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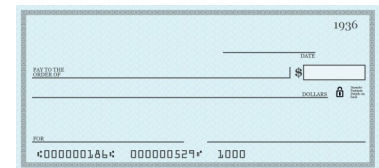
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Calling all Chicago Area 99s to our LIVE event

June 13, 2021 1:00 pm

ANNUAL MEETING AND INDUCTION OF NEW OFFICERS



Join us as Eva conducts the last meeting of her term as Chair. The outgoing Officers have worked through very difficult times and deserve our thanks and praise. Please come and catch up in person at a brief business meeting. After that, we will thank and celebrate the accomplishments of Eva, Mona, Cynthia, Colleen, Jill and Donna, followed by the passing of the gavel to our newly elected Board. The new officers will be inducted by our North Central Section Governor, Janice Welsh.

Signature Flight Support's Hangar 19 at Chicago Executive (KPWK) Airport. The USPS address of that building is 1064 Milwaukee Ave, Wheeling, but the location is on Tower Road. Turn west on Tower Road and our meeting is at the 2nd building on the right.

Reception with light refreshment to follow

PLEASE COME!



WHO'S WHO

OUTGOING CHAIR

Eva Kozlowski

INCOMING CHAIR

Madeleine Monaco

CONTINUING VICE CHAIR

Mona Knock

OUTGOING SECRETARY

Cynthia Madsen

INCOMING SECRETARY

Shelley Ventura

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Deena Schwartz

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HANDING THE GAVEL OVER

EVA KOZLOWSKI TO MADELEINE MONACO



Greetings Fellow 99s and Friends –

As my two-year tenure as Chair comes to an end, I look back and must admit, it has been a very interesting two years. Year one was nothing short of a whirl wind. The new Board had three members that were new to the 99s organization, two of which were students. I was one of those new to the 99s and a student pilot. Much was in place as far as the usual yearly events, gathering, fly-ins and community out-reach. It was fun meeting up with fellow pilots, and student pilots to share stories, learn from each other, and support each other.

Things became a bit challenging in year two, with the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic. So many unknowns, therefore to err on the side of caution, everything that possibly could went virtual – from virtual meetings to virtual camaraderie. We stopped flying; we sheltered in place. This made for some challenging times for the chapter. Pretty much all of our usual monthly events and in-person meetings were canceled from March 2020 forward. By the end of summer, some of us ventured out cautiously to a fly-in to Bult Field. It was wonderful to meet and talk and fly in person.

As we pass one year of enduring this pandemic, things are look better for some semblance of getting back to how thing were pre-pandemic. As I pass the baton to Madeleine Monaco, the new chair, I look forward to a new role with the Chicago Area Chapter. I would like to thank my Board, Mona, Cynthia, and Colleen, for their time and hard work these past two years. I wish much success to the new Board. I am forever grateful for the opportunity to serve as Chair of the Chicago Area Chapter of the 99s and for all the new friendships that came of it. I wish each of you much success in all you do!

Happy and safe flying –

Eva

Hello 99s from your New Chair!

I am happy to be able to serve in this position, as I love the 99s—what they stand for and what they do! I was Chair many years ago and enjoyed my term immensely. I was impressed with the interaction between the Chapter and its members; the Section and its Chapters; and the International Board and Committee Chairs with the Sections. So much is accomplished by so many amazing, intelligent, courageous and proficient women.

I have heard from members of other large aviation organizations that the difference between those others and ours is one of caring. We are a family. We protect and assist each other. We try to keep each other safe and sane. We try to help each other.

When I joined the 99s, it was 1979. I was a brand new private pilot. I was so happy to be eligible for the honor of membership

I wanted to help. I volunteered. And it has led me to so many fantastic experiences.

I encourage you to attend a Section meeting. One is coming up in September. I promise that you will meet someone who inspires you.

I encourage you to mark your calendar for July of 2022 and attend the International Conference scheduled in Charleston. I know that you will meet someone famous. Our membership includes astronauts, women from the 1930s, history makers, challenge takers, and pilots like you and like me.

The fun is there—reach for it. Your work has value for you and others. The growth and pleasure that you will experience by giving of yourself—once or repeatedly- will far outweigh the time and effort you have spent.

Say yes to the 99s. Don't just belong, participate!

Madeleine

May 20, 2021 Meeting Minutes (condensed)

May 20, 2021 Via Teleconference (7:12p to 7:45p)

Present: Eva Kozlowski, Chair; Cynthia Madsen, Secretary; Donna Klein, Interim Treasurer; Jill Feldman, immediate past Chair; Madeleine Monaco, Air News Editor and Sharon Schorsch, Scholarship Chair.

