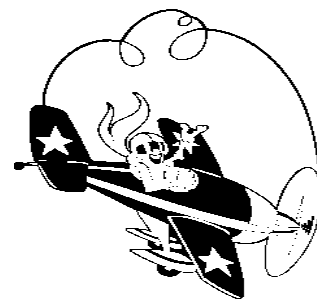




The Flypaper

The Official Newsletter of the Alaska 99s
July 2010



Notes from the Chair

There has been so many activities already this summer....with many more to go!! Those of you that were able to go to Valdez or McCarthy for the fly-ins or Kenai for the Air Fair, please bring your photos and share your stories.

July brings the Palmer Air Fair & Rendezvous on Saturday the 24th. The event runs from 9 AM to 9 PM and features many events. Plan to help outor hone your skills at the Short Field Assessment Clinic at 1 PM, and bring those future pilots to the Youth Aviation Adventure.

And don't forget Arctic Thunder on July 31st - August 1st. This is a biennial event, so be sure to get out and show your support and enthusiasm for this fantastic air show!

Ruth Schommer has taken our Chapter proxies, and will be our representative at this year's International Conference in Hawaii. Watch for email and newsletter communiques for news from the Conference. The Northwest Section meeting will be in Boise, ID in September. We will be supporting the silent auction, so let us know if you will be attending.

Enjoy the rest of your summer...see you at a meeting soon!

Lani

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Next Meeting

Wednesday, July 14, 2010

6 p.m. at Peggy's Restaurant
(across from Merrill Field)

Program: Dee Rice.

Commercial Pilot in Fairbanks
& currently with the FAA

Calendar of Events

Wed., July 14	Regular Monthly Meeting
July 24	Palmer Event (Short Field Clinic)
July 31 - Aug. 1	Elmendorf Air Force Arctic Thunder
July or Aug.	Tentative Fly-In to Prudhoe Bay/Barrow
Wed., Aug. 11	Annual Chapter Picnic
Wed., Sept. 8	Regular Monthly Meeting
Tues., Sept. 21	Mat-Su Chapter Regular Monthly Meeting

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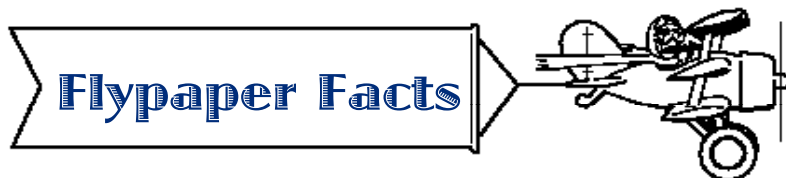
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Fly-Ins, Airmarking & Publicity Committees need volunteers.	

99s Online

Chapter Website (www.ak99s.org)

National Website (www.ninety-nines.org)

The national site includes news updates, scholarship opportunities, mentor connections, applications and more.



Deadline for the **Aug. 2010** Flypaper is **Aug. 2, 2010**. If you have an article, ad or information for The Flypaper, please contact Melanie Hancock by phone at 694-4571 or e-mail at flyquilt@mtaonline.net. (Ads are placed in The Flypaper for members at no charge.)

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July Program

Dee Rice will be the speaker at the July meeting. Dee's father flew for Alaska Interior Airlines and was Chief pilot for Wien. She followed his footsteps into the field of aviation. And, like many who were determined to become a commercial pilot, her flight path was circuitous.

Dee became a certified weather observer, a ticket agent for Air North, sold aviation fuel, drove a school bus and was a flight attendant – all at the same time, while she raised two sons. When she earned her ratings, she flew for Larry's Flight Service in Fairbanks, Umiat Enterprises on the North Slope, was Chief Pilot at Warbelo's, and Chief Pilot for Chena Hot Springs Resort where she lived off the grid while enjoying the benefit of soaking in the hot springs.

When Dee was at the controls of a twin engine Navajo between Huslia and Galena, an engine was on fire. Her dad's words came to her till she landed, with passengers on board, saying, "Just fly the airplane, Dee. There is nothing you can do with that engine. . . Secure it the best you can with what you've got and wait for the fire to go out. Don't concentrate on the emergency, fly the plane!" (The engine had come apart which was why it caught fire, the FAA inspection later indicated.)

Dee and her dog, Yoda, have relocated to Anchorage from Fairbanks and Dee now works for the FAA.

Mat-Su Chapter News

The Mat-Su Chapter is proud to announce that our scholarship winner, Jane McNiven, completed her check ride. Congratulations, Jane!

Welcome new member Martha Home. Looking forward to seeing you at our fall meetings.

The Mat-Su Chapter will not hold meetings in July or August. They will begin their regular meeting schedule in September.

Mat-Su Chapter Officers

Chair	Toni Merrigan	373-6569
Vice Chair	C. J. Glasser	746-7358
Secretary	Elaine Base	357-1545
Treasurer	Patty Livingston	746-2919

**The Alaska Chapter
welcomes a new member,
Audrey Russo. We look forward to
seeing you at our meetings
and functions!**



Short Field Skills Assessment (formerly Short Field Clinic)

The Palmer Air Fair & Rendezvous will be held this year on July 24 at the Palmer Airport. Like last year the 99s will be holding a Short Field Skills Assessment (formerly known as the Short Field Clinic) in the afternoon from 1-3 pm. Gloria Tomich is the coordinator and she still needs volunteers to help.

Some volunteers will be on the field with hand-held radios to relay the take-off and landing information, others will be off the field with radios recording the information. As those of you that helped last year and in the past know, it is a lot of fun to help with this event. If you are able to help, please contact Gloria at 279-1560 with your name and phone number.

Gloria also needs a few more hand-held radios. Please let her know if you have one to lend.

