

AIR NEWS

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

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THIS MONTH'S MEETING

Chicago Area 99s Chapter meeting

October, 2018 CAP and Aviatres!

When: Sunday, October 21, 2018

Where: Clow International Airport (1C5) **Hangar 3**,
130 Clow International Parkway, Bolingbrook, IL 60490

A map of the detailed airport buildings, with meeting location and parking spaces,  is shown here

10:30 Coffee Ladies please bring a snack to share

11:00 Presentation: Civil Air Patrol!

If you've ever wondered, "Just What Is CAP, Anyway?", here's your chance to find out! Come and hear about the Civil Air Patrol's history & mission, what they do today, and how to fly for CAP.

Get your questions answered by our Civil Air Patrol representatives:

Lt. Col. Joe Long - Director of Operations, Illinois Wing
Lt. Col. Gerry Baumgartner - Interim Commander, Col. Shorty Powers Composite Squadron (Based at 1C5)

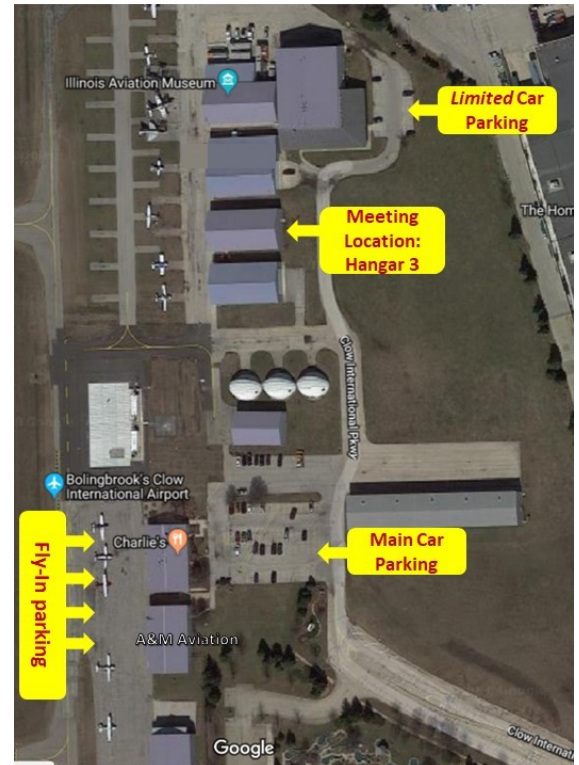
Chapter Meeting will follow the presentation.

Please read the following 2 special NOTAMs for this meeting!

Notam 1: Bonus Guests! In addition to the main presentation, we'll also get the opportunity to meet some of the Aviatres, a group of younger female members of the EAA Chapter 461 based at Clow. As we all know, learning to fly can feel isolating; and this is a great opportunity for us to learn more about their goals, and for them to meet and learn from Real Women Pilots! Bring your best flying stories and words of encouragement!

Notam 2: CFI Wanted! A young female primary student at Clow is in need of an active CFI, who is able to provide training in the Access Aero plane (a Zenith Cruiser in the flying club at Clow). Per our venue host, Wayne Brazinski, EAA Chapter 461: "We have scholarship memberships and she will only pay (a greatly discounted rate), but needs an instructor. I'm trying to help her find someone who is interested." If you can help out, please speak out!

Hostess: Leslie Prellwitz



WHO'S WHO

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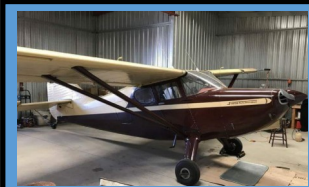
Madeleine Monaco

Deadline for submission the 20th of the month :

Madeleine Monaco, Editor

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FLYING and FRIENDS

JILL FELDMAN, CHAIRMAN

Dear Chicago Area Chapter members,

September has come and gone and I'm still wondering why time has to fly so fast! If only time could fly slowly like my 1946 Aeronca Champ. Some people like to see how fast they can fly somewhere, but I'm enjoying the scenery from 2000ft AGL and 90 mph!

Please read the articles in this month's AirNews on the NCS Fall Meeting in Mansfield Ohio, and information on the 2019 Dayton Conference which was also discussed. It was a fun event, although only one person had a flexible enough schedule to fly in around the thunderstorms. But we had fun seeing old friends, making new friends, learning new things and sharing ideas for improving our chapters.

An interesting piece of useful information picked up at the NCS Meeting: Members only website has a tab for member's discounts at various aviation related companies like Sporty's , Rod Machado's, and many others.

