



The Flypaper

The Official Newsletter of the Alaska 99s
August 2011



Notes from the Chair

Another season rolls around and your new officers have taken up our duties to serve you, to promote the advancement of aviation through education, scholarships, and mutual support while honoring our unique history and sharing our passion for flight.

I want to thank Lani Kile for her service as past Chapter Chair and express my gratitude for her willingness to serve as Vice Chair. Lani brightens our chapter with her dedication and enthusiasm. I also want to thank Melanie Hancock for serving as Secretary with her talents for keeping us on track. I'd like to welcome Emily Gros as she takes on her new role as Chapter Treasurer. Brenda Staats did a great job as past treasurer and continues to serve as a Director along with Mio Johnson and Gloria Tomich.

Some goals I'd like to see this year are: to see our Chapter grow by reaching out to new pilots and student pilots to bring in new members. I'd like to increase our visibility in the community by public outreach, particularly to youngsters. Even those of us who may not own a plane or be current carry a passion for aviation that we can all share.

I hope you all will join in these endeavors as we share our friendships and sharpen our skills in the footsteps of Harriet Quimby, who became the first American woman pilot on August 11, 1911.

Blue skies!

Angie

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NEXT MEETING

Wednesday,
August 10, 2011, 6:00 p.m.

Peggy's Restaurant
across from Merrill Field

Speaker: Bud Walters
Program: "Emergency Field
Repairs, What Pilots Can Do
When They Have To!"

Calendar of Events

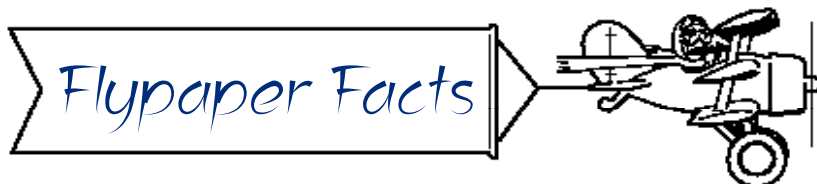
- Sat., Aug. 6 Palmer Air Fair and Rendezvous
 Short Field Skills Assessment at the Palmer Air Fair
 Youth Aviation Adventure event will be held during the Palmer Air Fair
- Wed., Aug. 10 Regular Monthly Meeting
- Aug. 10, 11 & 12 ACE (Aviation Career Education) Academy, Anchorage, 9 am - 4 pm
- Sat., Aug. 13 Paint Compass Rose at Kenai
- Wed., Sept. 14 Regular Monthly Meeting

99s Online

Alaska Chapter Website (www.ak99s.org)

National Website (www.ninety-nines.org)

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



The deadline for the Sept., 2011 Flypaper is Sept. 6 2011. 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. (Ads are placed in The Flypaper for members at no charge.)

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| Fly-Ins, Airmarking & Publicity Committees need volunteers. | |

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August Program

Bud Walters will be the guest speaker at the August 10 meeting. The topic will be "Emergency Field Repairs, What Pilots Can Do When They Have To!"

John "Bud" Walters has been a board member from the first and is still a member. Bud has been a 145 aircraft owner and Mechanic in Alaska for 52 years. He received "Mechanic of the Year" in 1975 for the Safety inspection of all A/C for free after the winds did a lot of damage in Alaska. Bud is active in all safety programs in Alaska and the Lower 48. Working with the Department of the Interior at AMD Anchorage as a Safety Inspector, Bud also works with the youth on aviation programs. He has held all offices except Chairman in AASF.

Mat-Su Chapter News



In lieu of an August meeting, the members of the Valley Chapter will be at the Palmer Air Fair on Saturday, August 6, helping at the 99s table or short field skills assessment event. There is also opportunity to assist with the EAA Young Eagle flights by helping with paperwork, escorting kids to/from planes, etc.

See you there!

Mat-Su Valley Chapter Officers

Chair/Vice Chair: Patty Livingston
746-2919

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373-6569

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357-2368

Success is getting what you want.

Happiness is wanting what you get.

Ingrid Bergman

Palmer Air Fair and Rendezvous

The Palmer Air Fair and Rendezvous is scheduled for Saturday, August 6, from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Among the activities planned are :

A Youth Aviation Adventure (YAA) event will be held during the Palmer Air Fair on Saturday August 6 for youth ages 8 and up. The EAA Chapter 43 will be offering Young Eagles Flights during that event. This event will provide an opportunity for Boy Scouts to meet the requirements for the Aviation Merit Badge and most of the requirements for the Girl Scouts Aviation Interest badge. To register or for more information, contact Angie Slingluff at 271-5228. YAA is a round robin of informational stations and fun aviation activities.

