

AIR NEWS



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

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August 10th Dacy Airport. Vickie S flew in with Cynthia M. This is Vickie's plane outside the FBO with (left—right) Cynthia, Karen, Larisa, Madeleine, Krista, Vickie, Ellie, Maggie, and Sharon (missing Jen who left to prepare for checkride-passed and Corie-photog)

CHAPTER CALENDAR 2024

SEPT 13-15 NORTH CENTRAL SECTION FALL MTG.
BLOOMINGTON MN (BIZ MTG SAT 14) MALL OF AMERICA
FRIDAY NIGHT RIVER CRUISE AVAILABLE

SEPT 20-21 INTERNATIONAL FOREST OF FRIENDSHIP
CELEBRATION WEEKEND ATCHISON, KS
HONOR OUR MEMBERS GAIL L AND MADELEINE M
AS THEY ARE INDUCTED www.ifof.org to reserve

OCT 6 2:00pm KENOSHA AIRPORT FALL COLORS
FLY-IN MEETING JILL F HOSTESS

NOV 6 6:00pm PILOT PETE'S SCHAUMBURG AIRPORT
DINNER, DRINKS, SHORT MEETING
VICKIE S HOSTESS

DEC 7 SATURDAY HOLIDAY BRUNCH POT LUCK
LARISA AND YOSH K. HOSTS AT THEIR HOME
Details to follow

CHAPTER CALENDAR 2025

TIME TO START PLANNING - LISA M IS HOSTESS CHAIR.
Contact Lisa at Shoot4theskies@gmail.com

Dates in red need hostess

JAN 25 AVIATION EXPO GLENVIEW IL

FEB

MAR

APR NCS MEETING—IOWA CITY IA

MAY

JUNE—ANNUAL MEETING, AWARDS, POOL PARTY
CASA DE AERO

JULY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION BURLINGTON VT

AUG

SEPTEMBER NCS MEETING WISCONSIN

OCT

NOV

DEC

WHO'S WHO
in the
Chicago Area Chapter

CHAIR

Madeleine M

VICE CHAIR

Larisa K

SECRETARY

Vickie S

TREASURER

Shelley V

Deadline for submission the
20th of the month :

Madeleine M, Editor

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CHAPTER BRIEFING

Pre and Post Flight

Madeleine M



Dear Chicago 99s,

I am so sorry to report to you the passing of our long time (more than 50 years) member, Mary S. She was a beautiful lady, and a genuinely kind "sister in the sky". Her daughter told us that she wanted to be remembered by "her 99s". Mary was a warm and friendly member when I first joined the Chicago Chapter in 1978. She will be missed and she will be remembered.

On August 21st, Chuck H, 49 1/2 of our long time Chapter member Ellen H passed away after some time in hospice. Chuck supported his wife, and our Chapter. He was an aviator; an excellent air rally pilot and regular trophy winner. He and Ellen flew together, travelled together, celebrated life together. Ellen and their 2 sons, daughters-in-law and 4 grandchildren will miss him, as will those of us who knew and flew with him in the past while they lived in Cary, IL. So sorry, Ellen.

There is still time to sign up to come to Bloomington Minnesota for the Fall North Central Section Meeting. Enjoy the dinner boat! Learn more about how the Section works at the meeting! Make new friends; visit with old ones. These weekend events provide so much value, both in friendship and in fun, that I continue to encourage you to attend. People to learn from and an opportunity to be one of the most influential persons that another 99 meets.

I am especially pleased to have been nominated (along with Gail L) by our Chapter for induction into the International Forest of Friendship. It is a great honor. If you are able to attend, please do! Both Gail and I will love sharing the experience with our Chapter members. This event takes place in Atchison Kansas, starting with a reception on the lawn of the 99s owned Amelia Earhart Birthplace Museum. It continues with the induction ceremony on Saturday morning at the Forest (ifof.org) and a celebratory luncheon in an historic downtown Atchison building. Are you in?

Many of you worked hard for our Chapter this Spring and Summer. Airmarking Lansing, staffing the Air Race Classic Stop, educating hundreds of girls and women at the Aviation Day for Girls, helping out at Air Venture, participating in the 99s Conference in Vancouver, BC, Canada, and attending to our Chapter business. The relaxed and friendly trip back in time at Dacy Airport in Harvard was a very pleasant opportunity to meet some new members, see some historic aircraft and enjoy the grass runways and peaceful surroundings. Please come and enjoy our next meeting at ENW.

Don't just belong, participate!

Madeleine



Sky R is excited to continue her student pilot certification under the instruction of her sister, who recently earned her CFI rating. After her recent solo flight, she's proud of the hard work she's put into flying.

Enissa L is living her lifelong dream of flying around the world and inspiring others to believe they can fly too. She plans to continue working towards her commercial rating.

