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Notes from the Chair

Happy New Year and Best Wishes to all for 2009!

For the 99s, 2009 is shaping up to be a busy, productive year with a healthy dose of fun thrown in. First and foremost the updated website is now live showcasing who we are and what we do. Heather and Brenda have done a great job and everyone should take time to view the new features and show all your friends!

Mio Johnson has worked hard on amending our chapter Bylaws so they are more relevant for our future. The draft will be posted on our website soon. After getting approval from International the membership will vote on the amendments during the election process in June. Thus it is very important that all members take time to review the draft and provide comments to any of the chapter officers.

On the date of our regular monthly meeting, February 11, we will be at the UAA Aviation Technology Complex introducing the 99s to women students. There will be a presentation about the 99s and information about our scholarships will be distributed. Time will be 5:30 – 7:00 PM, pizza and sodas will be provided. Any chapter members wishing to attend must RSVP to me so that we assure enough food for all.

Next Meeting

Wednesday, 6 p.m.
January 14, 2009
Peggy's Restaurant
Across from Merrill Field

Program presented by
Mark Madden

Last but not least a Flying Companion seminar will be given at the Alaska Air Carriers Association Annual Conference on Tuesday, March 3rd from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM with a break for lunch. The format will be slightly modified to fit this time and the cost for this seminar is \$75.00. A flyer will be posted both on the 99s website and on the AACA website. Please pass this information on to friends or acquaintances that might be interested – time is short – we need to get the word out!

See you at the meeting next Wednesday!

Gloria

January Program

The January program will be presented by Mark Madden. Mark will be speaking on the subject of vertical separation, i.e. altitude selection, along the Anchorage-Palmer Corridor.

A question and answer session will follow the program.

Please bring a friend and join us at Peggy's Restaurant, across from Merrill Field, on Wednesday evening, January 14, at 6 p.m.

Calendar of Events

Wed., Jan. 14	Regular Monthly Meeting
Tues., Jan. 20	Mat-Su Valley Chapter Monthly Meeting
Sat., Feb. 7	Girl Scouts Women of Science & Technology Day at UAA
Wed., Feb. 11	Membership Drive, Pizza Party at UAA
Sat., Feb. 14	Valentine's Day
Tues., Feb. 17	Mat-Su Valley Chapter Monthly Meeting
March 2 - 7	Alaska Air Carriers Association Conference, Captain Cook Hotel
Tues., March 3	Flying Companion Seminar, Captain Cook Hotel
Wed., March 11	Regular Monthly Meeting
Tues., March 17	Mat-Su Valley Chapter Monthly Meeting

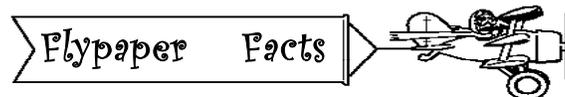
99s ONLINE

Chapter Website (www.ak99s.org)

For website updates and additions, e-mail
Caren della Cioppa at: habataku@att.net

National Website (www.ninety-nines.org)

The national site includes news updates,
scholarship opportunities, mentor connections,
applications & more.



Deadline for the **Feb. 2009** Flypaper is **Feb. 2, 2009**. If you have an article, ad or information for The Flypaper, please contact Melanie Hancock by phone or FAX at 694-4571 or e-mail at flyquilt@mtaonline.net. (Ads are placed in The Flypaper for members at no charge.)

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Annual Christmas Dinner/Party

The annual Christmas Dinner/Party was held on Wednesday, December 10, at Bella Vista Restaurant in Peters Creek. Despite the poor weather conditions, attendance was good and only a few were unable to attend.

Members of the Alaska and Mat-Su Valley Chapters enjoyed a good dinner and lots of fun. The "Whirly Bra" once again was a coveted gift in the Chinese Auction. It will reside in Petra's office for the next year.

Texas Gal in Afghanistan Nails a 725 Yard Shot.....

On Easter the ex-cheerleader (age 19) in this picture was watching a road that leads to a NATO military base when she observed a man digging by the road. She engaged the target, and she shot him. Turned out he was a bomb maker for the Taliban and he was burying an IED that was to be detonated when a US patrol walked by 30 minutes later. It would have certainly killed and wounded several soldiers.

The interesting fact of this story is the shot was measured at 725 yards (that's over seven football fields, 2100 feet...). She shot him as he was bent over burying the bomb. The shot struck him in the butt blowing into the bomb which detonated. He was blown to pieces.

The Air Force made a motivational poster of her. Her name is Kimmy.



The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 20, 2009. The meeting will be held at 6 p.m. at the AT&T Sports Center, 1507 N. Double B St., 3/4 mile west of Trunk Rd off the Palmer-Wasilla Highway.

Members will receive updates on activities/programs coming in the near future. Contact Patty Livingston or Toni Merrigan (phone numbers below) for information.

Mat-Su Chapter Officers

Chair	Toni Merrigan (373-6569)
Vice Chair	C. J. Glasser (746-7358)
Secretary	Elaine Base (357-1545)
Treasurer	Patty Livingston (746-2919)

SECURITY FORCES SNIPERS



Nothing blends in better with the environment like 1/4
carat diamond earrings and lip gloss

Spring Flying Companion Seminar Scheduled

The Alaska and Mat-Su Valley Chapters are offering a Flying Companion Seminar on Tuesday, March 3, 2009 as part of the activities of the Alaska Air Carriers Association Conference.

