



# The Flypaper

The Official Newsletter of the Alaska 99s  
September 2009



## Notes from the Chair

As the new Chair of the Alaska Chapter of 99's I feel greatly privileged.

I am reminded again what a great group of women we have involved in our organization.... and more to the point what a team effort it takes to bring about the activities and programs that are an important part of our mission.

My heartfelt thanks to our Officers and Board of Directors for their hard work and dedication in keeping it happening....and their efforts at keep me straight while I learn the ropes.

I am looking forward to a great year and encourage other members to participate in what ever way they can....especially if you've never been actively involved before....make this your year!!

Ad astra, per aspera.

*Lani*

---

### IN THIS ISSUE OF THE FLYPAPER:

- 2 CALENDAR OF EVENTS
- 2 CHAPTER OFFICERS
- 2 99S INTERNET CONTACTS
- 2 FLYPAPER INFO
- 3 SEPTEMBER PROGRAM INFORMATION
- 3 MAT-SU CHAPTER NEWS
- 3 BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION
- 4 MERRILL FIELD HONORS PIONEERS
- 4 INT'L. ELECTIONS FOR 2010
- 4 INT'L. DIRECTORY CHOICES
- 5 RENAMING OF MINTO AIRPORT
- 5 FLYPAPER SUBSCRIPTIONS
- 6 MUSEUM DISPLAY
- 6 COMMITTEE CHAIRS NEEDED
- 7-9 AVIATION NORTH EXPO 2009, INFO AND SCHEDULE
- 10 MEETING MINUTES OF 8/12/09

### *Next Meeting*

*6:00 pm*

*Wednesday*

*September 9, 2009*

*Peggy's Restaurant*

*Merrill Field*

# Calendar of Events

|                  |   |
|------------------|---|
| Wed., Sept. 9    | Regular Monthly Meeting   |
| Tues., Sept. 15  | Potluck Celebration in Honor of Dick Betz' 90th Birthday  |
| Sat., Sept. 19   | Tour of Anchorage Center  |
| Tues., Sept. 22  | Mat-Su Valley 99s Regular Monthly Meeting   |
| Mon., Oct. 5     | Alaska 99s Board of Directors Meeting, Stewart Title, 5:30 p.m.<br>DEADLINE for submission of articles for October Flypaper |
| Wed., Oct. 14    | Regular Monthly Meeting   |
| Tues., Oct. 20   | Mat-Su Valley 99s Regular Monthly Meeting   |
| Oct. 31          | Deadline to file Intent to Seek Election forms for the 2010 elections   |
| July 5 - 9, 2010 | International Conference, Kona, Hawaii  |



## Alaska Chapter 99s Officers

|                                |          |
|--------------------------------|----------|
| <b>Chair</b>                   |          |
| Lani Kile                      | 696-5453 |
| <b>Vice Chair</b>              |          |
| Melanie Hancock                | 694-4571 |
| <b>Secretary</b>               |          |
| Jay Laxson                     |          |
| <b>Treasurer</b>               |          |
| Brenda Staats                  | 522-5330 |
| <b>Committees</b>              |          |
| <b>Scholarship</b>             |          |
| Helen Jones                    | 222-9977 |
| <b>Flypaper</b>                |          |
| Melanie Hancock                | 694-4571 |
| <b>Flying Companion</b>        |          |
| Angie Slingluff                | 337-0253 |
| <b>Membership</b>              |          |
| Mio Johnson                    | 696-3580 |
| <b>Scrapbook</b>               |          |
| Lavelle Betz                   | 243-1898 |
| <b>Aviation Museum Display</b> |          |
| Pat Bening                     |          |
| <b>Sunshine</b>                |          |
| Jean White                     | 248-6967 |

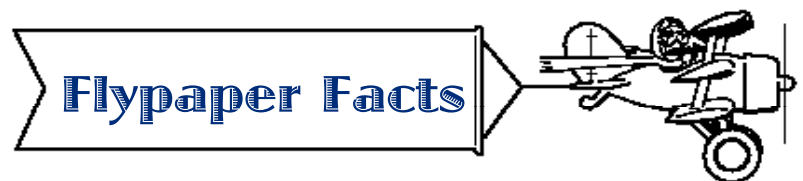
Fly-Ins, Airmarking & Publicity Committees need volunteers.

