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New England Section 99s

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THE NINETY-NINES MISSION: The Ninety-Nines is the international organization of women pilots that promotes advancement of aviation through education, scholarships, and mutual support while honoring our unique history and sharing our passion for flight.

From the Governor:

Just sharing a bit of history taken from The Ninety-Nines website -

Who Are The Ninety-Nines?

The Ninety-Nines, Inc., is an international organization of licensed women pilots representing 35 countries - we currently have just under 5,000 members throughout the world. We are a non-profit, charitable membership corporation holding 501(c) (3) U.S. tax status. Our International Headquarters is located in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Although there are other female pilot organizations in various states and nations, virtually all women of achievement in aviation have been or are members of The Ninety-Nines.

The organization came into being November 2, 1929, at Curtiss Field, Valley Stream, Long Island, New York. All 117 American female pilots had been invited to assemble for mutual support and the advancement of aviation. Louise Thaden was elected secretary and worked tirelessly to keep the group together as we struggled to organize and grow until 1931, when Amelia Earhart was elected as first president and the group was named for the 99 charter members.

Today Ninety-Nines are professional pilots for airlines, industry and government; we are pilots who teach and pilots who fly for pleasure; we are pilots who are technicians and mechanics. But first and foremost, we are women who love to fly!

Our Headquarters, located in a two story building complex on six acres at the Will Rogers World Airport in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, is home to our large archival records, video oral histories, personal artifacts, collections and memorabilia, and biographical files on thousands of women pilots from around the world. This is also the site of our 99s Museum of Women Pilots.

> Blue skies and tail winds, Glenna Blackwell, Governor

www.womenpilotsnewengland.org

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

- January 14 ENE Chapter Meeting Norwood Airport Coffee 10 am Meeting 10:30 Lunch to follow
- January 29 Soup Sunday see details to right
- February 4 CT Chapter meeting 10:30 at Meriden-Markham Airport KMMK Lunch to follow
- February 11 ENE Chapter Meeting at Nashua Airport (KASH) Guest speaker: Mary Build, ski, seaplane & tailwheel flying
- February 18 Open Cockpit at the New England Air Museum www.neam.org
- March 11 WOMEN TAKE FLIGHT 10-4 pm New England Air Museum Details are being discussed at this time
- March 24 & 25 Spring International Board of Directors Meeting, Oklahoma City

March 31 & SPRING SECTION MEETING

- April 1st Red Jacket Mountain View Resort 2251 White Mountain Highway North Conway, NH Hosted by KW Chapter More details to follow - Save the Date!!
- APRIL 4-9 SUN '<u>n FUN 2017</u>
- JULY 24-30 AIRVENTURE Oshkosh, WI
- July 2017 International Conference San Antonio, Texas July 10-16



Join the Maine Aeronautics Assoc. and all your pilot friends for this annual social...

SOUP SUNDAY

Jan 29, 2017 Wiscasset Municipal Airport (KIWI) 11:30-2 (or until the soup is gone)

If you are bringing soup, bread of dessert please let me know so we can plan accordingly

> Lisa Reece, Maine Aeronautics Association PO Box 501, Woolwich, ME 04579 207-350-2122 lisacub503@yahoo.com www.maineaeronautics.org

Fly or Drive. Soup is on regardless if it's a fly day or not



Join us for Women Take Flight

A day long celebration of women in aerospace at the New England Air Museum on Saturday March 11, 2017. This event will provide visitors (especially young women) with opportunities to —

- Meet women employed in the aerospace industry
- Participate in hands-on activities and demonstrations relating to aerospace and STEM
- Discover the history and enduring legacy of women in aerospace

The New England Section will have a booth set up, consider volunteering for the day. Contact me if interested.

Thank you, Glenna

2016-2017 DIRECTORY AVAILABLE NOW

The the new 2016-2017 Membership Directory is available. You may order one (or more) from Headquarters. They are \$15.00 plus postage, CDs are \$5.00 plus postage. To order, please contact Headquarters at 844-994-1929 or hqmanager@ninety-nines.org.



CT Chapter Holiday Party Sunday, January 8th hosted by Nancy Ramseyer

Location: 63 Stone Rd., Madison CT



The view from Nancy's window



Lots of smiles!



(Left to right) CT Chapter members Arianna Strand and Mom Laurie each went home with leather jackets!

Once again the CT Chapter had a wonderful Holiday Party at the home of Nancy Ramseyer on the CT shore. Unfortunately, I was unable to attend this year, but was supplied these photos by Laurie Strand and Tom Poland

The Yankee Swap was very exciting I was told! FOUR leather jackets and many other exciting gifts!

January is the ideal time to gather.... the busy holiday season is behind us and spring flying is getting closer spirits are high!

