays.  
Proceeds will help establish a bassoon program with Rosie's House,  
a music academy for inner-city children.

**Red Note  
Foundation**  
*Keep the Music Playing*

Red Note Foundation is dedicated to helping students and individuals gain the music education they seek and offer them opportunities to study and perform.

[www.RedNoteFoundation.org](http://www.RedNoteFoundation.org)

Additionally, we also offer this award in early 2015 to any 99 in the SWS:

## **Marian R. DeLano Memorial Scholarship**

A \$1,500 award to help fund flight training. Applicant must (1) be a female, (2) have solo sign-off AND written test passed for private pilot license OR be an Associate Member of the 99s AND (3) be a member of a 99s chapter in the Ninety-Nines 'Southwest Section' (CA, AZ, NV, UT, HI). The scholarship is good for one rating or certificate only. Air Transport Rating not eligible. There is a 90 day limit to apply funds towards training.

**The completed application must be postmarked by Jan 31st.**

For more information please visit our website [www.Sandiego99s.org](http://www.Sandiego99s.org) or email [womenpilots@gmail.com](mailto:womenpilots@gmail.com).

## AIRCRAFT TRIVIA!

Courtney Smith recently visited the Tennessee Museum of Aviation in Gatlinburg, TN. Here are a few of the planes housed there:



How many can you identify?

