

AIR NEWS

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

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THERE'S STILL TIME Come to the Queen Bess Film Festival at Bult Field, May 2. **FLY IN** or **DRIVE IN** bessff.com

OUR CHAPTER REQUESTS YOUR HELP IN FUNDING OUR REGULAR ANNUAL EXPENSES.

As Ninety-Nines, you are a part of a large world-wide organization that is managed by a Headquarters staff in Oklahoma City, OK. The International 99s membership sends bills for your annual dues yearly.



BUT WAIT, There's more

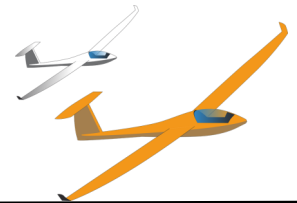


Our Chapter operates financially apart from that by raising the funds we need to do the things we decide as a Chapter to do each year. The annual budget is created and voted upon each year in June—the beginning of our official fiscal year. We are asking each member to donate an amount of \$20. to help fund this budget. Please send your check, payable to the Chicago Area 99s to our Treasurer, Susan, by clicking on the dues/donation button on our website www.chicagoarea99s.org or pay via zelle at 99ChicagoTreasurer@gmail.com

Aviation for Girls Day at Lewis University is set for May 23rd. Still chances to join in and show girls what women can do in aviation. Contact Megan or Corie to volunteer. Or just come and look like a pilot! **FLY IN DRIVE IN MAY 23, 8 to 3**

Our April Chapter Meeting was well attended at Vice Chair Larisa and her 49 1/2 Yosh's home. We welcomed several newer members and guests. Present were Deb M, Cynthia & Ralph M, Susan & Victor Z, Megan M, Valerie P, Madeleine M, Maddie S, Penny Z, Penny L, Susan M, Nadine W, Vickie & Steve S, & Cherleigh D

Our annual meeting of the Chicago Area Chapter will take place at Sky Soaring Gliderport. If you have never flown a glider, here's your chance. The pros at Sky Soaring will show you the ropes (tow ropes) and teach your first lesson!



DRIVE IN or FLY IN JUNE 13 11 am

In this issue you will find a proposal to amend the Chapter ByLaws and Standing Rules. Sending you this document fulfills the requirement to provide 30 days notice that the vote will be taken.



Have you signed up for the International Conference in San Diego? Registration information is available at ninety-nines.org Tours, Meals, Great speakers, Awards banquet, Scholarship presentations, Fly Market Sales tables, Panel discussions, FUN!!! And the Business Meeting on Saturday, the 11th (which you can attend via zoom, but that's not as much fun!)

FLY IN JULY 8-12, 2026

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

CHAIR

Victoria

VICE CHAIR

Larisa

SECRETARY

Lisa

TREASURER

Susan

Deadline for submission the
20th of the month :
Madeleine

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So as they say in Chicago, "How's it goin'?"

I hope that you are enjoying the nicer weather and getting to fly some more.

I just ran out to the airport yesterday evening after work to shake off the rust and do a few landings. I wanted to get comfortable in the plane as I have a lesson with an instructor to get night current. I have not flown at night for many years, so I want a good refresher. This will also be a good time to see if the instructor might be my new CFII. I really liked night flying, so I'm looking forward to getting current and flying. I also wanted to get night current so that if I am coming in a bit late, I am prepared and have more flexibility timewise.

Have you started to shake the rust off? Maybe read the 99s News, schedule a lesson, wash the plane, go eat at an airport, plan a flying trip? I'm thinking of going to the AirZoo in Kalamazoo. It's an amazing aviation museum right on the field!

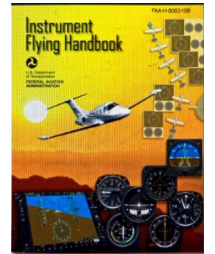


I'd also like to go to the Meijer Gardens in Grand Rapids, MI. The gardens are having an exhibition of Dale Chihuly's glass sculptures. If you have not seen his work, please look it up, it's fantastic.



I want to head to East Alton to see the Air Race Classic (ARC) take-off. My cousin and her daughter might join me as they live nearby.

