

# AIR NEWS

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

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## NOW THAT WE CAN MEET FACE TO FACE AGAIN

### 2021 Chicago Area Chapter Calendar

**July 10 International Conference  
Annual Business Meeting  
Virual Attendance Open to All 99s**

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**July 26 to August 1 EAA Air Venture A stop at the 99s Booth is a must**

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**August 15 11:30am Chicago Area Chapter Fly In Drive In Lunch  
Pilot Pete's Schaumburg Airport**

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**September 23-26  
North Central Section 99s Weekend in Tomahawk Wisconsin  
Treehaven Education and Conference Center**

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**October Fly In/Drive In Chapter event (date TBD)  
Campbell Airport Hostess Shelley Ventura**

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**December CHAPTER HOLIDAY PARTY (date and place TBD)**

### YOUR ANNUAL CHAPTER DUES WERE DUE JUNE 1

**\$20.00 (PLEASE PAY NOW) on our website or by check to Treasurer**

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

**CHAIR**

**Madeleine Monaco**

**VICE CHAIR**

**Mona Knock**

**SECRETARY**

**Shelley Ventura**

**TREASURER**

**Deena Schwartz**

Deadline for submission the  
20th of the month :

Madeleine Monaco, Editor

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**CHAPTER BRIEFING**

*Pre and Post Flight*

*Madeleine Monaco*



“Tell me what you want, what you really, really want”

Seriously, I want to hear what YOU think would be fun, educational, philanthropic, valuable for our Chapter to take on. We can do (almost) anything. Your new officers are meeting July 1 for the first time to make plans for the next year. We have tentatively agreed to the July through December 2021 dates and events shown on the front page, but aside from Aviation Expo (last Saturday in January 2022) and Girl Scout Aviation Badge Day (Saturday May 7, 2022) we would like to get some input for the first half of 2022.

We are going to talk about continuing the Chapter Scholarship Program.

We are going to talk about finding other ways to help our sisters reaching for the sky.

We are going to try to make better use of the “many hands make light work” theory.

We are going to talk about helping other aviation groups succeed with their missions.

We are definitely going to talk about doing what has value to our aviation community and particularly the women in it!

There is great history and value available to you with the 99s. We stretch from pioneer Amelia Earhart to Astronaut Shannon Walker. From Jacqueline Cochran to Julie Clark. From Jerrie Mock to Jerrie Cobb. Jeanna Yaeger flew around the world without refueling. Gene Nora Jessen and Wally Funk were Mercury 13 astronaut qualified. Eileen Collins and Sallie Ride made history. Guess what all of them had in common? Guess what all of you have in common with them?

Our organization has been active and in existence since 1929.

Our scholarship fund was founded in 1939 in Earhart’s memory, and has amassed a fund with a principle balance over \$5,000,000 by very careful investing and even more careful spending. The first award was for \$150 for an Instrument Rating. Can you imagine? Several Jet Type Ratings have been awarded. All manner of research grants and academic tuition awards have been given. Total awarded to date is near \$ 12,000,000. Yes, the zeros are counted correctly..... 12 Million Dollars.

Please help our members reach their aviation goals. Print a poster and tape it up in the ladies room at your airport. Let the women you see know who we are, what we do, and how much we want to include them. Please please please—ask another woman to fly with you. Try to share your gifts.

I was honored to receive a scholarship from our Chapter many years ago. I applied twice and on the second try I was awarded an AEMSFS Scholarship. It changed my life. I was a single mom, not making much money and with only one goal. To transmit the joy of my first solo to other people who wanted to try. CFI My end goal. My furthest reach. And I still love taking people for their first flight. Helping them to get to solo. So because of that I try to give back. In donations, when I can. In service to the 99s for sure. And by spreading the good word of the most supportive organization for women pilots around the globe. There are more than 6,200 of us. From the first 99 women pilots (yes that’s where the name came from) to 6000 +

Say yes to the 99s. Don’t just belong, participate!

*Madeleine*

## Chicago Area Chapter 99s June 13, 2021 Meeting Minutes

The meeting was held at Signature Flight Support Hangar 19, Chicago Executive Airport, Wheeling, Illinois. Officers Present: Eva Kozlowski, Chair; Mona Knock, Vice Chair; Cynthia Madsen, Secretary; Donna Klein, Interim Treasurer; and Jill Feldman, immediate past Chair. Eva called the meeting to order at 1:25 p.m.

Eva said the minutes of the last meeting were in the packet provided. Motion by Madeleine Monaco to approve the minutes as published, seconded by Sharon Schorsch. Motion passed.

Eva asked that the work done by Donna Klein when she assumed the position of interim treasurer in April should constitute the official audit required when a new treasurer is elected. Motion by Diane Cozzi to accept Donna's work as the required audit, seconded by Jill Feldman. Motion passed.

Eva reported the chapter has 108 members as of June 9. The new leadership will be working on trying to engage new and active members.

