



# The Flypaper

The Official Newsletter of the Alaska 99s  
April 2009



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Fly-Ins & Publicity Committees need volunteers.

## Notes from the Chair

I can't believe another month has gone by and we are rapidly heading in to spring aviation activities and other spring business. This coming Saturday, April 4, we will have our Train the Trainer for Flying Companion/Prepared Passenger instructors. Our April 8 meeting will be at Petra's Pilot Shoppe – see separate information. Next will be the annual Alaskan Aviation Safety Foundation Spring Seaplane Seminar on April 18. I have volunteered to help with registration and probably could use one additional if anyone is available. Then on April 20 is the Prepared Passenger Seminar in Fairbanks to be held at the Department of Natural Resources. May 2 & 3 is the Alaska State Aviation Trade Show. We still need volunteers for the booth Saturday morning and late afternoon plus Sunday morning. I will have the signup sheet at the April 8<sup>th</sup> meeting. The May 16 is a Flying Companion Seminar that will be hopefully held in Eagle River in order to draw from both Mat-Su Valley and Anchorage. Valdez & Kenai both have aviation events in May. There are so many great opportunities to get out and be active in the aviation world.

Speaking of opportunities, the Alaska Chapter is coming up to election time. We currently need a nominating committee to talk with members that are interested in becoming an officer or committee chair. Our Fly-ins and Publicity Committees are "chairless" plus all officer positions are open. If you are interested in any committee chair position or officer position please contact myself or another current officer. Approval for the amended Alaska Chapter By-Laws will also be part of the June ballot. Northwest Section is also looking for nominees for their open positions. If you want more information I will put you in touch with their Nominating Committee.

See you all on April 8<sup>th</sup>!!

Gloria

## Next Meeting

6:00 p.m. on Wednesday  
April 8, 2009  
Lake Hood Pilot Shoppe  
corner of Spenard &  
International Airport  
Roads

(See details on Page 3)

# Calendar of Events

Sat., April 4	"Train the Trainer" for Flying Companion Seminar teachers
Wed., April 8	Regular Monthly Meeting
Sat., April 18	Annual Spring Seaplane Seminar
Mon., April 20	Flying Companion Seminar in Fairbanks
May 2 & 3	Alaska Airmen's Aviation Trade Show
Tues., May 5	Deadline for submission of articles for the May Flypaper
May 8 - 10	Valdez May Day Fly-In
Wed., May 13	Regular Monthly Meeting
Sat., May 16	Flying Companion Seminar in Eagle River, UAA Campus
Tues., May 19	Mat-Su Valley Regular Monthly Meeting
Sat., May 30	10th Annual Kenai Peninsula Air Fair
Sat., June 6	FAA Pancake Breakfast, Palmer Airport
July 22 - 26	International Conference, Chicago, Illinois

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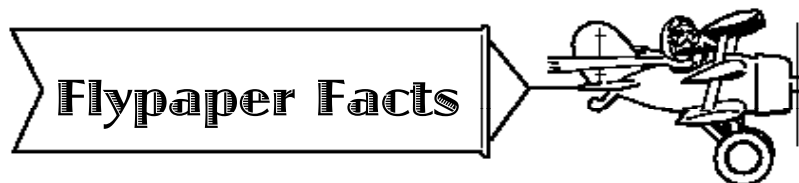
## 99s Online

### **Chapter Website ([www.ak99s.org](http://www.ak99s.org))**

For website updates and additions, e-mail Heather Hasper at: [747sp@arctic.net](mailto:747sp@arctic.net)

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

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



Deadline for the **May 2009** Flypaper is **May 5, 2009**. If you have an article, ad or information for The Flypaper, please contact Melanie Hancock by phone at 694-4571 or e-mail at [flyquilt@mtaonline.net](mailto:flyquilt@mtaonline.net). (Ads are placed in The Flypaper for members at no charge.)

### **Subscription Rates:**

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Feb.-Sept. = \$10.00  
June-Sept. = \$5.00

### **Mailing Address:**

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# April Program

Mr. John Steuernagle of the FAAST (FAA Safety Team) has graciously agreed to give a presentation on the Medallion Foundation's Aviation Training Device (ATD) at our April chapter meeting, to be held at Lake Hood Pilot Shoppe (intersection of Spenard and International Airport Rd). This is an opportunity also for a hands-on demonstration and experience on the machine. These ATD's are very high tech instructor flight simulators with dual monitors, so that the flight instructor can see what the pilot is doing and add in other factors such as changing weather. Very fun, but more importantly, a very useful FREE safety training tool.

There will be finger food and beverages provided. A donation toward the cost will be appreciated. Please RSVP to Petra at [petra.illig@gmail.com](mailto:petra.illig@gmail.com) so I know how much food to bring. However, if you do not RSVP, don't let that keep you from coming anyway!



We have scheduled a Flying Companion/Prepared Passenger Seminar in Fairbanks on Monday, April 20.

We are planning to drive to Fairbanks on Sunday and return on Tuesday. If you are available to assist with the seminar, or you have the name and contact information for someone who may wish to attend, please contact Gloria at 279-1560.



As of this writing, no information is available regarding the April meeting of the Mat-Su Valley Chapter. Please contact Toni Merrigan at 373-6569 for more information.

