

# AIR NEWS



Chicago Area Chapter Ninety-Nines®, Inc., International Organization of Women Pilots.

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## CHICAGO 99S INVITED TO A GATHERING

JUNE 9, 2023



FRIDAY 6:30 pm

### SCHAUMBURG AIRPORT - HANGAR E48

Join EAA Chapter 153 for their first outdoor meeting  
Sub sandwiches, soft drinks, music & maybe dancing.

Bring a dessert to share if you can!

Parking is limited near the hangar, you will need to  
park your plane by Pilot Petes or park in the lot  
and walk in through the pedestrian gate.

## CHICAGO AREA CHAPTER ANNUAL MEETING



JUNE 25, 2023

1:00 PM TO 4:00 PM

CHICAGO EXECUTIVE AIRPORT MANAGEMENT  
BUILDING—BOARD CONFERENCE ROOM

1020 PLANT DRIVE WHEELING, IL

(fly-ins ask to taxi to Atlantic Aviation—  
ramp fee waived if notice received by Madeleine in advance)

*Don't miss it!*

- 1) New Officers will be sworn in by a visiting 99 dignitary.
- 2) Bylaws proposed, discussed and amended in March, then sent out for review in April, will be brought to a vote.
- 3) Budget proposed and discussed in March, then sent out for review in April, will be brought to a vote.
- 4) A report on the successful Girls Aviation Day event will be presented by Jill/Megan
- 5) Chapter Awards will be presented by the Chair.
- 6) A celebration will commence
- 7) Cake will be eaten

### FIND US—ON OUR WEBSITES

CHICAGOAREA99S.ORG (Chapter website)  
NCS99s.ORG (Section website)  
NINETY-NINES.ORG (International website)

### FOLLOW US— IN PRINT

AIR NEWS 12 ISSUES (via email from Chapter)  
WAYPOINT 4 ISSUES (via email from Section)  
99s MAGAZINE 6 ISSUES (USPS from International)

FRIEND US—ON FACEBOOK (many, many pages)

### FUND US—DUES/DONATIONS

CHAPTER CONTRIBUTIONS OF \$20 EVERY JUNE 1  
INTERNATIONAL DUES ANNUALLY MONTH JOINED

### FILL US—WITH KNOWLEDGE

SHARE YOUR WISDOM AND SKILLS  
WITH YOUR SISTER WOMEN PILOTS

### FUEL US— WITH ENTHUSIASM

WHAT MOVES YOU,  
WHAT EXCITES YOU,  
WHAT BRINGS YOU JOY

### FLY WITH US



**WHO'S WHO**  
in the  
**Chicago Area Chapter**

**CHAIR**

**Madeleine Monaco**

**VICE CHAIR**

**Larisa Kano**

**SECRETARY**

**Vickie Szewczyk**

**TREASURER**

**Shelley Ventura**

Deadline for submission the  
20th of the month :

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**CHAPTER BRIEFING**

*Pre and Post Flight*

*Madeleine Monaco*



Dear Chicago 99s,

**Girl's Aviation Day at Lewis U was great!! See report and pics page 3 Jill, Megan and Ellen O. put together a great team and did a superb job.**

**We received a fun invitation to a party at Schaumburg Airport.** EAA Chapter 153 is hosting their members (and ours) on Friday night, June 9, at 6:30 pm. Sub sandwiches, soft drinks, music and maybe dancing will occur—and one of the members will talk about his Piper Arrow. Hangar E-48 on East side- EAA 153 hangar presentation, dinner, music

**June meeting** date has been changed to **June 25** at 1pm in the Chicago Executive Airport Directors Meeting Room, 1020 Plant Road, Wheeling IL Starts at 1pm ends on or before 4 pm. This will be our Annual Awards Presentation and Induction of New Officers. In order to have the ramp fee waived for 99s, I must know your tail number and aircraft type **IN ADVANCE** if you will fly in. Tell me **NOW**—no charge or fault if you don't make it. The FBO is Atlantic Aviation—but again, I have to know in advance. And we will need to drive over to get you. **Text me for pick up**

The ByLaws and Standing Rules were presented in March, amended at that meeting and sent to you with your April Air News. They will be voted on at our June meeting. If you need a second copy and cannot find it in your inbox, let me know. **Text me**

The Budget proposal was also sent to you with your April newsletter, and will be voted on at the June meeting. If you need another copy of that, please advise. **Email me**

**AND PLEASE HELP US TO FUND ALL OF THIS ACTIVITY  
CONTRIBUTE TO YOUR CHAPTER**

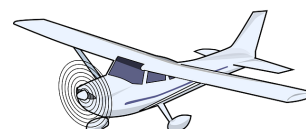
We were not able to come up with a viable plan for a Chapter road trip to Air Venture this year. Thanks to Erica and Linda for their work on the project.