Eva acknowledged all in attendance who had won any scholarship in the past. Sharon Schorsch reported on the winners of the Ruth Frantz Memorial and the Chicago Area Chapter Scholarships. Mona Knock received her participation certificate from the North Central Section Spinning Prop Award Committee.

### Old Business

Eva asked who will be attending the July 10, 2021 annual 99s virtual conference so they can be named as delegates. Those who plan to attend: Diane Cozzi, Jill Feldman, Eva and Madeleine. Motion by Shelley Ventura to name them delegates, seconded by Sharon Schorsch. Motion passed.

### New Business

Janice Welsh, Governor of the North Central Section, conducted the installation of new chapter officers: Deena Schwartz, Treasurer; Shelley Ventura, Secretary; Mona Knock, Vice Chair; and Madeleine Monaco, Chair. Donna Klein represented Deena, who was ill and not able to attend the meeting.

After the induction of new officers, Madeleine Monaco conducted the remainder of the meeting as Chair.

Eva presented gifts to each of the outgoing board members.

Madeleine asked that new members introduce themselves.

The incoming Nominating Committee will consist of Eva, who is automatically on the committee as past Chair, Larisa Kano, and Victoria Szewczyk.

Katy Crihfield talked about her experience being included in a commercial for the Kettering Health Network in Ohio. One of the story lines was female pilot coming back from cancer. Katy will send us the link to the website.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Submitted by Cynthia Madsen, Secretary



Mini cupcake/dessert/logo

# CHAPTER VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

**History Committee** Temp work

**Membership Committee** very brief time commitment each month

Communications Assist We would like to have a 99 to communicate occasionally with members

**Program Committee Chair**

This 99 would secure volunteers to host flying/social events (approx. 6) and to host business meetings (approx. 6) Several are pre-planned so its not even 12 to set. The individual hosts will choose their own location, set up, and get a hostess committee to help out. With only one event/meeting a year for each volunteer their job will be manageable. The Committee Chair's commitment is only during July of 2021.

**Newsletter Contributors**

Air News is published every month. Your editor really enjoys this tool for communicating the business and news of the Chapter. But I would like to publish a guest article every month. With over 100 members there must be a few writers in our group. It can be educational, inspirational, or personal. If personal, send a photo with it. It can be about legislation affecting aviation or FAA Medical changes. Please send me an article. My monthly deadline is the 20th. It can be a great growth experience to put your thoughts down in writing and see them in print. Email me something—

*Many hands make light work.*

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## MEMBER'S FLY FOR FUN

"Gail LaPook and Diane Cozzi flew to Clinton, IA recently to visit a mutual (non-pilot) friend who moved there some time ago. For an airplane, Gail enlisted Erik, a friend of hers who is based at Naper Aero. It was a beautiful day and friend Donna was thrilled that we came. Erik volunteered the plane and Gail treated all of us to lunch at a restaurant right on the Mississippi River."

Photo: Donna, Gail & Diane



## WELCOME OUR NEW MEMBERS

**JESSICA BEST is NEW to Chicago! Jessica, we are so glad you joined us. Hope to meet you in person soon!**

If you are new, PLEASE email your Air News editor and tell us a bit about yourself and your flying!

Where do you fly?

What are you working on or planning?

OR what was your aviation history?

How, where, when did you get your first certificate?

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## ILLINOIS AVIATION HALL OF FAME BANQUET TO TAKE PLACE THIS OCTOBER



Hello Everyone,

The combined 2020/2021 Illinois Aviation Hall of Fame banquet will be held on October 7, 2021 at the Hilton Garden Inn in St. Charles, Illinois, near DuPage Airport.

Transportation will be available from DuPage airport, so if you plan to fly in please make specific arrangements with Tom Cleveland in advance.

The banquet room bar will open at 5PM and opening remarks/dinner will begin at 6PM. Tickets will be \$60.00 each.

Seating will be arranged 6 or 8 to a table depending on the status of the covid situation at the time we hold the banquet.

This year, we are using a registration form, where possible, to help keep track of our reservations and to keep sufficient contact information on people so that we can reach them if there are any changes in arrangements. The form is a "fillable" pdf – so you can fill in the fields save it and email it to us without needing to print and scan. It also has extra lines for the additional people in your party if you are signing up a group. As usual you may call in, email in or snail mail your reservation information to Tom Cleveland.

The hotel is offering us a nightly rate on a room block of \$97 plus taxes for the night of the banquet. The room block and the link to it are not up yet, that information will follow shortly when I have it.

Dinner is Chicken parmesan with soup, salad, dessert and drink with a vegetarian option of eggplant parmesan available.

We have seven inductees and 3 Spirit of Flight awards this year, so the excitement for this long overdue event is high. Please mark your calendar for October 7, 2021. Come celebrate with the Hall of Fame honorees.