Members enjoyed meeting new member Stacy Williamson's 4 year old twin boys too!

Thanks go to Nancy & Tom!



CT Chapter member Lynn Thoma

Welcome to our new Section members –

Katahdin Wings Chapter Jenna Rouillard

Lewiston, ME



My name is Jenna Rouillard and I am 22 years old. Besides flying, I enjoy rock climbing, traveling, movies, hanging out with friends and being a first time Auntie. I Have traveled to 6 different countries. In the past for years 4 years I have moved 5 times. Spending 2 years of that time in gorgeous Duluth, MN.

I currently live in Lewiston, Maine, where I was born and raised. I grew up traveling, taking planes here and there, mostly for family vacations. Little did I know that I would one day fall in love with flying. It wasn't till my first flight lesson in August of 2016 till I realized that flying was exactly what I've been searching for. Over the past few years I have felt the pressures of figuring out what I am going to do for a career. Coming up with little to no ideas, but not willing to budge and compromise to something I knew I would be miserable doing. It was only 2 weeks before my first lesson that my Father came up with the idea, and I skeptically decided to try it out. I am now incredibly thankful that I chose to take that first lesson. Flying has truly been a gift from God.

Connecticut Chapter

Stella Ross Storrs, CT



I am a student pilot flying out of the Simsbury Airport (4B9) My flight instructors are Phil Smith and Sarah Cappelletti (Sarah is also a CT Chapter member).

I am a former science teacher (middle school; mostly high school) Currently, K-12 Director of Curriculum & Professional Learning. I'm married and have one son (now in grad school). Just recently turned 60, and working to finally earn my private pilot certificate!



Mommy Pilots facebook page

For Mommy Pilots by Mommy Pilots. (And those who support Mommy Pilots!!) This group was formed to bring together a community of women pilots sometimes overlooked. We love our children and we love to fly but sometimes those hurdles may seem too great to overcome. Now you don't have to do it alone. This group is for sharing your stories and giving support and encouragement to other Mommy Pilots, Mommy-To-Be Pilots, and Mommy-I-Plan-On-Starting-A-Family Pilots.

Who are we? We, the admins, are members of the Southeast Section of The Ninety-Nines, Inc. As a section we have decided to work to ensure that member and nonmember Mommy Pilots are not forgotten and feel more included in the aviatrix world. So you don't have to be a 99! (Of course we would love to have you join us!)

Connecticut Chapter

Sue Mead

Williamstown, MA



Knik Glacier in Alaska, during a training flight

I am an automotive journalist and author. I travel the globe test driving cars and trucks, working for magazines, newspapers, television, radio and the Internet to provide vehicle reviews, as well as adventure stories about racing and automotive expeditions throughout the world.

After close to three million miles of commercial flights over the past three decades, I decided it was time to move from the cabin to the cockpit and from the right seat of the cockpit to the left— or "pilot" seat.

Trevor Gilman is my CFI from Teamflys at KAQW in North Adams, MA where I train as a student pilot.

I am also committed to giving back to others. For me this is the most important and meaningful part of my life. Locally, I was a volunteer for the Northern Berkshire United Way for ten years and was the co-chair of the 1989/1990 campaign. In 1999, I met Nelson Mandela in the village of Tifuxeni and was so inspired that I promised a local teacher that I would help build a library in that village. For over a year, I collected funds to buy books for that children's library in South Africa, with the help of BMW she was able to ship thousands of books there. I was also a member of Hummer's HOPE emergency search and rescue team, bringing aid to Katrina victims after the hurricane in 2005, and has been to Mississippi and Louisiana five times since to work on house building, leading mission teams from the Community Bible Church, in Williamstown.

I help out in Haiti and in the US following national disasters.

Northern Berkshire Business and Professional Women's Association recognized me in 2008 with their Woman of Achievement Award.

Connecticut Chapter

Olivia Rose Cretella

Plainville, CT



I am a student pilot in the Civil Air Patrol and I fly out of Meriden Markham Municipal Airport in CT. I train with CT Chapter member Constance Castillo.

I am also currently a candidate for the United States Air Force Academy and hope to attend this June. I will major in engineering. My long term goal is to become a pilot in the military.

It's an honor to be a part of the Ninety-Nines!



Please give your family members the 99s Section contact information in the event of sickness, etc. The Section members would like to keep track of all members, young and old!

Be sure to also make phone number or address changes to the 99s directory.... www.ninety-nines.org

What Have Our MEMBERS been up to?