## 99s Online

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

**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 **Octoberr 2009** Flypaper is **Oct. 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.)

**NEW Subscription Rates:**

Free via e-mail  
Paper Copies \$15/year

**Mailing Address:**

Alaska 99s  
P.O. Box 91962  
Anchorage, AK 99509

# September Program

Meeting will be at Peggy's Restaurant at 6:00 p.m. upstairs. Program will be a chance to view the Sullenberger interview given at Oshkosh.

We will also talk about the 99s visit to Anchorage Center on Saturday, Sept. 19. If you haven't signed up to go yet, contact Mathea Doyle [mathead@gci.net](mailto:mathead@gci.net) and give her your name and driver's license number and indicate if you are a U.S. citizen for the security access. THIS MUST BE DONE THE WEEK BEFORE THE VISIT.

## Mat-Su Chapter News

The next scheduled meeting of the Mat-Su Chapter 99s will take place on Tuesday, September 15. Place and program have not yet been announced. For more information, contact Patty Livingston.

### Mat-Su Chapter Officers

|            |                  |          |
|------------|------------------|----------|
| Chair      | Toni Merrigan    | 373-6569 |
| Vice Chair | C. J. Glasser    | 746-7358 |
| Secretary  | Elaine Base      | 357-1545 |
| Treasurer  | Patty Livingston | 746-2919 |



*Join Lavelle and Dick Betz on Tuesday, September 15, to celebrate Dick's 90th birthday. This will be a pot luck at the Aviation Heritage Museum from 5-8 P.M.*

## Annual Picnic Honors Merrill Field Aviation Pioneers

The new access roads to Merrill Field were suitably named to acknowledge Merrill Field pioneers, Richard & Ramona Ardaiz, Oren Hudson, Bob Reeve, Wesley Stoddard, and Joe & Anne Wilbur.

These extraordinary contributors to Alaska aviation were honored at the 2009 Merrill Field Picnic on August 19, National Aviation Day.

At right is 99 Anne Wilbur with the official proclamation.



### THE NINETY-NINES NEEDS YOU! 2010 INTERNATIONAL ELECTIONS

By Trish Hanna, Nominating Committee Chairman

We hope you will seriously consider serving our great organization. Whether it be as a member of a trust, or in any of the 99s Board positions, there is a place for you. All Intent to Seek Election forms and accompanying photographs must be in to the Nominating Committee no later than October 31, 2009.

Please check the bylaws to determine the requirements for positions in the upcoming general election. The Intent to Seek Election form is available on our website ([www.ninety-nines.org](http://www.ninety-nines.org)) in the Library section of the Members Area.

Please feel free to contact me or any of the others on the Nominating Committee:

Trish Hanna, 503-838-7729 or

[rnthanna@gmail.com](mailto:rnthanna@gmail.com)

Barbara Harris-Para, [bhpara@embarqmail.com](mailto:bhpara@embarqmail.com)

Rita Adams, [rvadams99@aol.com](mailto:rvadams99@aol.com)

Martha Phillips, [martha99s@yahoo.com](mailto:martha99s@yahoo.com)

Sonia Bortolin, [bortolin@bellsouth.net](mailto:bortolin@bellsouth.net)

### 2009-2010 MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY CHOICES

In our ongoing effort to provide members with the best information and still keep expenses in line, a CD version of the Membership Directory will be sent to all members. A printed version will be available for \$15, but you must contact Headquarters no later than November 15, 2009 if you would prefer to receive your Directory in this format.

The CD version of the 2009-2010 Membership Directory not only has everything provided in the printed version, but also has the advantage of being easily searchable. This allows you to simply type in the name of a person, or a keyword, hit "search" and there it is! Definitely a time-saving feature.

