



Colorado Ninety-Nines Profile

Name	Babette André
Ninety-Nines involvement (if you hold a position such as Membership Chair or Volunteer) Member	
Occupation:	Retired MSU/AES faculty, CFI, real estate broker and publisher and free-lance journalist
Year that you joined:	1978
Highest Pilot Certificate you hold	ATP, CFI-I, MEI,
Ratings you hold:	CFI-I; MEI, Gold Seal.
Flight Hours:	5500 logged
Do you own an airplane?	No. I know too much about them.
Why did you start flying?	1973 as a student. I had a boyfriend with an airplane (Tri-Pacer). The boyfriend didn't work, but the aircraft did.
Tell us about your favorite flying adventure	Flying to Costa Rica in a C-182 with 5 planes from the Colo. Pilots Assn. It took 3 days and a lot of patience. Also flew to Alaska above the Arctic Circle in a C-185. Never saw a legal aviation in that state. There are one- moose airplanes and two-moose airplanes. Weight and balance? What's that?
Why did you join The 99s?	Companionship.
What is your favorite 99s event or activity?	Meetings and social activities.
Hobbies, interests, or information about your self that you would like to share	Grew up in Honolulu, Hawaii. Roosevelt High School graduate. 1959 1963 BA Political Science, Univ. Cal Berkeley. 1963-65 – Peace Corps Volunteer, Bafoussam, Cameroun, Teaching English as Foreign Language to French-speaking Africans, who spoke several languages before coming to English class. Community development.

2014-present : AOPA liaison for BJC as Airport Support Network Volunteer.

Inducted in Colorado Aviation Hall of Fame (1990) for years of teaching and publishing years of GA activity (Wings West Magazine) in Colorado. We created the first WAC-size color chart showing the whole state with preferred mountain routes in the 1980s. It takes six sectionals and three WACs to put the state together, before State Aeronautics existed.

Instrumental in helping transfer title for Erie/Tri-county Airport from private bankrupt ownership to a municipal airport in the early 90s. Specialized in airport real estate. 22 years. (1990-2012)

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