



# The Flypaper



The Official Newsletter of the Alaska 99s  
October 2014

Our October meeting will take place this Wednesday at [Hangar.Net](http://Hangar.Net). We will be showing an AOPA safety video, No Greater Burden: Surviving an Aircraft Accident. More information about the film can be found on page 3 of The Flypaper. Please join us. As usual, guests are always welcome.

Information on the 2015 Scholarships will be available on the website ([ak99s.org](http://ak99s.org)) after November 1, 2014. Deadline for submitting applications is March 31. Please check the website and apply if you are eligible. Please pass the information on to any female pilot or female student pilot who may be interested in the scholarships.

We are beginning plans for the annual Christmas Dinner/Party. It will be held on our regular meeting night in December, Wednesday, the 10th. More information will be available in the November Flypaper.

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## Next Meeting

Wednesday  
October 8, 2014  
6 p.m.

[Hangar.Net](http://Hangar.Net)  
2400 E. Fifth Avenue  
Anchorage

# Calendar of Events

- Wed., Oct. 8 Regular Monthly Meeting
- Sun., Oct. 19 Mat-Su Valley Chapter Drive/Fly In to visit Talkeetna FSS
- Wed., Nov. 12 Regular Monthly Meeting
- Wed., Dec. 10 Annual Christmas/Dinner Party



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**National Website** ([www.ninety-nines.org](http://www.ninety-nines.org))

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

### Flypaper Facts



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## October Program

Our October program will be the showing of the film "No Greater Burden: Surviving an Aircraft Accident," an AOPA safety video. Below are comments about the film by AOPA President, Bruce Landsberg.

### "The Side of Flying not Often Talked About..."

The story of experienced pilot, Russ Jeter, who nonetheless, made a critical mistake, provides a unique opportunity for all of us to learn.

Events in our daily lives can lead to a relatively small error with grave consequences. In this special video presentation, we take a sobering look at one pilot's personal tragedy, the devastation it wrought, and the lessons all of us can take from it.

Much research has been done on the negative effects of stress on our physical and psychological well-being. The more stress we experience, whether we know it or not, the more inclined we are to lose concentration, forget things, and perform poorly on tasks that should be familiar and easy for us. More often than not, those effects have little impact upon our day-to-day life. Such effects while flying, however, could lead to a disastrous outcome.

As safety educators, we try to focus on the positive —on steps we can take to fly safely, rather than what might happen if we don't. Yes, there are risks in flying; but as they say, few things worth doing are totally risk-free.

Sometimes, though, it's good to step back and remember what the point of all this "safety stuff" really is. That's what this special ASI video, No Greater Burden: Surviving an Aircraft Accident, is about. It's the personal story of Russ Jeter, an experienced and careful pilot who made a critical error, and paid a very high price for it. Russ hopes that, by sharing his story, he might help others avoid the pain and loss he and his family have suffered.

As you watch, I hope you'll think not about the reasons it wouldn't have happened to you, but rather about the reasons something similar could. And I hope you'll come away not with a dampened enthusiasm for flying, but with a strengthened resolve to do it safely—for yourself, your family, and your community.

Safe flights,  
Bruce Landsberg, President, AOPA Foundation"



The Mat-Su Chapter will be having our October meeting as a drive/fly-in at the Talkeetna FSS on Sunday October 19, 12:30pm. A soup and bread lunch will be provided by member Laurie Smith, with a head count requested. 99s and guests are welcome. If you plan to join us, please advise Sarah or Abby by Friday, Oct. 17.

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2. Search for and select your favorite non-profit.
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## Annual Christmas/Dinner Party

**Please keep Wednesday, December 10, free so that you may join us at our Annual Christmas/Dinner Party. The location will be announced in the November Flypaper.**

**We will hold a Chinese Auction again this year. Each attendee wishing to participate should bring a wrapped gift valued at \$15 - \$20.**

**Location and cost will be announced in November.**