For those who missed the Dacy fly-in – you missed a great event! The smiles on our 99s who got to go for the Stearman rides were unforgettable, and we all enjoyed the hospitality of our hostess Larisa Kano, and her Dacy instructor/speaker/99 – Maggie Dodson. The new Dacy FBO is fantastic – try your plane at grass runways by visiting Dacy and you'll get to experience it yourself.

New going forward – all meetings will have a picture with names of attendees and those that attended but missed the picture. We started with the Dacy event and also took the picture at the NCS meeting. If you don't want your picture taken, we can just include your name.

I am also looking for a volunteer for position that can be done anytime/ anywhere you have a computer and access to email. It's a great opportunity for those corporate pilots we have in our chapter that want to get involved but can't make it to meetings - responding to inquiries that come in to our chapter website for more information. Please call me or Cynthia Madsen if interested and we'll get you set up.

Have a great autumn and we'll see you at the Clow meeting.

Blue Skies!

Jill

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

Katherine Banasiak Akiyo Kaneko

FALL 2018 SECTION MEETING

The weekend of September 21-23 was the Fall NCS meeting in Mansfield, Ohio. More info in Waypoint.

Chapter chairmen that want to share challenges and wins with the other chairmen get an hour to chat over breakfast. Most chapters are having difficulty growing their chapters and having members stay active, but the Kentucky Bluegrass Chapter led by Erin Bliss is the exception. Here are a few of the ideas that she has found to work:

- Get 99 flyers in frames in FBO bathrooms and on bulletin boards. Include contact info (see any officer for the flyers)
- Require new members to come to meetings to get a scholarship. If we don't know them, how can we write a recommendation?
- Have business meetings outside of the membership meetings. Make membership meetings fun. (this we are already doing)

Business Meeting summary on Saturday morning. 32 members representing 10 chapters in attendance

International representative – V.P. Corbi Bulluck – 4th trip to NCS meetings

- ByLaws and Standing Rules – big project to revamp bylaws and standing rules. See website
- Members benefits - see discount codes on international website
- Lets Fly Now – any people any age – Webinar scheduled for October 22.
- 99s are advertising on-line and in flying magazines. Have you seen it ?
- Discussion of the last year's International Election results

NCS Committee Reports

- AE Scholarship Committee – need 3rd member to join Tina Hartlaub (chair) and Minnetta Gardinier
- Website being modernized (Minnetta)
- Waypoint always looking for submissions from chapters/members. If sending pictures, use very high resolution
- Membership – currently 673 members – aiming for 700 by Spring Meeting.

99s International Conference, July 16-21, 2019 Dayton, Ohio Our Section is hosting

Three Keynote speakers and 18 sessions planned

Career Expo on Tuesday July 16th (kick off to conference): 10 am – 5 pm (new last year) Airlines, Corporate and colleges are purchasing tables. There will be a networking lunch; panel sessions/ interviews. Career Expo will be capped at 300 people and 25-30 exhibitors

Business meeting lasted about 3 hours followed by visit to Malabar Farm to see how the rich and famous of Ohio live!

Dinner and entertainment Saturday night – great fun with reenactor Laurretta Schimmoler and her 1942 movie “Parachute Nurses”. What a hoot!



Chicago Area Chapter Meeting Minutes Dacy Airport, Harvard, IL September 16, 2018

Meeting was called to order at 10:50 am by Chairman, Jill Feldman. Jill thanked Larisa Kano and Maggie Dodson for hosting meeting. Announcements: Chapter has 112 members (25 new this year). Everyone present introduced themselves. Welcome to Quinn Wessels, Daytona 99 and Kayla Wihliff, new prospective student pilot. Jill will order new member pins and will also handle name badge orders, for now. Discussed Facebook page – Deena Schwartz is working on it. AEMSf Applications need to be submitted by Jan. 1, 2019. (They need to get to Chapter AEMSf Chair, Sharon Schorsch several weeks prior). NCS meeting is in Mansfield, OH this weekend. Jill will follow up on publicity duties for Dayton Convention. Jill asked for hostesses for meeting for next year. Madeleine announced that IFR/VFR Safety Seminar will be January 26, 2019 at Itasca Holiday Inn—State of Illinois has agreed to contribute toward expenses. Sharon Schorsch mentioned that October 13, 2018 is Girls in Aviation Day. Calendar highlights for remainder of year were reviewed. Jill announced that anyone interested could take a ride in a Stearman, graciously given by Tom Lowe. Meeting adjourned at 11:30 am.

