

AIR NEWS

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SCHOLARSHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS

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There are several scholarships available to both student pilots and advanced rating-seeking members of the Chicago Area 99s.

Please visit our website and see pages 3-6 inside for complete details www.chicagoarea99s.org/scholarships



In addition, there are Scholarships available to members on the International website www.ninety-nines.org

FLY NOW AWARDS

Administered by the Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarship Fund

The Fly Now Awards are semiannual awards of up to \$6,000 based on completion of specific training milestones. They are available to Student Pilot Members of The 99s who meet eligibility requirements. To be eligible, applicants must hold a student pilot certificate (or provide evidence that they meet their country's flight training requirement), have been an official 99 Student Pilot Member **three months** prior to the application deadline, have logged 5 hours in the six months prior to the application deadline and show financial need.

The Spring Fly Now Award Application deadline is April 1 each year. Membership join date must be no later than January 1 of that year. Our Chicago Area Chapter has had a recent past winner. I encourage anyone who is thinking of applying to check out the 99s Website: <https://www.ninety-nines.org/fly-now.htm>. It will be updated 2-1-21.

If you have any questions please contact Sharon Schorsch contact info available on the 99s roster. Because I'm in AZ, and review applications, I would appreciate hearing from you as early as possible. Chapter approval of your application is an asset. Do not wait till April 1st!

YOU CAN'T WIN IF YOU DON'T APPLY

WHO'S WHO

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Deadline for submission the
20th of the month :

Madeleine Monaco, Editor

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EVA KOZLOWSKI

CHAPTER CHAIRMAN



Greetings Fellow 99s and Friends!

It's February and also Valentine's Day – Traditionally a day for people in love to celebrate with their significant other. Applying this toward our 99s group, we all have a fondness, a passion, for flying, feel attached to flying and make it an important part of our lives.

We are also, into 2021 and not much has changed - still following rules and protocols for the pandemic. In terms of flying, as we all know well, we also have rules and protocols to follow. Some of the more important ones to remember, in no specific order:

Checklists!
IMSAFE
Aviate – Navigate – Communicate
Pitch for best glide speed

In February, we traditionally continue to reinforce our New Year's resolutions, although, for most individuals, the resolutions are long gone and lost. I would argue now is the perfect time to circle back and get aligned with your goals for this new year as they relate to flying and your personal life and work.

February is also set aside to celebrate Black History Month. There were several key women aviators that were black. Bessie Coleman comes to mind, as one of these aviators. As you may recall, she was the first African-American woman, and also the first Native-American, to hold a pilot license. It is always good to remember those that came before us, to blaze a trail for others to follow.

Finally, February weather in the Chicago area can be challenging, especially as it relates to flying an airplane. This should not stop you to follow your dreams. I encourage you to stay true to what you love, follow the rules and protocols, stay focused on your goals and resolutions while honoring those who came before us in spite of the always changing weather in February.

Happy and safe flying –

Eva



Happy Valentine's Day

Ruth Frantz Memorial Scholarship and Chicago Area Chapter Scholarship

The Ruth Frantz Memorial Scholarship offers two \$2,500 scholarships and the Chicago Area Chapter Scholarship offers one \$500 scholarship to members of the Chicago Area Chapter of The Ninety-Nines ("CAC"). The scholarships are to be used to assist a CAC 99 in the completion of an aviation goal.

Applicants must submit three (3) copies of the completed and signed application postmarked no later than April 1, 2021. Applicants must be a member of The Ninety-Nines, Inc. and the CAC for a minimum of four months at April 1, 2021. Applicants will be notified of their status as soon as possible but no later than April 30, 2021.

Funds are to be used within one year of the award date. By signing the form, the applicant agrees to provide copies of logbook entries showing that the funds were used for the purpose requested; and agrees to allow the announcement of her achievement in the CAC newsletter or other media.

Ruth Frantz Memorial Scholarship and Chicago Area Chapter Scholarship Application

Name _____ email: _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: (____) _____

How will you use the funds? _____

Please attach an essay (essay may not exceed one page, one side only) and include at least the following elements:

Tell us about yourself, your activities in aviation, and participation in The Ninety-Nines. Be specific.

Describe your goals in aviation or aerospace, and opportunities. Tell us what you have already accomplished in pursuit of these goals, pertinent to specific certificate/rating sought. Why are you seeking this specific training? How will it help you to qualify for or to advance in an aviation-related profession or charitable cause?

Tell us how you have financed your training and education so far. Make a statement of financial need for completion of this training.

The completed application must include:

- 1) This signed application form. 2) Essay. 3) A letter of reference.

SIGNATURE FORM

Print full name: _____

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

Return three (3) copies of the Application and attachments to:

Chicago Area Chapter of The Ninety-Nines

Dr. Debbie Karas

(see Ninety-Nines Directory for address)

APPLICATION MUST BE POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN APRIL 1, 2021

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Richard J. Santori Memorial Scholarship

The Richard J. Santori Memorial Scholarship offers two annual scholarships to members of the North Central Section ("NCS") under the auspices of The Chicago Area Chapter of The NinetyNines ("CAC").

