

April 2020 - News & Happenings



New England Section 99s

Squawk

International Organization of Women Pilots

Governor News

Even though COVID-19 has cancelled events and kept us physically apart, the spirit, strength and compassion of the Ninety-Nines sisterhood remains strong. With all the no-go's recently I wondered if there would be much to say in this newsletter. There is! Both before and after the pandemic arrived. **Women Take Flight** was a big success & the 99s corner was busy with very curious young women.



This 13yrs old has such a keen interest in aviation that her grandparents take her almost every weekend to an airshow, museum or to GA airports. Her goal and passion is to become a pilot and fly as a career. Very Inspiring.

Peggy Loeffler & Kathy Wadsworth had a table right outside the museum space where the New England Women in Aviation Exhibit will be installed. The life-size mock up was fascinating. Peggy & Kathy also promoted their project at the Ct Governor's Women & Girls Career Fair.

The 99s Museum of Women Pilots in OKC has launched a book project, inviting 99s to submit book(s) on aviation with a personal inscription.

ENE Chapter got together informally on **Zoom** and found it so rewarding to connect, that they are holding a drop-in each Saturday morning. Contact Lauren Lee if interested in joining or starting your own.

leelauren76@gmail.com Zoom is our current connector and is how we will do our Section Business Meeting May 16. Remember to **vote** - both for the New England Section and for International Positions.

In this time some members have managed to fly and others have found creative outlets. To women's ingenuity! As always, send in your stories.

Be safe, be well. We will get through this!

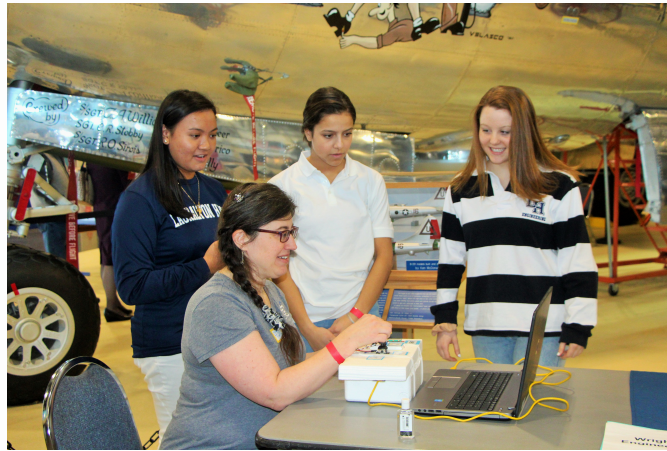
To Blue Skies Ahead!

Margot Cheel, New England Governor

Happenings

The program "**Women Take Flight**" did take place at the the New England Air Museum, Windsor Locks, Ct on March 7, 2020.

Glenna Blackwell, CT 99 organized the 99s table and reported back: "With the morning a bit slow in our new spot, the afternoon certainly made up for it. Having the chance to meet and talk with many visitors was great fun. I do believe they were impressed to meet us as well. It was wonderful to meet our newest members too. Here are photos from the day."





Maureen Rafferty (former Ct Chapter Chair, now in Ca) Glenna Blackwell

Also at **Women Take Flight - Ct 99s Peggy Loeffler & Kathy Wadsworth** introduced a full scale mock up of the New England Women in Aviation display.



It was very exciting to see the proposed exhibit in the very space it will be!

Additionally, **Peggy Loeffler** and **Kathy Wadsworth** were invited to participate in the **Governor's Council on Women and Girls Career Fair** on March 6, 2020 at the Connecticut State Capitol. The purpose of the day was to celebrate the progress made by women in honor of Women's History Month and the 100 Year Anniversary of Women's Suffrage. The intended audience for the day was high school juniors and seniors and women from across Connecticut.

"We were joined by other women leaders and business owners in STEM programs to provide a broad scope of role models for women and girls. The Governor and Lieutenant Governor (a woman) spoke to the large group assembled on the main floor of the Capitol. It was a great opportunity for us to talk to many girls and women about careers in aviation."