Respectfully submitted, Mary Lou Erikson, Secretary



L to R Linda Uznys, Lindsey Spiegel, Ellen O'Hara, Madeleine Monaco, Deena Schwartz, Julie Richey, Jill Feldman, Tom Lowe (1942 Stearman pilot), Maggie Dodson, Tom Lowe's wife, Sharon Schorsch, Larisa Kano, Alissa Kano. Missing: Marylou Erikson, Karen Ballard

Note: Tom Lowe has been inducted into the Illinois Aviation Hall of Fame. He is the founder of the annual Stearman FlyIn held at Galesburg every summer.



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Fun Fly-In Meeting at Dacy!

Sharon Schorsch—Cessna 206 flew in with Julie Richey and Jill Feldman on board

Lindsey Spiegel—Cessna 172 flew in with Madeleine Monaco on board

Quinn Wessel—Piper Archer flew in with Kayla Wittliff on board

Larissa Kano—taxied over to meeting in her 172 with husband and daughter Alissa

Maggie Dodson—CFI at Dacy was our speaker

AND Tom Lowe—flew his Stearman with his wife and gave rides til everyone was taken!

Larissa—you are the HOSTESS QUEEN this year!!!!



SAVE THE DATE

PARTY

DECEMBER 9TH
NOON TO 4 PM
DUPAGE FLIGHT CENTER

POT LUCK
MORE INFO
TO FOLLOW

CHICAGO AREA 99s HOLIDAY PARTY POTLUCK SIGN UP

Listed below are several categories of food. You can pick one and let me know what you are bringing. Bring your dish labeled and ready to be served (utensils et all). We will not have the ability to reheat anything.

Though we will want several dishes in each category, once a dish has been spoken for, duplicates will not be allowed. (So don't wait till the last minute to sign up!)

Send your choice of dish to contribute to Madeleine Monaco prepare enough for 6 or 8 please.

Categories: STARTERS Dips Hot Appetizer Cold Appetizer

SALAD, VEGGIES, ENTRÉE (FINGER FOODS?)

DESSERTS Chocolate OR Other

We will have punch and water. Chapter will supply dinnerware and set up.

SAVE THE DATE

VOLUNTEER

NOVEMBER 8TH

7:45 PM

SCHAUMBURG LOCATION

FEED MY STARVING
CHILDREN

DINNER BEFORE

FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN

Join us to give back. Celebrate the season of thankfulness for all that we have and enjoy in life, and provide for those who do not have enough to eat.

We have had a great time doing this high energy activity in the past.

A reminder email will be sent to you shortly so that you can sign up and fill out requested quota of workers.

If you want join together for dinner before, please meet at Bahama Breeze at 6:15-6:30 pm Its only a short drive from there.

BUCKET LIST ADVENTURE CHECKED OFF!

This morning I drove out to Dacy Airport in Harvard, IL to attend a monthly meeting of the 99's. I'm a long time, proud member of the Chicago Area chapter. After our meeting we were graciously invited to take a ride in Tom Lowe's 1942 Stearman. The Stearman is a vintage WWII, two seat, open cockpit, bi-plane, trainer aircraft, with fabric and wood construction upon a steel frame fuselage. This Army PT-13/-17, Navy NS/N2S was used to train thousands of military aviators in the 1930's and 1940's. Today, on this beautiful late summer day, I got to fly in Tom's beautiful Stearman!!! Looking like Snoopy, Tom handed me the bomber hat with goggles, buckled me in and we were off heading toward Dacy's grass strip runway. About 200 feet off the ground, one unprovoked tear dropped from my eye and thoughts of my Dad, Vyto, came to mind. My Dad inspired me to follow in his tracks and earn my own private pilot's license. Dad



inspired me not only to soar in the sky but to do so in life, on the ground, as well. Dad's 101st birthday would have been this coming Tuesday, September 18th. I get the feeling he had something to do with making today happen for me. Thanks for your birthday gift, Dad! Once up to about 1,500 feet, Tom allowed me about 15 minutes at the stick. I made some tight turns without losing any altitude . . . indescribable joy! We spent about 30 minutes in the air. Upon landing, Tom complimented me on my maneuvering of his machine. Quite the compliment from this retired UAL captain. As a side note, the Chicagoland pilot community is such a tightly woven network that one pilot is only one or two degrees removed from another pilot friend. As it turns out, my former flight instructor, Bob Russo, co-piloted with Tom at UAL. When Bob captained the 737 for UAL, Tom's son co-piloted with him. Bob Russo ended up retiring from UAL, captaining UAL's final flight of the 737. To this day the Russo's remain my dear friends. Photos taken today with Tom and I, (shown on our Facebook page) include videos of our take-off and landing and finally a picture of my Dad, Vyto with his beloved Mooney, taken in 1973 at Midway airport in front of what today is the Southwest Airlines hangar. Today's excitement will not soon fade from my memory . . . Thank You Mr. Lowe!



