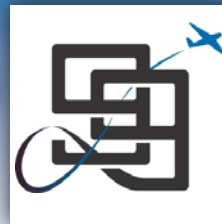


# Squawk



SEPT 2017

New England Section 99s

Int'l Organization of Women Pilots

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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:

### The last couple of months have been busy for me and the Ninety-Nines!

San Antonio is a beautiful city and the ideal venue to gather for our annual conference. I was pleased to room with Dannielle Courchene, this year's winner of the \$500 "First Time Conference" Section award. We both enjoyed all the festivities and connecting with 99s from around the world. The business meeting packet and Conference program are available in the "library" on our website [www.ninety-nines.org](http://www.ninety-nines.org) in the members only section.

AirVenture 2018 followed the Conference by only a couple of weeks. This is a very special event..... workshops, seminars, speakers, daily air shows, vendors, airplanes, airplanes, airplanes, WASPS, women's photo shoot, GA Awards, etc.

The Ninety-Nines organization is growing! Today we have 5,160 members from around the world. I am very pleased to report that our Section has grown to 156 members recently.

Enjoy the beautiful fall colors from the air!

*Blue Skies,  
Glenna Blackwell, Governor*

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The 99s do! Join us on Twitter (@TheNinetyNines)!*

TOLL FREE NUMBER AT HEADQUARTERS 844-994-1929

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

SEPT 17	Simsbury Airport Fly-In & Car Show Nina Anderson is looking for volunteers to help at the 99s booth safe@bcn.net
SEPT 30	Fly Now Scholarship Application deadline to Chapter AE Scholarship Committee
OCT 1	CT Chapter meeting 3 pm 150 Cider Brook Rd, Avon, CT Denise Robinson's house
OCT 6 & 7	AOPA Fly-In Groton, CT New England Section members will run the International 99s booth (See more info to the right)
OCT 14	Eastern New England Chapter BBQ and meeting at 5B6
OCT 27 & 28	New England Fall Section Meeting Apple Tree Inn, Lenox, MA <i>Hosted by the CT Chapter</i> <i>Watch for registration form</i> <i>and weekend details very soon</i>
NOV 3 & 4	Board of Directors Fall Meeting Held at Headquarters Oklahoma City
DEC 1	Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarship application deadline to Chapter AE Scholarship Committee
July 2018	International Conference Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
July 2019	International Conference Dayton, Ohio
July 2020	International Conference Long Beach, CA



## 2017 AOPA Fly-in Groton, CT (KGON)

**October 6 & 7**

### *Plan to attend!*

If you'd like to volunteer for an hour or two in the 99s booth please contact Glenna Blackwell at blackwells@verizon.net (413) 329-8527

Check out the two day schedule below:

[www.aopa.org/community/events/aopa-fly-ins/2017-aopa-fly-ins/groton](http://www.aopa.org/community/events/aopa-fly-ins/2017-aopa-fly-ins/groton)

Ninety-Nines Headquarters will be sending the International display booth for the New England Section to set up at this event.

We have received approval to sell raffle tickets for the beautiful aviation themed quilt Candie Oldham made to benefit the 2018 Air Race Classic terminus in Fryeburg, ME, but no Chapter items can be sold.

The intention of our display is to education the community about the 99s and recruit new members.



**Be sure to update your email  
address with Headquarters. Our next  
international election will be held  
via electronic voting.**

**Our Section will also be using electronic voting  
in 2018. You will be asked to approve a by-law  
change in Oct. at the business meeting.**



*First Time Conference attendees! Dannielle Courchene, Katahdin Wings Chapter Chair, is third from the left.*



**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*



*Jann Clark's husband Warren became a "Friend of the 99s" while in Texas!*



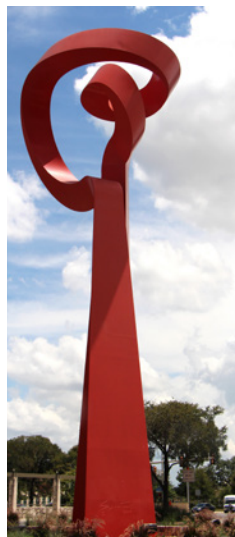
*Evelyn Kropp, CT Chapter member*



*Pat Theberge, ENE Member, enjoying the live musicians at the "Welcome Fiesta"*



*ENE member Candie Oldham with husband Rae in the Fly-Market. The ENE Chapter and CT Chapter shared a table to sell goods for their Chapters as well as raffle tickets for the beautiful quilt Candie crafted in support of the 2018 Air Race Classic terminus in Fryeburg, ME*



*Photos by Glenna*



*New England Section attendees: (back left to right) Warren & Jann Clark, Candie Oldham, Becky Cormier, Rae Willas and Candie & Rae's granddaughter Neryah, she is a Kentucky Bluegrass 99 member and winner of a Fly Now Scholarship!*



*Yes, that is Sean Tucker in the center! He is the 99s "Award of Merit" winner this year.*



*Co-Chairmen of the Conference*



*Georgia Pappas, ENE member, and Pat Prentiss*

# Welcome

*to our new Section members –*

## CT Chapter

**Ruth Ducharme**

Southampton, MA



*Ruth joined the Ninety Nines this July as a student pilot member. She is a graduate of UMASS Amherst and Norwich University and currently practices as a civil engineer in vertical construction. Becoming a pilot and engineering aircraft design was a childhood dream that she hoped to realize later in her career. However, at the suggestion of another female pilot, she began exploring options to pursue a private pilot's license soon after graduation. As an active member of several women's organizations in the A/E/C industry, she is delighted to find another supportive community like the Ninety Nines.*

