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Who Remembers Her First Solo Flight?

It Started Out...

by Monica Schuster (Wisconsin)

It started out a day like any other.

I am a nurse practitioner in a nursing home and usually see patients in the morning, chart in the afternoon. While I chart, I listen to *LiveATC* to improve on my radio calls. I've been taking lessons for my private pilot license since June 2020.

Listening to *LiveATC* in the afternoon led to a sigh of relief. "No solo today", I thought. I definitely had some anxiety about taking that first flight. I did not think to look at the METAR at the time.

I confidently walked into the FBO. There's no way I'm going to solo today! That took all the pressure off. My instructor knew this about me, so he told me, "We are going to go to West Bend and practice some maneuvers." I thought, "Great!"

We did not do maneuvers, but practiced the pattern at a non-towered airport. We went around a bunch of times, then he said, "I'm going to get out." I said, "Noooooo!" He simply replied, "I'm going to get out, and you're going to go by yourself."

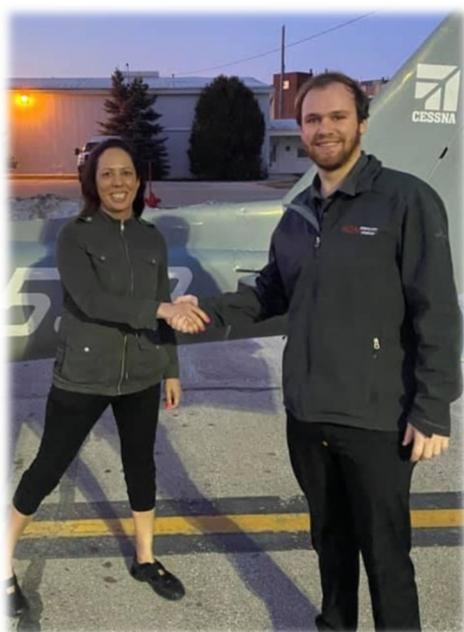
I couldn't believe it! As I approached the runway, he spoke on his handheld radio, "Monica, turn all your lights on." I couldn't believe that I was doing this! I was not nervous until I was on final. I realized that I was high, but eventually, I landed just fine. Everyone said, "Yeah, you were high...you didn't have your instructor in the plane with you!"

The day that started like any other day ended unlike any other.

Editor's note: I'm pretty sure that this little gem will bring back memories for everyone who reads it. I remember some hooting and hollering in my FBO's Cessna 150 after I made my first solo touch and go...

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Solo Pilot Monica Schuster and CFI Samuel Malzewski
West Bend Municipal Airport ETB (March 12, 2021)

Gear Up and GO With the Governor



Here's news about some section members with their "Gear Up and Going." "Congratulations!" to these NCS 99s for being selected to participate in the 99s Professional Pilot Leadership Initiative (PPLI) program .

Yanina Necker Chicago Area

Stephanie Kight Indiana

Jessica Best Chicago Area

Stephanie Kalal Minnesota

Follow PPLI on Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/99sPPLI/>

The following letter was received by their chapter chairs and myself:

[The chapter chair and member name are edited out, since their names/ chapters are listed above.]*

Dear [*Chapter Chair],

Hello, I am the Coordination Team Lead for the Ninety-Nines Professional Pilot Leadership Initiative (PPLI) Program. I am writing to let you know that [*Chapter Member] is participating in this session of the PPLI.

The PPLI is a three phase, formal mentoring program that lasts anywhere from 18 to 24 months. The program is designed to help facilitate the achievement of Ninety-Nines who aspire or are working as professional pilots while also developing their leadership skills and community involvement.

To complete the program, each participant needs to earn ten "leadership points" for various leadership activities. During the course of the program you may be asked to verify a participant's involvement in Chapter or Section activities.

More information can be found on the PPLI page of the Ninety-Nines website. I encourage you to share the information about the PPLI program with the professional pilots or aspiring professional pilots in your (*chapter).

Sincerely,
Mariko Doskow
PPLI Coordination Team Lead
teamlead@99ppli.org

If you are reading this and also interested in this wonderful leadership training opportunity, check out this video (<https://vimeo.com/gotmojo/ppli>) and visit their web page:

<https://www.ninety-nines.org/professional-pilot-leadership-initiative-ppli.htm>

~ Janice Welsh, NCS Governor

Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarships

The AE Memorial Scholarship application materials for 2022 are now available on The Ninety-Nines website: <https://www.ninety-nines.org/scholarships.htm>

Please pay special attention to the changes that have been made to this year's materials. All Chairs and applicants must read the General Requirements and Instructions before filling out the application. This will ensure that you are aware of the requirements and changes to previous application language.

Application forms: The files MUST be downloaded, then opened with Adobe Reader on a computer. The fillable fields will not appear on a tablet or smartphone. The forms may be downloaded or printed. The file can be saved to your personal computer.

There are five separate AE Memorial Scholarship applications to accommodate the most common requests. The applicant should use the application form most appropriate to her circumstances and goal. All links to these applications can be found on the 99s Scholarships page

2022 DEADLINES & TIMELINE:

- ALL Applicants Submission Deadline: Received by January 1, 2022
- Chapter to Section Submission Deadline (when applicable): Rec'd by January 15, 2022
- Section to Trustees Submission Deadline: Rec'd by February 5, 2022
- Judging of applications (Trustees and Outside Judges): Between February 5 and April 15, 2022
- Applicant MANDATORY Update to Trustees (when applicable): Rec'd by March 5, 2022
- Notification of Results: By April 15, 2022
- AE Scholarship Awards Banquet (Optional Attendance): 99s International Conference, July 2022
- Winners' Training Must Be Complete: By June 30, 2023

Just some reminders about eligibility for FIRST WINGS:

Applicant must be an official Student Pilot Member of The 99s at least three months prior to the submission deadline. (For fall award, it's July 1)

Must have a current medical certificate, if it is required for the pilot certificate sought.

Applicant must have logged a minimum of five hours of flight training in the six months immediately preceding the application deadline.

Applicant need NOT have soloed nor passed the knowledge test.

Each applicant, who belongs to a Chapter, needs to request a recommendation from her Chapter Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarship Chairman.

Each applicant in a Section without Chapters needs to request a recommendation from her Section Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarship Chairman.

In addition, each applicant must have a Mentor, a 99 who will support her through the training process.

Please make sure your applicants read all of the instructions. Also, please make sure your mentors understand the commitment in helping monitor the applicant's progress towards reaching milestones and submitting appropriate paperwork.



**For questions & information,
contact your NCS
AE Scholarship Chair.**

**Laurie Probst
Wisconsin Chapter**

Email: scholarship@ncs99s.org

Phone/Text: (262) 227-8571

For all AEMSF updates and details, visit:

<https://www.ninety-nines.org/scholarships.htm>

NCS Fall 2021 Meeting

Up, Up and Away to the Colorful Northwoods

September 23-26, 2021

Hosted by Northwoods 99s

Treehaven - College of Natural Resources

University of Wisconsin - Stevens Point

W2540 Pickerel Creek Road, Tomahawk, WI 54487



GENERAL INFORMATION

Come and let your cares float **Up, Up and Away to the Colorful Northwoods!**

Welcome to your destination, where our 99s NCS Fall Meeting will inspire your curiosity and excitement, while you enjoy our beautiful Northwoods surroundings.

Because **Treehaven** is a campus conference setting, your **FULL Registration fee** will include your room for both Friday and Saturday nights, Hospitality, and your meals and events. These rooms will be shared, so find or meet a good friend. Only 3 single rooms are available, which can accommodate 1-2 persons. These single rooms will be assigned based on the date your Registration request is received (first come, first served). Northwoods 99s will coordinate room reservations with Treehaven based on your Registration info.

RAFFLE RAFFLE RAFFLE

Seaplane flight
1968 C172 on floats

Taildragger Flight
1946 Classic J3 Cub

RAFFLE RAFFLE RAFFLE

For those who arrive on **Thursday** or want only a **1-Day Registration** for Friday or Saturday, be sure to register accordingly for Treehaven AND sign up for any needed **à la carte add-ons**.

If you choose to stay at a **local hotel**, rather than at Treehaven, then you will need to include **à la carte pricing** for the various meeting events listed on the Meeting Registration. No shuttle service from local hotels to Treehaven will be provided.

We hope this information will help when you complete your Meeting Registration.

TRANSPORTATION

Transportation to Treehaven will be available from TKV and RHI, compliments of Northwoods 99s. Contact Dee Dreger @ 715-612-3336 (call or text) to set up a shuttle time.

Rhinelanders-Oneida County Airport (RHI): 21-minute drive to Treehaven

Commercial service – Delta/SkyWest Airlines

General aviation – Rhinelanders Flying Service (715-365-3456) – 100LL available, self-serve, all credit cards accepted; call FBO for information on hangar space.