## Mat-Su Chapter Officers

Chair	Toni Merrigan	(373-6569)
Vice Chair	C. J. Glasser	(746-7358)
Secretary	Elaine Base	(357-1545)
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## Seaplane Seminar

This annual seminar will be held on April 18, 2009, at the AMD, Lake Hood, in Anchorage from 8 am to 4 pm.

For registration, visit: [www.faa.safety.gov](http://www.faa.safety.gov)

For schedule information, please check at:  
[www.aasonline.com](http://www.aasonline.com)

# Alaska Airmens Association

## Annual Aviation Trade Show and Conference

The Alaska & Mat-Su Valley Chapters of the 99s will again have a booth at the Trade Show. The dates are Saturday and Sunday, May 2 (9 am - 6 pm) and May 3 (10 am - 5 pm). There are already over 275 exhibitors signed up for this year's event. This is the 12th year for the Trade Show. Past attendance has topped 20,000!

Volunteers will be needed to take care of the booth. Sign-up sheets will be available at the April meeting.

### 2009 Conference Schedule

#### Saturday, May 2

##### **0900 - 1800 TRADE SHOW OPEN**

**1000 "ALASKA AIRMEN'S ASSOCIATION GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING,"** - Adam White, President, Alaska Airmen's Association. Review with us the accomplishments, programs and goals and most importantly the challenges that face general aviation in Alaska.

**1130 "AVIATION SAFETY AND THE FAA,"** - Alaska Regional FAA Administrator, Mr. Bob Lewis

**1300 "General Aviation--Defining Our Future,"** Craig Fuller, President, Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association

**1430 "DECISION MAKING WITH DICK RUTAN"** featuring Dick Rutan and Charlie Hewitt of Fly Right Films with a sneak preview of Volume 2 in their highly acclaimed flight training series, along with vignettes from Rutan's storied career as a fighter pilot, test pilot and world-record setting aviator.

**1600 "WHERE IS CAPSTONE TODAY?"** - Alaska FAA SBS Office & WAAS Program along with Industry Representatives will give a program update and what services are available today.

#### Sunday, May 3

##### **1000 - 1700 TRADE SHOW OPEN**

**1015 PAST PRESIDENT'S BREAKFAST,** - Airmen members are invited to meet the past president's of the Association at this informal gathering. Coffee and pastries served.

**1130 "FLOAT PLANE AIRWORTHINESS AND ITEMS YOU WISH THE FAA NOT TO BE AWARE OF,"** Jay Frey, Kenmore Air Harbor .

**1300 "NAVIGATING THE JOURNEY OF LIFE"** delivered by 20 yr old, FAA Ambassador Jamail Larkins. This simple presentation applies the same techniques pilots use, into an everyday life example for students to use, while facing many of the challenges they will encounter during their school years.

**1430 "LIGHT SPORT AIRCRAFT AND TRANSITIONING TO SPORT PILOT PRIVILEGES: AN OVERVIEW FOR ALASKANS,"** by Rob Stapleton, AGI, SPI, FAA Safety Team Member

**1530 "MEET THE NEW SUPER CUB,"** Jim Richmond, Owner/Founder Cubcrafters - Highlighting the new high performance Light Sport Aircraft.

1645 **"Alaska Airmen's Association Annual Airplane Raffle" - Aviat Aircraft Company - Husky A-1B !!**

## **Alaska Airports Association (AKAA)**

In March, 2009 the Alaska Airports Association charter was adopted and officers of the association elected. This is Alaska's first Airport Association designed to bring together airport professionals and individuals to enhance and promote the operation and management of airports within the State of Alaska. Specifically the goals of the association are to:

- Provide for the exchange of ideas and problem-solving among airport operators, airport commissioners, airport users, government agencies, and others to support the operation and management of airports.

- Create, promote, and support education opportunities for airport managers, airport staff, airport commissioners, and others that affect airport operation and management.

- Promote and encourage the public's understanding of the value of airports and aviation in Alaska and local communities.

- Foster the advancement and improvement of airports and aviation in Alaska

- Participate in meetings, activities and organizations representing the interests of airports and aviation.

The Membership of the Association is open to airport staff, airport associations members, government agencies employees and individuals. The recently elected officers of the association are Jane Dale-Chair, Ted Anderson- Vice Chair, and Heather Hasper-Secretary/Treasurer. If you are interested in participating in this new statewide airport association please contact Jane at [jdale@alaska.com](mailto:jdale@alaska.com).

## *Notes of Interest from the Spring Board Meeting*

The Spring Board of Directors Meeting was held at the Oklahoma Cit Headquarters Building on March 20 & 21.

The 99s owns a rental building across from the Headquarters Building. It was vacated with rent owing. Various office furnishings have been taken as partial payment. Unneeded items will be auctioned with the proceeds coming to the 99s.

The annual budget for the upcoming fiscal year was a major topic of discussion. We face a significant loss of revenue until the building is rented. In order to cut expenses, The 99 News will be published quarterly beginning in the second half of this year and various options on how best to subsidize the Directory are being considered.

The Board also read and commented on each Bylaw and Standing Rule proposal that has been submitted according to the guidelines. The proposed amendments will be mailed at least 060 days prior to the Annual Meeting in Chicago with the Bylaws/Standing Rules Committee making every effort to get these out even sooner.

Due to the need for more time to thoroughly address Long Range Planning, the Fall Board of Directors meeting will be October 29-31, 2009.