Remember, to receive the CD version, you need do nothing, but you must contact Headquarters by November 15, 2009 and send \$15 to receive the printed version.



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE No. 09-25135

August 20, 2009

## Upgraded Minto Airport officially renamed "Minto Al Wright Airport"

(MINTO, AK) – The Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities officially renamed the improved airport the "Minto Al Wright Airport" to honor Alaska aviation pioneer Al Wright.

The request to rename the airport came from the Minto Seth-De-Ya-Ah Corporation and had strong community and legislative support.

DOT&PF completed a \$7 million dollar airport upgrade this summer. The project was necessary to bring the airport into compliance with Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and State of Alaska requirements. Upgrades include a longer runway, installing airport lighting and FAA Navigation equipment, building an equipment storage building and constructing a new taxiway and apron that allowed for safe cargo handling. The community of Minto has requested improvements to the airport since 1998.

Al Wright is a pioneer in Alaska aviation. For many years he was the sole source for food and supplies in Minto and the community depended on his services. Mr. Wright began flying in Alaska in the 1940's and started Wright Air, an Air Service in Fairbanks that still bears his name.



Alaska aviation pioneer Al Wright stands in front of the sign at the renamed Minto Al Wright Airport.

(Official DOT&PF photo by Meadow Bailey)

---

## Flypaper Subscriptions

Beginning in October, 2009, subscribers will receive The Flypaper free via e-mail. As long as the number of **members** requiring paper copies remains small, a copy will be sent free of charge.

Non-members of The Ninety-Nines requesting paper copies will be charged \$15 per year to cover printing and postage.

Anyone wishing to continue receiving The Flypaper via e-mail should respond to Melanie Hancock at [flyquilt@mtaonline.net](mailto:flyquilt@mtaonline.net) with "subscribe" in the subject line.

## “Plane Women on the North” Museum Display

Dear, 99s, Aviatrices, and Aviation Friends,

I am requesting your assistance in the next phase of our Alaska Aviation Heritage Museum Project.

Many of you have visited the museum in the past year and seen the beautiful display modules featuring dressed mannequins representing Patty Wagstaff, Ingrid Pedersen, and Ellen Paneok, with brief bios. In addition, a small photo screen flashes photos of other (unnamed!) women celebrating, “Women in Aviation, Then and Now. The exhibit is a work in progress that we have undertaken. The 99s purchased a MAC computer a few years ago, that was to include interactive capability to research and/or correspond to the pictures. A donation to cover building costs was made by the chapter last year. An additional \$300 is requested as this time to expand the display.

The next step of the project is two 4' x 8' panels for additional display area. The MAC computer will be mounted on one panel and will run a loop of the Patty Wagstaff aerobatic films. The museum would like to incorporate a compass rose, either on the floor or outside on the new tarmac. A history of airmarking in Alaska is a proposed exhibit.

Not all information is accurate or reflects historical contributions to aviation in Alaska. The photo screen will be updated with corresponding bios. Our history is by no means complete and I am asking your assistance in researching and documenting information. If you would be willing to collaborate on this project, I need names and bios

expanded including the reference material used. I have professional writers available to compile the actual bios. We would like to verify facts to the extent possible. The field is wide open – if there is someone of particular interest to you, please feel free to spend a little time researching her life and contributions. If you can dedicate a little time, please send me an e-mail [patbening@hotmail.com](mailto:patbening@hotmail.com) and I will send you a template of information needed to assist in your research.

It is difficult to prioritize and/or determine the criteria for inclusion. Let's start with women with deep Alaska roots, charter members of the Alaska 99s, pilots, mechanics, air traffic controllers, business partners, etc. The list that I have to date (names below) is not very inclusive and is missing some very interesting women I know of, such as Ann Wilbur! How about the first woman airline pilot? Helicopter pilot?