March, 2021 minutes approved as published in April, 2021 AirNews. Motion Madeleine/Sharon. Passed.

Treasurer's Report presented by Donna Klein, 501c3 Chair in her capacity as Interim Treasurer. Prior Treasurer Colleen Murphy's resigned April 20, 2021. Board voted to appoint Donna Interim Treasurer. Account balance checking \$10,427.48, \$15,864.40 in MMA. The 501(c)3 report is in process; the handover will occur in June, 2021 to Deena Schwartz as new Treasurer.

Nominating Committee Chair, Jill Feldman reported on the Election. The slate was approved by all voting.

Chair: Madeleine Monaco

Vice Chair: Mona Knock

Secretary: Shelley Ventura

Treasurer: Deena Schwartz

Nominating Committee: Eva Kozlowski, Alyssa Kano, Victoria Szewczyk

The chapter thanks the Nominating Committee: Jill, Ellen O'Hara and Sue Nealey.

Section Meeting Report on the May 1, 2021 North Central Section virtual meeting. Vice Chair Mona Knock attended for the Chapter. Also attending, Shelley Ventura, Cynthia Madsen, Madeleine Monaco. There was no voting on the Bylaws at this meeting. The weekend of September 24-25 will be the fall Section meeting in Tomahawk, Wisconsin.

Santori Scholarship Chair Cynthia gave a report on behalf of the committee (Cynthia Madsen, Madeleine Monaco and Deb McGee). Santori Scholarship winners: \$2,000 to Kathryn Crihfield for her CFI; \$1,000 to Brenda Frye for her initial certificate; and \$1,000 to Astrid Melms for her instrument rating.

Frantz/Chapter Scholarship Committee Sharon Schorsch reported for the Ruth Frantz/Chapter Scholarships Committee; \$2,500 to Yanina Necker; \$2,500 to Leire Kennedy; and \$500 to Jill Mann. Since its one-time purpose has been completed, a motion was made by Madeleine to dissolve the Frantz/Chapter committee, with thanks to Cynthia Madsen, Sharon Schorsch and Debbie Karas. Motion passed.

Membership Chair Karen Ballard, submitted a report; she and her husband are not well. 112 members as of today, including members who are on standby or on hold. Karen is not currently able to contact these 99s and we need someone to do this. McKenzie Krutzinger has volunteered to assist the Membership Committee with contact to new members. She will then focus on Airline/Corporate bound members

AE Scholarship Chair Sharon Schorsch reported that Daija Murray was a good candidate who applied for First Wings, but she did not win.

Announcements The next chapter meeting will be Sunday, June 13, 2021 at Chicago Executive Airport. Eva/Madeleine hosting 1:00-4:00 Hangar 19, at KPWK the second building on the right on Tower Road. Turn west off Milwaukee Ave on Tower Road at the Signature entrance.

Calendar: The International Annual Meeting will be held virtually on July 10, 2021.

The NCS Fall Meeting will be held LIVE September 23-25, 2021 in Tomahawk, WI

CHAPTER VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

History Committee Temp work

An invitation is extended to all who want to help record our chapter history! Student Pilot member Sarah Lichtenwalter has joined our committee and is looking forward to seeing the highlights of our history as she helps to record it. Join us if you would like to have some fun looking at these while helping, please contact Ellen O'Hara

Membership Committee 2 positions—very brief time commitment each month

Communications Assist We would like to have a 99 to communicate occasionally with some of our long time and inactive members. 99s support each other and checking in with those who can't be with us in person would be a caring gesture. This volunteer reports to the Newsletter Editor so that we can share the info. **Prefer a long time member, please**

Communications Assist Reach out to New members not on corporate/airline career path. We would like to have someone to communication with new student pilot members to give advice to them and report progress to the editor to share in AirNews.

Program Committee Chair

This 99 would secure volunteers to host flying/social events (approx. 6) and to host business meetings (approx. 6) Several are pre-planned so its not even 12 to set. The individual hosts will choose their own location, set up, and get a hostess committee to help out. With only one event/meeting a year for each volunteer their job will be manageable. The Committee Chair's commitment is only during June of 2021.

Newsletter Contributors

Air News is published every month. Your editor really enjoys this tool for communicating the business and news of the Chapter. But I would like to publish a guest article every month. With over 100 members there must be a few writers in our group. It can be educational, inspirational, or personal. If personal, send a photo with it. It can be about legislation affecting aviation or FAA Medical changes. Please send me an article. My monthly deadline is the 20th. It can be a great growth experience to put your thoughts down in writing and see them in print. Email me something—99mjm@sbcglobal.net.

