

AIR NEWS

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

MAY 2018



MAY AND JUNE FUN FLYING EVENTS

MAY 4, 5 & 6 GIRLS WEEKEND WITH AIRPLANES (guys welcome too)

Spring North Central Section Meeting in Kalamazoo Michigan
Join with 99s from around the Midwest to celebrate women who fly and the 99s. Highlight of the weekend (after the business meeting of course) will be a tour of the KALAMAZOO AIR ZOO.



MAY 12 EXCITE THE NEXT GENERATION OF WOMEN PILOTS! **LETS GET TO 8%**

Scout Aviation Day Help the Scouts learn and earn an Aviation Badge. Held at KPWK, Atlantic Aviation, 1011 S Wolf Road, Wheeling. Up to 100 scouts and adult chaperones will be our guests. Education stations include preflight, forces of flight, navigation and careers.



JUNE 16 RETURN TO OUR ROOTS. GRASS STRIPS, COOKOUTS, COMPETITION! **SATURDAY FLY IN LUNCH AT POPLAR GROVE AIRPORT.**

A Day at a Country Airport C77 Poplar Grove.
Appetizers at 11am Lunch and Meeting at noon
Followed by plane watching, plane rides, and lawn game championships!!!!

11:00 am arrival at Erikson's hangar on Taxiway Foxtrot
CONTACT Flylou@aol.com



WHO'S WHO

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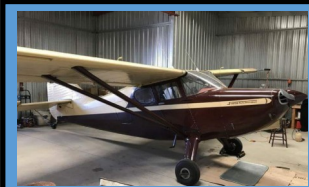
Madeleine Monaco

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 99s,

We are now hopefully getting into Spring weather where we will be able to fly and drive to events and share our love of flying and aviation related activities. My objective as Chairman is to make sure that everyone that wants to get involved in the 99s and the chapter has the opportunity. With any successful organization, it is important not only to have strong leaders, but also to always be grooming new leaders who will take the organization through the next decade. We have 99 members as of April 19th plus 4 *Friends of the 99s*. With chapter size, we have plenty of people that are available to share the work load. We just need to work on communication so that new members know who to call. For each major event or activity, I would like to see co-chairman – one experienced member who has run the event and knows how it works and who to talk to, and one who is a newer member who wants to learn.

Here are some ideas, as well as the people to contact.

Itasca Safety Seminar. Madeleine Monaco has been chairman the last few years and for next year, Susan Kelsey and Natalie Berman are going to co-chair so that with Madeleine's tutelage, they will have the skills and knowledge to take the event into in the future. Since this is such a big activity that draws pilots from across the Chicagoland region, there are plenty activities to do prior to the event as well as the day of the event. This should be one of our larger teams.

Girls Scout Aviation Day. Ellen O'Hara has been the chair, and I'm setting up to co-chair this year, so that at some time if Ellen wants to turn it over to me (which may be several years in the future because she really loves doing it) then I am ready to take it over. We get lots of members involved, and we need to understand the stations so that newer members can start learning the process from the more experienced members.

Now looking at other functions done by chapter members:

Our Chapter website is currently run by Cynthia Madsen. Deena Schwartz has offered to help.

Our Facebook page administrator is Susan Kelsey, but others could be set up to add postings and maintain.

Treasurer position has been done by Madeleine Monaco for several terms – do we have members who have the skill set to take over for her in the future?

Membership Chair is being done admirably by Karen Ballard – but does anyone want to help? As we grow our membership, this is a very key position and it may be helpful to have a membership committee and not just a chairman.

Hostess Chair is currently being done by me with significant assistance from Madeleine – but in reality, this could be expanded to being called the Activities Chair. This chair could ensure that we have at least one activity or meeting every month and mentors the hostess for that month as needed.

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HIGHLIGHTING OUR MEMBER

RUTH FRANTZ

Ruth Ellen Ellis Frantz passed away peacefully on Friday, March 30, 2018 at home in Huntley surrounded by her loving family.

Introduced to her husband Bob by his sister, Marilyn Frantz, her best friend at Northeast High School in Kansas City, Ruth was persuaded to go on a date that was a ride in Bob's small airplane. Thus began their adventure in life together that lasted over 65 years. Ruth married Robert Waldo Frantz in 1949, and they raised Margaret, Robert, Shirley and Randall in Roselle, Illinois after traveling the country in a trailer for Bob's job.