Margo Cook, Marvel Crosson, Mary Barrows, Millie Dodson, Patty Wagstaff, Ingrid Pedersen, Ruth Jefford, Virginia Wood, Alm Heflin, Ellen Paneok, Celia Hunter, Margie McQuin, Gayle Ranney, Dottie Magoffin, Jean Potter Chelnov, Janice :Tilly” Reeve, Irene Irvine Ryan, Fae Lindner West, Thyra Allen Merrill, Ada Bering Wien, Pearl Laska Chamberlin, Mrs. Howard Romig (anyone know her first name?).

New ideas? Suggestions? Please! Help meet the 99s mission of preserving the unique history of women in Aviation. Please, adopt a name to research!

Thanks,

Pat Bening

### Looking for Committee Chairs . . . . .

*There are several committees which currently have no one chairing them. If you are interested in one of the positions, please contact Lani Kile at 696-5453 or [Kile\\_Lani@asdk12.org](mailto:Kile_Lani@asdk12.org). If there is a chair currently listed and you are interested in working on one of the committees, let Lani know.*



It's time to Register for the Aviation North Expo. October 15 – 17, 2009, Riverside Princess Hotel-Fairbanks, AK: [www.aviationnorth.org](http://www.aviationnorth.org).

Market your airport at Aviation North Expo. The Aviation North Expo (ANE) is considered the best annual education event for airport professionals, consultants, pilots, general public and more, in Alaska. It's time to make the trade show the best airport event in Alaska. The ANE Application for Exhibit Space and the ANE Advertising Reservation Form, can be found at [www.aviationnorth.org](http://www.aviationnorth.org). Please consider participating in these opportunities at ANE and forward your completed application to [rachel@aviationnorth.org](mailto:rachel@aviationnorth.org).

The 3-day schedule follows:

| <b>Aviation North Expo 2009</b>                  |   |  |  |
|--|---|--|--|
| <b>Thursday, October 15 Preliminary Schedule</b> |   |  |  |
|  | <i>Jade Room</i>  | <i>Copper Room</i>   | <i>Alexander Suite</i>   |
| <b>7:45</b>                                      | Welcome and Introduction  |  |  |
| <b>8:00</b>                                      | <b>JADE ROOM - Opening Maintenance Session – ...From a galaxy FAR, FAR away... FARs for AMTs</b> - A review of the basic maintenance regulations with time for Q&A.<br><i>Kevin Alexander, UAF/TVC Aviation – Fairbanks</i> |  | <b>Weather Tools and Decision Making for Pilots (New and Improved)</b> Gary Hufford, Tony Hall, National Weather Service |
|  | Break   |  |  |
| <b>9:10</b>                                      | <b>Tempest Carburetors Maintenance</b><br><i>John Herman, Tempest</i>   | <b>Aging Aircraft</b><br><i>Marv Nuss, Small Aircraft Directorate</i>  |  |
|  | Break   |  |  |
| <b>10:20</b>                                     | <b>Lycoming Engine Maintenance</b><br><i>Paul McBride</i>   |  |  |
|  | Break   |  |  |
| <b>11:30</b>                                     | <b>Lycoming Engine Maintenance</b><br><i>Paul McBride</i>   | <b>Please Remain Seated: Sholder Harness Installation &amp; Maintenance</b><br><i>Eric Wright, FAA Aircraft Cert. Office</i> |  |
| <b>12:30 - 1:30</b>                              | <b>LUNCH</b> - Upstairs Outside Classrooms  |  |  |
| <b>1:30</b>                                      | <b>Welding 4130 Steel - An introduction</b><br><i>Kent White, The Tin Man (Prerequisite for the 2-day workshop on Sat and Sun)</i>  | <b>Maintenance of Dry Air Pumps and Pnuematic Systems</b><br><i>Vince Bechtel, Tempest</i>                                   | <b>Equipping for NextGen</b><br>Jim Cieplak, Alaskan Aviation Safety Foundation, Moderator                               |
|  | Break   |  |  |
| <b>2:40</b>                                      | <b>Airframe Sheetmetal Repairs</b><br><i>Kent White, The Tin Man (Prerequisite for the 2-day workshop on Sat and Sun)</i>   | <b>PT-6 Maintenance and Troubleshooting</b><br><i>Jacob Fruhling, Pratt and Whitney of Canada Northwest Tech Rep</i>         |  |
|  | Break   |  |  |
| <b>3:50</b>                                      | <b>Sheetmetal Fabrication - An Intro</b><br><i>Kent White, The Tin Man (Prerequisite for the 2-day workshop on Sat and Sun)</i>   | <b>PT-6 Maintenance and Troubleshooting</b><br><i>Jacob Fruhling, Pratt and Whitney of Canada Northwest Tech Rep</i>         |  |
| <b>5:00</b>                                      | <b>Exhibitors Reception/Trade Show Opens</b> <i>Edgewater Room</i>  |  |  |