# NEW OFFICERS NEW FISCAL YEAR



On Sunday, June 13, shortly after 1:00 pm, the Chicago Area Chapter meeting was called to order by Eva Kozlowski, our Chairman since June of 2019. Starting in Mary Lou and Gregg Erikson's Hangar at C77 Poplar Grove, she carried us through Covid 19 with so many months of no face to face, no parties, almost no outreach activities, no Expo, no Girl in Aviation Day. She deserves thanks and praise for her commitment and her perseverance. When she passed the gavel to new Chair Madeleine Monaco, and thanked her officers Mona Knock, Colleen Murphy, Cynthia Madsen and Past Chair, Jill Feldman, the next chapter began for our Chapter.

So with our gracious North Central Section Governor Janice Welsh present to swear us in, we began our new start. Madeleine, Mona, Deena Schwartz and Shelley Ventura took the oath of office and accepted Janice's challenge to propel our chapter forward.

Gifts were presented to our outgoing Chair from the Chapter, from our outgoing Chair to her officers, and the gavel was taken.

We had a party. Fun and food. Lots of talk. Pictures taken. See some here, and join us next time. We will be at Pilot Pete's at Schaumburg Airport, August 15th, 11:30am.



Donna Klein standing in for Colleen Murphy, Cynthia Madsen, Eva Kozlowski and Mona Knock

Donna with Diane Hromek -Sawyer and her fur baby, Luke.



Ralph Madsen, Wayne Klein, Yosh Kano and Ted Schneider

Shelley Ventura  
Donna Klein (in for Deena Schwartz)  
Mona Knock  
Madeleine Monaco  
NCS Governor  
Janice Welsh!

With Past Chair Eva—this is your leadership team!



Lots of new members - love it!

## **Rationale for proposed Amendment #13 One Member One Vote and Quorum**

The Ninety-Nines, Inc. uses a very complex delegate process that includes:

- Delegate Authorization Form (DAF) calculation and distribution
- Selection of delegates
- Credentials at the annual meeting (AM)
- Issuing and counting voting cards at the AM

Currently there are several conflicts between rules and practice.

Over the last three years during bylaws workshops, members have asked why we do not have a one member one vote (OMOV) system.

Recent developments with the online AM in 2020 caused the Bylaws Committee to examine our entire voting process. One positive outcome was that more voting delegates and six times more non-voting members attended than usual at our in-person meetings. For more detail on the analysis and recommendations, see the Briefing Note posted on the [Bylaws Information web page](#).

The Bylaws and Standing Rules Committee (BL/SRC) and IBOD reviewed five voting options (see the OMOV Briefing Note) and support changing to a [one member one vote \(OMOV\) system](#).

The OMOV system supports:

- The fundamental principle of one member one vote as advocated by *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised* (RONR).
- Both in-person and online attendance at an AM.
- Electronic voting by both in-person and online attendees.
- Proxy voting for those members who cannot physically attend, if an AM must be held in-person only.

The IBOD concurs with the committee's voting recommendation.

The benefits of this recommendation are:

- Every member who attends can vote, and have a say in the organization.
- Improves vote counting during the AM.
- Promotes attendance of international members.
- Eliminates the complexity and inequities of the delegate system.
- Eliminates complexity of one delegate having multiple votes.
- Eliminates concerns of over-representation of members in the locale of the AM.
- Eliminates the intermediary role of chapter chairmen and governors in selecting delegates and determining how they vote.

If The Ninety-Nines adopts the OMOV system, we will need to change how quorum is established, since it is currently based on a delegate system.

So... what is a quorum?

Quorum is:

- “the minimum number of voting members who must be present at a properly called meeting in order to conduct business in the name of the group.” (RONR)
- based on the number of people at the meeting, not the number of votes.
- in general, a relatively small number.
- a fixed number, a % of attendees, or a % of membership.

The BL/SRC evaluated 4 options (see the [Quorum Briefing Note](#)). Proposed amendment #13 defines quorum to be “the presence of at least 2% of the total membership and representation from at least four sections.”

Adopting this definition of quorum will be:

- Consistent with the number of members who have attended as delegates over the past ten years.
- Reflective of future changes in membership numbers.

**AIR NEWS**

Madeleine Monaco



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**JULY 10, 2021**  
**INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MEETING**  
**JULY 26 to AUGUST 1, 2021**  
**EAA AIRVENTURE**  
**99'S BOOTH IS A MUST SEE**

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**YOU REALLY SHOULD COME**

**The Fall North Central Section Meeting in TOMAHAWK WI**

September 23-26, 2021

Should be fun after so long without our friendly weekend gathering.

Save the date, reserve a plane, invite a friend, fellow pilot, other Chapter member, or even, your spouse!

To be held at the Treehaven Education and Conference Center. The Northwoods Chapter is hosting.

**ACTIVITIES FOR SPOUSES AND FRIENDS ARE PLANNED**