Ruth was employed for many years at Quaker Oats in Barrington, IL, but always made time to fly with Bob. After a his hiatus from flying, Bob took it up again and Ruth then became a pilot as well. They built a house in The Landings in Huntley in order to better access the sky. Ruth became a Ninety Nine in August of 1973 when she discovered the International Organization of Women Pilots, and she continued her membership and support until the end. She found many friends with us. She and Bob were also leaders in the Schaumburg Pilots Association, the Illinois Pilots Association and the US Pilots Association. Ruth served our 99s Chicago Area Chapter and all of the other groups in many positions and volunteered in all areas.

In the most recent position of service to women pilots, Ruth served on the Santori Scholarship Committee, helping to choose which applicants would be helped in pursuing their aviation goals. She also served on the ByLaws review committee for our Chapter.

Ruth and her husband Bob flew together in almost every Midwest air derby, and they usually finished in trophy position. We have a lovely large silver cup that recognizes all of the winners of our Chapter Air Meet and Ruth's name has been engraved on it more than once. The Piper Arrow that they competed in was a seen as a threat to many who wanted to fly to win :-)

When a grandson was diagnosed with mental illness, Ruth found and led the whole family to the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI). This showcased her passion for action on behalf of her family and others similarly affected.

Ruth was also active on the North Central Section level of the 99s, and served that body well. She will be missed in every area of her life and especially by her loving family and her dear 99s. God speed, Ruth, on your flight west.



A memorial service was held at DeFiore Jorgensen Funeral Home in Huntley on Saturday, April 8, 2018. Many of her 99 friends visited her in the nursing home the week prior to her return home, and many more were present to celebrate her life at the memorial service.

Chicago Area Chapter 99s - Teleconference Meeting – April 8, 2018

The teleconference meeting was called to order by Jill Feldman, Chairman, at 5:10 pm. Present on-line were: Feldman, Berman, O'Hara, Ballard, Kelsey, Prellwitz. Erikson joined at 5:30 pm. Ellen O'Hara announced that a guest, Irene Campbell, will be at the Air Classics Tour on April 15. Ellen thinks that Irene was a 99 in the 40's or 50's. Irene will be celebrating her 100th birthday.

Ellen also stated that positions are filled for Girl Scout Day, except for needing one more person on Forces of Flight. She suggests that presenters arrive at 8:30 am. She also states that set up will be done on Friday night.

Jill reminded all to put June 16 event at Poplar Grove on their calendars & also reminded all about B-17 tour at UGN on 8/22-24.

Susan Kelsey on 2019 conventions: Sponsorship levels have been finalized. She is still seeking suggestions for contributions to approximately 300 "goody bags". Jill proposes to talk about it at museum tour on Sunday.

Money has been donated by KPWK Airport with the request that it be given to a local 99 for flight training at that airport. The idea was floated to have members write an article about why they became a pilot and a 99 with the author of the best article awarded the money. There was some discussion – with the decision to talk further at the museum on Sunday.

Board members have received a copy of the Treasurer's Report – discussion tabled until Sunday at the museum.

An internal request was made to audit the Santori Scholarship funds that our chapter holds and manages. Our treasurer has agreed to accomplish this in the near future. Donna Klein has agreed to help. Ellen O'Hara commented that two people are needed. Ellen also brought up the fact that she thinks that chapter books need to be audited by end of May (fiscal year end). No action taken. **(Secretary's note:** bylaws require 1 member to audit books when Treasurer changes.

Thank you was received from family of Ruth Frantz. Several members attended her memorial service. Madeleine is doing write up about Ruth for AirNews. Leslie will reach out to headquarters re: write up for 99s News New Horizons. Potentially Cynthia writing for New Horizons.

Ellen mentioned that there is a Girl Scout group (150 girls) in St. Charles looking for a presentation about flying. More info to come in next Air News. Jill to contact Jane Keen for more info on event to put in next Air News.

Karen Ballard is reaching out to new members with a welcome letter and also letting them know about Aurora social & Girl Scout Day.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm. Respectfully submitted, Mary Lou Erikson, Secretary

Chicago Area 99s April 15, 2018 Aurora Airport Aviation Museum

Birthday party for special guest Irene Campbell, who is turning 100 in June. Past 99 who starting flying in 1956. Most recent flights in 2004. Many family members showed up.