I'm starting to plan my summer, a trip to see my daughter and Yosemite, the 99s International Conference in San Diego with my family, and AirVenture in OshKosh for a couple days. I am also going to start my IFR flight training, if I can ever finish reading The Instrument Flying Handbook. Ugh!



One more fabulous item, CONGRATULATIONS to Megan M on winning an AEMSf Scholarship to get her CFII! The Amelia Earhart scholarship is for training beyond a private pilot certificate and is unique in that in the application you tell them how much money you need to do the training. We are so very proud of you and all your hard work! Go Megan!

Here's to Blue Skies and Grand Plans!

Vickie

Editor's note *If you haven't attended any meetings or events yet, we would love to meet you. The bond we share as women pilots is the most wonderful thing about being a 99. Please plan on something that sounds interesting, and join us, for an hour or two!*

STUDENT PILOT UPDATE

Gathered by Joy R

On April 1st, we asked our student pilots these questions:

- 1). How has it helped you to be involved in a supportive community of female pilots?*
- 2). What are your thoughts on the current opportunities for women in aviation?*
- 3). What is your favorite airport to land at or fly over and why?*



The deadline to send in your submission is Saturday, April 18th. I look forward to hearing from you!

We would love to hear from you—your Chicago Area Chapter members support your journey and welcome you. Watch for Joy's email and respond with a brief report of your progress; your interests; your hurdles; or just your greetings.

AND UPDATES FROM OTHER MEMBERS!

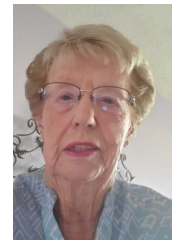
from Kadijah H

Susan Z: My husband Victor and I have been flying to Madison, Janesville, Bolingbrook, and Schaumburg, where there are restaurants on the field. I have also recently read two books about flying: One Zero Charlie-Adventures in Grassroots Aviation by Laurence Gonzales and Fate is the Hunter by Ernest K. Gann. I recommend both books because of the authors' excellent writing. Wishing blue skies and tailwinds to you, Susan

Kathryn C: Hello! K2 Aviation is taking new students and looking forward to great flying opportunities this spring and summer. Feel free to contact me directly or through our website, FlywithK2.com. Thanks!

Cynthia M: To mark 40 years as a member of The Ninety-Nines this May, I decided it was time to become a Life Member. Many of the good things that have happened in my life are attributable to The 99s. I am grateful for all of the great pilots I have known and for the wonderful travel experiences. The 99s have enriched my life more than I can express in words.

From Past Chair, **Ruth R:** I moved to Florida in 1993 but thanks to the great newsletter, I have kept up with all of you over the years. I am proud to be a past chair and active member. I am not doing any flying these days since my pilot, instructor, love of my life, Rock, died 3 years ago. Once a year I do get to co-pilot with my friend and his family to the mountains in their 6 place, single engine Piper. Other than Madeleine and Gail L, I don't recognize many of the names but am proud of all the progress the club has made over the years. Happy flying.



On March 30 Some of us had the privilege of meeting NASA Astronaut Eileen Collins, Life Member of the 99s and Space Shuttle Commander. After viewing the new film about her, *Spacewoman*, at the invitation of Liz Ogilvie of 7057 Media, a group of Chicago Area members and some guests were thrilled to be part of a Q & A with Astronaut Eileen Collins and Director Hannah Berryman. Our Chapter group included Lisa and Pete M, Corie W and her son Jack, Mona K, Larisa and Yosh K, Susan M, and me!



The movie was terrific, see it if you get a chance!

Madeleine M

We Flew to Sporty's (well we drove fast at 0 ag!)

The North Central Section Spring Meeting was held in the Cincinnati area, hosted by the All Ohio Chapter 99s. The Indiana skies loomed large and ice filled over low ceilings so—driving was the alternate route. In attendance from our Chapter were Chair Vickie, Treasurer Susan, Past Chair Madeleine, Diane, Cynthia, First Time Section Meeting Attendee Erica, Ellen, Leslie and Grant P.