Car rental – Avis (715-350-8230), Enterprise (715-365-3430)

Tomahawk Regional Airport (TKV): 28-minute drive to Treehaven

General aviation – FBO (715-453-1874); Dan Anderson, Manager (760-535-7992 cell); 100LL avail., self-serve, all credit cards accepted; call Dean Clark (630-777-9400) to reserve hangar space.

Car rental – Autohaus (will deliver car to TKV); call 715-453-2886; Gary White, owner (and pilot)

Central Wisconsin Airport (CWA)*: 1-hour drive to Treehaven; if flying into CWA, you will need to rent a car. No shuttle service is available to Treehaven.

Commercial service – American/Envoy, Delta/Endeavor, Air Wisconsin

Car rental – National/Alamo (715-693-3430), Enterprise (715-693-1240), Avis (715-693-3025), Budget (715-693-6991)



Up, Up and Away to the Colorful Northwoods

99s North Central Section Fall Meeting

September 23-26, 2021

Hosted by Northwoods Chapter

MEETING REGISTRATION



Name: _____ (rooming w/: _____) Guest Name(s): _____

99s Chapter: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

Address (Street, City, State, Zip): _____

	Current – Offices / Committees	Past – Offices / Committees
Chapter		
Section		
International		

Check all that apply: First-Time Attendee Student Pilot Member AE Scholar – year: _____ 49½

	Price (circle one)			Quantity	Amount
	Shared Room (thru 9/7/21)	Single Room (thru 9/7/21)	Shared Room (9/8/21 and after)		
FULL Registration *	\$190.00	\$260.00	\$210.00		
1-DAY Registration **	\$59.00	\$94.00	circle: Th - Fr - Sa		
À LA CARTE ***					
Hospitality (per day)			\$10.00		
Friday (lunch and dinner)			\$30.00		
Saturday (breakfast and lunch)			\$25.00		
Saturday (banquet)			\$25.00		
Fly Market Table (circle one)		\$15.00 (99s)	\$25.00 (non-99s)		
NO refunds for cancellation after Sept 7, 2021				TOTAL:	

* FULL Registration incl. lodging (2 nights, Fri/Sat), Hospitality, and Fri/Sat meals (PER PERSON)

** 1-DAY Registration incl. that day's lodging (1 night - Th, Fr, or Sa), Hospitality, and next day's breakfast (PER PERSON)

*** Additional items NOT included in FULL and/or 1-DAY Registration

MEAL CHOICES:

#	FRIDAY DINNER	#	SATURDAY DINNER
	Traditional Friday Fish Fry/Bake		Pork Medallions with Bacon, Pear, and Gorgonzola
	Chicken Wellington		Walleye Almondine
	Maple and Sage with Vegetables Gratin		Butternut Squash Ravioli with Sage in Browned Butter

Dietary Restrictions: Vegan Vegetarian Gluten Free Allergies (please specify)

ARRIVALS (check all that apply): Driving to Treehaven Have a vehicle and can help with transportation
 Renting a car Need transportation from GA airport: ___ TKV ___ RHI

Commercial – RHI Arrival date/time _____ Airline _____ Flight # _____

GA – circle one: TKV or RHI Arrival date/time _____ Aircraft _____ Tail # _____

Mail registration form and check (payable to **Northwoods 99s**) to:
Lynn Sykes, 41 E Sands Street, Gwinn, MI 49841

For questions, contact:
Dee Dreger (715) 612-3336 deedreger@hotmail.com



Up, Up and Away to the Colorful Northwoods

99s North Central Section Fall Meeting

**Treehaven – College of Natural Resources
UW – Stevens Point (Tomahawk, WI)**

Hosted by Northwoods Chapter

September 23-26, 2021

MEETING SCHEDULE



Thu Sep 23

5:00 – 9:00 pm Leave for dinner at local Supper Club (dinner on own)
9:00 – 10:30 pm Hospitality Room open

Fri Sep 24

7:30 – 8:30 am Breakfast
8:30 am – noon Registration open
8:30 – 11:30 am Fly Market / Silent Auction / Hospitality Room open
9:30 – 11:30 am Walk / Hike the Grounds and Trails
12:00 – 1:00 pm Lunch
1:00 – 5:00 pm Registration open
1:00 – 3:00 pm *Mushroom Identification* with Eli Anoszko (resident ecologist)
WWII Glider History from the Northwoods with Syd Cohen
2:00 – 4:00 pm *Let's Talk to ATC!* (WINGS credit) with Laura McAllister (GKC 99)
Canoe/Kayak on Dragonfly Pond - \$10 (pay at Northwoods 99s Registration desk)
2:00 – 5:45 pm Fly Market / Silent Auction / Hospitality Room open
4:00 – 6:00 pm NCS BOARD MEETING
6:00 – 7:00 pm Dinner
7:30 pm – ??? Bonfire and S'Mores at Gazebo by Dragonfly Pond
7:30 – 10:00 pm Hospitality Room open – Line Dancing – Yee Haw!!!

Sat Sep 25

7:30 – 8:30 am Breakfast
Breakout Meetings (Chapter Chairs and Treasurers)
8:00 – 8:50 am Registration/Business Meeting Check-In
9:00 – 11:30 am Sawmill Lumber Demonstration for 49½ and guests
9:00 – noon NCS BUSINESS MEETING (Members only)
Noon – 1:00 pm Lunch
1:30 – 3:00 pm *Seaplane Flying* (WINGS credit) with Bill Lauer, CFI
2:00 – 4:00 pm *Scavenger Hunt* - on the grounds
Canoe/Kayak on Dragonfly Pond - \$10 at Northwoods 99s Registration Desk
3:00 – 6:00 pm Fly Market / Silent Auction / Hospitality Room open
6:00 – 8:00 pm Banquet followed by Northwoods Wildlife Center Speaker –
Bart Kotarba and Special Northwoods Creatures
8:30 – 10:30 pm Hospitality Room open

Sun Sep 26

7:30 – 8:30 am Breakfast
8:00 - 11:00 am Hospitality Room open
Times variable Departures (*be sure to sign up for transportation, if needed*)

NCS Fall 2021 Meeting (cont.)

Treehaven is located between Tomahawk and Rhinelander. It is "Wisconsin's center for integrating natural resources education, management, research, and recreation." AND it is a full-service conference facility.

From the Treehaven History page (web site):

Dorothy and Gordon Kummer purchased the land half a century ago and planted nearly 140,000 trees. After Gordon passed away, Dorothy married conservationist Jacque Vallier, and they continued the work and established what has grown into a "leading natural resources education and training center...to more current and future natural resource managers than any other center in the U.S." In 1980, the Vallier-Kummer family donated this natural treasure to UW-Stevens Point.

Treehaven lies "on an ancient glacial ridge overlooking 1,400 acres of forest and wetland habitat that hosts an abundance of wildlife species including osprey, deer, black bear, wolf, coyote, and fisher."

The surroundings should be quite stunning in late September. Join us!

COMING SOON -
Registration link for those wishing to attend only the NCS Business Meeting on Zoom. Watch your email.



Treehaven requires that all are masked when inside their facilities, and distancing will be practiced. Vaccinations are encouraged for all qualified to receive COVID vaccines.

Chicago Area

by Yanina Belazorava



The winners of the NCS Santori Scholarships were announced:

- \$2,000 to Kathryn Crihfield (Chicago Area) for her CFI;
- \$1,000 to Brenda Frye (Iowa) for her initial certificate;
- \$1,000 to Astrid Melms (Wisconsin) for her instrument rating.

The winners of the Chicago Area Ruth Frantz Scholarship were announced:

- \$2,500 to Yanina Belazorava Necker;
- \$2,500 to Leire Kennedy;
- \$500 to Jill Mann.

Congratulations and good luck to everyone towards your goals and ratings! We are looking forward to hear updates about your progress.

On June 13th, the our chapter held its Annual Meeting at Chicago Executive (KPWK). Our outgoing officers passed the gavel to the newly elected board. The outgoing Chapter Chair is Eva Kozlowski. Our new Chapter Chair is Madeleine Monaco. We thank our outgoing Chapter officers for their hard work during difficult times: Mona Knock, Cynthia Madsen, Colleen Murphy, Jill Feldman and Donna Klein. According to the Chapter's Annual report, despite the pandemic, our chapter's current member count has increased by 4 and a total member count is now 115! We welcome our new Chapter Officers: Madeleine Monaco, Mona Knock, Shelley Ventura, and Deena Schwartz.

Achievements

Hannah Wilson – First SOLO! (May 24th)
Hannah will be joining the Navy soon!