Museum tour- 1 – 2 pm. Museum has a section for women's aviation with almost nothing in it. Discussed getting a committee to put together an exhibit for the museum.

99s Meeting – Call to order at 2:10 pm Attendees – J. Feldman (chair and acting secretary), Ellen O'Hara (hostess), Karen Ballard, Deb Meznarsic Present new member pins. – No new members attended.

Brainstorm for chapter provided goodie bag item for 2019 conference (300 items). ideas for around \$1 each: smart phone wallets, umbrella, foldable brush letter opener with logo we voted on the foldable brush.

Discuss KPWK scholarship, and how to advertise and award it. (for May newsletter) – not discussed – will bring up in newsletter Promote June meeting at Poplar Grove – set as the June meeting

Girl Scout Camp opportunity in St. Charles IL. Will have a proximately 150 girls in attendance ages first grade through high school. Need to get members to come and talk to the girls? Thursday June 21st may be best day to go and present to 8th-12th grade girls. Deb Meznarsic will co-chair. Looking for new member to co-chair

Air Race Classic Volunteers for Galesburg stop (GBG) – Ellie Repp, elliekjhs@hotmail.com, stop Chair for GBG. needs a few more timers, and other odd jobs such as shuttle drivers, greeters for the racers, etc. anticipate needing volunteers from the afternoon of the 19th through the 21st. 20th will probably be our busiest day same week as GSCamp

Update on GS Day – already 62 girls are registered. Anticipating about 100 girls total. Ellen will post info on event in May Air News (needs 1 full page). If you have volunteered, please show up-still have few open spots if you haven't volunteered yet. Meetings – General discussion. We will default to the 3rd Sunday of each month unless there is an event that can take its place. If that happens, may still do a TC on the 3rd Sunday in place of a Live Event.

Meeting ended at 2:50 pm (Museum closed at 3 pm and still had to finish the clean up)

Respectfully, Jill Feldman

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The AirNews Chicago Area Chapter newsletter is currently published monthly by Madeleine Monaco and previously for many years by Cynthia Madsen. Are there some creative members who can learn the ropes from Madeleine so that she can turn it over when she's ready?

Bylaws and Standing Rules are being reviewed and updated by Joan Kerwin and Donna Klein every few years. It would be nice to have them start educating newer members to our bylaws and standing rules and get a team together to start researching other chapters' to where we may be able to modernize them.

I know this seems like a lot, but many hands make light work. We love that we have one of the largest chapters in the Ninety-Nines, but keeping our members involved is the key to our longevity!

Hope to see you at the fun-filled events we have planned over the next few months! *Jill*

AVIATION DAY!

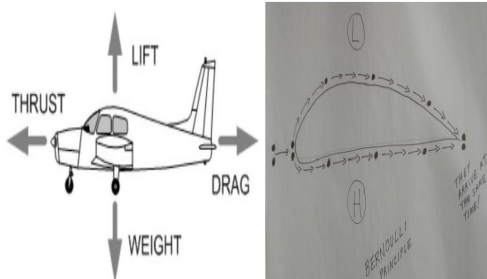
Saturday, May 12, 2018 9:30 am to 1:30 pm
Chicago Executive Airport in Wheeling

Girl Scout Juniors to Ambassadors \$12 (Includes patch and light snack) Adults \$8

Hosted by: Chicago Area Chapter of THE NINETY-NINES, INC., an international organization of licensed women pilots

The Ninety-Nines will lead exciting workshops that cover the STEAM subjects of aviation and aerodynamics and will explore aviation history and aviation career paths.

Intro to Aviation via Forces of Flight * Women Flying thru History * Aviation Careers
Communication and Navigation * Airplane Preflight and Control



Register online at gcnwiprgograms.org with code 321478



ILLINOIS AVIATION HALL OF FAME BANQUET & INDUCTION CEREMONIES

Thursday May 24, 2018 at 6PM

Northfield Inn Suites and Conference Center
3280 Northfield Drive * Springfield, IL 62702
(217) 523-7900

2018 Inductees

Roy Beisswenger Chris Collins Melvin Lynch
Harold Neumann Al Palicki

2018 Spirit of Flight Awards

Greater Midwest Rotorcraft Club

Reservations for the banquet and induction ceremonies: \$60.00 (includes tax & gratuity)
Please forward your check made out to the Illinois Aviation Hall of Fame to:

Mr. Tom Cleveland
Illinois Aviation Hall of Fame
1117 Foxpointe Drive
Sycamore, IL 60178

Questions: 815-748-8102 (Office) or 815-895-2102 (Home) or email: groverdkb1@comcast.net
Tickets will be held at the registration desk to be picked up on the evening of the banquet.
Banquet tickets will not be mailed.