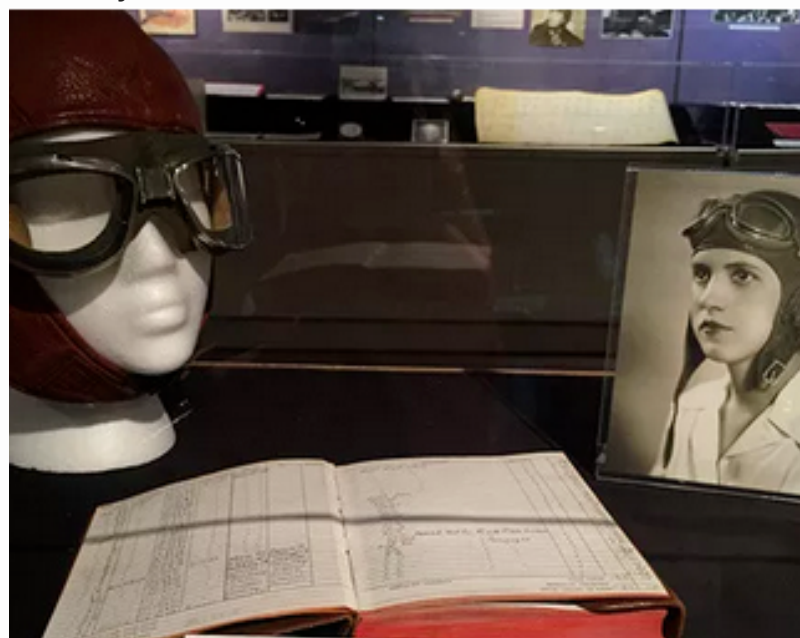


99s Museum of Women Pilots Library Project

Your 99s Museum of Women Pilots in Oklahoma City recently launched the Penny Nagy Youth Education Center. Penny was a Museum Trustee who lost her battle with breast cancer in 2018. Through the generosity of friends and family, the PNYEC aims to introduce youth ages 3-18 to achievements and opportunities in aviation and aerospace.

The Center is developing a **reading library**, and you have an opportunity to **support this effort by donating an aviation-themed book**. It can be historical or biographical, fiction or non-fiction, civil or military, aircraft- or airman-focused.

As a special touch, we'd like to you **write a short inscription in the book, such as your aviation job title, certificates held, how long you've been a pilot, an inspirational or motivational statement**. You do not have to include your name unless you want to.



Mail your book donation to: **The 99s Museum of Women Pilots, 4300 Amelia Earhart Dr., Oklahoma City, OK 73159-1106. via Media mail** (costs less than first class.)

The value of your donation is tax deductible (US only) to the fullest extent allowed by law. A receipt will be emailed to you upon request.

If you have any questions, call Shaylyn at the MWP, 405-685-9990, Thursday–Saturday from 10-4 or email to museum@ninety-nines.org. Thank you for your support!

Lisa Cotham, Chairman
99s MWP Board of Trustees

NEW ENGLAND SPRING SECTION MEETING

Join us on Zoom!

Saturday, MAY 16, 2020 10am

Details to enter the meeting online will be sent in early May

Our Fall NE Section Meeting will be October 23-24, 2020 back at:

Nonantum Inn, Kennebunkport, Maine

(Maine's premier Inn. Special rates for 99s will still apply!)





With the uncertainty of the coronavirus and with schools closed in most states till the fall, it has been decided to cancel Let's Fly Now for this year and look to 2021 to schedule the event.



**From Jan McKenzie, 99s International President
Jeanne Fenimore, 2020 Conference & Career Expo Chair**

We are looking at all our options as we continue toward the 2020 International Conference and Career Expo. We are watching the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention regarding COVID-19 and will continue to stay updated. Our members' safety is our paramount concern.

The Queen Mary is a hotel (not a seafaring cruise ship) that must abide by strict safety and health codes of the State of California and the County of Los Angeles.