Outgoing and incoming Chapter Chairs
- Eva Kozlowski and Madeleine Monaco



Outgoing chapter officers: Donna Klein (for Colleen Murphy),
Cynthia Madsen, Eva Kozlowski, and Mona Knock



NCS Governor Janice Welsh swears in our new chapter officers: Shelley Ventura,
Donna Klein (for Deena Shwartz), Mona Knock, and Madeleine Monaco

Greater St. Louis

Auburn alumna Nelda Lee to deliver summer commencement address

Julie Huff, Office of the Provost, Auburn University (reprinted)

Aerospace and aviation pioneer Nelda Lee will address the newest Auburn graduates and kick off the university's summer commencement weekend Friday, Aug. 6, at Auburn Arena.

A Carrollton, Alabama, native, Lee was the second woman to earn an aerospace engineering degree from Auburn. Following her graduation in 1969, Lee began a 45-year career with Heritage McDonnell Douglas Co., now part of Boeing. After joining the company as an associate engineer, Lee was instrumental in designing, developing and testing several aircraft, including the DC-10, F-4, F-15, F/A-18, T-45, AV-8, and other special programs across the country.



Recognized as a trailblazer in aerospace engineering and aviation, Lee holds the distinction of being the first civilian woman to fly the F-15 Eagle, logging more than an hour during testing. After a career that encompassed extensive work in mechanical and structural design, test and evaluation engineering and multi-skill engineering management, Lee retired from Boeing in 2014.

A champion for women in engineering and aviation, Lee has mentored generations of Auburn students throughout her career. She further advocates for women pursuing careers in the industries through her work with organizations such as Women in Aviation International, Whirly-Girls and Ninety-Nines. Lee frequently shares her message of passion and purpose with students across the university, something she hopes will inspire Auburn's summer graduates.

"I am honored to share in the accomplishments of our graduates as this summer's commencement speaker," said Lee. "While this has most certainly been a challenging year for our students, I know they will graduate from Auburn with a solid foundation for success and a set of shared values not found at any other institution."

Among her many accolades, Lee was inducted in the Women in Aviation Pioneers Hall of Fame in 2004 and recognized in the 2014 Boeing book, "Trailblazers: The Women of the Boeing Company." In 2016, Lee was inducted into the Alabama Engineering Hall of Fame and was awarded the Auburn Alumni Association's Lifetime Achievement Award in 2017. Lee is also a current and founding board member of Women in Aviation International, a past international president and board member emerita of Whirly-Girls and board of trustees member and past governor of The Ninety-Nines, and international organization of licensed women pilots. She holds a commercial pilot's license with instrument, multi-engine and helicopter ratings from the Federal Aviation Administration.

[Submitted by Libby Yunger]

Iowa

by Minnetta Gardinier

Clinton Municipal Airport - Last Friday Gatherings



CWI hosts a potluck lunch on the last Friday of each month. It was a great opportunity for a few Iowa 99s to get together on a nice spring day.

Elaine Fitch, Deb McGee, and Minnetta Gardinier at CWI.

Shellie Darr Welcomes Big Red Home to Geneseo (IL)

Second attempt was the charm. Her Stinson 108 Voyager 150 made the flight from out west to her new home.



A Visit Out West

Iowa is a pretty big state, and the vast majority of our members reside in the eastern half of Iowa. Each year, at our planning meeting in November, we select airports across the state with an effort to visit western Iowa once or twice. Like many midwestern areas, our counties are kind of laid out in a grid. So we divide the state up into 6 sectors - North/South and West/Central/East - and we divide up our flyouts accordingly.

This year, we flew to Council Bluffs, largest city in southwest Iowa and part of the Omaha - Council Bluffs Metropolitan Area. It lies on the east bank of the Missouri River, which defines Iowa's western border.

The Council Bluffs Municipal Airport is home to the Great Plains Wing of the Commemorative Air Force. It is home to the P-51 Gunfighter and has been involved in restorations of a C-47, B-17, B-25, and B-29. Their hangar museum is chock full of great WWII memorabilia.



Welcome to Our New Members!

- Macy Arbuckle - student pilot in Vinton*
- Gwen Kingsbury - relatively new instrument-rated pilot in the Des Moines area*
- Ellie Snavely - her C172 is just a couple hangars down from my C177 at IOW.*

Council Bluffs fly-out and exploring downtown with Brenda Frye, Minnetta Gardinier, Deb McGee, and Jeneanne Visser.



Michigan

by Sandy Denton

Michigan Traveling Trophy and More...

May and June brought out the spirit of our Michigan Chapter. In May, the MI99s Travelling Trophy was passed from Heather Stalnaker to our Chapter's newest pilot Suzette Biela at an in-person gathering at Michigan Aviation FBO (KPTK).

In June the chapter gathered at Jack Barstow Airport (Midland, MI) for hangar talk and to enjoy cookies from The Aviator Cookie, Co., downtown Midland. The great-grandmother of the owners was a 99 - Carol Scheidler - who helped start the first FBO in Alpena, MI.



Traveling Trophy
Heather Stalnaker, Sandy Denton, & Suzette Biela



Chapter gathering at KPTK Michigan Aviation FBO

Top row: Frances Rose, Sandy Denton, Jenna Hinton, Debbie Franceus, Kim Fanelli, Guest Sherry Wells, Lynn Baginski

Bottom row: Guest Beverly Kindle-Walker, Nancy Walters, Isabella Gianni, Suzette Biela, Brenda Weilnau



Michigan Chapter meeting at Jack Barstow Midland Airport with Dot Hornsby, Debbie Franceus, Suzette Biela, Nancy Walters, Linda Langrill, Sandy Denton, Nicki Acker

Wisconsin

by Kathy Lester-Ross

Our first **New Horizons scholarships** were awarded to **Astrid Melms** and **Addison Geer**. This scholarship offers a way to honor WI Chapter members, 49½, families, and supporters who have gone to New Horizons. Initially funded anonymously, it has since been supplemented via personal donations, bake sales and silent auctions. The family members of the deceased persons determine the winners and amounts, using criteria similar to our Chapter and other 99s scholarship formats. This scholarship is in addition to our WI Chapter Scholarship.

Maria Lamia and **Bridgett Cornett** were considered for International AE scholarships and are both continuing their IFR training and closing in on this milestone. **Vonda [CFII] and Brian Benson** bought an Arrow II, which adds to the versatility offered to her students. New member Monica Schuster soloed.

At our **first 'hybrid' meeting** in April, with in-person and Zoom attendance, **Karen Kalishek** provided an opportunity to creatively learn more about various aircraft during our visit to KGRB. She created a **scavenger hunt** wherein we had to explore planes that many of us were familiar with, as well as planes that we had either not seen before or had not been able to look at up close. The line-up included a specialized Civil Air Patrol Cessna 182, Piper Aztec, Piper Seneca V, 1961 Dornier and Enstrom Helicopter. Our activity had us crawling under gear legs, looking through baggage areas, searching for data plates, and more! Kudus to Karen for such a creative learning experience.

Three chapter members received special awards at the **NCS Spring Meeting**: **Keith Hartlaub**, NCS 49½ Award; **Joan Plato**, NCS Spinning Prop Award for most uncompensated hours flown in the past year; **Astrid Melms**, NCS/Chicago Area Santori Scholarship. Congratulations to all.

At our May meeting, **Shena Medsger** shared her 2-week Alaskan aviation and camping adventure in a hybrid way (Zoom, PowerPoint, and the internet).

Hat trick – three bagger – threesome – tripod – three-peat

No matter what you call it, Astrid DID it! She passed all 3 written tests on May 22nd. IRA, FII and IGI !!! CONGRATS!!!

Our chapter nominations and elections process concluded with the following **Officers & Directors elected for 2021-2022**. We look forward to living The 99s mission statements with their guidance.

Co-Chairs: Krys Brown and Darcy Kulesha

Vice Chair: Bridgett Cornett

Treasurer: Joan Plato

Co-Secretaries: Nancy Burton and Kathy Lester Ross

Directors: Julie Hartlaub and Diane Welch

Editor's Hangar

Got a **COVER STORY** to share? A few great photos? C'mon, we know that you have stories to tell.

Editor's challenge - a new cover story with every issue from a *different* Chapter across our Section. It doesn't need to be flashy. It's just 'hangar chat' in the newsletter. Who's in for the Fall and Winter issues?

Cover story guidelines - an aviation-related story; 1000 words (max); and 3-4 nice, high resolution photos.

Our readers love shorter aviation pieces too. Consider sharing your stories - flying, training, airports, mechanical matters, book/movie reviews, photos - the sky is the limit. Share!