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## Katahdin Wings Chapter

**Laura Curtis**

Pittsfield, ME

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## Eastern New England Chapter

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**Susan Elizabeth Benua**

Berlin, MA

**Elizabeth Fullerton**

Haverhill, MA

**Annaliu Hanson**

Norwell, MA

**Kathryn Lanier**

Mont Vernon, MA

**Julia Secker-Walker**

Beverly, MA



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## CT Chapter

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**Pamela Berardino**

Coventry, CT

**Amelia Farquharson**

Meriden, CT

**Carla Velasquez**

New Haven, CT

*Our Section has grown  
over the last few months!*

*We now have a total of 156t members!  
Please reach out to our new members to make  
them feel welcome.*

# What Have Our MEMBERS been up to?



*Mary Build, Katahdin Wings Chapter member, was very pleased to hear her 1947 PA12 Super Cruiser amphibious plane was an Award Winner at Oshkosh this past July!*

*Mary flew all the way from Maine to Oshkosh, Wisconsin solo. Lots of IMC time too.*

## Congratulations Mary!



## Katahdin Wings Chapter

Member Lori Plourd represented The 99s at an open house held at the Biddeford Municipal Airport (B19) on August 19th. Many families that came out to enjoy the day, seeing general aviation aircraft and helicopters up close, and learning about many different aviation organizations. Lori met a mom who was giving her daughter an introductory flight, so she was excited to hear about an organization like The 99s. On August 24th Katahdin Wings members Lisa Reece and Jenny Jorgensen hosted members Mary Build, Jenna Rouillard, Lori Plourd, Dannielle Courchene, Marie Zeeb and guests Claire Holmblad and Steve Williams in Lisa and Steve's hangar at Wiscasset Airport (KIWI). Everyone



*Jenna ready for take off*

enjoyed a relaxing summer evening of aviation chat and a hearty dinner of burgers and dogs on the grill with potluck sides and dessert. Mary and Jenna enjoyed a flight from and back to Auburn-Lewiston Municipal Airport (KLEW).



*International Seaplane Fly-in in Greenville, Maine*



*Photos by Laurie Strand*

99s in attendance were CT Chapter members Laurie Strand, Donna Shea & Alicia Brindisi. Also in attendance were Mary Build, Lori Plourd, Jenny Jorgenson and Lisa Reece from Katahdin Wings Chapter.

# AIRVENTURE

Oshkosh, WI

July 24-30, 2017

While in Oshkosh for the annual EAA week-long Fly-In and Convention this year I saw many Ninety-Nines from the New England Section: Lauren Lee, Mary Build, Teresa & Bill Camp, Arlene Myers & husband, Laurie & Arianna Strand, Donna Shea, and was very pleased to bump into a past member of the Section who now lives at an air park in Arkansas - Beth Robinson and her husband send their best wishes to you all!!



CT Chapter Members (l to r) Laurie Strand, Donna Shea, Arianna Strand, and Teresa Camp participated in the photo for women pilots on Wednesday



I enjoyed walking the grounds with Jan McKenzie, the current 99s President. We paused to check out this vintage Lockheed Electra (similar to Amelia Earhart's airplane)



The Blue Angels excite the crowd!

**1st ever  
99s  
dinner  
held in  
Oshkosh!**



99s members Susan Liebler and Pat Prentiss coordinated a wonderful meal and guest speaker - Adrian Eichhorn JetBlue pilot, SAFE member and past GA Award Winner for Aviation Technician of the year talked about his recent trip around the world in a Beechcraft Bonanza.



I was thrilled to finally meet 99s member Mary Latimer from Vernon, Texas. Maybe you've heard of Mary's flight school? GIFT Academy (girls in flight training) Check out [www.girlsinflight.org](http://www.girlsinflight.org)



Volunteering in the 99s booth is great fun! Sharing information about our organization and all the resources we have to offer is important. I especially enjoyed helping student pilots and veteran pilots join our group!

## *A visit with 99 Ann Chandler*

By Georgia Pappas

Last month I had a very pleasant visit with long time 99, Ann Chandler, at her home in northern Vermont. Ann's has been a member of the 99s for over 50 years, and started flying in Montpelier during the 60's.

I knew she was a Commercial pilot, but didn't know she had so many other talents! She was a licensed ham operator before WWII, and built her own radio gear herself. She was a member of the YLRL - Young Ladies Radio League; and remembered Millie Doremus, who was long time member of the ENE Chapter. I was surprised to learn Millie was a ham operator as well!

Ann is shown with the aviation pot holders I brought her. She was delighted with them, and admired the beautiful workmanship.



I couldn't help but noticing the stuffed deer on the wall in Ann's home, and asked if husband, George, was a hunter. Much to my surprise, Ann replied the deer were hers. She was the hunter!

Her husband, George, unfortunately, passed away last fall and she is adjusting after over 70 years of marriage.

Ann spends most of her time these days tending to her garden of vegetables, flowers and delicious raspberries.

I had a delightful lunch and enjoyed visiting with Ann, and she sends her best wishes to all 99s!