At the Business Meeting the newly elected Officers, Directors, and Nominating Committee members were sworn in,



Margaret W, Governor
Erin T, Vice Governor
Martha R, Treasurer
Madison D, Secretary
Dee D & Joan P, Directors

On Friday evening we were treated to a BBQ dinner and two aviation movies.



Saturday breakfast, then the business meeting,



lunch at Sporty's then a tour, and appetizers, cocktails and dinner with awards.



Group after lunch/tour at Sporty's



Shelley, Madeleine, Susan at banquet



Sue G presents Governor's Service Award to Val Palazzolo



The Fall North Central Section meeting was being held in Batavia, Ohio the weekend of March 27-29, 2026. Diane C and I drove down to the meeting together from our homes in the Chicago Area. Other Chicago Area Chapter members Vickie S, Ellen O and first time North Central Section attendee, Erica O, were driving to the meeting separately.

Sunday morning, the two carloads left at different times and stopped at different places before heading home on whatever route they were taking. Diane and I were on I-74 west when we saw a rest stop sign. At the last minute, we decided to stop at the Batesville, Indiana rest stop. In the ladies' room, I was very surprised to run into Vickie and thought what were the odds of our two cars stopping at the same place at the same time. Out in the lobby, we all decided we needed a picture to document our chance meeting. I asked a man in the lobby if he would take our picture. Ellen was wearing an "I Flew to Sporty's Cap" and I told the man we were women pilots coming from a meeting near Cincinnati. He then said, to our surprise, "I'm a pilot, too!" We engaged in some pilot talk and found out he owns a C-172. He told us his grandmother was a pilot and he and his mother were just waiting for her to emerge from the ladies' room.

We had a delightful time talking with Martha Filgor, aged 90. She remembers her time as a pilot, and it made her day to meet other women pilots in such a surprising way. We exchanged emails, phone numbers and asked if she would come to our fall NCS in Indianapolis. She was very happy and her grandson promised that he would see to it that she is there. We are very much anticipating a wonderful fall section meeting with Martha.

We all eventually parted and went on our separate ways, truly surprised at such a chance meeting and how it seemed it was meant to be.

From l-r
Erica, Vickie,
Martha's son, his
mom, his grandma,
Martha Filgor,
former 99, age 90,
Ellen, and Diane at
the rest stop



Cynthia, Erica, Martha, Ellen, Vickie, Diane



Ellen
Diane
Vickie
Cynthia
Erica



Martha still
has her 99s
sweatshirt

Aviation is a
small world!

Chicago Area 99 Chapter History Committee Report

Ellen O, Committee Chair and her new co-chair, Susan M, will be starting the 99's Oral History project with the first recording scheduled for May. We secured a list of members by length of membership and will start reaching out to long-time members first. The video/audio files will be placed in a database for the chapter.



ByLaws and Standing Rules Review Conducted

Donna K, Diane C, Madeleine M

Our Chapter regularly reviews the ByLaws and Standing Rules that govern our operation. Recently our ad hoc committee incorporated a few changes and produced the 2 new documents which will be up for your vote at the June meeting. Those documents are on the following 4 pages for your review prior to the vote.

Please be prepared, and thank you for your membership and commitment to the Chicago Area Chapter



ARTICLE I

SECTION 1. NAME The name of this organization is the Chicago Area Chapter of the Ninety-Nines, Inc. ("the Chapter"), a Chapter chartered on Jan 11, 1934 in the North Central Section of The Ninety-Nines Inc., International Organization of Women Pilots ("the Corporation").

ARTICLE II

SECTION 1. ORGANIZATION and PURPOSE

A. The Corporation, the North Central Section and the Chapter are 501(c)(3) organizations as determined by the IRS. The purpose of the Chapter is as stated in the Certificate of Incorporation.

B. Nothing in the Chapter Bylaws or Standing Rules shall be in conflict with the Bylaws and Standing Rules of the Corporation.

ARTICLE III

SECTION 1. FISCAL

A. All funds of the Chapter must be deposited in accounts in the name of the Chicago Area Chapter of the Ninety-Nines, Inc. Only current elected officers and the 501(c)(3) Chairman may be signatories on the accounts.

