



Governor's Message

Hello, Sister Ninety-Nines -

Today's newsletter has reports from the Amelia Earhart's Birthday Celebration at her home in Medford, MA, and from AirVenture 2024 in Oshkosh. There's also news about the Massachusetts Air and Space Museum and the Women in Aviation Girls in Aviation Day event in September.

But first - some important reminders about our Fall Section fundraiser and the Beverly Airshow.

There's a lot to cover, so let's get started!

Enjoy the rest of your summer! Happy flying!

Blue skies and tailwinds,

Margot Cheel
Governor, New England Section
The Ninety-Nines International Women Pilots





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The Ninety-Nines will have a booth at the Air Show both days. Come and help out for all or part of one or both days!

To volunteer, contact jessie.zuberek@gmail.com
or jannclark99@yahoo.com.

Amelia's Birthday Celebration by Margot Cheel, ENE Chapter

This year for Amelia Earhart's birthday on July 24, the ENE Chapter celebrated in a new way, right at Amelia's home in Medford, MA. The

Medford Historical Society sponsored a ceremony for the installation of a new, more accurate plaque of Amelia at her home. Attending and speaking were the Mass Lt. Governor, Mayor of Medford, a grand nephew of AE and our own 99, Beth Young. Merle Poulton and I were also there and met a number of descendants of Amelia. It was an honor and a delight to hear their stories of praise and admiration for this young woman of courage (and her poem about courage read by a grand nephew). It was also interesting to see how this neighborhood embraces and continues the legacy of Amelia Earhart, born 127 years ago.



Beth Young, Merle Poulton, and Margot Cheel with new banner and updated plaque at Amelia's house



The new plaque with an image more like her, her plane and highlights of her aviation accomplishment



Commander Beth Young, ENE Chair, with Amelia Earhart notecards designed by Merle Poulton



Speakers: Lt Gov, Kim Driscoll; Mayor of Medford - Breanna Lungo-Koehn; Margie Arnold - Program Co-Ordinator; not shown: Beth Young and Amelia's great nephew



Flying to Oshkosh to attend AirVenture 2024

by Glenna Blackwell, CT Chapter

I had the good fortune to fly with my friend once again in his Cessna Cardinal RG. We departed 1B1 on Friday, July 19th and headed home on Saturday, July 27th.

Every day spend at AirVenture was packed full of fun, as well as many informative and inspiring events. I looked forward to spending time with old and new friends, volunteering at the two 99s booths, attending social functions with the Red Bird folks, Hops & Props reception hosted by Hartzell Propeller, and the SAFE dinner. I enjoyed hanging out with many 99s and guests at the annual

dinner. Wednesday was the exciting group photo of all women pilots on site, followed by a Power Lunch featuring Nicole Battjes, founder of Rainbow Helicopters located in Hawaii. This year I attended the NAFI breakfast to honor Doug Stewart - he was selected for the CFI Hall of Fame.





Meeting up with many of our New England Section members is special!

Constance Castillo flew from CT in an RV, Sue Benua flew from MA in her gyrocopter (she was even featured in one of the daily newspapers!). I also saw Laurie Strand, Servet Yatin and her daughter Lidya, Lauren Lee, Stephanie Griffin, Laura Doherty, Mary Build, Donna Shea and I volunteered at the 99s WomenVenture booth together. It is very rewarding to tell others about our wonderful 99s organization and sign-up new members!

I was thrilled to meet a brand new 99s member of the CT Chapter.



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Elena Moffly (right) with 99s Vice President Minnetta Gardinier

A few highlights for me:

I have never seen the Snowbirds perform in an air show before and they were impressive! (A military aerobatics flight demonstration team of the Royal Canadian Air Force).

I attended a workshop held at the Pilot Proficiency Center by Rich Stowell and found it enlightening!

I hope everyone has the opportunity to attend AirVenture in Oshkosh, WI in the future!



Massachusetts Air and Space Museum Closing Hyannis Location

The Massachusetts Air And Space Museum (MASM) has greatly enjoyed almost 4 years in Hyannis providing a museum to the public which focuses on contributions and dedication to aviation and space history in Massachusetts.

Unfortunately, it has become necessary to close this location after Labor Day on September 2, 2024.

MASM will continue to have exhibits at the Cape Cod Gateway Airport and

Bridgewater State University as we search for a more permanent location.

MASM thanks to all the museum patrons and supporters who have visited over the past four years, and we hope that many will be able to visit us in August, and over Labor Day. The Museum will be open Tuesdays to Saturdays from 10AMto 4 PM before closing on September 2nd.

Please continue to visit our website - massairspace.org for updates as we move forward. MASM's business office will remain at 200 Hanscom Drive, Suite 314, Bedford, MA 01730.





A Women in Aviation International®Event

September 21st and 22nd American Heritage Museum 568 Main St. Hudson, MA The Boston chapter of Women in Aviation is reaching out to the New England Section 99s about Girls in Aviation Day! We are hosting a two-day event on Saturday, September 21st and Sunday, September 22nd at the American Heritage Museum in Hudson, MA.

We would love to invite the 99's to participate at Girls in Aviation Day! We are planning to have plenty of hands-on activities such as a VFR sectional scavenger hunt, flight planning, weight and Balance, and learning the phonetic alphabet. It would be awesome to have female pilots leading these activities and inspiring the next generation of aviators!

We are hoping the 99s might be able to participate. We would appreciate any help with volunteering or any other fun activity ideas you could share.

To find out more about the event, see http://www.wai-bos.com.

To volunteer, contact Kerri Fingerson, (603) 475-1505



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