The Short Field Skills Assessment at the Palmer Airport on August 6 in conjunction with the Palmer Air Fair and Rendezvous. It will take place in the afternoon. Pilots will attend a short safety session and a briefing prior to the event. This is an event by the 99s to enable pilots to learn how their planes will perform on shorter strips. It is recommended that pilots have their airplanes loaded as they normally fly, so that they can assess the short field performance of the plane. If anyone can volunteer to help contact Gloria Tomich at this gatomichak@yahoo.com or 279-1560.

2011 Seminar Schedule

State of Alaska Department of Forestry- Hangar, August 6, 2011

1000-1030: Opening remarks, housekeeping:

- Welcome: Ken More, PAFR Event Coordinator
- Opening Remarks: Senator Mark Begich introduction by Schawna Thoma, Deputy State Director
- Reading of the Proclamation-Lieutenant Governor State of Alaska, Mead Treadwell (?)
- Welcome from the City of Palmer, Mayor DeLena Johnson
- Short Field Skills Assessment sign-up announcement, Gloria Tomich, AK 99s

1030-1120: The Day I Decided to Have an Accident-Dennis Ward, Executive Director Medallion Foundation

1120-1220: Applying the "Alaskan Off-Airport Guide" -Have you considered all the factors? Rex Gray, Alaska Airlines Captain/Alaska Airmen's Association Board of Director's member (this session will also serve to prepare pilots for the Short Field Skills Assessment)

1220-1330: Lunch

1330-1430: Briefing on the Senator Steven's Accident-Clint Johnson, NTSB, Senior Air Safety Investigator

1430-1600: Threat and Error Management in an Off-Airport Environment-Roger Motzko, Manager Runway Safety Program

ACE Academy Scheduled for August 10, 11 & 12

The FAA Employee Associations (Native American Alaska Native, Technical Women's Organization, Professional Women Controllers, the Hispanic Coalition and others) are sponsoring an ACE (Aviation Career Education) Academy in Anchorage on August 10, 11, and 12. This aviation related day camp will run from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and will be held at the UAA Aviation Technology Center on Merrill Field.

Attached is a flyer, registration forms and information about the ACE Academy. Please feel free to pass this information on to any and all who might be interested and respond as quickly as possible to register for the camp.

Thanks for your support of aviation education and leading youth to explore the exciting world of aviation opportunities and careers!

Angie Slingluff
Aviation and Space Education Coordinator



Kenai Compass Rose

August 13 is the day scheduled to paint the compass rose at the Kenai Airport. I will need at least 4 additional people to help with the layout an hour prior to the painters show up time. We will start layout at 9:00 a.m. Painters will be asked to show up at 10:00.

If you would like to help with the layout or paint, please contact me ASAP.

The whole project will probably take until mid to late afternoon. We will plan to finish the project in just this ONE day. Please be prepared to work uninterrupted during the project.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

*Patty Livingston
Chair, Mat-Su Valley Chapter 99s
907-746-2919 home; 907-354-0919 cell*

Pedal Plane Sales End August 31



The Alaska Chapter 99s is selling raffle tickets for a child's pedal plane. The little black plane trimmed in yellow is a real beauty.

Tickets are \$5 or 5 tickets for \$20. This fund raiser will benefit our scholarship program. If you would like to sell tickets for this plane, please contact one of the Chapter officers for information.

Tickets will be sold at the Palmer Air Fair and possibly the first weekend of the State Fair. The drawing will be held at the September 1 Board Meeting.

Fly-Ins

If you are interested in being notified of any planned or impromptu fly-ins, please contact Patty Livingston (pattyl@mtaonline.net or 907-746-2919).

Please let her know if you have a plane and any extra seats, or if you are a passenger looking for a ride.

Patty will e-mail you if fly-ins are planned. Sometimes they are overnight trips and other times the fly-in is just because the weather is nice and some of us want to fly somewhere for lunch, etc.

(Seldovia has been suggested as a possible fly-in.
Report on the July 9 Fly-In to Chistochina is on page 7.

Chistochina Fly-In



The Mat-Su Valley Chapter 99s and Alaska Chapter 99s flew to Red Eagle Lodge at Chistochina [CZO], Alaska on July 9th for an overnight stay. Four airplanes, C-180 from Wolf Lake [4AK6], C-172 from Big Lake [BAQ], PA-12 from Lake Hood [LHD], H-295 from Merrill [MRI], with 11 people converged on the Lodge for an overnight stay.