B. The fiscal year of the Chapter coincides with that of the Corporation. (June 1st-May 31st)

C. An Annual Treasurer's Report to the Members must be made within 60 days of the close of the fiscal Year.

D. The Chapter administers the assets of the Santori Scholarship Fund on behalf of The Richard and Gina Santori Charitable Foundation ("The Donor") and the North Central Section. The assets of the Santori Scholarship Fund must remain separate from the assets of the Chapter.

E. The accounts of the Chapter are to be internally reviewed every two years or when there is a change of Treasurer.

SECTION 2. DISSOLUTION

A. Dissolution of this Chapter and the distribution of the assets shall be governed by the Chapter's Articles of Incorporation and the Bylaws of the Corporation.

B. In the event the Chapter is dissolved, the distribution of assets in the Santori Scholarship Fund is subject to the direction of The Donor.

ARTICLE IV

SECTION 1. MEMBERSHIP

A. Members of the Corporation shall be members of the Chapter upon **their** request.

B. Chapter members are entitled to attend meetings, hold office and vote for officers. ~~Chapter members are eligible to be elected or appointed as delegates to the International Conference.~~

C. Chapter members will receive a written copy of the Chapter's records for no more than the previous 3 years upon written request (electronic or U.S. mail) to the Chapter Chairman. Such information will be provided within 30 business days. Fees for photo-copy and mailing of records may be charged to the member.

SECTION 2. TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP.

A. ~~The Board of Directors~~ **Officers** of the Chapter may recommend to the Section Governor and International Board of Directors the suspension or dismissal of a member. Prior to making a recommendation, the Chapter Board will obtain guidance from the North Central Section and the International Board of Directors.

B. The Bylaws and Standing Rules of the International Board of Directors will govern the suspension or dismissal of a member.

ARTICLE V

SECTION 1. ELECTIVE OFFICERS The elective officers include a Chairman, a Vice-Chairman, a Secretary and a Treasurer, and such other officers as the membership may, from time to time, determine.

SECTION 2. NOMINATING COMMITTEE The membership will elect three members, each with at least two years membership, to serve as the Nominating Committee. The Past Chairman is encouraged to serve as one of the Committee members

SECTION 3. NOMINATIONS Nominees for elective office must be members for at least six months prior to the start of the term

SECTION 4. ELECTION

- A. Elections are held biennially in April and may be conducted by mail or electronic ballot with a write in space for each position.
- B. Election of officers will be by the majority vote of valid ballots cast.
- C. Results are announced in May and Installation of new Officers takes place in June.

SECTION 5. TERM

- A. A term of office is two years beginning June 1.
- B. Any officer of the Chapter may resign her position by submitting a written request to the Chairman of the Chapter; or in case said officer is the Chapter Chairman, the written resignation is submitted to the Vice-Chairman.
- C. Vacancies are filled for any unexpired term by appointment by the Chapter Chairman and approved by the Board of Directors, except the office of the Chapter Chairman to which the Vice Chairman will succeed.

ARTICLE VI

SECTION 1. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- A. The Board is composed of the elected officers and the immediate Past Chairman.
- B. The authorized number of Directors may be changed by amendment to these Bylaws.

SECTION 2. DUTIES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- A. The board shall have all duties and powers as set forth in the Articles of Incorporation. It shall carry out the purposes of the corporation according to the laws of the State of Illinois and the provisions of the Articles of Incorporation and these Bylaws.
- B. The Board shall authorize the expenditure of funds not budgeted, and shall select an individual to conduct a periodic review of the accounts.