Chapter news - We look for a brief update from each Chapter. A few lines of what's been going on. Photos. Milestones achieved.

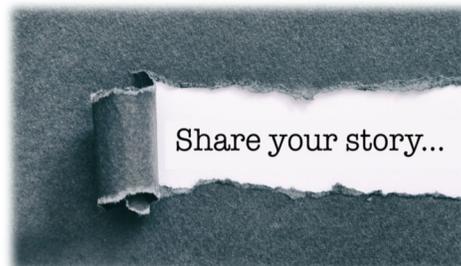
Photos - Don't forget to include the caption for the picture - WHO, WHAT, WHERE, WHEN...

Leave a print copy of Waypoint at your local airport. It's a great way to advertise NCS 99s and your Chapter.

Waypoint is **YOUR** newsletter. Own it!

Blue skies & tail winds.

~ Minnetta Gardinier (Iowa)
Waypoint Editor



Waypoint Guidelines

Photos MUST be print quality, high resolution!!! Photos that are poor quality may not be published at the discretion of the Editor. For a HIGH quality photo, set your camera to high or better quality (300 dpi minimum). Copies of social media photos are usually poor print quality as they are down-sized when uploaded to these platforms.

WAYPOINT SUBSCRIPTION RENEWAL Reminder:

If you are receiving a paper copy of Waypoint, please be sure your correct address is provided to **KATHY LESTER-ROSS**.

There is NO manual cross-referencing to the International 99s membership directory.

Chapter Treasurers: Renewals for paper copy subscriptions are due **JULY 1** each year. Please make sure to send your Chapter's list of subscribers along with the appropriate **subscription fee (\$20)** payable to **NCS 99s**. Note the **subscription cost increase**; it has not been increased in 10+ years while costs have risen. Mail to:

Kathy Lester-Ross, 2031 N Beaumont Ave., Kansasville, WI 53139

Waypoint Schedule

Issue # (release):	Activity coverage:	Submissions due:
1 - Summer (July)	Mar 1 - May 31	Jun 10
2 - Fall (October)	Jun 1 - Aug 31	Sep 10
3 - Winter (January)	Sep 1 - Nov 30	Dec 10
4 - Spring (April)	Dec 1 - Feb 28	Mar 10

Send submissions to: waypoint@ncs99s.org

2021 NCS Spring Meeting Minutes

Saturday, May 1, 2021 - ONLINE MEETING

The meeting was called to order by Governor Janice Welsh at 10:00 a.m. CDT / 11:00 a.m. EDT as an online meeting.

Attending were Board Members: Governor Janice Welsh (Indiana Dunes), Vice Governor Deb McGee (Iowa), Secretary Sue Glisson (Kentucky Bluegrass), Treasurer Maria Lamia (Wisconsin), Director Deb Henrichs (All Ohio), Directory Kathy Lester Ross (Wisconsin) and Immediate Past Governor Ellen O'Hara (Chicago Area).

Vice Governor McGee read the meeting instructions for the Zoom platform.

Immediate Past Governor O'Hara introduced Bernice Barris (Lake Erie) who gave the Invocation in a recorded video.

Vice Governor McGee asked attendees for a moment of silence for those who have flown to New Horizons.

A video was shown of North Central Section members in action, prepared by Brittany Jeyaseelan (Wisconsin).

Governor Welsh acknowledged those attendees with 1 year of membership and those with memberships of 50 years or more.

Lori Manthey (Lake Erie) gave the registration report with 53 attendees and 11 chapters represented at the time of the count. We had a quorum. **There were 14 chapters represented in a later count.*

BOARD REPORTS

Governor Welsh greeted and welcomed attendees and commented on the diversity of our members but our common bond - love of flight. She mentioned that the Board had been working on revision of the Bylaws. A vote would not be taken at this meeting, but concerns would be discussed. She encouraged members to remain after the business meeting for the North Central Section Awards ceremony, the Hangar Talks, and the NASA and Goodyear Blimp sessions coordinated by the Lake Erie Chapter. She thanked the members for their activities to inspire others to reach their goals.

Vice Governor McGee related her duties and relayed our hope to get back to in-person meetings as the year progresses.

Secretary Glisson noted the NCS Fall 2020 Meeting Minutes were published in the Winter 2020-21 Waypoint. She asked for additions or corrections. There were none. Governor Welsh asked for a motion to approve the Fall NCS 2020 Business Meeting Minutes as published. Margaret Wint (Indiana Dunes) made a motion to approve. Lauren Settles (Kentucky Bluegrass) seconded. A poll vote was taken. The minutes were approved.

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NCS Spring Meeting Minutes (cont.)

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Treasurer Lamia presented the NCS Bank Balance Report of our savings and checking accounts. She related the NCS, with approval of the Board, is changing banks from Sparks Capital One to Bank of America. She listed pros and cons of both banks, justifying the Board decision. She presented a 3-year comparison of NCS Actual Financials. She reminded members if they have forgotten to wear their 99s pins at our online meetings, to turn in their \$1 per meeting pin fine at our next in-person meeting. She cautioned chapter treasurers to be vigilant about checking their accounts to avoid hacking or scammers. The Treasurer's Report will be filed for audit.

Governor Welsh made a statement that during the 2018-19 fiscal year Immediate Past Governor O'Hara had health and family circumstances that prevented her from turning in her allotted governor expenses of \$1500 on time. Governor Welsh made a motion that we make a "one time" exception and pay Ellen O'Hara \$1500 (actuals \$1556) for the receipts she submitted late due to her circumstances during the 2018-2019 fiscal year. Elaine Morrow (Minnesota) made a motion to allow the disbursement. Margaret Wint (Indiana Dunes) seconded. A poll vote was taken. Motion passed.

Director Kathy Lester Ross and Director Deb Henrichs related their position duties and encouraged chapter participation by nominating candidates for future NCS Awards.

INTERNATIONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Governor Welsh welcomed International Vice President, Terry Carbonell (Paradise Coast). Vice President Carbonell presented the following:

May 1, 2021, was the last day for voting for the International 99s election. Candidates were highlighted on the website and in the January issue of the 99s News.

The annual International 99s Meeting will be an online meeting on Saturday, July 10, 2021. The next in-person International 99s Meeting will be in 2022 in Charleston, South Carolina.

Information about the *Let's Fly Now* program can be found on the website in the Members Only section under the Resources tab. To register for the program members will need to upload their pilot certificate and insurance information.

The first in-person 99s Fly-In will be held September 24-26, 2021, McKellar Sipes Regional Airport (KMKL), Jackson, TN. There is no cost for the event. Seminars and flying events are planned. Camping will be available. Instructors will be available for a fee, if members wish to brush up on flying skills.

The 99s had a presence at the recent Sun N Fun 2021 event, not a booth, but were at the 99s House.

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The 99s will have a booth at EAA AirVenture 2021, July 26-August 1, 2021.

A *Women's Achievement Award* will be presented at the NIFA Competition. Marilyn Shafer is the International NIFA Chair for the 99s.

A six-webinar series was started last Fall entitled, "*Turbulence to Triumph: Navigating Experiences to Empowerment*" and can be found on the website. First Wednesday webinars are presented on the first Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. CDT.

Louise Thaden's Travel Air is owned by the 99s. It has been moved from the *Oklahoma Science Center* to the *Kansas Aviation Museum* in Wichita. There will be a display and abundant information about the 99s. We believe we will get much more exposure for both the aircraft and our organization at that location.

The 99s Headquarters in Oklahoma City, OK, is expanding its campus to occupy the present 2-story building and the next door 1-story building, which was previously leased to a tenant by The 99s .

The *Bylaws Modernization Project* is evaluating a change from the delegate system to a one member, one vote system, necessitating a change in the quorum requirements. In-person and online broadcasts will be allowed. The hope is for more member participation.

The next IBOD (International Board of Directors) Meeting will be November 5 & 6, 2021 in Oklahoma City, OK.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

Treasurer Lamia presented the NCS Proposed 2021-22 Budget. She presented assumptions for Section Revenue and the Proposed Budget with revenues and disbursements. Shelley Ventura (Chicago Area) asked if the NCS had a PayPal account. Treasurer Lamia said she would look into it. Governor Welsh asked for a motion to approve the NCS Proposed 2021-22 Budget. Paula Rumbaugh (Scioto Valley) made the motion to approve the budget. Patty Sandusky (Minnesota) seconded. A poll vote was taken. The Proposed NCS 2021-22 Budget was approved.

Governor Welsh began discussion on the Proposed Bylaws Revision. Favorable comments have been received, but there were also some comments/questions. Minor omissions and redundancies will be revised by the Board without discussion. She noted that it is a work in progress and that future amendments may be necessary. Comments/questions were then open for discussion.