Isabella R is thrilled to have completed her ground and flight simulator training. She's about to begin flight training in the airplane and has recently learned firsthand the importance of an Instrument rating. Currently, she's focused on passing her written exam and reaching her first solo flight.

Gabrielle F is almost ready for her first solo flight. A recent positive experience with a flight instructor has boosted her confidence, particularly in smoothing out her landings. Her goal is to earn her private pilot's license by October.

Jen M passed her checkride on August 12 and is now enjoying flying with friends and family before starting her instrument training. Her examiner challenged her with tough scenarios, which helped her feel more prepared for emergencies. Jen is looking forward to starting her instrument training in a new aircraft and a new area.

**DETAILS FOR THIS PRODUCTIVE, EDUCATIONAL AND FUN WEEKEND
ARE AVAILABLE ON THE NORTH CENTRAL SECTION WEBSITE**

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FALL FOR MN!

Save the date

The Ninety-Nines, Inc., International Organization of Women Pilots

North Central Section Meeting Fall 2024

September 13-15



Sunset Dinner Cruises
Padelford Riverboats
Friday Night



49 ½ Activity
Northwest Airline
History Center
Saturday Morning



Behind the Scenes Tour
Minneapolis (MSP) Airport
"Best Airport in North America 2023"
by Airports Council International
Saturday Afternoon

EAA Honors 49 1/2 Gregg E. at the Memorial Wall Celebration July 28, 2024.

"The Memorial Wall next to Fergus Chapel gives families a quiet place to remember those who have gone before us. Created by Paul Poberezny to serve as a place where family and friends could honor their loved ones in dignity, the first ceremony was held at EAA AirVenture Oshkosh 1989.

We are grateful to have these tributes as part of EAA's history and be a place where legacies are forever honored. Center to the Memorial Wall is a monument formed by thousands of stones from EAA members across the world, and bronze plaques are installed annually on the adjacent walls to remember those who have gone west."

GREGG E. LOVED FAMILY, FLIGHT, & HIS FLYING FRIENDS.

04/15/1944 – 09/21/2023

Gregory Alan (Gregg) E was born April 15, 1944, in Matteson, Illinois, to parents Lorraine and Albert E. He died in his beloved airpark home in Poplar Grove, Illinois, on September 21, 2023.



After graduating from Illinois State University, he married Letty M, and they had two children -Laura (Bill) S granddaughter, Grace- and Jeffrey (Heather) E granddaughter, Bella. After a long marriage, Letty predeceased him in 2008. He is also survived by his siblings, Gale R, Jan B, and Gary E, and by his wife, Mary Lou, and stepson, Joel D.

Greg was heavily involved in and loved aviation. He retired from Lycoming Engines as manager of air safety investigations. Over the years he was recognized repeatedly for his contributions to various aviation organizations. He was a lifetime member of EAA, attending 50 consecutive conventions and presenting many seminars there during those years. Greg was a founding member of EAA Chapter 153 in Schaumburg and of the DuPage Pilots Association, as well as founder and director of the North Central Fly-in held for many years in Sterling/Rock Falls. He flew his Sonerai in Formula V class pylon races. He flew more than 50 accident-free years, and during that time gave a free airplane ride to 545 young people under EAA's Young Eagles program.

He developed an FAA TSI 'training academy' class called Homebuilt Accident Investigation and presented it at the FAA Academy for many years. In 2010, Greg and Mary Lou were married in an airplane maintenance hangar. And Gregg's dream of living at an airpark was fulfilled when they moved to Poplar Grove in 2015. He loved his family, his airplanes, and his wonderful neighborhood. He will be deeply missed by all including his devoted caregiver, Judith.

For more information regarding the Memorial Wall, please visit the EAA website.
For more information on Poplar Grove Airpark (C77) contact Blake Thomas at Poplar Grove Airmotive

We extend our sympathy and prayers to our long time member Mary Lou E as she remembers her husband, Gregg, on the 1st Anniversary of his passing, later this month.

GYROMANIA!

Gyroplanes - What are they? Why do we fly them? Where do they fit into General Aviation?



Past Chapter Chair Jill F will be hosting our October 6th meeting at Kenosha Airport. She and her 49 1/2 Dan, will be showing us their gyroplane. Beginning at 2:00pm, at their hangar. Fly in or drive in.