Many hands make light work.

CALENDAR—UPCOMING EVENTS

CHICAGO AREA CHAPTER 99S ANNUAL MEETING KPWK JUNE 13, 2021 1PM—4PM
See all info on front page.

JULY EAA AIR VENTURE July 26, 2021 to August 1, 2021 at Whitman Field in Oshkosh Wisconsin
The Ninety-Nines International will be set up in a booth at this years event. Please be sure to check in while you are there and see what's new with 99s.

NORTH CENTRAL SECTION MEETING TOMAHAWK SEPTEMBER 23-25, 2021

GIRLS IN AVIATION DAY SEPT 25, 2021

and much more to come.

Member News

Checking in with the newbies.....

McKenzie Krutzinger reached out to our newer members and heard back from **Maggie Sampson**.

Maggie said "I started my flight training last year at KPWK, Chicago Executive Flight School, with Clarice Tweeten as my CFI. I met Madeleine Monaco there a few times too! I earned my PPL 11/13/20, and since then I've enrolled in Lewis University to continue my training. Right now I'm halfway through my IFR rating. I've always loved flying and it was my dream to become a pilot since I was a kid! I plan to have a career in aviation and I'm excited to become a CFI. I'm currently a tutor for kids right now, and my dream is to combine my two passions, working with kids and aviation! I joined the 99s because I wanted to be a part of a community of women pilots. Having such a great female instructor for my training really inspired me to join more women-based organizations, and eventually train other female pilots in the future."

Ceci Strom deserves our congratulations and applause for winning a 2021 Scholarship at the recent virtual WAI Conference. Tell us about it, Ceci !

Besides being our Chairman, **Eva Kozlowski** is a hard working oncology pharmacist, a new grandmother, and a student pilot. She is practicing for her check ride, trying to fly 2 hours every week. Keep us posted, Eva.

Scholarship winner **Katy Crihfield** is leaving her teaching job in Gurnee and starting in August at a new high school in the western suburbs. She is training for her CFI at Chicago Executive Flight School and is making good use of her Santori Scholarship. Can't wait to see the commercial she filmed!

Another of our winners, **Leire Kennedy**, took a two week break to fly home to Spain to introduce baby Amaya to her Spanish grandparents. Covid kept them apart, but no more. Leire has had a setback or two but will not give up and will soon be back on the road to her career in the front of the plane.

Hannah Wilson is flying as much as she can before she leaves for the Navy. Might be as soon as July ??? But on May 24th she SOLOED!!! Best day ever—right ?

This is a list of some our Chapter's Student Pilots. Haven't heard from them lately. Check in, please.

REYNA DODD
RAPHAELA KURZEN
ALICIA MARTINEZ
ABBY NELSON
GABRIELLE PALL

ALLISON GUENTHER
ANNA LIGHTNER
MOLLY MULLIGAN
ERIN O'NEILL
SAZZY SAZDANOFF

WELCOME OUR NEW MEMBERS

Catie Filios is NEW to Chicago! Catie, glad you joined us. Hope to meet you in person soon!

To all of our new members since lockdown, this message is for you, too.

Come to the June 13 gathering at Chicago Executive Airport and meet and greet! In person first time since last August at Bult, we will celebrate our retiring officers and welcome our new officers. If you can't make it, PLEASE email your Air News editor and tell us a bit about yourself and your flying!

Where do you fly?

What are you working on or planning?

OR what was your aviation history?

How, where, when did you get your first certificate?

AND ARE YOU READY TO GET BACK TO IN-PERSON MEETINGS????

PARNERSHIPS & PARTICIPATION

INTROS TO AVIATION HOW TO REACH THE KIDS!

EAA YOUNG EAGLES FLIGHTS

The opportunity to advance general aviation and influence the young people with knowledge of aviation's wonders comes often. One of the best ways to do this is one on one interaction with airplane rides. Another is the small group Girl Scout Aviation Badge Day conducted by our 99s. But a great one that really needs more women is a local Young Eagles Rally.



Your airport probably has an EAA Chapter, and therefore the ability to host Young Eagles. Even some airports without EAA Chapters have Young Eagles Rallies. At KPWK it is hosted by Steve and Carol MacCabe, who have scheduled the first rally in a year for June 19. If you haven't yet participated in one of these great opportunities, and you are an EAA Member, go to the link here to qualify.

<https://www.eaa.org/eaa/youth/youth-protection-policy-and-program>
(it's not difficult to complete)

And come visit Steve and Carol and their volunteers at KPWK, on Signature Flight Support's south lawn June 19, 10a-12 noon Next time be ready, and sign up to fly (or be ground support staff) !