| <b>Aviation North Expo 2009</b>                |  |  |  |  |
|--|--|--|--|--|
| <b>Friday, October 16 Preliminary Schedule</b> |  |  |  |  |
|  | <i>Jade Room</i>   | <i>Marble Room</i>   | <i>Copper Room</i>   | <i>Alexander Suite</i>   |
| <b>8:00</b>                                    | <b>JADE ROOM - General Session – Welcome Remarks</b><br><b>Keynote Speaker: To Be Announced</b>                                      |  |  |  |
| <b>Trade Show Opens in Edgewater</b>           |  |  |  |  |
| <b>9:30</b>                                    | <b>Keeping your Medical: A Focus on Vision</b><br><i>Dr. Ingrid Zimmer-Galler, Johns Hopkins Wilmer Eye Institute, Frederick, MD</i> | <b>"ROC ON" FAA's Regional Operations Center</b><br><i>Deborah Sweely, FAA Alaska Region Anchorage, AK</i><br><i>Deborah Sweely, FAA Alaska Region</i> | <b>Aging Aircraft Study - PA31-350 Destructive Inspection Results</b><br><i>Marv Nuss, Small A/C Directorate</i>         | <b>Winter Technologies: De-Icing Runway Pavement under Variable Conditions</b><br><i>Don Davis Fairbanks International Airport</i>         |
| <b>Trade Show</b>                              |  |  |  |  |
| <b>11:00</b>                                   | <b>FAR-Out, Man! Maintenance Regulations for Owners and Pilots</b><br><i>Kevin Alexander, UAF Aviation Technology Program</i>        | <b>New Features on the NWS Alaska Aviation Website Update</b><br><i>Gene Petrescu, Alaska Aviation Weather Unit, Anchorage</i>                         | <b>Aging Aircraft - Stories from the Maintenance Floor</b><br><i>Paul McBride</i>  | <b>Airport Security: An Overview of Issues Facing Airports</b><br><i>John Parrott, ANC Intl. Airport &amp; Bill O'Halloran, DOT&amp;PF</i> |
| <b>12:00 - 1:00</b>                            | <b>LUNCH Served at the Trade Show</b>  |  |  |  |
| <b>1:00</b>                                    | <b>GPS From the Ground Up</b><br><i>JJ Greenway, AOPA Air Safety Found. Frederick, MD</i>  | <b>Hearts of Courage: Surviving the Gilliam Crash</b><br><i>John Tippetts Colleyville, TX</i>  | <b>Slip sliding away: How to Keep Skis Airworthy</b><br><i>Dave Swartz, FAA Aircraft Certification Office, Anchorage</i> | <b>Fairbanks International Airport Tour</b><br><i>Fairbanks International Airport Operations Staff</i>                                     |
| <b>Trade Show</b>                              |  |  |  |  |
| <b>2:30</b>                                    | <b>Ski Flying or How to get a ride home in a Pavehawk</b><br><i>Rex Gray, Palmer, AK</i>   | <b>Attitude Instrument Flying: Control and Performance</b><br><i>Greg Probst, Guardian Flight Inc.</i>   |  | <b>Protecting Lessee Investments through Minimum Standards</b><br><i>David Ketchum, Airside, Greenbank, WA</i>                             |
| <b>Trade Show</b>                              |  |  |  |  |
| <b>4:00</b>                                    | <b>What's Different About Flying In Canada?</b><br><i>Bram Tilroe, Aviation Alberta Leduc, Alberta, Canada</i>                       | <b>Weather Training for Alaska Pilots: There's and App for That</b><br><i>John Steuernagle, FAA FAAST Team, Anchorage, AK</i>                          | <b>Aircraft Recovery (for Mechanics)</b><br><i>Joel Natwick, Tanalian Aircraft Repair Port Alsworth, AK</i>              | <b>Alaska Airports Association General Meeting</b><br><i>Everyone is Welcome!</i>  |
| <b>6:00</b>                                    | <b>ANE 2009 Master Awards Banquet - Westmark Hotel Gold Room</b><br><b>Guest Speaker: Charlie Thompson, Aviation Humorist</b>        |  |  |  |