When you make your reservations, please tell Tom Cleveland if you are coming in honor of a specific inductee or award recipient – it helps us plan the seating.

Please also let us know if you require a vegetarian meal option. A child's dinner ticket is also available.

Hotel Information

Hotel arrangements for this event are arranged jointly with the Illinois Aviation Conference. Rooms are available at the Northfield Inn at the conference rate of \$70 per night plus taxes.

Please reference "Illinois Aviation Conference" when making your reservations. Booking through our room block helps us to keep our banquet costs lower.

The Northfield Inn address and telephone number are listed at the top of this flyer.

GET IN SHAPE

If you do not have a chapter name badge in the shape of your state, now is the time to order one. Send a check in the amount of \$16 made payable to the Chicago Area Chapter 99s and mail to Rita Adams, or contact Rita by email at:



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

rvadams99@gmail.com

NOW ALSO AVAILABLE WITH MAGNETIC BACKING! Allow three weeks for delivery.

Our Chapter Members on the move!!!

Any news you want to share? Training, travel, or family updates? Just email your editor and I will print as space permits. 99mjm@sbcglobal.net

Any items for sale, or events to promote? Let me know that too.

Know a new pilot, or a long time pilot you want to receive one of our newsletters? I will send one, or you can forward the one I send you.

Do you have a favorite maintenance shop, avionics shop, paint or upholstery shop? Lets help them to be more successful—share the name and contact info.

Have a suggestion for an event to fly to?

Have a restaurant you want to try for a fly in meal?

Know of a new flight school? Airplane for rent? Ground school? Hangar space?

Tell us! Share! We are all in this together!

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JUNE 16, 11 AM ARRIVAL

Erikson's hangar on the C77 Airport Lunch, games, fun, and a meeting.

Flying Instructions

Primary & hard surface runway is 12/30. Grass runways are 09/27 & 17/35. Check NOTAMs for grass runway availability. If a lot of recent rain they may be closed. After landing get on hard surface taxiway that parallels runway 12/30 and proceed to taxiway FOXTROT. Go South (only way possible), and our hangar is the 3rd one on your left. Assuming ground is not too soft you can park on the grass in the yard immediately to the North of our hangar. You can also park on the grass immediately to the west of this area across taxiway Foxtrot. Parking is also available on the grass immediately to the South of our hangar. Now, if ground is too soft for some of the heavier planes (Bonanzas, etc.) parking is available on the 2nd ramp to your left as you come off the main taxiway, Erikson's ramp, the ramp immediately to the West of our hangar and the next two ramps to the South on the west side of taxiway Foxtrot. All a short walk to our hangar. In all cases make sure you are far enough off taxiway Foxtrot so planes can get by. If parking gets too congested just park on the main ramp east edge by the fuel pumps & office at the west end of the airport and call our cell phones; Gregg= 630-277-0989, Mary Lou= 847-340-2725 and we will send someone to pick you up.

Driving Instructions

Our address is 2909 Howard St., Poplar Grove, IL. Easiest way for most will be to go west on I-90 (toll road) and get off at the Genoa Rd., Belvidere exit and go North. You will go through 5 stoplights, then come to a sweeping curve to the left. Continue, now Westbound, to Route 76. There will be a stoplight there & the Boone County Fairgrounds on the Northeast corner. Go North on Rt. 76 about 3 miles and you will see the Byron Bank on your right. Turn right on Waco Way at the bank. Now you are going East. Howard St. is the 4th street on your left. 2909 is almost at the end on the left. Park anywhere on the driveway, or on the street. Then walk around the house on the right, follow the blacktop drive to our hangar. We are planning a really nice event.