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2019 AEMSF Applications Available
NOTAM from your AEMSF Trustees!

In response to requests from Chapter and Section AE Scholarship Chairs, the AEMSF Trustees have changed the application deadlines beginning with the 2019 Scholarships. The new schedule moves the Chapter and Section screening process out of the busy month of December and reduces the amount of time between application and award.

NEW AE Scholarship Application Deadlines

Applicant to Chapter (or Section, if not in a chapter)	January 1, 2019
Chapter to Section	January 15, 2019
Section to Trustees	February 5, 2019
Trustees' Finalists to Outside Judges	March 22, 2019
Results Announced no later than	April 15, 2019

Additional changes go into effect for 2019, so be sure to carefully read the instructions!
2019 Applications and instructions are now available on the website at <https://www.ninety-nines.org/scholarships.htm>

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Dear 99s

Since I leave for Arizona the first of the year, I would appreciate knowing ahead of time if anyone in the Chapter is applying for the AE Scholarship. It may take me more than the 2 weeks allowed to review and gather information to write the Chapter letter of recommendation.

Sharon Ann Schorsch

OUR STUDENT PILOT PROGRESS REPORTS

(don't forget to send your student training reports each month by the 20th)



Jill Feldman

Hours for flight training in last month: 4.5 hours over 4 lessons in the Aeronca Champ. 9 take offs/landings, pattern work, stalls, high work. Wish it was more - but challenges with work, weather and instructor/hubby conflicts!

Eva Kozlowski

Eva had medical leave (approved by the 99s and her MD) and is now back in the air. It's all within reach for her!

Shona Williams

This is the last time she will appear in this particular column. As of 8/9/18 she has earned her Private License.

Angelina Kapp

This is also the last time this woman will appear in this column. She earned her Private License also! Congrats

Sarah Lichtenwalter

Back in the air again with a flight scheduled for the last week in September. Hoping for a great flight for her!

Lindsey Spiegel

Lindsey is finding her way around the northeastern Illinois and southeastern Wisconsin area. She has made a trip to retrieve her airplane from Guntly after its annual and has delivered a fellow aviator to Grand Geneva to retrieve his. Adventures in flying that help to make the area more familiar.

Colleen Murphy

I'm a new member and a student so I thought I would introduce myself. Since retiring 3 years ago, I have made time to try new things. Learning to fly is not a bucket list item for me and I'm certainly not an adrenaline junkie. But for 30 years I have wondered what it would be like to be a pilot. My journey started in May 2018 with a discovery ride in an Evektor Harmony, LSA. I went home and scheduled my first lesson. I was terrified for the first 5 hours of time, but each week I went back. During lesson number 5, I fell in love. I'm pursuing a sport pilot license out of Cushing Field in Newark (0C8) and have about 14 hours of flight time. I have a long way to go. Some days my CFI is visibly pleased, other days we are both relieved the lesson is over. For October my plan is to take the written exam and begin to take two lessons per week. I look forward to getting to know the members.

ANY BALLOON PILOTS READING THIS ???



Kathy Lester-Ross – Wisconsin 99 and Hot Air Balloon Pilot – N6052M will be coordinating a session at The 99s International Conference in Dayton, Sat. June 20th 2019. The topic will be: “Flying Without An Engine – Lighter Than Air Aviation.” She would like fellow 99s on that panel – and is hoping to find them. If you are [or have been] hot air or gas balloon pilots, or crew, or may have been involved in balloon competitions or record flights. Let us know. Contact Kathy via cell at 414-218-9588.

MEMBER NEWS

Long time member Diane Hromek-Sawyer has become current after several years of down time and now is back to flying her airplane. Congratulations, Diane. We are pleased to have you back up in the air!!!!

Four Chicago Area 99s had a great time at a shore lunch/seaplane splash in in September. Sharon Schorsch - Hostess, Marie Spear, Madeleine Monaco and Amanda Wagner. Silver Lake Wisconsin on a beautiful fall day!