SECTION 3. DUTIES OF THE ~~DIRECTORS~~ OFFICERS

- A. CHAPTER CHAIRMAN shall preside at chapter, business and board meetings, initiate the chapter calendar, communicate with international headquarters and committee chairmen, submit officer names to headquarters for Membership Directory, submit a chapter report to North Central Section, represent the Chicago Area Chapter at all times or may appoint her representative. ~~The Chapter Chairman may serve as a delegate and shall appoint delegates to fill vacancies to International Conventions.~~
- B. VICE-CHAIRMAN shall assist the Chapter Chairman.
- C. SECRETARY shall keep the minutes of meetings, send notice of meetings by postal or e-mail, update officer and committee lists, bylaws and standing rules in a timely manner.
- D. TREASURER shall deposit funds in a bank account in the name of the chapter bearing the appropriate signatories, keep accurate records, maintain the membership list, make quarterly Treasurer's reports, chair the Budget Committee, present the budget, and file required forms.
- E. THE IMMEDIATE PAST CHAIRMAN shall serve in an advisory capacity, and perform such other duties as are requested by the Board and as specified in the Standing Rules.

ARTICLE VII

SECTION 1. COMMITTEES

- A. The Chairman will appoint a committee chairman for each committee on an as needed basis.
- B. Each committee chairman chooses her own committee members.
- C. Each committee chairman shall make a report at the Annual Meeting if requested by the Chairman and is responsible for sending any required written report to the Section Chairman.
- D. The committee chairmen will meet regularly with the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VIII

SECTION 1. BUSINESS MEETINGS

- A. The Chapter must hold a minimum of 3 regular business meetings each year. In the intervening time, Board business can be conducted by email discussion, or by phone conference call, or by online conference, on an as-needed basis. The date, time and location of meetings, including by teleconference, will be determined by the Chairman and announced to the members in the monthly newsletter. The outcomes of such meetings should be announced in the monthly newsletter. All members are encouraged to attend.

B. All other activities, including aviation and educational, will be held without business being conducted, unless by prior agreement with advance notice.

SECTION 2. ANNUAL MEETING The regular Business Meeting in June shall be known as the Annual Meeting of the Chapter. The Annual Meeting is to announce the results of the April election, present reports of the officers and committees, review amendments to the Bylaws and Standing Rules, and any other business as determined by the Chairman.

SECTION 3. SPECIAL MEETINGS Special Meetings may be called by the Chairman or by request of five members upon a ten-day notice (electronic or U.S mail) to the membership. In the call for a special meeting, the exact purpose of the meeting shall be stated and no other business shall be transacted at said meeting.

SECTION 4. BOARD MEETINGS

A. Meetings of the Board of Directors shall be called at the discretion of the Chairman or upon the request of a majority of the Board Members.

B. The transactions of any meeting of the Board of Directors however called and noticed or wherever held, shall be valid if each of the Directors not present approves in writing the minutes of such meeting. All such approvals shall be filed with the records of the Chapter or made a part of the minutes of the regular meeting.

SECTION 5. NOTICE OF MEETINGS.

A. Notice of all meetings shall be provided to the members **at least** five (5) days in advance of the meeting. An agenda showing all items requiring a membership vote shall be provided 5 days in advance of the meeting, to the Board Members and any member who request them.

B. Meetings may be held by any means available, including teleconference, as long as the right of members to be informed and provide input is protected.

~~SECTION 6. SECTION AND INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS Delegates for Section and International Meetings shall be in accordance with the Section Bylaws and the International Bylaws respectively.~~

SECTION 7. **6** QUORUM For the purpose of conducting business, a Quorum is defined as three chapter members.

ARTICLE IX

SECTION 1. AMENDMENTS

A. These Bylaws will be amended by a majority vote of members present at a Business Meeting. Members must be provided notice (electronic or U.S, Mail) along with a copy of the proposed amendment 30 days prior to the vote. In the case of conflict, The Ninety-Nines, Inc. International Bylaws shall prevail.

B. An amendment shall be in effect immediately upon conclusion of the voting unless otherwise ordered by the membership or provided within the amendment itself, and shall be announced in the Chapter Newsletter to the membership as soon as possible after its adoption.

C. An amendment, with the date of adoption, shall be recorded by the Secretary, and appended to the Bylaws and kept therewith.

D. These Bylaws and Amendments shall be published to the Chapter website.

ARTICLE X

SECTION 1. RULES The conduct of all meetings of the membership and the Board of Directors shall be governed by the latest revised edition of Robert's Rules of Order unless specifically provided for in these Bylaws.