**Aviation North Expo 2009**  
**Saturday, October 17 Preliminary Schedule**

|                                      | <i>Jade Room</i>   | <i>Copper Room</i>   | <i>Marble Room</i>  | <i>Alexander Suite</i>                                       | <i>Workshop</i>  |
|--------------------------------------|--|--|---|--|--|
| <b>8:00</b>                          | <b>Were Do Aircraft Flight Limitations Come From?</b><br><i>Dave Swartz, FAA ACO Anchorage, AK</i> | <b>Flying the High Arctic</b><br><i>Bram Tilroe, Aviation Alberta Leduc, Alberta, Canada</i>                             | <b>Public and Private Airports: Are the rules the same?</b><br><i>David Ketchum, Airside Greenbank, WA</i>                | <b>Flying Companion Seminar</b><br><i>Ninety Nines, Inc.</i> | <b>Two-day Metal Working Workshop with Kent White, the "Tin Man"</b><br>Saturday and Sunday,<br><i>Hutchison Institute of Technology</i> |
| <b>Trade Show Opens in Edgewater</b> |  |  |   |  |  |
| <b>9:30</b>                          | <b>What Went Wrong?</b><br><i>JJ Greenway, AOPA ASF Frederick, MD</i>                              | <b>Working around TFR's</b><br><i>Lari Belisle, Anchorage Center</i>   | <b>Airport Layout and Design</b><br><i>Ryan Anderson, DOT&amp;PF Fairbanks, AK</i>  |  |  |
| <b>Trade Show</b>                    |  |  |   |  |  |
| <b>11:00</b>                         | <b>What Went Wrong? (Con't.)</b><br><i>JJ Greenway, AOPA ASF Frederick, MD</i>                     | <b>What's New? Upgrades to Alaska's Aviation Infrastructure</b><br>FAA Panel   | <b>Community Land Use Planning: The Importance of Land Use around Airports</b><br><i>David Ketchum, Airside</i>           |  |  |
| <b>12:00 - 1:00</b>                  | <b>LUNCH Served at the Trade Show</b>  |  |   |  |  |
| <b>1:00</b>                          | <b>What are WAAS IFR Approaches</b><br><i>Jim Cieplak, AASF Anchorage, AK</i>                      | <b>Getting Found: ELTs and Other Technologies</b><br><i>Adam White, Alaska Airmen's Assoc. Nenana, AK</i>                | <b>What Projects are Eligible for FAA Grant Funding?</b><br><i>To Be Announced</i>  | <b>Flying Companion Seminar</b><br>Continued                 |  |
| <b>Trade Show</b>                    |  |  |   |  |  |
| <b>2:30</b>                          |  | <b>Flying Denali National Park: Tools and Issues</b><br><i>Colin Malone, Denali National Park &amp; Tom George, AOPA</i> | <b>Airport Manager Panel Discussion</b><br><i>Troy LaRue, DOT&amp;PF; Ted Anderson, Juneau International Airport, TBA</i> |  |  |
| <b>Trade Show</b>                    |  |  |   |  |  |
| <b>4:00</b>                          | To Be Announced  | <b>Aircraft Recovery (for Pilots)</b><br><i>Joel Natwick, Tanalian Aircraft Repair Port Alsworth, AK</i>                 | <b>Alaska Aviation System Plan Update</b><br><i>Tom Middendorf, DOWL HKM Anchorage, AK</i>                                |  |  |