Plan to be at Mustang Air around noon for the pilot and volunteer briefings.

And LAST but NOT LEAST if you want to be a participant and practice your landings and takeoffs just let Gloria know to put you on the list. We can take up to 10 for the 2-hour period and there are still some slots available.

If you know of someone that would like to participate, have them contact Gloria.

Youth Aviation Adventure

A Youth Aviation Adventure event (YAA) will be held from 9:30 am to 1:30 pm at New Horizons Telecom Inc. Hangar for youth ages 10 and up as part of the Palmer Air Fair.

EAA Chapter 42 will also offer Young Eagles flights as part of the YAA program. Flyer and registration form attached. Angie needs a volunteer who can talk about flight instruments and avionics for the YAA event. Please contact Angie Slingsluff at 337-0253 or Angie.Slingsluff@faa.gov if you can help with this activity.

Memorial Day Weekend Fly-In to McCarthy



Some of the airplanes participating in the fly-in at the McCarthy Airport.



Dinner at the Kennicott Lodge Saturday evening. The prime rib was great!

Below: 99s on Sunday morning before leaving McCarthy. Left to right: Gloria Tomich, Dean Rickerson, Margaret Ibbotson, Jim Woodley, Patty Livingston, Charles Rigden, Gail Rigden, Melanie Hancock and Herb Hancock.



Fixing breakfast Sunday morning at 17 Silk Stocking Row. Left to right: Gail Rigden, Gloria Tomich, Melanie Hancock and Patty Livingston.



Coming Aviation Events

ARCTIC THUNDER

Arctic Thunder is Elmendorf Air Force Base's open house and air show. Historically, Arctic Thunder has been the largest two-day event in Alaska. The base hosts Arctic Thunder to demonstrate its appreciation to the Alaska community for its support of the military, to educate the public about the military's mission, and to recruit people interested in joining the service.

The next Arctic Thunder air show takes place July 31-Aug. 1, 2010. The U.S. Navy's Flight Demonstration Squadron Blue Angels and the Canadian Forces Snowbirds Demonstration Team are scheduled to perform.

GYROCOPTER FOR SALE

Newly built gyrocopter constructed by an A & M mechanic. Has flown one time. Needs an engine and a front wheel. Included is its own hangar and trailer for easy transport. Contact Elaine Base 375-1545.



Women Pilots of Alaska

*by Sandi Sumner, author and
Honorary Member of the
Alaska Chapter of the 99s.*

The first biographical history of women pilots in Alaska, this book explores the challenges faced by women as they pursued roles in aviation in the Last Frontier. Beginning in 1927 with Marvel Crosson and reaching to the present day, 37 adventurous and personal tales are included in this "must read".

Contact Sandi Sumner at: sandisumner@att.net
or Phone: 719-748-8012

Aviation Medical Services Moves to New Office

Aviation Medical Services, the office of Dr. Petra Illig and her AME partners, has relocated, but is still in the same building on the corner of Spenard and International Airport Rd. in Anchorage. The office moved to the second floor, Suite # 205. Lake Hood Pilot Shoppe has closed, but the medical practice is open 6 days per week. Phone number for appointments is still 245-4359.

The web site is www.AirSpaceDoc.com.
Come by and see the new office!

*The Ninety-Nines, Inc.*

On the Centerline

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Dear Member,

Welcome to the first email publication of *On the Centerline*. For those 90% of our members with email addresses, this is a direct benefit. Those of you in Chapter/Section leadership positions are strongly encouraged to print and share this publication with your members who do not use email. This publication will highlight one aspect or activity of your organization each month. This month we are focusing on new benefits for you.

Our official Facebook page at [The Ninety-Nines, Inc., International Organization of Women Pilots](#) is up-to-date and is managed by our Headquarters staff in Oklahoma City. If you are not already one of the 931 fans of the site, please sign on to receive regular updates on activities and events.

You asked for it. We did it. A mobile version of The Ninety-Nines website is up. Anyone with a smart-phone will find they are automatically routed to the mobile version of our site where they can locate contact information and learn how to join. Members will be able to access the member directory along with library files. Also included is a link to our Facebook page. This new benefit will quickly become indispensable.

The final renovations to our Headquarters Building in Oklahoma City are in process. The exterior stairs, concrete deck and entry to the Museum of Women Pilots (MWP) are being rebuilt as exposure to the elements had compromised their integrity. To all those individuals, Chapters and Sections who contributed to the Building Fund – Thank You!

The Grand Reopening of the MWP, housed upstairs in our headquarters building, will take place on Saturday, June 26th featuring Astronaut Randy Bresnik. MWP Chairman Carolyn Smith invites you, your friends and family to celebrate this event with her fellow trustees. More information will be available in the Museum's newsletter, to be mailed to all 99s and museum members soon, along with postings to the 99s eNetwork.

Lightspeed Aviation Grant. The Ninety-Nines is being considered for a Lightspeed Aviation Grant of at least \$10,000, but it won't happen without your votes. Fund-Raising Chairman Susan Liebler and the Board of Directors urge you to go to <http://www.lightspeedaviation.com/content.cfm/Company/Foundation/Your-Vote-Counts> and vote today if you haven't already done so. Please be sure to ask your pilot friends to help.

Join the fun at our Annual Conference in Kona. Martha Phillips and Carol Vautin, 2010 Conference co-chairmen, have planned a fun-filled meeting in Kona on the Big Island of Hawaii, July 5-9. Bring your family and enjoy the many tours and events designed specifically for us. On-line registration is available through Jun 10 at <https://www.tpires.com/99s/index.htm>

Feedback and comments are always appreciated. Please email me at president@ninety-nines.com anytime.

Aloha,
Susan Larson,
International President