One scholarship in the amount of \$2,000 is to be used to assist a 99 in the completion of an additional pilot certificate or rating. Applicants must be a current pilot with the appropriate medical certificate and must be approaching the flight time requirement for the desired rating or certificate.

The other scholarship offers \$1,000 to assist a Student Pilot Member toward completion of an initial pilot certificate in any aircraft. Applicants must have soloed, and, if required for the pilot certificate sought, must have a current medical certificate and must have passed the written exam.

Applicants must be a current member of The 99s, the NCS and their chapter in good standing.

Applicants must submit three (3) copies of each:

- the completed and signed application including the form;
- attached essay;
- letter of recommendation from their chapter chair;
- proof of certificates and ratings held;
- medical certificate;
- proof of date and score of knowledge tests taken;
- copy of last page(s) of logbook showing current hours flown;
- and a letter of reference from someone outside of the aviation community who is not a relative.

These documents must be mailed to the address on the application form to be postmarked no later than the date indicated on the form. Funds will be paid from receipts which document the training. Receipts must be signed by both the student and instructor and include copies of the logbook if applicable.

Funds are to be used within two years of the award date. Prior applicants and recipients may reapply in future years.

The winning candidate and all candidates who did not qualify will be notified within one month after the receipt deadline.

2021 Richard J. Santori Memorial Scholarship Application

\$2,000 to a Ninety-Nine for Advanced Certificate or Rating

Name _____ Email: _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: () _____ Chapter: _____

Application for which certificate or rating? _____

Please enter below the name of the person who will provide a reference and indicate their relationship to you. Supply their email address if possible.

Please attach an essay (essay may not exceed one page, one side only) and include at least the following elements:

1. Tell us about yourself, your activities in aviation, and participation in The 99s. Be specific.
2. Describe your goals in aviation or aerospace, and opportunities. Tell us what you have already accomplished in pursuit of these goals, pertinent to specific certificate/rating sought. Why are you seeking this specific training? How will it help you to qualify for or to advance in an aviation-related profession or charitable cause?
3. Tell us how you have financed your training and education so far. Make a statement of financial need for completion of this training.
4. How will awarding you this scholarship benefit The Ninety-Nines and the aviation community?
5. If applicable, clearly explain any training request that might be considered unusual.

The completed application must include:

1. This form and attached essay.
2. Proof of certificates, ratings, knowledge test taken (with score) and medical held.
3. A copy of the last page(s) of your logbook showing current hours flown.
4. A letter of reference from someone not a family member and outside the aviation community.
5. A letter of recommendation from your chapter chair.
6. The signed and dated Signature Form.

SIGNATURE FORM

Print full name: _____

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

Return three (3) copies of the Application and attachments to:

Chicago Area Chapter of The Ninety-Nines
Cynthia Madsen (see Ninety-Nines Directory for address)

Completed Application and Attachments Must Be Postmarked by March 1, 2021

2021 Richard J. Santori Memorial Scholarship Application

\$1,000 to a Student Pilot Member Ninety-Nines, Inc. For Initial Pilot License

Name _____ Email: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: () _____ Chapter: _____

Please enter below the name of the person who will provide a reference and indicate their relationship to you. Supply their email address if possible.

Please attach an essay (essay may not exceed one page, one side only) and include at least the following elements:

1. Tell us about yourself, your activities in aviation, and participation in The 99s. Be specific.
2. Tell us how you have financed your training and education so far. Make a statement of financial need for completion of this training.
3. How will awarding you this scholarship benefit The Ninety-Nines and the aviation community?
4. If applicable, clearly explain any training request that might be considered unusual.

The completed application must include:

1. This form and attached essay.
2. Proof of student medical certificate held, knowledge test taken (with score), and solo.
3. A copy of the last page(s) of your logbook showing current hours flown.
4. A letter of reference from someone not a family member and outside of the aviation community.
5. A letter of recommendation from your chapter chair.
6. The signed and dated Signature Form.