Neryah Niewadomski, student pilot

My husband, Rae Willis, has a soon to be 16 year old granddaughter Nervah Niewadomski, the 7th of 8 children, who lives in Kentucky and hopes to solo on her birthday in March. She became interested in being a pilot at a "career night" at her school when she was in 9th grade and took an aeronautical course at her high school last year in which she was the only girl. The class was taken to the local airport last spring for Young Eagles flights. Nervah discovered later that day that all of the boys had been invited to fly the plane from the right seat, but she was not given that opportunity! Last summer she came to Cape Cod and was given her first 5 hours of instruction, after which she returned to Kentucky and has been pursuing primary instruction, working toward her solo goal. She has joined the KY Bluegrass Chapter as a student pilot 99 and is applying for the Fly Now scholarship, as well as having been accepted to EAA's Air Academy this summer.

Since we are planning to fly to San Antonio for the 99s conference in July, we expect to stop in KY and pick her up so that she can experience much more of what the 99s have to offer.

CONGRATULATIONS!

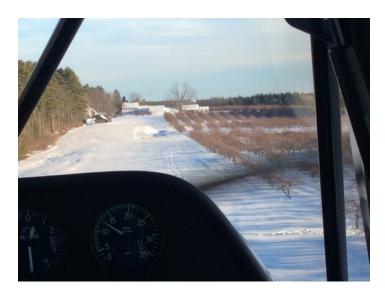


We have another private pilot among us!

DENISE ROBINSON

passed her check ride on Saturday, January 14th! Denise is a member of the CT Chapter We are happy for you!





Winter flying in Maine! (Mary Build's airplane on skis Jenny Jorgenson, photographer)

Submitted by ENE Chapter member Candie Oldham

The Ninety - Nines, Inc.



INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION OF LICENSED WOMEN PILOTS

EASTERN NEW ENGLAND CHAPTER

DEADLINE JAN. 31st

NEW ENGLAND SECTION 99s MEMBER SCHOLARSHIP OCTOBER 25, 2016

THE NEW ENGLIND SECTION 99S MEMBER SCHOLARHIP PROVIDES NEW ENGLAND SECTION MEMBERS ASSISTANCE IN ATTAINING THEIR FLIGHT TRAINING GOALS. IT IS AVAILABLE TO MEMBERS DESIRING TO FURTHER THEIR AVIATION CAREER OPPORTUNITIES AND IS INTENDED TO PROVIDE SUPPORT IN ACQUIRING A SPECIFIC LICENSE OR RATING.

APPLICANTS MUST BE A CURRENT MEMBER OF THE NEW ENGLAND SECTION NINETY-NINES AND MEMBERSHIP MUST BE CONTINOUS FOR AT LEAST TWO YEARS ON DECEMBER 31ST OF THE YEAR PRIOR TO AWARDING THE SCHOLARSHIP. THE SCHOLARSHIP AWARD IS FOR \$2000.00. APPLICATIONS AND GUIDELINES ARE AVAILABLE FROM NES SCHOLARSHIP CHAIR MARTHA DUNBAR. APPLICATION IN TRIPLICATE MUST BE POSTMARKED TO THE NES SCHOLARSHIP CHAIR NO LATER THAN JANUARY 31ST OF THE YEAR IN WHICH SCHOLARSHIP IS AWARDED. THERE WERE NO APPLICATIONS FILED IN 2016.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

Hurtha Dunbar

MARTHA DUNBAR NES 99S MEMBER SCHOLARSHIP CHAIRMAN

Apply Today!

See attached Scholarship application.... Any questions contact Martha Dunbar, Scholarship Chairman at (508) 478-3808 or dunbarsgallery@comcast.net

Would you like to attend the 2017 Ninety-Nines **International Conference?**





NINETY-NINES INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE SAN ANTONIO 2017 DEEP IN THE HEART OF TEXAS

San Antonio July 11-16, 2017

Hosted by the South Central Section

FIRST TIME ATTENDEES:

enter to WIN WIN **TOWARDS YOUR TRIP**

We would like to encourage all members to attend an International Conference ...

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FIRST TIME CONFERENCE **ATTENDEES - THIS AWARD IS INTENDED FOR YOU!**

IF YOU HAVE NEVER ATTENDED A CONFERENCE, YOU ARE ELIGIBLE TO WIN!

The New England Section 99s will award \$500 each February from 2014-2018 to a New England Section member interested in attending an International Conference!

Instructions:

Just submit your name and contact information by Feb. 3rd to the Conference Award Committee:

email: blackwells@verizon.net US mail: c/o Glenna Blackwell, 13 Knob Hill Great Barrington, MA 01230

DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 3, 2017 (midnight) Drawing will be held February 8, 2017

Must be a member of the New England Section 99s and have never attended a conference in the past. Must attend the 2017 International Conference or award returned.