However we have accepted the invitation from Indiana Dunes Chapter to a fly-in lunch at **Linnie Q's on July 15.**

We have also arranged for a visit to **Gambit Aviation at Aurora Airport on October 14th at 1:00 pm.**

So 99s, what do you feel like doing!  
Lots to choose from, right?

**Don't just belong, participate!**



*Madeleine*

# GIRL'S AVIATION DAY 2023 BY THE NUMBERS



Jill

On May 20, 2023,  
from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm,  
22 Chicago Area Ninety Nines staffed  
Girl's Aviation Day at Lewis University.

5 99s friends and family came to help out.

5 Lewis University student volunteers assisted by presenting 2 of the sessions  
6 different group sessions, and a Career Panel were presented.

3 airplanes were used to teach preflight inspections to all 117 girls

117 girls between 8 and 17 years of age, were educated along with

55 parents and Scout Leaders, from

2 Girl Scout Councils: Northern Illinois and Chicago-Northwest Indiana.

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American  
Airlines  
MD80 was  
the world's  
largest show  
and tell item,  
and stood in  
as a photo  
backdrop.



Ellen

This outstanding event was prepared, staffed,  
produced and presented by Jill, Megan, and  
Ellen. These women deserve all the applause  
and congratulations we can give them.

They gave 110 %

Thank you to Jill, Megan and Ellen  
and all of those who made this possible.

Great teamwork!!!!



Megan

## Chicago Chapter Student Pilot Reports

from Ana Adona

**Lisa Mitchell** I have completed my night hours, cross countries and started Check Ride Stage prep. I am super excited to be coming up to passing the finish line very soon! I just found out about the 99s this past year in December. January was my first event I attended and had a blast! Everyone I have met in the 99s has really inspired me. All the ladies have been incredibly supportive and inspirational to me. I am so grateful to be in this community filled with encouraging women from all walks of life! Looking forward to many more events and to continue my aviation journey!

**Ana Adona** I have been preparing for my check ride sometime now. It feels like a long process juggling work and flying, but I am trying to be patient with myself to fully prepare for the big day. My 99s friends have been amazing in keeping me honest in my studies, sharing knowledge, and they are always eager to help with any questions I have. I am hoping to schedule my check ride for early July!

## And other member news

**Megan M** has won an IHartFlying Scholarship and the Santori Scholarship! Congratulations Megan

**Emily M** won the North Central Section Spinning Prop Award Yay Emily

**Hannah W** has started officially training in Navy aircraft in Pensacola, FL.

**Ellen O, Megan M, Shelley V and Madeleine M** attended the North Central Section meeting last month and presented our Annual Chapter Report as a team—in a Poetic Presentation. Here it is!

Chicago has come here to shine  
and tell you our story in rhyme  
The Call to the Post has brought us to boast  
Of all we have done since last time.

Each May is our Girl Scout event  
so out to the airport we went  
To teach all those girls that even with curls  
their own path they sure can invent

In June we honored the best  
the members who outshone the rest  
for all that they give us they are so prestigious  
We want them to know we feel blessed

To Charleston for Conference we flew  
to meet with the 99s crew  
with going to meetings and making some greetings  
Good trouble we managed to brew

In August our group went to CLOW  
to hear Diane Hromek tell how  
She flew out to work Taking notes in the court  
Her story made us all say WOW

September was fun at the shore  
The Dunes you just cannot ignore  
We learned and had fun The meetings were run  
we loved what was offered and more

Autumn brought chances to meet  
To plan and to learn and to greet  
Our friends, old and new As our membership grew  
And we always had good food to eat.

The new year brought us all out  
bringing WINGS credits about  
We hold many sessions and teach lots of lessons  
Our EXPO is something to tout

Next we had Bunco and lunch  
Then Yanina hosted our bunch  
The speaker IA Was telling us "hey"  
Read manual or you will go crunch

In March we talked business a lot  
Bylaws, budget, what not  
We planned a new slate and it will be great  
to give some new members a slot

Come visit whenever you're able  
we rarely just sit at the table  
We really do mean it our porch light is lit  
Our welcome is not just a fable.

APPLAUSE APPLAUSE APPLAUSE!!