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ARTICLE V – SECTION 1. MEETINGS: This corporation shall meet semi-annually at section meetings. Online meetings are authorized as determined by the board. A majority of the members present at the section meeting shall constitute a quorum, provided at least 40 percent of the active chapters are represented.

Board Rationale: Reducing the percentage to 40 percent may increase the chances of obtaining a quorum. The Board did not feel the reduction would result in fewer chapters sending a representative.

Discussion Against the Change from 50 percent to 40 percent: Some members felt there was no need to change the percentage as it had always been sufficient for a quorum in the past. The change in percentage may contribute to a possible decline in attendance and chapters' commitment to send delegates.

ARTICLE VII – SECTION 3. NOMINATIONS: Nominations for elective positions shall be made by the Nominating Committee and they shall name at least one candidate for each position to be filled. If any elective position has more than one nominee, ballots shall be provided to all section members by April 1 and shall be returned by May 1. Where there is one nominee for each position, the election may be made by acclamation.

Board Rationale: It would streamline elections to allow vote by acclamation. A voice vote is still part of the election process, and the member may vote no or does not have to vote if so desired. Write-ins may not be applicable because write-in candidates may not wish to serve and candidates who wish to serve must file an Intent to Seek Election form.

Discussion Against the Change to allow vote by acclamation: Some members felt ballots, even in the case of only one candidate for each position, should be sent. It was felt that balloting is part of the election process and should not be eliminated. Receiving ballots would provide a means of knowing the degree to which the candidate is supported by the membership.

Discussion For the Change to allow vote by acclamation: It was noted, vote by acclamation is a cost and time saving measure.

ARTICLE XII – APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The secretary shall forward copies of the minutes to each board member within a month of the date of the meeting. Comments should be returned within two (2) weeks of receipt thereof.

Board Rationale: The "current practice" is for the business meeting minutes to be sent to the 6 Board members for additions or corrections. The minutes are then published in the Waypoint or presented at the next business meeting for a vote. The members, including the chapter chairs, have the opportunity to offer corrections or additions at that meeting. A vote is taken to accept the minutes as published/presented or to accept the minutes as amended.

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Discussion Against the Approval of Minutes By the Board Only for Additions/Corrections:

Some felt the chapter chairs should continue to be included in the addition/correction of business meeting minutes within the same time period as the Board. They felt the chapter chairs should receive the business meeting minutes in a more timely manner than waiting until published in the Waypoint or at the next scheduled business meeting and that including chapter chairs would increase the chances of catching errors in the minutes.

Discussion For the Approval of the Minutes by the Board Only for Additions/Corrections: It was noted that not all chapter chairs attend the section meetings and that the minutes are only a draft copy until approved by the membership at the next section meeting.

Chapter Chair Sandy Denton (Michigan) presented a special recognition certificate, Appreciation of Service as Michigan Chapter Historian Extraordinaire to Claire Ojala for her work documenting the history of the Michigan Chapter.

NCS AE Scholarship Chair Tina Hartlaub presented a report on our NCS AE applicants. Unfortunately, none of our applicants received an AE scholarship. The fall *First Wings* scholarships application deadline is October 1, 2021. See the International website for more information on applications. The *First Wings* applications are sent to the chapter chair or the chapter AE chair, then directly to International.

CHAPTER CHAIR REPORTS

Chapter Chair Reports were given by the following chapters: All Ohio, Chicago Area, Greater Kansas City, Greater St. Louis, Indiana Dunes, Iowa, Kentucky Bluegrass, Lake Erie, Michigan, Minnesota, Northwoods, Scioto Valley and Wisconsin. Indiana Chapter did not report. Governor Welsh thanked the chapters for the reports and was pleased to hear of all the wonderful activities that the chapters have done. Please send written reports to governor@ncs99s.org, secretary@ncs99s.org and waypoint@ncs99s.org if you have not already done so.

NCS FALL MEETING INVITATION – Northwood Chapter Chair Dee Dreger presented a video and invitation to the in-person NCS Fall Meeting, September 24-26, 2021, at the University of Wisconsin Treehaven Campus, Tomahawk, WI.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Vice Governor McGee announced that Margaret Wint (Indiana Dunes) is selling tote bags for the chapter's fundraising.

Beverly Weintraub (New York) has authored a book titled, "*Wings of Gold: The Story of the First Women Naval Aviators.*"

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The Air Race Classic Derby 2021 has 89 teams with 209 women participating. Fifteen of the 89 teams have NCS pilots. *Amended to 90 teams after the close of the meeting.

Governor Welsh thanked Vice President Carbonell, the Board, Monitors Jeneanne Visser (Iowa) and Jenny Myren (Iowa), Zoom Coordinator Erin Thompson (Kentucky Bluegrass), Hangar Talk Presenters Yanina Necker (Chicago Area), Margaret Wint (Indiana Dunes) and Sandy Denton (Michigan), Lori Manthey (Lake Erie) and the Lake Erie Chapter, all who contributed to the NCS Spring Meeting, attendees and guests.

The business meeting was adjourned at 12:20 p.m. CDT / 1:20 EDT.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Glisson, NCS Secretary

ADDENDUM TO THE MAY 1, 2021 NCS SPRING MEETING MINUTES

After the NCS Spring 2021 Business Meeting, the online program continued with the following:

NCS AWARDS CEREMONY

Results of the North Central Section Awards ceremony are as follows: Chapter Spinning Prop Award winners included Deb Henrichs (All Ohio), Mona Knock (Chicago Area), Deb McGee (Iowa), Leeann Jorgensen (Minnesota), and Joan Plato (Wisconsin). The North Central Section Spinning Prop winner was Joan Plato (Wisconsin). The 49½ Service Award winner was Keith Hartlaub (49½ of Julie Hartlaub (Wisconsin)). The Governor's Service Award winner was Margaret Wint (Indiana Dunes). The NCS Richard J. Santori Scholarship winners (administered by the Chicago Area Chapter) were Brenda Frye (Iowa) for her private pilot certificate, Astrid Melms (Wisconsin) for her instrument certificate, and Kathryn Cihfield (Chicago Area) for her CFI.

NCS HANGAR TALKS

Hangar Talk Breakout Rooms were *High Wing or Low Wing?* – Host, Yanina Necker (Chicago Area), *Tips for Picking the Right CFI For You* – Host, Sandy Denton (Michigan), and *Air Race Classic, Q & A* – Host, Margaret Wint (Indiana Dunes)

VIRTUAL PRESENTATIONS

The virtual presentations coordinated by the Lake Erie Chapter were *Meet a Rocket Scientist – NASA Aeronautics* – Host, Mary Wadel, Deputy Director of Aeronautics National Aeronautics and Space Administration John H. Glenn Research Center; and *Virtual Tour Goodyear Blimp – Live from Akron, Ohio* – tour guide and blimp pilot, Johannes 'Joe' Erbs.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Glisson, NCS Secretary

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ALL-OHIO (submitted by Deb Henrichs)

Membership Summary:

Currently All-Ohio has 44 members. We have 8 new members; however, about a dozen members have left which gives us a net membership loss over the past year. Almost all of the members who left joined in late 2019 so the departures may be due to the impact of COVID on finances and activities.

Member Achievements:

- Maggi Mullholand, student pilot, passed written exam with a score of 83%
- Suzette Biele, passed private pilot checkride
- Peg Ballou is FAAS Team Representative and presents quarterly at CFI/DPE Forum. During COVID, she has soloed several students and had 4 pass checkrides – 3 Private and 1 Commercial. She presented as Loretta Schimmoler (first women airport manager of 17G) to the Marion Historical Society. Served as VP of Mansfield Air Club in 2020.
- Val Palazzolo, National FAAS Team Manager was awarded the FAA – Flight Standards Senior/Middle Manager of the Year Award. The award honors the manager who is regarded by co-workers and subordinates to have displayed excellence in leadership and made noteworthy contributions.

Chapter Activities:

In January, we started a mentorship program for our student pilots. Currently we have 7 student pilots being mentored by 6 members. A scholarship application (First Wings) has been submitted for one student.

Reinstated meetings in April often via Zoom except for the summer months and when social distancing could be practiced at venues like Bolton Field (Sept & Nov) and Mansfield (Oct). Pool parties were hosted by Margaret Hazlett in July and August.

The Air Bear educational program information was resurrected when the German Section of the Ninety-Nines requested information. Betty Huck created a zip file of all the documents and emailed to very appreciative 99s in Germany.

Val Palazzolo became our Webmaster and is working on content for the All-Ohio subdomain on the NCS website.

New Horizons:

Lt. Col (retired) Buck Ewing, beloved 49½ of Barbara Ewing (deceased), passed May 2020.