WELCOME OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

Jessie Ban Linnea Couture, Angelina Kapp, Megan Shaffer

CHICAGO AREA CHAPTER 99S MEMBERSHIP DUES DUE JUNE 1, 2018

Your requested donation for chapter dues are \$20 per year and cover the period from June 1 through May 31. They are due by June 1st. Along with supporting your Chapter, dues cover the monthly cost of publishing Air News. Air News will automatically be sent to your email address unless you specify otherwise below. **If you want a hard copy of Waypoint, our North Central Section's quarterly newsletter, the cost is an extra \$10 per year; the electronic version is free. 50 year Members are exempt from dues and the \$10 Waypoint fee.**

CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

- Current Member of the Ninety-Nines, Inc. and the Chicago Area Chapter. To renew, fill out the form below and send a check for the total **OR GO TO OUR WEBSITE & SEE IF OUR PAYPAL BUTTON IS WORKING YET!**
- New Member of the Ninety-Nines (Pilot or Student Pilot) who joined during the past year, but has not yet paid Chicago Area Chapter dues. Fill out the form below and send a check for the total shown **OR GO TO OUR WEBSITE AND SEE IF PAYPAL IS WORKING YET!**
- Former Member of the Ninety-Nines, who would like to reinstate as an International Member and as a Chicago Area Chapter Member. **NOTE:** You must belong to International to join the Chicago Area Chapter. Contact Chicago Area Membership Chair Karen Ballard 815-355-7333 or email ekballard@sbcglobal.net to apply. Then complete the form below and send a check for the total **OR SEE IF PAYPAL IS UP YET.**
- Pilot or student pilot who would like to join the Ninety-Nines, and the Chicago Area Chapter. Contact membership chair Karen Ballard as shown above.

COMPLETE THE INFORMATION BELOW:

Name: _____ Phone #'s: _____ cell
 Address: _____ home
 City, State, Zip: _____ **Email Address:** _____

SELECT ONE PER LINE: I am a Student Pilot Member **or** a Ninety-Nine \$20.00 > \$20.00
 I want Air News via email **or** Air News by US Mail (no charge) 0.00
 I want Waypoint via email 0.00
 I want Waypoint by US Mail add \$10.00 > _____
 I want to make an extra donation of _____

TOTAL DONATION \$ _____

Would you like to help ? Financial Recordkeeping _____ Program/Meeting Planning _____ Membership _____
 Public Relations _____ Fund Raising/Ways & Means _____ Aerospace Education _____
 SPECIAL EVENTS: Girl Scout Badge Day _____ Holiday Party _____ Safety Seminar _____

Mail this form, plus any suggestions, with your check payable to Chicago Area Chapter 99s to:

Madeleine Monaco, Treasurer or [go to www.chicagoarea99s.org](http://www.chicagoarea99s.org)
 160 Club Circle Unit B and see if PayPal is working yet.
 Lake Barrington, IL 60010

ON A SEPARATE SHEET OF PAPER, PLEASE OFFER SUGGESTIONS (OR CRITICISM) FOR IMPROVING OUR ORGANIZATION. INCLUDE IDEAS SUCH AS: HOW TO INCREASE MEMBER ATTENDANCE/PARTICIPATION IN EVENTS AND MEETINGS; NEW ACTIVITIES, PROGRAMS AND SPEAKERS; ALTERNATE MEETING VENUES AND DAYS/TIMES. ALL SUGGESTIONS WOULD BE APPRECIATED.



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Some great gathering and networking events coming up.

.....May 4-6 NCS 2018 Spring Conference Kalamazoo, MI visit the AirZoo

.....May 12 GIRL SCOUT AVIATION DAY, Chgo Executive Airport, Atlantic Aviation Ellen O'Hara

.....May 24 Illinois Aviation Hall of Fame Banquet and Induction Ceremony, Springfield,IL

.....June 1 Chicago Area Chapter dues are due! \$20.00 donation requested. See page 7 for form/details

.....June 16 Fly to Poplar Grove by 11am Lunch at Mary Lou and Gregg Erikson's Hangar

.....July 4-8 99s International Conference, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

..... Aug 19 Chapter Event/Meeting Kenosha Airport Sharon Schorsch

..... Sept 16 Chapter Event/Meeting Dacy Airport Larisa Kano

.....Sept 21-23 NCS Fall Conference Mansfield, OH

.....Oct 21 Chapter Event/Meeting Clow Airport Leslie Prellwitz

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

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

All 99s and their guests are welcome at all meetings and events.

For more rewards of membership, join in and celebrate women who fly!