It was really fun to do!

*Special thanks to Vice Governor Sue G for audio assist*



Our Hotel in Clarksville



Rosie the Riveter river  
front monument



Prize  
Winning Hat



# REMEMBERING GAIL WENK

May 16, 2023

To All friends in the Chicago Area Chapter of the 99s-

Gail Wenk, my wonderful mom passed away on January 28th.

Since that day, more and more amazing memories about her and her flying have happened and the time when her health was bad during her last year are fading.

She was an amazing mom, friend and pilot. She started flying when I was 6, ok 51 years ago and joined the 99s right away. The 99s at that time were mainly wives and moms like she was. It was rare to be able to say that your mom flew and so much fun to say !

The 99s were all there for each other during good and bad times. Their friendships were not to be believed.

As a mom pilot she would fly me to fun places especially the Wagon Wheel. It was a resort by Rockford with an indoor skating rink, golf, horses and a gravel runway. She would be smoking the entire time with one hand on a cigarette and the other on the yoke.

She always had trouble finding that runway, but when she did, she peeled off to line up and landed softly on that crummy gravel.

As I got older and started flying at 17, her 99 friends became my 99 friends. How lucky am I !!

She flew in the Powder Puff Derby with Mary Hough. I am so proud of that ! She was also my Co-pilot in a few races. She would always forget to start the stop watch and would the say—boy this plane is fast. We laughed the entire race. It didn't matter because I always came in last place no matter who my Co-pilot was.

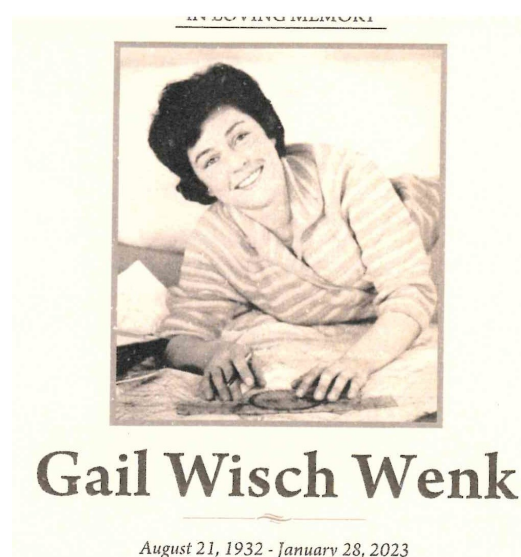
She was part of, and in charge of many 99 conventions and air races. She LOVED that ! She was always looking for Amelia. She thought she was still alive until about 2015 when Amelia would have been 118 !

She hosted a 99 convention strictly about her. The guest was Joe Klaas author of Amelia Earhart Lives. Everyone swarmed him and loved that convention.


She was truly one of a kind and how lucky I am to be her daughter !

Kind regards-


Wendy Wenk Deeter



Mary Hough and Gail Wenk



## EAA AIRVENTURE OSHKOSH 2023 NOTICE

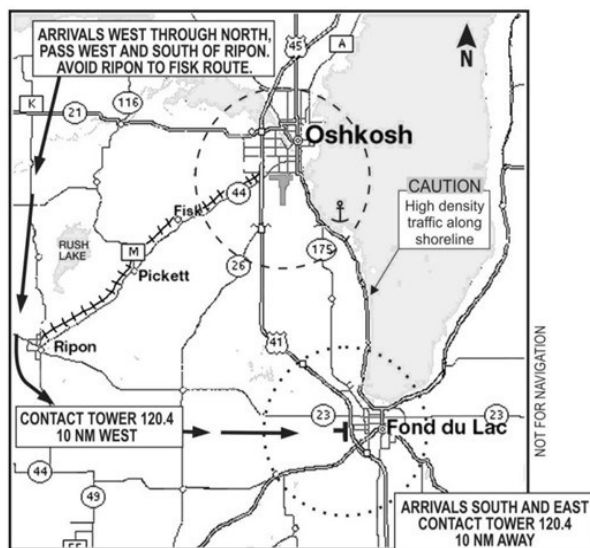


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This notice does not supersede  
restrictions contained in other  
FDC  
NOTAMs.