Helen Evans, former All-Ohio Chairman, passed Dec 2020 at the age of 101.

Lu Damschroder, co-founder and owner of Fremont Airport 14G, died March 2021

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CHICAGO AREA (submitted by Eva M Kozlowski)

Membership summary:

These past 12 months have brought our membership to a total of 115 members, of which 105 that are Current, 4 on Hold, 5 on Standby, and 1 Past Member. This is an increase of 4 current members over last year's membership. Due to COVID-19, we needed to cancel our monthly events. Our business meetings were held via conference call, with roughly 8 to 10 members participating. These business meetings were our only way of "meeting" as a Chapter, due to the pandemic. As a result, our monthly Air News newsletter continues to be our primary source to provide information, updates, and inspiration for all our Chapter members.

Member achievements:

Our membership achieved a wide spectrum of awards, scholarships, and accomplishments, this past reporting year.

- Yanina Belaziorava became Instrument Rated on June 5th, 2020.
- Jill Tonne became a private pilot in 2020.
- Margaret Sampson became a private pilot in November 2020.
- Yanina Belziorava won the NCs Spinning Prop (Chicago Area nominee)
- Yosh Kano won the NSC 49½ Award
- Carol Skiber, Southwest Airline Captain, retired from Southwest Airlines.
- We are very proud of our member Kathryn Carihfield, who was awarded the Santori Scholarship to work towards earning her CFI.

Chapter activities:

Over the last 12 months our activities were limited, due to COVID-19.

Here are a handful of activities our chapter did:

- On Memorial Day 2020, a group of CAC 99s, along with the local chapter of Women in Aviation, Chicago's Leading Edge, conducted a brief memorial service at the site of Janet Wayne Tuch's grave in Barrington's Evergreen's Cemetery. She was in the WASP 44-W-9 class.
- Bult Field (C56) Fly-in/Drive-in on 8.16.2020, hosted by Chapter member, Cynthia Madsen. We had a socially distanced barbeque lunch, with door prizes, and viewed the movie "Flyabout." The movie is a documentary by 99 Monika Petrillo about her flight around Australia's perimeter, with her father.
- By-Laws and Standing Rules were revised.



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GREATER KANSAS CITY (submitted by Laura MacAllister)

Membership Summary:

Current Officers: Chair – Laura MacAllister; Vice-Chair – Isabella Sterling; Secretary/
Treasurer – Julia Rew

Membership: 42 down to 37, we have held relatively steady. I think continuing to meet in some capacity and using the time we have had to make plans for future activities has helped maintain the chapter through the year we had.

Member Achievements: Julia Rew CFI and CFII.

Chapter Activities:

We continued to meet for the most part on our normal schedule via Zoom and some in-person meetings. We now plan to do our meetings in-person with the ability for those that cannot attend to zoom in for awhile. We had a fall meeting kickoff, socially-distanced BBQ, near Lee's Summit Municipal Airport (LXT). Two of these were Fly-in Meetings at Wheeler Downtown Airport (MKC) and Chiles Airpark. We have been planning 2 air markings, One in the near future will be at Amelia Earhart Airport K59, and one will be down the road a bit at MKC. Our normal Holiday and Wright Day Dinners were cancelled this year, but we did begin an Airplane/Helicopter 3D card fundraiser. We had 3 members participate in a Girl Scouts Virtual Career Day. I coordinated an interview with a reporter from the local PBS station and members from our chapter along with the Eastern Kansas Chapter (South Central Section), They did a story on incredible women from our local area for Women's History Month. The article can be viewed here <https://www.flatlandkc.org/people-places/amelia-earharts-enduring-legacy-women-who-dare-to-soar/>.

New Horizons:

Sarah Gorelick Ratley - a member of the Mercury 13 group

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GREATER ST. LOUIS (submitted by Kate Benhoff)

Membership Summary:

Current Officers: Kate Benhoff (chairman), Stephanie Maughan (secretary), Martha Norman and Melissa Hanthorn Shantz (co-treasurer)

Membership: Loss of 9 because of Covid-19; 30 current (4 other) as of 04/21; 3 life members

Added a chapter email and website for central communications; began doing Zoom meetings for added member participation during the pandemic; and created an online banking account for future fundraisers/events

Member Achievements: Nelda Lee has been a 99 for 50 years! (Joined April 1971)

Chapter Activities: 2021 Spring Fling flying fundraiser – ongoing through April 26

INDIANA - no report submitted

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If you want a name badge in the shape of your state, send your check for \$16 (\$20 after 1-1-19) payable to

Chicago Area 99s

and mail with this form to:

Linda Uznys,
address and phone in the 99s Directory

Email luznys855@gmail.com

Allow three weeks for delivery.



99s NAME BADGE ORDER FORM

Print out this form, complete it and send it with your payment (see below)

Name	
Street Address	
City	
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ZIP code	
What name do you want on the badge?	
Official chapter name	
U.S. state where chapter based	
Pin back or magnetic back?	
Address to where badge should be shipped (if other than address above)	
Badge will be shipped by supplier.	
Email address to resolve any further details	

Mail this form and \$16 (\$20 effective January 1, 2019) to Linda Uznys, Chicago Area Chapter 99s, for each badge ordered.
Her address can be found in The Ninety-Nines directory.

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INDIANA DUNES (submitted by Jessica Richardson)

Membership Summary:

Current Officers: Jessica Richardson, Chair; Keegan Starkey, Vice Chair; Rose Sirko, Treasurer; Janice Welsh, Secretary

Membership: 32 members; four previous members dropped their membership, but we also gained four new members this year. COVID has made our fly-outs and get - togethers harder, but we've tried to keep in contact through Zoom meetings, and are now beginning to do some more in-person meetings and fly-outs again in the last couple of months.

Member Achievements:

- Sarah Portuguez, multi-commercial add-on, new job at Tailwind Air flying PC12
- Julie Maier, new job at Tailwind Air flying the Falcon 900s/50s and new jet fleet manager, coordinating with maintenance
- Alexis Popoca, Private Pilot
- Jessica Richardson, tailwheel endorsement
- Emily Schott, Aerospace Engineering degree from Purdue
- Sara Williams, Private Pilot
- Sydney Williams, tailwheel endorsement
- Samantha Williams, soloed the T-6 in Navy Primary Flight Training.

Chapter Activities:

Due to COVID, not a lot of activities last year, but our chapter did organize a couple of airmarking events. We repainted the compass rose at Laporte Municipal (KPPO) and Kendallville Municipal (C62) last summer. Member Shelly Williams organized a tour of their family business, William's Aeroframe Components.

New Horizons:

Ninety-Nines and Indiana Dunes member, Joy Black Valek, passed away November 17, 2020 at age 88. We salute your life and wonderful friendship!

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IOWA (submitted by Minnetta Gardinier)

Membership Summary:

We have 25 Members (25 current, 0 standby, 0 hold), including 3 Student Pilot Members and 1 Life Member. Two members joined in the past 12 months.

Chapter officers: Minnetta Gardinier (Chair), Jenny Myren (Vice Chair, Scholarship Chair), Jeneanne Visser (Secretary), and Elaine Fitch (Treasurer)

Members serving Section: Minnetta Gardinier (Newsletter, Website), Deb McGee (Vice Governor), Jenny Myren (Nominating Committee Chair)

Members serving International: Minnetta Gardinier (International Director)

Member Achievements:

- Samantha Claypool, AEMSF Fly Now awardee, solo'd (5/2020), did her solo long cross-country (8/2020), and passed her private pilot checkride (3/2021)!
- Shellie Darr got her tailwheel endorsement (Sep 2020).
- Brenda Frye, our newest member, solo'd (Oct 2020).
- Minnetta Gardinier presented a 99s First Wednesday Webinar on her 2019 flight to Greenland with 'Mo' Griggs (Aug 2020) and passed her commercial written exam.
- Kate Timmerman got to fly over the Pacific Ocean among her activities on her visit to the West coast (Aug 2020).

Chapter Activities:

Our Chapter strives for monthly fly-outs covering six sectors across the state: North – West, Central, East; South – West, Central, East. We meet on the 3rd Sunday of each month but sprinkle in a few Saturdays. From Apr 2020 through Mar 2021, we visited Sioux County Regional (Jun 2020), Decorah (Jul 2020), Galesburg IL (Aug 2020), Oskaloosa (Sep 2020), Mason City (Oct 2020), Iowa City (Nov 2020), Clinton (Jan 2021), and Marion (Mar 2021). Unfortunately, three meetings were canceled due to COVID restrictions or weather. Meetings were held outdoors with social distancing and masks (and/or via Zoom).