ARTICLE XI

SECTION 1. INDEMNIFICATION No part of the net earnings of the Chapter shall inure to the benefit of any private individual or officer. The private property of the members shall not be subject to corporate debt or liability.

CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY AND CHAIRMAN

Victoria S, Chapter Chairman, and Lisa M, Secretary certify the above as being a true and correct copy of the revised Bylaws duly adopted on _____

_____, Chairman, Chicago Area Chapter 99s

_____, Secretary, Chicago Area Chapter 99s

THIS PROPOSAL WILL BE VOTED ON AT THE JUNE MEETING. PLEASE BE PREPARED TO VOTE AT THAT MEETING.

Proposed amendments to the Standing Rules for our Chapter are shown here:

CHICAGO AREA CHAPTER NINETY-NINES STANDING RULES 2026 Amendment)

Section 1. Organization

- I. The Chapter may accept donations. Donations are to be spent in accordance to the donor’s wishes. Scholarships will be awarded from time to time as per the Scholarship Rules as approved, and amended, by the Board and the Membership.
- II. The Chapter may make donations to other 501(c)(3) organizations organized for educational, charitable and scientific purposes.
- III. The Chapter Chairman and Secretary are authorized to execute all documents on behalf of the chapter entailing amendments to the Articles of Incorporation or any other documents that may be required for the purpose of maintaining the exemption under the 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.
- IV. The designated 501(c)(3) Chairman may not be changed unless notice has been provided to the Section and the Corporation.
- V. Members are encouraged to speak to their tax advisors as to the deductibility of expenses for attending the International Conference and/or Chapter and/or Section Business Meetings. Membership dues paid to the Corporation and annual contributions to the Chapter may be tax-deductible.

Section 2. Membership

- I. Membership in the Chapter is open to all female pilots and student pilots who have joined the Corporation and have expressed the desire to join the chapter.
- II. Chapter annual contributions are voluntary, are \$20 per year, or any amount approved by the membership at a business meeting, and are due on June 1.
- III. Newsletters may be purchased by non-members of the Corporation or the Chapter for an annual fee of \$20.00.

Section 3. Expenses

- I. Approval of the budget is by a majority vote of the members in attendance at the meeting. The budget will include projected account balances, recommendations for reserve balances, and projected income and expenses.
- II. Committee chairs may not exceed the expenditures as approved by the membership in the annual budget.
- III. The elected Officers may approve additional expenses of up to \$200.00 at a business meeting. Expenditures over \$200.00 must be approved by the membership at the next business meeting.
- IV. The annual budget is to include a Chairman’s Allowance of \$500 to be used to reimburse the Chairman for travel to the International Conference, North Central Section Meetings, or an International Board meeting at 99s Headquarters. Payment of the Chairman’s Allowance is subject to approval by the membership in the annual budget.
- V. The annual budget is to include an AE Scholarship Winner Allowance of \$300 to be used to reimburse the Chapter member who is awarded an AE Scholarship and attends the International Conference for the presentation of her award. The scholarship award must have been made in the current year. Payment of the Scholarship Winner Allowance is subject to approval by the membership in the annual budget. In the event the Chapter has more than one AE Scholarship Winner in the same year, the elected officers may approve up to \$300 per winner to attend the International Conference.
- VI. The annual budget is to include a “First time attendee” to a NCS Meeting stipend of \$300. The elected officers may approve up to \$300 per NCS Meeting “First Time Attendee”**
- VII. The annual budget is to include an amount of up to \$50 per month, or any other amount as approved by the membership in the budget, to reimburse the hostess for the monthly event.
- VIII. Members must request reimbursement of an expense within 60 days of the expenditure (IRS requirement). Receipts or other proof of expenditure must be provided for amounts over \$20.00. The request for reimbursement must include the chapter member’s name, what was purchased and the name, date and location of the event.

Section 4. Memorials

- I. Upon the death of a member, \$100 is to be allotted for flowers or contribution according to the wishes of family
- II. Upon the death of a member’s spouse, significant other, **parent or** child, a donation of \$50 is to be made to The Ninety-Nines Endowment Fund in his/her name.

