







The Ninety-Nines is the International Organization of Women Pilots that promotes advancement of aviation through education, scholarships, and mutual support while honoring our unique history and sharing our passion for flight. The Lake Erie Ninety-Nines is a Chapter of the North Central Section of the Ninety-Nines International

New web site address: http://lakeerie.ncs99s.org

## Lake Erie Sept. /Oct. 2015 Newsletter PLEASE WELCOME OUR NEW OFFICERS FOR 2015-2016

Chapter Chair: Nancy Wood
Co-Vice Chairs: Sherri Spagnola
& Helen Sammon

Treasurer: Evelyn Moore Secretary: Carol Stocker

The Lake Erie chapter has just completed our annual fundraiser at the fall AKC-Dog Show where our members volunteer to do clean-up duties for the entire 3 days of the dog show. We want to thank all the volunteers who came out to help with the cleanup detail and to the friends and family who volunteered to help this weekend also. It is a fun way to do a fundraiser and see the variety of dogs and the judges who have a hard time making the choice of which dog/breed is number one. Each year we make new friends and even find friends we haven't seen for many years-ask Bernice.

Please join us Sunday Sept. 13, 2015---1:00pm for a membership meeting NOTE DATE &TIME CHANGE!! Hosted by: Dodie Jewett at her home at 5853 Deerview Lane, Medina call 330-725-8201 Please let her know if you are coming.

Directions: From Cleveland: 1-71 to RT 18, then West to Medina Square to Lafayette Rd--RT 42 SW. Stay on RT42 past Lake Rd (traffic light) past Sherwin Williams on the north side of the road. At the top of a small hill turn left onto Deerview Lane. Dodie's house is on the left and the driveway is just (before) the mailbox. Plan to arrive by 12:45am so we can all enjoy great food with time for conversation. The membership meeting will start at 1:15pm

Please join us on Sunday October 11, 2015--1:00pm at Burke Lakefront Airport- for a membership meeting hosted by Nancy Wood--Please call 330-730-0262 and let her know if you are coming.

FREE Parking is available on the circle in front of the building or in the back near the tower. Go through the gate and park; if the gate is closed just say you are attending a meeting.

After many discussions this year it was decided at the August membership meeting to have a consistent meeting place that is conveniently located, easy to find when driving or flying in with ample parking. We will also just be furnishing small snacks and beverages so we can concentrate on the speaker/meeting. We will still have time before and after the membership meeting for social time.

Most of our membership meetings will now be held at: Burke Lakefront Airport- FREE Parking is available on the circle in front of the building or in the back near the tower. Go through the gate and park; if the gate is closed just say you are coming for a meeting and they will open the gate. All future meetings will all be held on Sunday afternoons starting at 1:00pm. If you prefer to have the meeting you are hosting at your home or another airport let us know and we will make the change.

There will not be a membership meeting in December so we can all spend more time with our families.

Hope to see you at the Pilot of the Year/Charter Banquet on January 10, 2016 from noon – 4:00pm at the Croatian Lodge Party Center 34900 Lakeshore Blvd. in Eastlake. Our speaker/entertainment will be a film about the first Air Race Classic that was produced by one of our Lake Erie members; Kara Martinelli-White and her husband Adam. They own Hemlock Films where Kara is the director, Adam is the producer. The narrator is Michaela McManus who is known for her work on Law and Order SVU and the show Aquarius. The film is called "Beyond the Powder" and tells the story of the first women's cross-country race in 1929 shown through the continuing legacy of the women pilots who are still flying the race every year. Kara flew with the racers on last year's race and joined the 99s and is hoping to earn her private license soon. Kara and Adam have also produced other films. Check out their website for more information: <a href="https://www.beyond.the">www.beyond the powder.com</a>

Directions from I-90 to the Croatian Lodge is: Go North on I-91 until it ends at Lakeshore Blvd.— you will be across from the Eastlake Fire Dept.- turn left onto Lakeshore Blvd-(RT- 283) and another left into the parking lot; parking for the restaurant in all the way to the right.

Send in your reservation for the POY/Charter Banquet early and bring your friends. The cost will be \$25.00 made payable to Lake Erie 99s. Please send to our treasurer, Evelyn Moore 5889 Birchwood Dr. Mentor, Ohio 44060 by January 3, 2016. Questions call: 440-257-2793

From Patti Sandusky---For those of you who haven't made your hotel arrangements yet, the Country Inn & Suites are only holding our block of rooms until August 30th. Also, I will be ordering the Twins/Indians baseball tickets on September 1st so if you haven't already let me know that you want to attend please contact me ASAP so I can get you seated in our group. Those wanting Twins tickets will receive a separate email from me indicating cost and arrangements after September 1st. In order to take the Northstar Rail to the game you must arrive in enough time to leave the hotel at 4:45pm. Dress for our events and banquet will be casual.

## Minnesota 99sare having a trivia contest.

We have our first trivia contest winner - Sherri Spagnola of the Lake Erie Chapter correctly answered the question ... "What was the name of the first woman transport pilot?" The answer is Phobe Fairgrave Omlie. Congratulations Sherri! Sherri will receive a hand woven basket with the "99s" logo.