May 2020 – Minnetta Gardinier identified 4 Iowa WASP gravesites and visited them on Memorial Day – Martha Ann Mace Boshart (44-W-5), Gleanna Roberts (44-W-9), Beverly Jean Moses (44-W-5), and Levona Hove (44-W-10).

Sep 2020 – Members gathered to paint a compass rose in Oskaloosa OOA.

As we get vaccinated and move beyond the COVID pandemic, our Chapter looks forward to a more active and exciting year for 2021/2022.



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KENTUCKY BLUEGRASS (submitted by Sue Glisson)

Membership Summary:

53 members, 6 students, 4 life, all current as of 3/21



Chapter Co-Chairs: Lauren Settles/Beth King
Vice Chair: Emily Herron
Secretary: Louise Bornwasser
Treasurer: Terri Donner

Membership Chair: Sue Glisson
Scholarship Chair: Terri Donner
Newsletter Chair: Lauren Settles
Webmaster: Lauren Settles

Member Achievements:

- Megan Fox: CFI Written
- Stefani Crask: Commercial fixed wing and airplane instrument add-on, CFI initial for airplanes
- Emily Herron: hired as Manager, Madisonville Reg'l Airport, Madisonville, KY
- Sue Glisson: elected to second term 2020-22 as NCS Secretary
- Terri Donner: retired from a 31+ year career with UPS and inducted into the Aviation Museum of Kentucky Hall of Fame
- Kristena Cook: KY Bluegrass Advanced Rating Scholarship for instrument and commercial ratings
- Haley Haning: KY Bluegrass Advanced Rating Scholarship for multi-engine rating
- Brynne Moseley: KY Bluegrass Advance Rating Scholarship for instrument rating
- Lauren Settles: authored children's book, "Could I Be a Pilot?"

Chapter Activities:

We held our annual March Girl Scout Day at Clark County Airport (Sellersburg, IN) with 55 Girl Scouts present. April was cancelled due to COVID. We began Zoom meetings with an on-line meeting in May, wearing our Kentucky Derby hats. We were able to meet during the warm weather months in open air, socially distanced settings, including June at Rough River State Park (Falls of the Rough, KY) - we inducted our new officers for the 2020-22 term; a fly-in meeting in July at member Stefani Crask's field, Miles Field (near Waddy, KY) - member Tiffany McKinney spoke to us about her hot air balloon piloting experiences; a fly-in meeting in August at Madisonville Regional Airport (Madisonville, KY) - we congratulated Vice Chair Emily Herron on her new position as manager of the airport and received flying tips from a CFI; 2 fly-in breakfasts in September and October at Samuels Field (Bardstown, KY) - we wore our Halloween witch costumes and planned for a virtual Girl Scout Day. We returned to Zoom meetings for November and December, planning our first ever virtual Girl Scout Day. In January we presented our virtual Girl Scout Day with 100 Girl Scouts signed in. At February's Zoom meeting we planned for future Girl Scout Days with different content. At our March 2021 Zoom meeting we planned for upcoming in-person meetings. We are looking forward to getting together again!

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LAKE ERIE (submitted by Lori Manthey)

Membership Summary:

Current Officers: Lori Manthey, Chapter Chair; Donna Benz, Vice Chair; Kimberly Hill, Secretary; Nancy Wood, Treasurer

Membership: 32 current members, with two on standby. Two members dropped out, and we gained three. This is a net gain of one member since last year.



Member Achievements:

- Donna Benz earned her private pilot certificate, ASEL.
- Sherri Spagnola earned her private pilot certificate, ASEL. Sherri already has commercial helicopter and instrument ratings.
- Lori Manthey passed her Biennial Flight review (BFR) with T&G Flying Club at KBKL (after 30 years of not flying).
- Lee Ann Baggott renewed her Cirrus Pilot "Black Diamond" status (index of total and recent time, flight and avionics training, certificates, IFR and actual instrument time, actual instrument approaches), and she obtained a flight review for instrument proficiency. She also won the coveted Lake Erie 99s Pilot of the Year Award.
- Kimberly Hill, an active student pilot, won the Lake Erie 99s Fledgling Award.
- Jessica Maslach earned her CFI on December 15, and she is currently instructing 7 students.
- Ava Vidovich obtained her glider certificate rating.
- Heidi Theile was called back to her job at American Airlines as a First Officer (she is an honorary local member of the Lake Erie 99s, though her official chapter is the Tucson Chapter).

Chapter Activities:

Two fly-in events included a flight to Put-in-Bay for a day of fun on the Lake Erie Island and a fly-in to a restaurant meet-up at Carroll County Airport.

New Horizons:

Fortunately, we had no members go on to new horizons this year. We did, however, lose a wonderful 49½. Jim Moore, beloved husband to Evelyn Moore passed away in December 2020.

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MICHIGAN (submitted by Sandy Denton)

Membership Summary:

Current Officers: Sandy Denton, Chair; Kim Fanelli, Vice Chair; Brenda Weilnau, Secretary; Kim Thayer, Treasurer

Membership: 59 current members (4 Life Members, 9 Student Pilots); 1 hold; 3 standby.

As Chapter Chair I email each new member to welcome them to the chapter, explaining the 99s section structure and attaching a few past chapter newsletters. I follow up with a packet that contains a welcome letter, the 99s prayer, a current member roster, scholarship information, 99s promo material for the new member to post on FBO bulletin boards, and an I AM A NINETY-NINE WOMEN PILOT button. I send each new member her Michigan 99s name badge as soon as it is made. I contact members on standby or on hold to encourage them to stay with the chapter.

Member Achievements:

- 4 Private Pilot Licenses – Cora Grace, Heather Stalnaker, Isabella Gianni, Lillian Alvarado
- 2 Hecksel-Sutherland Scholarship winners – Isabella Gianni and Brenda Weilnau
- 1 Michigan Aviation Education Foundation Chet Uncapher Scholarship winner – Heather Stalnaker

Chapter Activities:

In September, 2020, the MI 99s had a Bring Your Own Lunch outdoor meeting at Jack Barstow Midland FBO. The chapter has been hosting two Zoom meetings each month with interesting speakers, some PowerPoint presentations, and discussions of aviation books read in common by the members. After enjoying FLY GIRLS by Keith O'Brien, the chapter was treated to a brief presentation by Mr. O'Brien and a satisfying Q&A. Brenda Weilnau, Chapter Secretary, produces a monthly newsletter, The Michigan Flyer, that not only summarizes chapter activities but also contains an historical article, letter or picture culled from the chapter's archives that had been collected, organized and saved by Life Member, Claire Ojala. Every month chapter members virtually congratulate and support our actively flying members and student pilots.

New Horizons:

Mary Rawlinson Creason



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MINNESOTA (submitted by Cheryl Daml)

Membership Summary: We currently have 75 members, as of 03/23/21.

Chapter Chair: Cheryl Daml
Membership Chair: Patti Sandusky
Vice Chair: Brenda Hanso
Outreach Chair: Jan Moll
Secretary: Kate McDonald
Webmaster: Carol Bergquist
Treasurer: Tracy Davenport
Scholarship Chair: Patti Sandusky
AE Scholarship Chair: Marcy Drescher
Newsletter Chair: Thuy Pieper

Member Achievements:

- Brenda Hanson: Private Pilot, Advanced Ground Instructor, Chapter Award for most MN airports landed, Minnesota Chapter Scholarship for Advanced rating (Instrument)
- Emily Wishard: Private Pilot
- Zoe Finn: Private Pilot
- Jan Moll: Private Pilot
- Michelle Kaslow: Private Pilot
- Evelyn Canfield: First Solo
- Ellen Quist: CFI, CFII, Commercial Multi-engine add on, NCS Spinning Prop Award 2019, Recognition of Service/ Promoting KANE given by Metropolitan Airports Commission
- Carmen Kivisto: Graduated St. Cloud State University, hired for Guard C-130 Pilot training program
- Aura Austin: Graduated from 99s Professional Pilot Leadership Initiative, purchase plane and started own flight school for aerobatics and tailwheel instruction
- Carol Bergquist: Purchased airplane
- Tracy Davenport: Recognized for design of inlaid compass rose for floor of Brainerd Airport FBO
- Patti Sandusky: MN Chapter award for most chapter activities attended

Chapter Activities:

Although COVID cancelled many of our planned activities, we were still able to meet and do many outdoor activities this year. We also have gotten really good at Zoom, and it has actually increased our attendance at meetings.

We participated in an Honor the WASP project for Memorial Day by visiting and placing flowers on the graves of those WASPs buried in Minnesota. We partnered with the Women in Aviation chapter and did an honor flight over Fort Snelling Cemetery where one of our WASPS is buried. Seven planes took off from Flying Cloud Airport, got handed off to MSP Approach, cleared into Bravo, and handed off to MSP Tower (the runways are literally ½ mile from Fort Snelling). There was no airline traffic at all at MSP due to COVID, so we could get that close. The whole WASP project was so inspirational and a beautiful tribute to those amazing women.