## Minutes of the August 12, 2009 Member Meeting of the Alaska Chapter 99s

Meeting called to order at 6:10 pm by Chair Gloria Tomich. Introductions were made around the room.

The program was presented by Mike Pannone who spoke about the Anchorage Center. The building was constructed in 1967 and modernized 10 years ago. Training is conducted on the 2nd floor. More non-radar control takes place here than in any other ATC in the country. Anchorage is one of 3 ATC's to have oceanic control. A tentative visit to ATC has been scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 19 at 10 am. Visitors must provide their name, driver's license number and indicate if they are a U.S. citizen prior to the tour.

July minutes were discussed. Angie made a motion to accept as written. Motion was seconded and passed.

Treasurer's report was given by Brenda. As of June 30 balances were: Checking account = \$20,959.27; Savings account (museum account) = \$1,233.03; and we have a \$15,000 C.D. for scholarships. An additional \$15,000 C.D. will be purchased. Jan 1 - Aug. 12, 2009 profit & loss had a profit. The major input was from the Conference Planner's Fee from 2008 Conference. Mio Made a motion to accept the Treasures Report, Angie seconded and motion passed.

Gloria indicated that we will be doing a flying Companion Seminar in October at Aviation North Expo in Fairbanks. We will receive a flat fee of \$1,000 for the seminar which will be split 50/50 with the Mat-Su Chapter. Volunteers helping with this seminar will be responsible for their own expenses.

Flypaper renewal was discussed. Melanie suggested that renewal fees be dropped and the newsletter would be e-mailed free of charge, and that as long as the number of members needing paper copies remained small that no fee would be charged. Non-members requesting paper copies would be charged \$15/year for the service.

Merrill Field is planning a pioneer picnic on Wed., August 19, from noon - 1:30 pm. There will be a ceremony as 12:30 to acknowledge pioneers at the field and officially name streets at the field.

The State Fair will be having a dedicated Aviation Day on Friday, Sept. 4. Melanie passed out a sign-up sheet for volunteers to help work at the table and will notify those interested of the

schedule when firmed up. We will be located in the covered walkway by the Barn.

Gloria announced that we need a Fly-In Chair to organize fly-ins. There were no volunteers at the meeting.

The subject of a meeting place was discussed. Suggestions have been made to change our meeting place from Peggy's. We have an option to meet without food available. Lani Kile has classroom space we could use. Another restaurant is a possibility. Suggestions will be reviewed as they are made.

A request for suggestions for programs will be included in the Flypaper.

Pat Bening asked about getting 99s shirts or jackets as a fundraiser for the museum display, "Plane Women of the North." This would be a one-time activity. She would like to do it fairly quickly. We could order jackets, vests or shirts. Information will be available on pricing, color, etc. at the September meeting.

Jean White (Sunshine Chair) indicated that she had sent a sympathy card to Clara Margaret Evanson-Hoose. It was also announced that Marcia Kardatzke's husband, Mike, had passed away about a month ago.

Gloria asked for any suggestions for the Northwest Section Awards. We will keep this in mind for next year's awards. Pat Bening suggested submitting Heather Hasper for the "Behind the Clouds" award. Gloria will check with Jan Liberty to see what the qualifications are.

The next Board of Directors meeting will be held on Monday, August 31, 2009 at Stewart Title at 5:30.

Gloria spoke about the new officers who will be taking over in September. Their terms will be shorter than usual because we changed our fiscal year and will have our officers' terms coincide with that. Angie thank the officers who have served the last year.

Mathea made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Jean White. The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Melanie Hancock, Secretary