

# AIR NEWS

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

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## Chicago Area Chapter Fly-in, Drive-in Event

Sunday, August 16, 2020 11:00 a.m. to ?

Bult Field (C56)

28261 South Kedzie Avenue

Monee, Illinois

708-534-8282



Bult has a beautiful 5,000-foot 9/27 runway and avgas is currently under \$4.00/gallon.

Check out the website:

<https://www.bultfield.com/>

**ALL WOMEN PILOTS WELCOME!**

Bring your favorite food to barbeque (a bun if you need one) and a small dish to share if you can – we will provide beverages, a few side dishes, plates, cups, napkins and utensils. Bult is allowing us full access to the spacious first floor kitchen, great room and adjacent patio, so social distancing is not a problem. After lunch, conversation and door prize raffle, we will withdraw to the 30-seat theatre to view an aviation film. Bult also has a military aviation museum.

**DRIVING:** The best way is to take I-57 south. I-57 can be accessed from I-80 or I-294. From I-57, take Exit 335 to Manhattan-Monee Road. Your GPS may tell you to turn left (east) to Monee\*, but the easiest way is to turn right (to Manhattan), go about ½ mile to the stoplight and turn left onto Ridgeland. Take Ridgeland south to West Pauling Road where you turn left. Drive about 4 miles east and turn right onto Kedzie Avenue (there is an airport sign). After about 1¼ miles, Bult Field will be on your left.

\*This is workable, but will take you on a convoluted route with many turns.

**NOTE:** We plan to hold this event but, of course, there is a possibility it could be cancelled due to conditions relating to the pandemic. Please check the chapter website at [Chicagoarea99s.org](http://Chicagoarea99s.org) for the latest information, or call Bult Field to confirm the event. Contact Cynthia Madsen, hostess, if you have any questions.

## WHO'S WHO

### CHAIR

Eva Kozlowski

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### SECRETARY

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Deadline for submission the  
20th of the month :

Madeleine Monaco, Editor

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## EVA KOZLOWSKI CHAPTER CHAIRMAN



Greetings Chicago Area Chapter 99s and Friends –

We are in the midst of summer, with the high temperatures, high humidity, which also translates to high density altitudes, at times, along with storms. Our new normal is still evolving. Even in these strange, new times we are living in, I am incredibly grateful for the chance to fly. There are some days that are more challenging to fly than others, the days that are crystal clear, with views that are endless, make up for it.

Aviation is ever-changing. In recent news, yet another commercial airline, British Airways, is retiring their fleet of 747s, fondly known by many as the “Queen of the Skies.” A fun fact about the 747, according to an article in seattletimes.com, dated, 2.9.2019:

“In 50 years, the 747 has transported an astounding 5.9 billion people, 80 percent of the world’s population.”(as of February 2019).

Mind blowing, at the very least.

A few notes regarding our Chapter –

- \*Our August business meeting via teleconference will be 8-20-2020 7:00 pm  
We will be voting on our new ByLaws and Standing Rules
- \*Please pay your dues! We need your support.
- \*Our next event will be on August 16<sup>th</sup>, at 11:00 am. We will be meeting at Bult Field, C56, barring any changes in the rules for gathering regarding COVID. Looking forward to seeing you all in person again!
- \*With great pleasure, I would like to announce that a new scholarship for our Chapter has been created from a very generous donation by the family of Ruth Frantz, and another additional donation in memory of Norma Freier. A committee to oversee and commit the scholarship has been created. This new scholarship committee includes Debbie Karas, Cynthia Madsen, and Sharon Schorsch. Thank you, kindly, ladies, for your willingness to serve. More to come, soon, as the architecture of the scholarship is established.

Lastly, I would like to share a poem that was recently written for me:

*I want to be in the left seat,  
And someday fly a fleet.  
  
I enjoy being up in the air,  
Since it is rare  
  
To have the privilege to fly,  
Way up in the sky,  
  
And travel through the clouds,  
Away from the crowds.  
  
And be one with my plane,  
Because it's plain,  
  
Its takes a great deal of skill,  
And it's a thrill.*

~Ted Schneider

As always,  
Happy and safe flying!

*Eva*

## Chicago Area Chapter 99s Treasurer's Report

Dear Ninety-Nines:

I can't believe that my first year as Treasurer of the Chicago Area 99s came to an end on May 31, 2020. On to year two. Please take the time to read the attached Treasurer's Report. We've had to cancel a couple of events that generate revenue for your chapter. It was a lean year and we basically broke even with a net gain of \$2.41. We are fortunate that as a chapter we have a healthy balance after reserves of \$16,296.13.

Your officers and committee chairs need your help. If you have not done so already, please pay your dues of \$20. This goes a long way to cover our annual operating expenses of approximately \$2,000. This includes our website, memorial donations, hostess expenses for aviation and education meetings, postage and cost of the newsletter.

Another way you can help is to go to the 99 Int'l website and update your contact information, including an email address. The officers are required to notify all members of meetings, business meeting agendas and other matters related to the chapter. Not having your email, increases our postage expense and requires an officer or committee chair to take her valuable time to print and mail the information.

I look forward to your joining us at the August 20 business meeting where we will vote on the new bylaws and standing rules. These were mailed (email and snail mail) on June 19, 2020. This meeting will most likely be by phone.

Feel free to let me know if you have any questions.

Stay well,  
Colleen Murphy  
Treasurer

*The above message was emailed to you in July, along with a copy of the financial report for the year end. If you require another copy, please contact Colleen and it will be shared with you.*

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## CALLBACK FROM NASA'S SAFETY REPORT

ASRS's award winning publication *CALLBACK* is a monthly safety newsletter, which includes de-identified ASRS report excerpts with supporting commentary in a popular "lessons learned" format. In addition, *CALLBACK* may contain features on ASRS research studies and related aviation safety information.

COVID-19 continues to impact the aviation world with a multitude of threats and challenges. Many have not been previously observed in aviation. While maintaining proficiency is a constant challenge, the lack thereof is a foe that aircrews have battled since the birth of the airplane and is currently revealing itself as a novel concern. In the COVID-19 reports that ASRS is currently receiving, the subtle erosion of cognizance and execution that comes with reduced flight time is characterized as a far-reaching domino effect of the disease.

The effects are predictable, beginning with the lack of recent flying experience and newly instituted procedures and flows dictated by the virus. Similar effects from different stimuli have been observed on a much smaller scale. Extended vacations, medical issues, layoffs, or other issues that severely reduce the frequency and regular activities of flying have, in the past, resulted in a temporary decrease in proficiency. Likewise, a new piece of equipment or change in operations usually results in new procedures and changes to cockpit flows.

The extreme cutback in flying time caused by COVID-19 has prompted crewmembers, companies, and the FAA to address the corresponding decrease in proficiency with all its ramifications as well as the complex relationship between pilot proficiency and legal currency. This month, *CALLBACK* focuses on reports that highlight these concerns, which largely have been brought about by the COVID-19 pandemic. The length of time that we will suffer reduced flying is unclear. What is clear is that in the COVID-19 era, an increased awareness and a heightened commitment to aviation discipline are indispensable to the continued safety of flight.

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Madeleine Monaco



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**Welcome to our new members**

We look forward to seeing you!

**AMANDA CALLAHAN  
SAZZY SAZDANOFF  
AUTUMN ALDERICE**

So happy to have you with us as members!