Currently, we have no plans to reschedule or cancel our 2020 Conference and Career Expo. However, we will continue to stay abreast of the CDC guidelines, State of California and City of Los Angeles mandates.

Please direct any questions to president@ninety-nines.org or jeannefenimore@earthlink.net
99s Int'l Conference & Career Expo - Long Beach, Ca on the Queen Mary July 8 - 12, 2020

Member News

ENE Members on Zoom April 11, 2020



On the day of a planned meeting, ENE went online to meet informally. Lauren Lee provided her Pro Zoom platform. Everyone checked in about their experiences during the pandemic - all quite creative! Cooking, sewing, writing and a few even flying. It was very welcoming to see and hear from everyone. Highly recommended for all chapters and groups!



Congratulations, ENE **Karen Mitchell** on your solo in New Hampshire ahead of COVID-19 restrictions! Karen received the Fly Now Award and is working on her PPL.



Beth White, ENE 99 sent in a blog post from a Vt High School student who has a passion for aviation. Beth is a Big Picture Learning School Design Coach who also coordinates a program which offers hand-on experience outside school. Read about this student's enthusiasm for learning aviation mechanics.

<https://womenpilotsene.us6.list-manage.com/track/click?u=8f1693d56698349f3356ded0c&id=c7c60d2b51&e=ead33b46d3>

Martha Dunbar, ENE & 99s Member over 50 years, sent this message:

"My husband of 65 years Howard Dunbar passed away from heart issues on March 27th after spending a week in Milford Regional Hospital. Howard was a great admirer of the ENE 99s and all the women we had met over my long time membership. I am sure that he is on a great new adventure."



When Howard proposed to Martha in 1954, Martha was 18 and Howard was 23 and their friends gave them “no more than six months”. They toasted that remark annually for 65 years!

One of our active 49.5ers, Howie will be greatly missed by our Section. Here he is at a 99s Holiday Party eager to open his gift.



A memorial donation can be made to the Eastern New England Scholarship Fund or the New England Scholarship Fund. Condolences can be sent to Martha Dunbar at 54 Haven St, Milford, MA 01757

What to Do - When Sheltering in Place?

1. Learn or refresh your pilot skills:

*Sporty's has a free course on Airspace

<https://www.sportys.com/pilotshop/airspace-review-online-course.html>

*Gleim is offering free flight simulation with up to date software

It's the X-Plane 11 for PC & the first two lesson of their X-Plane course - FREE.

<https://www.gleimaviation.com/shop/xplane-xftc-trial/?promoID=Xplane-XFTC-trial-2020>

2. Vote!

New England Section Spring Elections

Glenna Blackwell, Nominating Committee Chair has emailed the ballot. If you have not received that email sent 3/31/20, contact Glenna at **blackwells@verizon.net** Your vote counts. Returns must be emailed to Glenna by **April 27, 2027**. A bio of each candidate is at the bottom of the ballot.

and also

Ninety-Nines International Board - 2020 Election

If you opted for electronic voting, you have received an email by now from electionbuddy.com with a link to vote. If you opted for a paper ballot, that was sent to you. **The deadline to vote is May 1, 2020**. If you have questions, email **99s@electionbuddy.com**. Again your vote counts!

3. Be Safe, Be Healthy, Play a Game

* Aviation Word Game (designed by ENE in 1999)

Aviation Word Search

compliments of the New England Section Ninety-Nines

(international organization of women pilots)



AIRPLANE	FAA	LOGBOOK	STATIC
ALFA	FLAP	OSCAR	TAKEOFF
APPROACH	FOXTROT	PAPA	TANGO
ATIS	FUEL	PILOT	TAXI
BALLOON	GLIDER	POWER	THROTTLE
BEACON	HELICOPTER	RADAR	TOWER
BRAVO	INSTRUMENTS	RAMP	VICTOR
CARGO	JET	RUDDER	WEATHER
CONTROLLER	KILO	RUNWAY	WING
EARHART	LANDING	SPIN	WRIGHTS
ECHO	LINDBERGH	STALL	YOKE

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