Section 5. Sales

- I. No member may sell items at Chapter meeting or activities for personal gain.
- II. The Chapter may sell or auction items to advance the mission of the Organization.

Section 6. Amendment of Standing Rules

- I. These Standing Rules may be amended at a Business Meeting by a majority vote of the membership in attendance at the meeting. Thirty-day notice of the amendment is to be provided.
- II. Amended Standing Rules must be published **in the Chapter Newsletter and** on the Website.

CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY AND CHAIRMAN

Victoria S, Chapter Chairman, and Lisa M, Secretary, certify the above as being a true and correct copy of the revised Standing Rules duly adopted on _____

_____, Chairman, Chicago Area Chapter 99s

_____, Secretary, Chicago Area Chapter 99s

THESE PROPOSED STANDING RULES ARE PRESENTED TO YOU AND WILL BE VOTED ON AT THE JUNE MEETING

AIR NEWS

Madeleine M



2026 CALENDAR

MAY 2 QUEEN BESS FILM FESTIVAL BULT FIELD ALL DAY
JUNE 13 ANNUAL CHAPTER MEETING SKY SOARING
JULY 20-26 EAA AIRVENTURE VOLUNTEER AT 99S BOOTH
SEPT 11-12 INTL FOREST OF FRIENDSHIP 50TH REUNION
OCT 2-4 NCS MEETING—FISHERS, INDIANA
NOV 12 FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN

MAY 23 AVIATION FOR GIRLS DAY LEWIS UNIVERSITY
JULY 8-12 INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE —SAN DIEGO
AUG 15 CHAPTER MEETING CAMPBELL AIRPORT
SEPT 24 CHAPTER MEETING PILOT PETES DINNER
OCT 17 CHAPTER AIR MEET (RAIN DATE 18) LANSING
DEC 13 HOLIDAY PARTY

Chicago Area Chapter 99s Meeting April 11, 2026 ABRIDGED MINUTES

Call to order by Vickie at 11:28am at Larisa's home. Intro of those present new and old members: Penny Z and Maddie S new PPLs Susan Z celebrating 50 years a pilot

Business Meeting: Motion to approve \$100 ad for the International Conference passed unanimously. Diane C asked/Maddie S volunteered help with articles and pictures for 99s Magazine 5 Chapter members receive Air News via USPS Larisa volunteered to print and mail Lansing Aviation Career Day on 30APR. Vickie will be doing a PowerPoint presentation. Susan M to send print outs Gabby F will work at the table at with Vickie. Madeleine, Cynthia and Vickie will promote the 99s at the Queen Bess Aviation Film Festival May 2. Vickie reminded all present to vote in the 99s International elections. At NCS Spring Meeting in Ohio our Chapter 99s honored for biggest membership growth. Two aviation films were viewed and some were able to tour the Sporty's shop. KUMP (Indy Exec) is the next to host the Fall Meeting 2-4OCT 26 by the Indiana 99s. Chicago Area Chapter 99s are hosting Fall of '27. Discussion had for social events - possible TRACON tour and/or breakfast fly outs. Megan to organize a 30 second video clip needed for Forest of Friendship. Aviation Day for Girls suggested as a good place

Secretarys Report: Motion to approve last meeting's minutes passed. They were published in the newsletter.

Treasurer's Report: Susan M reported on financials. Interest-bearing accounts being researched. Fiscal year begins 01JUN. She asked for volunteers to shadow/learn what she does. Annual donations requested to support Chapter Due June 1. Please donate (\$20 suggested)

Old Business: Megan needs for more volunteers for Girls in Aviation Day on 23MAY -send info to the appropriate audiences (i.e. schools, CAP, middle & grammar schools)

Membership Report: The importance of retention was discussed. Megan said she sends personalized emails to new members and those who haven't been to a meeting or event in a while.

New Business: Penny L to join Corie, Vickie, & Madeleine for Fall '27 NCS Section Meeting planning. 99s International for 2027 is 9-11SEPT in Sydney. ByLaws & Standing Rules docs revised as required. Upgrades to website platform. Cherileigh (potential new member) will forward info on website design she uses

Meeting adjourned at approximately 12:45pm