We had outdoor meetings, seminars, and picnics at 4 different airports during the summer. We also did an airmarking and a compass rose at two different airports. We are hoping to do 3 this summer.

Our participation in the Tree of Hope toy donation was virtual this year. Tree of Hope still managed to deliver toys to all hospitals with pediatric wards in Minnesota. We are looking forward to more in-person activities this year.

Annual Chapter Reports (cont.)

NORTHWOODS (submitted by Dee Dreger)

Membership Summary:

Current Officers:

- Chapter Chair – Dee Dreger
- Vice-Chair – Morgan Morgan
- Treasurer – Lynn Sykes
- Secretary – Lesley Putman

Membership: 13 members

Member Achievements:

Samantha Noel – Working towards a Citation endorsement

Chapter Activities:

We have had many Zoom meetings throughout the year, especially during this Covid-19 pandemic. Not only have we had Business Zoom meetings, but we have also had many planning Zoom meetings for the Fall NCS Section Meeting 2021. A couple of us have done an in-person, physical tour of the venue for the Fall 2021 NCS Section Meeting.

We are trying out a “Book Club” within the Chapter for those who would like to participate. We have chosen to read “Dare to Fly” by Martha McSally. We will discuss once all are finished reading.

Last September we re-painted the compass rose at Sault Ste Marie, MI. We are currently planning on painting a NEW Compass Rose at RHI (Rhineland, WI), which will be ready to see for those who fly into RHI in September for the Fall NCS Section Meeting. By the way, if you choose to fly into TKV (Tomahawk, WI), you will also see the compass rose that we painted several years ago.



Annual Chapter Reports (cont.)

SCIOTO VALLEY (submitted by Vicki Evans)

Membership Summary:

Current Officers:

- Vicki Evans - Chair
- Mary Biller - Vice Chair
- Jann Bowne – Treasurer
- Paula Rumbaugh – Acting Secretary

Membership: 23 members

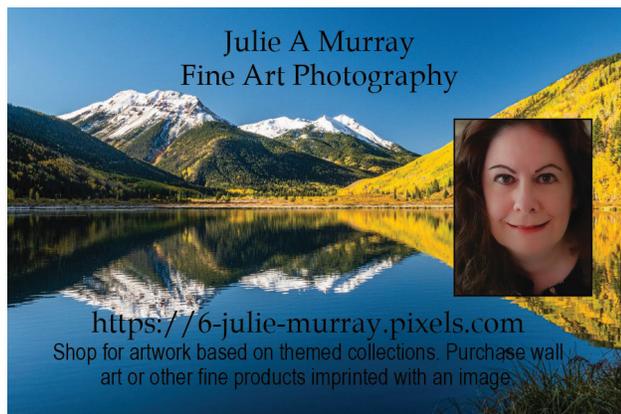
Member Achievements:

Lori Kaiser received instrument rating

Chapter Activities:

Due to COVID, we could not gather for activities; however, members volunteered to deliver cookies in sealed, sanitized containers to local FBOs in December for the holidays.

We sent a survey to all members for anonymous responses on a variety of topics – moving monthly meeting to different day of week, hosting programs after meetings and what activities members would be willing to participate in, such as creating a chapter newsletter, scholarship/fundraising committee, website support and organizing flying activities.



Annual Chapter Reports (cont.)

WISCONSIN (submitted by Kathy Lester-Ross)

Membership Summary:

Current Officers: Chair, Kathy Lester-Ross; Vice-Chair, Vonda Benson; Secretary, Julie Hartlaub; Treasurer, Kryz Brown; Directors, Laurie Probst & Bridgett Cornett

Membership: 64 members with 4 Life and 14 students.

This has been stable for about 14 months – gain one, lose one. Factors for the sustained membership number (within a 99s area as far as 250 miles away) include: an active membership committee; early communication with new members; enhanced communication via virtual meetings; encouraging activities amongst members who are close geographically; implementing suggestions which came from a member survey (Apr 2020); creation of two new scholarships open to Chapter members; consistency in newsletter content and publication; listing the calendar of events at least 6 mos ahead (preferably 9-12 mos); expanded educational offerings; more WI sister 99 instructors at varied levels; recognition of service to the Chapter, Section and general aviation; congrats on membership anniversaries; earned recognition award pins; special luncheons; charity donations; creation of teams, rather than committees, with tasks reduced in magnitude for each; asking more to do a little, rather than a few to do more.

Special notes: Virtual/Zoom meetings significantly increased member participation, with high of about 1/3 of members attending. WI members are increasingly finding support, educational opportunities, and aviation activities from their 99s sisters and as a result of their 99s activities.

Member Achievements: Darcy Kulesha, a 20+ year 99, was given the NCS 2020 Governor's Service Award. Eight members achieved PPL. Several earned endorsements (including tail wheel); 3 became CFIs, 1 earned CFII. One DPE serves on the NAFI BOD. Two members achieved AE scholarship advancements to the international level. One received a Santori scholarship. Two members were awarded WI Chapter scholarships, and 2 more won WI New Horizons scholarships (total: \$2,700 in Chapter funds were invested back into its members).

Chapter Activities: While the pandemic problems influenced many traditional WI Chapter activities, members rose above them.

WI Chapter members hosted a G.I.F.T. week of learning. That group begat weekly [virtual] study sessions, which have been sustained since and are available to others who are interested. WI members are the primary 'instructors' and topics are determined by the participants. 'Students' are WI members, from the NCS and several distant states. Feedback includes how this study group has strongly impacted pass rates, especially check rides, and how advantageous it is to be able to discuss topics with each other.

Our 4 FAAsteam reps have shared learning opportunities, and a few after-meeting presentations earned WINGS credits. We hosted our 2nd Girl Scout Aviation day - virtually this time - and plan another for Fall 2021. Community service included donations for a women's shelter at Christmas time. A few members enjoyed a joint meeting with Northwood 99s, including a day on the lake, great food, and wonderful conversations.

Our annual pancake breakfast – with proceeds from the added bake sale and silent auction going to scholarship funds – was quite successful (masks, social distancing and serving challenges notwithstanding). Members painted grass runway markers pink in East Troy, honoring all who have been impacted by breast cancer. Though not able to meet and celebrate in person, members who earned their special awards pins will receive them as soon as we are able to meet in-person.

Two WI members serve on the NCS BOD and 3 more assist in committee positions. Many WI members also participate in WAI, EAA, Young Eagle and other aviation groups – some in leadership roles.

New Horizons

Linda Pulver (1955-2021)

Linda R Pulver-Jackson, 65, passed away Saturday, July 31, 2021, at her home in Fremont. Born October 10, 1955, in Auburn, Mrs. Pulver-Jackson was the daughter of the late Benjamin A. and Margaret J. (Peckhart) Pulver. While on a mission trip in El Milagro, Mexico, she married John Jackson, Jr, who survives. After receiving a BS degree from IU-Purdue, Fort Wayne, Mrs. Pulver-Jackson worked at OVA Supply Co in Fort Wayne for most of her working career. She was part owner of Aztec Millennium, Inc. prior to becoming office manager at Brookmill Television and Appliance, Inc., from which she retired in 2020. She was a long time member of the Auburn Presbyterian Church. In the church she was in Mary Martha group, sang in the church choir, worked with vacation bible school programs and on many church committees.



Linda was a member of Three Rivers Chapter of the Ninety-Nines, an international organization of women pilots. She was an alumna initiate of Alpha Sigma Tau sorority.

A Celebration of Life is being planned for a later time. Memorials can be given in Linda's name to the Auburn Presbyterian Church. To send condolences visit www.fellerandclark.com.

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NCS Meeting Schedule & Host Chapters

Northwoods	Fall 2021
Greater St. Louis	Spring 2022
Indiana Dunes	Fall 2022
Kentucky Bluegrass	Spring 2023
Scioto Valley	Fall 2023
Greater Kansas City	Spring 2024
Minnesota	Fall 2024
Iowa	Spring 2025
Wisconsin	Fall 2025
All Ohio	Spring 2026
Michigan	Fall 2026
Indiana	Spring 2027
Chicago Area	Fall 2027
Lake Erie	Spring 2028

NCS Chapters By State

Illinois	Chicago Area
Indiana	Indiana Indiana Dunes
Iowa	Iowa
Kentucky	Kentucky Bluegrass
Michigan	Michigan Northwoods (Upper Peninsula)
Minnesota	Minnesota
Missouri	Greater Kansas City Greater St. Louis
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