WAI GIRLS IN AVIATION DAY

September 25, 2021, at various locations around the Chicago area, our sisters in aviation at Women in Aviation International, Chicago's Leading Edge Chapter will be educating and informing girls about their opportunities in aviation careers. Many of us in the Chapter are also members of WAI, and participate.

We will share the information and hopefully get those and more

of our members to come out and help. Chicago's Leading Edge has offered to assist at our Girl Scout Aviation Badge Day next Spring. There is Nationwide coordination on these GIAD Events. Be a part of it!



A Women in Aviation International® Event

GIRL SCOUT AVIATION BADGE DAY

Cancelled the past two years because of Covid-19, this coming year should be something that makes up for the loss. The Event Chairs for this one will be preparing and we will announce the location, date and time as soon as we know it. Our regular Airline Pilot speaker has retired from Southwest, so we will be asking another of our members to step up and take over her station. Our efforts at the other stations have been very favorably received by all. We will need leaders and assistants at each station: Pre-Flight, Forces of Flight, Navigation, Chart Reading (maybe some Ipad Foreflight or Garmin reading too), History of Flight, Aviation Careers and of course, Registrations and Snacks!!!



OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

Just a sampling—Indian Princesses, Boy Scouts, Civil Air Patrol, Aviation Explorers, Eagle Scouts project mentors, private airport tours for small specialized groups, and tower visits once restrictions are lifted.

You have heard the saying “If you can’t see it, you can’t be it.” Let the kids see women pilots.



North Central Section 99s Annual Chapter Report



NCS Chapter: Chicago Area Chapter

Report period: [04/20 – 03/21]

This report is submitted for the Spring Section Meeting: [04/21]

Membership summary:

These past 12 months have brought our membership to a total of 115 members, of which 105 that are Current, 4 on Hold, 5 on Standby, and 1 Past Member. This is an increase of 4 current members over last year's membership. Due to COVID-19, we needed to cancel our monthly events. Our business meetings were held via conference call, with roughly 8 to 10 members participating. These business meetings were our only way of "meeting" as a Chapter, due to the pandemic. As a result, our monthly Air News newsletter continues to be our primary source to provide information, updates, and inspiration for all our Chapter members.

Member achievements:

Our membership achieved a wide spectrum of awards, scholarships, and accomplishments, this past reporting year.

- ❖ Yanina Belazorava became Instrument Rated on June 5th, 2020.
- ❖ Jill Tonne became a private pilot in 2020.
- ❖ Margaret Sampson became a private pilot in November 2020.
- ❖ Yanina Belazorava won the NSC Spinning Prop Honorable Mention
- ❖ Yosh Kano won the NSC 49 ½ Award
- ❖ Carol Skiber, Southwest Airline Captain, retired from Southwest Airlines.
- ❖ We are very proud of our member Kathryn Carihfield, who was awarded the Santori Scholarship to work towards earning her CFI.

Chapter activities:

Over the last 12 months our activities were limited, due to COVID-19.

Here are a handful of activities our chapter did:

- ❖ On Memorial Day 2020, a group of CAC 99s, along with the local chapter of Women in Aviation, Chicago's Leading Edge, conducted a brief memorial service at the site of Janet Wayne Tuch's grave in Barrington's Evergreen's Cemetery. She was in the WASP 44-W-9 class.
- ❖ Bult Field (C56) Fly-in/Drive-in on 8.16.2020, hosted by Chapter member, Cynthia Madsen. We had a socially distanced barbeque lunch, with door prizes, and viewed the movie "Flyabout." The movie is a documentary by 99 Monika Petrillo about her flight around Australia's perimeter, with her father.
- ❖ By-Laws and Standing Rules were revised.

New horizons:

None

Submitted by: Eva M Kozlowski, Chapter Chair

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Madeleine Monaco



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JUNE 13, 2021
CHAPTER BUSINESS MEETING
SUNDAY, 1:00 pm , Hangar 19
SIGNATURE FLIGHT SUPPORT
1064 S Milwaukee Ave Wheeling, IL 60090

YOU REALLY SHOULD COME

The Fall North Central Section Meeting in TOMAHAWK WI

September 23-26, 2021

Should be fun after so long without our friendly weekend gathering.

Save the date, reserve a plane, invite a friend, fellow pilot, other Chapter member, or even, your spouse!

This event will be held at the Treehaven Education and Conference Center.

The Northwoods Chapter is hosting.

ACTIVITIES FOR SPOUSES AND FRIENDS ARE PLANNED