We can use help presenting the seminar. Contact Angie Slingluff at 230-0952 to volunteer.

We will have a flyer available on the Alaska Chapter web site soon so you can pass the word on to your "flying companions" who might benefit from attending the seminar.

Alaska Air Carriers Association to Hold Annual Convention in March, 2009

The Alaska Air Carriers will be holding their annual convention March 2 - 7 at the Captain Cook Hotel. Kathie Anderson, Membership & Marketing Coordinator, has requested volunteers to help with registration, badges, handing out gift bags, selling meal and seminar tickets, etc.

This year's convention is during the Fur Rondy and the Iditarod starts Saturday, the 7th. If you are considering spending time in downtown Anchorage, this is a great opportunity.

If you will be available to assist in any way, please contact Kathie at 277-0071 or kathie@alaskaaircarriers.org.

Girl Scouts Program Scheduled

The Girl Scouts Women of Science and Technology Day is scheduled to take place on Saturday, February 7, at the UAA Aviation Facility.

There will be a program for the older girls in the afternoon.

Volunteers are needed for this program.

Please contact Angie Slingluff at 230-0952 for more information or if you are available to help at any time during the day.

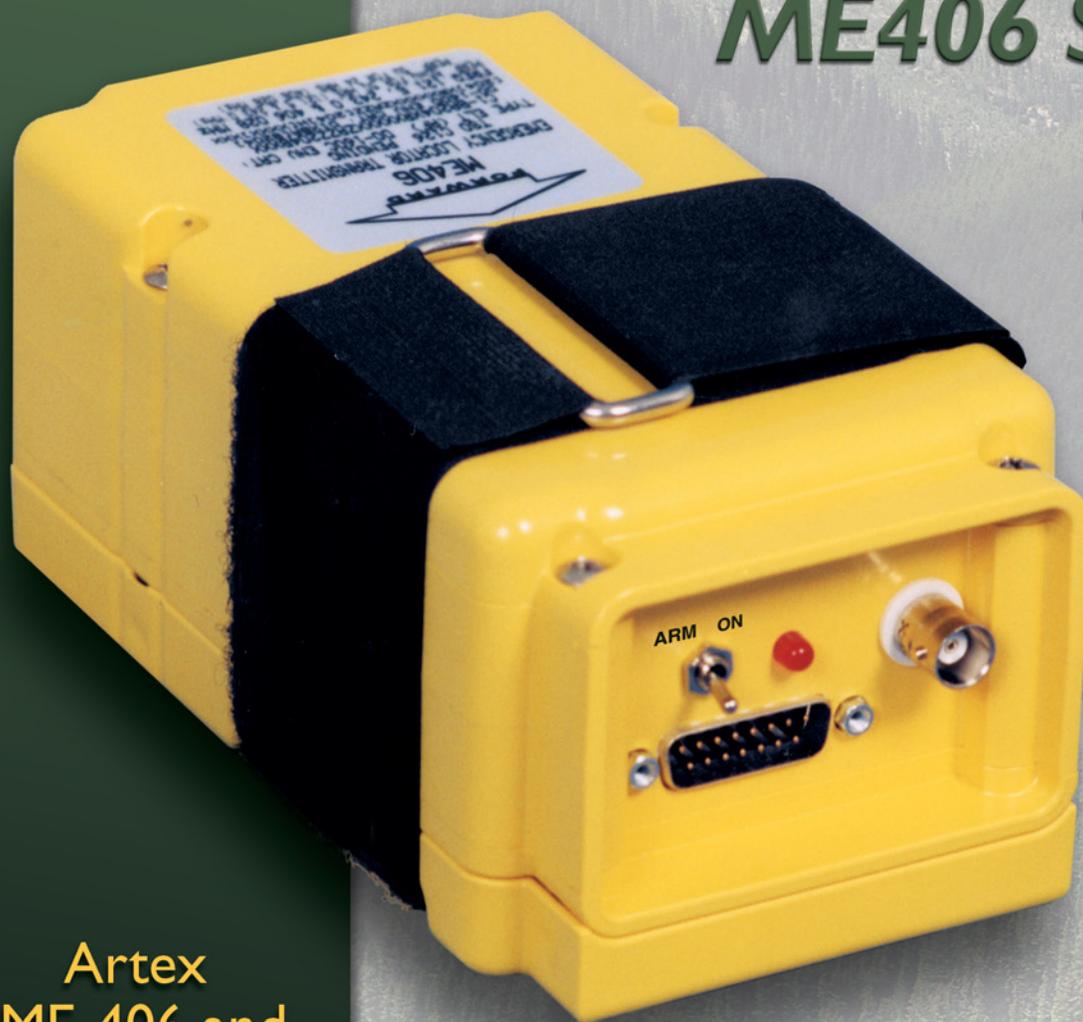
Mat-Su 99 Participates in Alaska's Celebration of 50 Years of Statehood

Elaine Base, a member of the Mat-Su Valley Chapter 99s, aka "An Alaska Wordmaker," read two of her poems about flying and spoke about being a 99 as part of the 50th Year Celebration of Alaska Statehood on Saturday, at 5:00 p.m. January 3, 2009. The presentation was part of many festivities being held at the Dena'ina Center in Anchorage.

