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 8th 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 8th!!

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## Calendar of Events

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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.

## Flypaper Facts

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:**
- Oct.-Sept. = $15.00
- Feb.-Sept. = $10.00
- June-Sept. = $5.00

**Mailing Address:**
P. O. Box 91962, Anchorage, AK 99509
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 so I know how much food to bring. However, if you do not RSVP, don't let that keep you from coming anyway!

Mat-Su Chapter News

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

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2009 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

For schedule information, please check at: www.aasfonline.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.


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.

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.