Five 99s, three 49 1/2s, and three friends biked, hiked and snoozed away a very warm and sunny Saturday afternoon. The group BBQed over a wood fire for their potluck supper. The evening continued with lots of hangar flying stories told around the Lodge fire pit while roasting marshmallows. Other lodge guests from Holland joined the 99s around the fire pit.

Host Richard Dennis, pilot and C-182 owner, and wife Judy, fed the group breakfast and launched the airplanes on the return trip from the Copper River Basin to their respective home airports in the Upper Cook Inlet. Sunny skies prevailed in the Copper River Basin but overcast skies greeted the group on the return flights into home airports. A very good time was had by all.

UPDATE:**Mat-Su Valley 2011 Student
Scholarship Recipient**

Hello again Mrs. Tomich and Mrs. Jones,

You may/may not remember me from a few months back when you very kindly gave me a \$1000 scholarship to go and take my checkride for my private pilot's license. I was the 18 year old who had previously gotten her glider license, and was going to try for my power. I just wanted to let you know that the money went to good use because I did get my license a short while ago. The checkride was re-scheduled ten times because of weather, airplanes breaking down or being taken, paperwork difficulties, and finally my examiner being too busy. And when I finally got the chance to take the test, I let my nervousness overcome my ability to fly; resulting in a failure of the checkride. Nevertheless, I decided that after coming the distance that I had come to get to this point, it was worthwhile to try again until I passed. About one week ago I re-took the checkride and nailed it.

Without the money that you and the 99's gave to me I would not have been able to accomplish this milestone in my life. I am glad that I took the test, and even more glad that I went back a second time. Thank you for giving me the resources and the courage to do so!

I am now leaving in nine short days to follow my dreams and attend the Air Force Academy prep school in New Mexico Military Institute. I will attend this school for one year and then have automatic acceptance to USAFA next year. I fully intend to pursue the glider club and the flying club, hopefully flying C-17's in the Air Force upon commissioning.

Thank you very much for your help! I hope you continue to do what you are doing for a long time as it definitely makes a difference!

Veronica Morthorpe
Eagle River High School (grad)

If you haven't gotten to see "The Beaver Ballad" about the DeHavilland DHC-2 Beaver, here is the link.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3w_v0k57KhE



“Pearl” Depicts Chickasaw Native Eula Carter Scott, America’s Youngest Licensed Pilot

Aurora, Colorado: Denver-based web retailer Powder Puff Pilot is proud to announce that “Pearl,” the award-winning feature-length film produced by the Chickasaw Nation, is now available for purchase on DVD and Blu-ray. Powder Puff Pilot founder, Sue Hughes, described the film as, “the perfect addition to our line of products that celebrate women in aviation.”

The family-friendly film tells the true story of the youngest licensed pilot in American history, focusing on the adventurous teen years of the late aviatrix Eula “Pearl” Carter Scott. The Chickasaw native of Oklahoma earned her pilot’s license at age 14 in 1928.

In the film, Pearl—portrayed by California actress Elijah DeJesus—develops a love of flying after meeting the famous aviator Wiley Post in the 1920s. Impressed by her enthusiasm and determination to learn flying, Pearl’s father, a successful businessman in Marlow, Oklahoma, buys her a plane and hires a flight instructor.



After earning her pilot’s license, Pearl flew her blind father to business appointments and amazes air show audiences all over Oklahoma with her aerobatic maneuvers. She was one of the only two pilots Post trusted to fly his Lockheed Vega aircraft “Winnie Mae.”

The film officially premiered on May 4, 2010 in Moore, Oklahoma, at an event attended by many Chickasaw cast members, including dozens of Chickasaw citizens, Chickasaw Nation employees, and community members featured as extras. Chickasaw Nation Governor Bill Anoatubby described the young aviatrix’s story as a natural for the tribe’s first feature-length film project, “Pearl was a dynamic, determined, and caring individual who exemplified many of the finest qualities of Chickasaw people.”

Since last year’s release, “Pearl” has garnered many accolades from audiences and film industry insiders, including:

- 1 Best overall film and best Native American film at the 2010 Trail Dance Film Festival.
- 2 One of only 13 feature films chosen among more than 600 submissions to the Heartland Film Festival, one of the world’s largest family-oriented film festivals.
- 3 “Best of Show” award from The Indie Fest, and a sweep of the feature docudrama category at the International Cherokee Film Festival.
- 4 Four “Doves” from the Dove Foundation, earning its “Family-Approved Seal” for all ages.

For more information on the DVD, visit www.PowderPuffPilot.com.