Congratulations also to Sherri who is working on her helicopter commercial rating for achieving her new SFAR73 Endorsement to fly the Robinson R44 helicopter in addition to the Schweizer 300 Cbi. She currently flies.

The next trivia question is ... What was Laura Bromwell reported to have done in 1921?

To give everyone a chance to win, only one prize will be awarded to each individual. So, if you think you know the answer you can send an email to pilotpatti@hotmail.com no earlier than 0600 CDT on Wednesday, September 2nd.

The 2016 INT. Conference website is now ready if you want to check it out. Visit www.99sottawa2016.ca

Upcoming 2014 Chapter Meetings:

SUNDAY NOV. 8---Meigs A.

December --- no meeting

Spring Section--Greater Kansas City--2016

Sunday- Jan. 10-2016 POY/Banquet

Upcoming 2014 Section Meetings:

Upcoming International Meetings

July--6--10, 2016--Ottawa, Canada

July--5--9 -- 2017---San Antonio,

## **Member News:**

Congratulations to Debbie Downey
Congratulations to Donna Fulks
Congratulations to Sherri Spagnola

26 yr. anniversary in the 99s--- Oct.
48 yr. anniversary in the 99s--- Oct.
10 yr. anniversary in the 99s--- Oct.

The next newsletter will be for Nov. /Dec. 2015 and Jan.2016--Please send all news items for the newsletter by: Oct. <u>15, 2015</u> by email, regular mail.

Congratulations to Dr. Christine Kettunen on her induction into the Forest of Friendship on June 20, 2015







We had a great time in Atchison. I want to thank the Lake Erie Chapter 99s for nominating me as the honoree this year. The Forest of Friendship ceremony was very nice and the Forest of Friendship grounds are beautiful. I really enjoyed touring Amelia's home and the museum. Jonathan loved the kid's program and playing with the other children. We didn't have a lot of time to see much else. We planned on flying; however, since the weather didn't cooperate we ended up driving at the last minute. We arrived just before the Friday evening program started. On Saturday following the luncheon and presentation we headed to Whiteman Air Force Base in Missouri which is approximately 2 hours from Atchison (on the way home). My niece was being promoted to base commander and she wanted us to attend her ceremony so we went to visit and check out the base. I was able to fly back out the following week to attend her official ceremony but Alan and Jonathan stayed home then. I was able to get two special tours which were very interesting. One was of the B-2 (stealth bomber) which is based at Whiteman plus I was able to tour the Oscar 1 missile launch unit.

Chris got her first airplane ride when she was five years old flown by a co-worker of her farther. She remembered how beautiful the sky looked that day. It was several years before she had the opportunity to fly again. She thought about becoming a stewardess so she would be able to fly again but she also wanted to be a nurse. In 1981 she graduated from Kent State University with an associate degree in nursing. Several years later she became the Director of Nursing for the Ashtabula City Health Department. Chris started taking flying lesson and going to ground school at Kettunen Aeronautical at Ashtabula County Airport in 1988 earning her private license in 1989. Wanting to continue her nursing education she was able to fly to the Port Columbus Airport and go to classes at Capital University in Columbus where she earned her Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing in 1991. Since then Chris joined the International 99s and the Lake Erie Chapter in 2002, earned her Instrument Rating in 1994, married her flying instructor In 2005, earned her Master of Science Nursing Degree, a Doctor of Philosophy Degree in Public Health Care Administration in 2006 and is currently working on her second PHD Degree in Public Health. In between she helps at all Lake Erie events and has served as Vice Chairman and hosts and attends membership meetings and section meetings when possible.

## **Upcoming Events:**

Sept. 5-7 -- The Cleveland National Air Show!

IWASM was again asked to host "Kiddie Koncourse" at the Cleveland National Air Show! This year's tent will host activities from this year's Family Day, such as: superhero masks, coloring pages, super toss, and more! (Plus, maybe even an appearance by our wonderful mascots!) Please let us know if you are able to volunteer for this event.

Oct. 2 - Dinner with a Slice of History - Casey Grant

Join us as Casey Grant, author of <u>Stars in the Sky</u>, shares her experience as one of the first African-American flight attendants. Copies of her book will be available. Tickets are \$15 for non-members, \$13 for members and dinner starts at 6:30 pm. Please RSVP by Sept.29. Space is limited.



Bernice, Jeff and Russ at dog show



July meeting at Sherri's home



August meeting at Ashtabula Airport



Carol getting ready to leave

AOPA is reminding members that the FAA will discontinue the universal Flight Watch frequency 122.0 MHz for in-flight weather services on 10/1/2015. Weather services provided under the Flight Watch program En route Flight Advisory Service (EFAS) will continue to be provided via charted frequencies pilots use to obtain weather information, open and close flight plans, and for updates on notams and temporary flight restrictions (TFRs). Pilots also may continue to use the universal frequency 122.2 MHz, the FAA said.

Do I have your birthday; if I miss it let me know



Darlene Grant-- Sept. 29

Chris Kettunen -- Oct. 5