Mary Lou and Gregg Erikson attended the AYA Grumman Convention Fly-In in Hutchison Kansas in September. They were featured on the front page of the local newspaper waxing their Tiger. Good press, guys—good going!

GET IN SHAPE

If you want a name badge in the shape of your state, send your check for \$16 payable to

Chicago Area 99s and mail to

Linda Uznys



BADGE ORDER FORM

State shaped, chapter membership badges are now available thru the Chicago Area Chapter of the 99's. The order process could not be easier . . . just provide full details requested below along with your payment of \$16.00 per badge, payable to the "Chicago Area Chapter 99's". Note badge price increase will take effect on January 1, 2019.

- *Advise if badge is for 99's member or 49½
- *Name as it is to appear on the badge (Marge "Peg" Smith)
- *U.S. state where chapter is based or Canadian province
- *Chapter name (some states have more than one)
- *Badge backing pin style or magnetic style
- *Address where badge is to be shipped from the supplier
- *E-mail address to resolve any further details
- *Payment by check for each badge ordered

CHOOSE MAGNETIC or PIN BACK!

Allow three weeks for delivery.

Badge above is in the shape of Illinois.
Please indicate your state and whether you want a pin or magnet backing.

HIGHLIGHTING OUR MEMBER

LINDA UZNYNS

Inspired by her father Vyto, starting from Chicago's Midway airport, Linda finally earned her private pilot's license in the summer of 1975 in Michigan City, IN. During the following year at NIU, Linda was sponsored to become a 99 by Donna Bennett, wife of Dr. Jack Bennett, Biology professor and faculty sponsor of the NIU Flying Huskies. As NIU did not have an aviation program, the Flying Huskies received no financial support from the university. It was during this time that 99, Polly Gilkison learned of Linda and gratefully convinced the Chicago Area Chapter to sponsor her attendance at a local NIFA competition. For a time as President of the Flying Huskies, Linda alongside her mostly male members, washed and waxed resident airplanes at DeKalb and Rochelle airports as a means to earn money to support the club's flying activities. Imagine a dozen poor college kids, flying 3 new Cessna 172's (sometimes in light formation) with the monies they earned, to places like Kansas City, KS to tour the Cessna plant, La Crosse, WI to partake in Oktoberfest and Great America in Gurnee, IL to enjoy some summer school term, fun. During her college years, Linda worked as a bookkeeper at B&W Aviation at Midway and later at MST Aviation in DeKalb where she was also responsible for answering the Unicom to deliver wind and active runway details. Solid aviation based friendships formed during those college years and greater dreams of flying prevailed at DeKalb airport that was then operated by 99, Tina Thomas' father-in-law.



After graduating from NIU with a double major in Accountancy and Finance along with a minor in Real Estate, the U.S. Air Force reached out to Linda with a military aviator career opportunity however lack of uncorrected 20/20 vision prevented her candidacy. Earning her CPA certification in 1984, Linda's focus turned to climbing the corporate ladder as a financial leader with such organizations as Coca-Cola, Navistar and recently as CFO for a Chicago non-profit.

The adage that "time flies" truly applies. It seems that just yesterday Linda enjoyed flights with her Dad in his beloved Chicago Midway based Mooney. But now Dad is long gone and so is the Mooney. As with many GA aviators, flying has just become such a costly love affair. Accustomed to paying \$14.50/\$17.50 per hour, wet, for a Cessna 152/172 just does not reconcile with today's rental pricing and once you've owned an airplane, it's hard to go back to renting. Linda now relies on her friends who own airplanes for a little occasional time at the stick. Though a pilot forever at heart, in absence of an airplane, Linda now otherwise just flies her broomstick . . . it's far more economical!

Though not a super active 99 over the years, Linda takes a great deal of pride in her long time membership and support of the organization. She attends local meetings when she can and has lent a hand at a couple recent Girl Scout Aviation Badge Day events. She is now taking on the 99's member badge order program from Rita Adams.

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Address Service Requested

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Some great gathering and networking events coming up.

June 1 Chicago Area Chapter dues were due! \$20.00 donation requested.

October 21 Chapter Event/Meeting Clow Airport Leslie Prellwitz, Hostess CAP Presentation LtCol Long

November 8th Feed My Starving Children 7:45 Schaumburg (maybe feed the 99s before?)

December 9th Chapter Holiday Party Noon-4 p DPA Flight Center Conference Room

International Conference July 16-21, 2019 Dayton, Ohio

Hosted by our Section—featuring “Dinner Under the Wings”

Mark your calendar and make your plans.