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I sent this note out on January 1 – and got so many great responses. Meet some new 99s

"I was looking over the membership list for our Chicago Area Chapter 99s and realized that many of our members' names are not familiar to me.Please send me a bit of information about you, your flying, your special interests in aviation. I would like to feature a few of you each month so the other members could get to know you. You can send me a photo too, if you wish. I sincerely hope that by the end of this year 2021, we will have been able to meet in person, but for now, please share with me and I will share in the newsletter." Madeleine Monaco, Editor, Air News

AUSTE RAYOME I joined the 99s last February... just as Covid was about to take over the world. Unfortunately I never got a chance to participate in any meetings and meet any of the local ladies. I am a first officer for Skywest airlines based out of O'Hare. I have two teenage kids and a husband who just retired after serving in the USMC for 23 years. I am a member of 99s PPLI program. Looking forward to getting to know everyone. Best Regards,

KATY CRIFIELD I started flying in high school, getting my PPL my senior year at Waukegan (it was Regional back then) National Airport. I trained at the Stick and Rudder Flying Club up there. I went to the Naval Academy in Annapolis for college because I wanted to be an astronaut. I ended up flying a little closer to the ground because I selected helicopters after the first phase of flight school. I flew CH-46D's out of San Diego and was deployed during Operation Iraqi Freedom in 2003. I was able to get my commercial and instrument ratings in fixed-wing and helicopters through the Navy. I got out of the Navy in 2004 and did not continue to fly for a variety of reasons. Burnout being one of them. I decided to go back to school to get my teaching certificate to teach high school physics. I got my masters in teaching from National Louis University and a masters in physics from University of Virginia. I've been teaching physics and occasionally geology or environmental science at Warren Township High School in Gurnee since 2008. My students always think it's pretty cool that I was a Navy pilot, and they always ask why I'd give that up for teaching! Well, I do NOT miss the military, but I've always missed flying. I could never afford to do it recreationally. It's sort of ironic that since the pandemic started, I've actually been saving a lot of money by working from home and never going anywhere. I finally decided I didn't want to wait any longer and I've been able to save enough money to get started again! I flew with Dave for the first time in 16 years on November 3rd! It was awesome!!!! He signed me off on my flight review earlier this week and I actually just soloed yesterday! That was the first time I flew an airplane by myself in almost 20 years! I'm working with him on my CFI. It's something that's always been in the back of my mind because I already am a teacher and I've wanted to fly again. He even said I might be able to instruct at CEFS part time because I won't be a transient airline pilot CFI. I hope to get to meet everyone in person sooner than later! Happy New Year! Katy Crifield

ANNA LIGHTNER Happy New Year! Thanks for reaching out— I joined the 99s a few days ago and am excited to hear from you. I hope we can meet in 2021, too! I'm not sure what to share but hopefully this helps for the newsletter if you want to add it in: I'm a student pilot living in Logan Square, Chicago. I've been in Chicago for 6 years but spent most of my life growing up in Las Vegas. I've only just begun training for my private pilot certificate, but aim to transfer careers from web designer to commercial helicopter pilot within the next decade. I'd love to connect with pilots in the 99s— to learn from them, about their experiences, and to understand which path in the industry I am best suited for. Thanks to all the female pilots out there inspiring students like me to achieve our dreams! Thank you! Anna Lightner

REYNA DODD I just recently joined Ninety-Nines. I received your newsletter info email, and I would like to introduce myself to you and the other members. I am a high school senior in the northern Chicago suburbs, but I fly out of KENW. I am currently a student pilot and I am working towards my private pilot's license. I soloed back in August, but my time for training has been limited during the school year. I'm not sure where I will end up for college next year, but I will be majoring in professional flight. My goal is to eventually fly for the airlines. I am excited to meet more women pilots and be involved in Ninety-Nines once Covid-19 clears up. Happy New Year, Reyna Dodd

DAIJA MURRAY I am excited to be a new member of the 99s and the Chicago Area Chapter. My interest in aviation has grown over the years thanks to my career as a flight attendant. I'm proud to say that I have officially started working toward my private pilot's license. I'm looking forward to being an active part of this organization. Daija Murray Vickie Szewczyk has agreed to be a mentor for Daija. Thanks much Vickie

MARGARET SAMPSON I fly at Chicago Executive Flight School and I recently got my PPL back in November. Now I'm going to attend Lewis University to major in Aviation Flight Technology. I'm really excited to continue my flight training, even though I'm not sure which path I want to take. I'm looking forward to becoming a CFI through Lewis, and I hope to be a great flight instructor like Clarice Tweeten was to me! I love aviation and it's super welcoming community, and I'm excited to continue my journey! I joined the 99s because I had such a great female instructor and I would love to be part of an organization full of female instructors, students, mentors, and pilots! I hope we could meet again sometime, and I just wanted to thank you for allowing Chicago Executive Flight School to fly 3103V, it's a beautiful airplane and was a joy to fly! I'm actually starting at Lewis this semester, at the end of January. I'm really excited to continue my training, but I'll always keep in touch with the instructors at Chicago Exec! I hope the vaccine does bring some sense of normalcy back, and I hope you stay healthy and safe! *(she flew my 150 for her Private license)*

FOR THOSE WHO HAVEN'T RESPONDED YET—THERE'S SPACE FOR YOUR STORY NEXT MONTH !

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Madeleine Monaco



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NEXT BUSINESS MEETING
IS
THURSDAY
FEBRUARY 18

FOR CONFERENCE CALL MEETING

2-18-2021 7:00 pm

**Request info on joining the meeting
from any officer in the Chapter**