Special Flight Procedures effective Noon CDT July 20 to Noon CDT July 31, 2023

The **Fond du Lac diversion procedure is no more.** The FAA will operate a temporary air traffic control tower at FDL from Saturday, July 22, through Sunday, July 30. It will operate between 0700 and 2030, and it will close at 1700 on Sunday. Pilots must communicate with this tower when at or below 3300-foot MSL within 4 nautical miles of Fond du Lac County Airport



## EAA AirVenture Notice: First Sign of Summer

In Wisconsin, winter doesn't give up easily. Even when it snows again in May, a not uncommon happening, one sure sign that summer is on its way and will soon bathe us in its warm sunshine is the release of the [upcoming EAA AirVenture Notice](#) that details the FAA-approved arrival and departure procedures for aviation's late summer pilgrimage to Oshkosh.

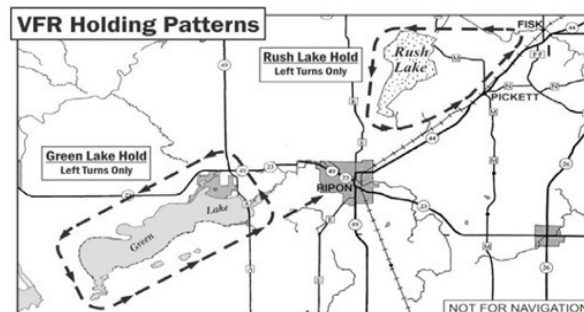
Contrary to folklore, the powers that be do tweak the procedures each year to make arrival, parking, and departure safer and more efficient. So, if you don't want to be that pilot who makes flying to and from Oshkosh more exciting than it already is, download the notice using the link above—*read it, review it before you take off, and keep it in the cockpit!*

The procedures detailed in the notice are in effect from 1200 Central Daylight Time on Thursday, July 20, until 1200 on Monday, July 31. EAA will hold a webinar, [Flying to AirVenture 2023](#), at 1900 on June 14 to discuss the changes in this year's notice. Pilots are encouraged to participate to build their knowledge prior to their flights to Oshkosh.

Make sure you arrive with more than enough fuel. If Mother Nature provides CAVU weather, you won't be the only one flying the FISK arrival. That's why the notice gives details on **holding patterns**. And if they are full, proceed no further. "Make left turns over a point on the ground and continue to hold until ATC advises" you proceed.

AirVenture's **daily air show** will now start at 1415 Central, 15 minutes earlier than in years' past. The air show demonstration area and Temporary Flight Restrictions, extending from the surface to 16,000-foot MSL, are within a 5-nautical-mile radius from Wittman Regional Airport (OSH). From Monday, July 24, through Saturday, July 29, the air show TFR is active between 1415 and 1830.

There are two **night air shows** planned for AirVenture 2023, and their air show TFRs will be active between 2000 and 2200 on Wednesday, July 26, and Saturday, July 29. AirVenture's final air show will be held Sunday, July 30, and its TFR will close the airport to airplanes not performing in the show between 1300 and 1630.



It should go without saying that pilots should be current and proficient in their stick-and-rudder skills, traffic scanning (don't forget to peek around your aircraft's blind spots), and old-school navigation by pilotage. Have a safe flight, and perhaps we'll cross paths somewhere on the AirVenture grounds. —*Scott Spangler, Editor.*

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CHAPTER CALENDAR

2023	DATE	TIME	DESCRIPTION	HOSTESS
JUN	9	6:30	EAA 153 MTG FOOD MUSIC & PRESENTATION COME!! SCHAUMBURG AIRPORT OLD HANGARS	BOB BRANDT & EAA 153! (HOSTS)
JUN	<b>25</b>	<b>1:00 - 4:00</b>	OFFICER INSTALLATION BYLAWS BUDGET & AWARDS	MADELEINE MONACO
JUL	15	LUNCH	LINNIE Q'S LANSING AIRPORT WITH INDIANA DUNES	JANICE WELSH
AUG	<b>27</b>	1:00 PM	DACY AIRPORT—A FLIGHT BACK IN TIME	LARISA K & KAREN B
SEPT	9-29 to 10-1	WEEKEND	SECTION MEETING—COLUMBUS OHIO	PAULA R & SCIOTO VLY
OCT	<b>14</b>	1:00 PM	GAMBIT AVIATION AT AURORA AIRPORT	Volunteer wanted
NOV	12	1:00 PM	SCHAUMBURG AIRPORT CONFERENCE ROOM	MADELEINE MONACO
DEC	10	PM	HOLIDAY PARTY CARLISLE OAKBROOK	VICKIE SZEWCZYK

If you can't find something  
**FUN REWARDING** or **EDUCATIONAL**  
 in the Ninety-Nines you aren't looking hard enough.