Elaine served in the U. S. Army and later worked in the field of public health. Now retired, she has taken up writing children's stories and poetry. She has received one first and second prize in the National Veterans' Creative Arts Contest, as well as nine more in state events. She is currently a Lt. Colonel in the Alaska State Defense Force and a member of the 99s, an international women's flying organization. She lives in Wasilla, Alaska.

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Mounting Hardware:

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Other Parts:

Coax cable
Buzzer (to alert ground crews of accidental activation)

Weights:

ELT Transmitter: 1.85 lbs (833 g)
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Total Weight: 2.05 lbs (933 g)

Measurements:

ELT Transmitter with Mounting Hardware Installed:
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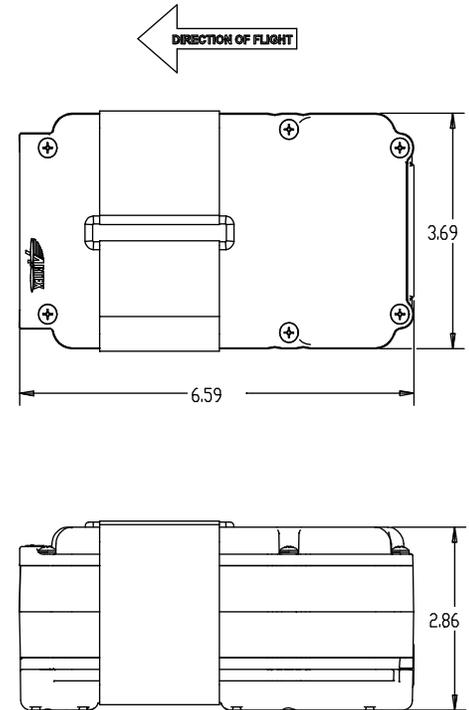
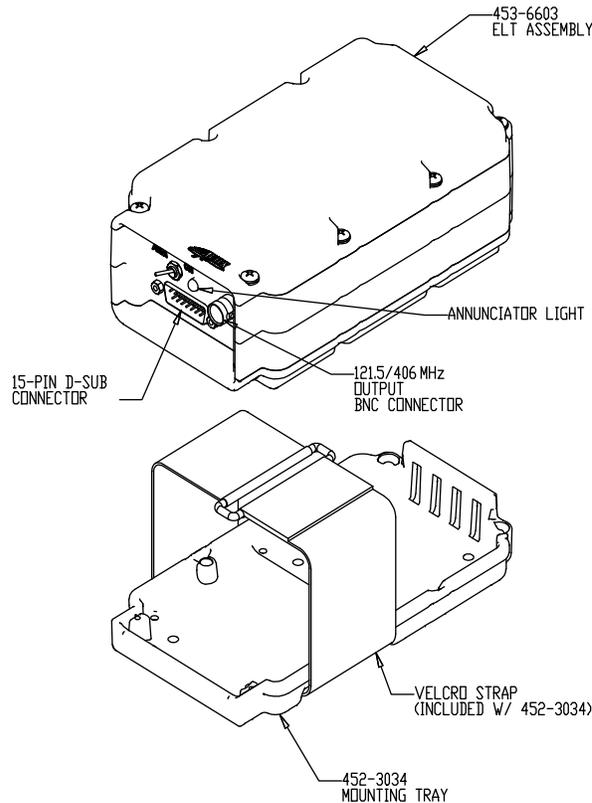
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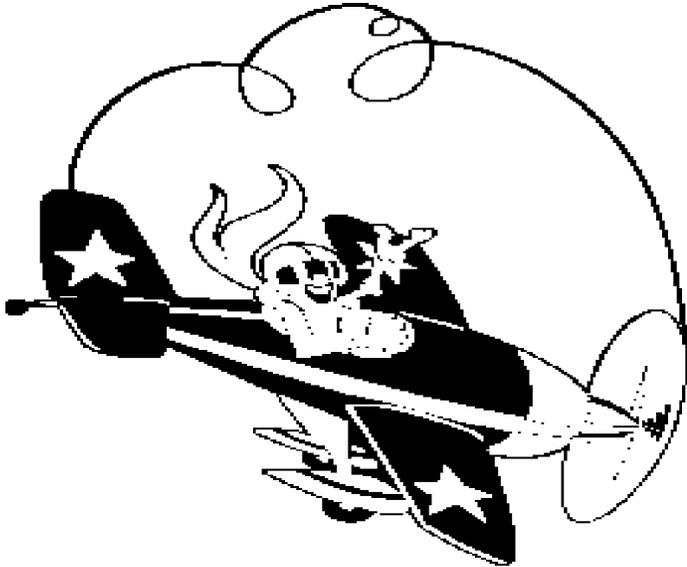
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