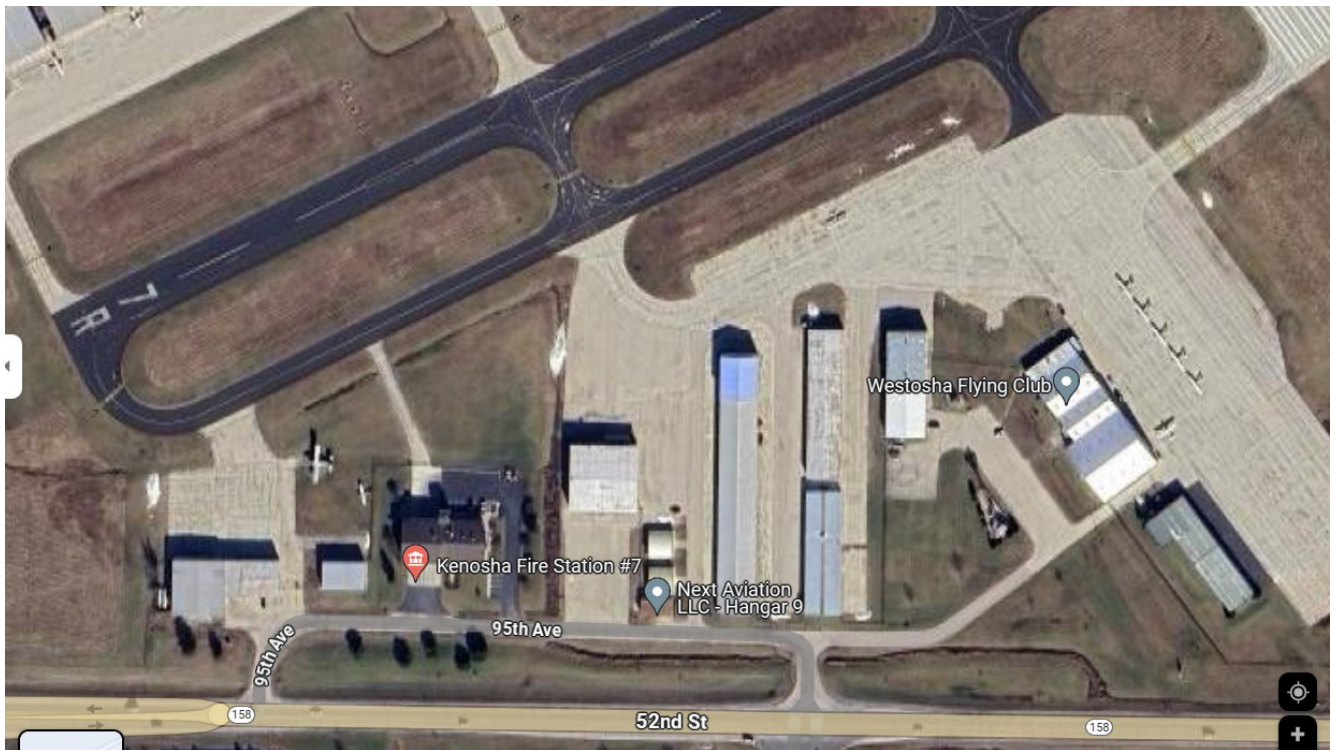
Driving directions to Kenosha Regional Airport – South Ramp (Feldman hangar) 9530 W 52nd St, Kenosha WI

From the South: I-94 N , I-294 N or US-41 N across the Wisconsin state line, I-94 N

From the North: I-94-S Exit I-94 at Exit 342 to WI-158 East (52nd Street) Go approximately ½ mile.

Continue past KENW main entrance at 104th St. Turn left past the fire station at 95th Ave. Park at the Westosha Flying Club. About a ¼ mile walk to Feldman hangar (#13). TEXT Jill at 847-902-4465 if you need a ride over.

See picture below, ** is hangar



Flying directions to Kenosha Regional Airport – South Ramp (Jill and Dan F. hangar) KENW

Tower Frequency 118.6. Taxi to South Ramp (south of 7R/25L, south of taxiway Charlie).

Park where indicated above (bring tiedowns if needed)



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AMELIA EARHART MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Time for Fall First Wings Applications Student Pilots award to achieve your first certificate

Deadline is **October 1** Applicants must be Student Pilot Members of the 99s for 3 months prior to that date and have logged 5 hours flight time within the preceding 6 months. Award is up to \$6,000 for specific milestones as they are achieved.

Time to think about and prepare for the winter deadline date for applying for the AE Scholarship;

Deadline is **January 1** All Applicants MUST read the General Requirements and Instructions before downloading the appropriate application form. Don't hesitate to contact me (Sharon S) if you are thinking of applying: contact info in 99s Directory. Scholarships are very competitive. Your active membership in the chapter is critical. Members will be voting their approval. The earlier I receive an application the better. Do not wait until the last minute.

Some things for applicants to address:

1. It is never too early to get started
2. Read the application thoroughly.
3. Read the instructions thoroughly.
4. Be sure your letter of recommendation is signed and dated.
5. Stress financial need in your essay.
6. Actively participate in chapter activities.

Sharon S, Chapter Scholarship Chair

