

Struts & Strobes

New Year, New Flying Opportunities January Meeting

Where: Fly/Drive to La Porte Municipal Airport (KPPPO)

2341 In-39 La Porte, IN 46350

When: Saturday, January 21, 2023

9 am Central Standard time (1500Z) light refreshments; meet and greet

9:30 Program:



A service organization for youth (cadets) 13-18 years old and adults.

Did you know that La Porte Municipal Airport has had a senior flying squadron for the past 11 years?

Come learn about how youth can obtain a funded pilots license through Civil Air Patrol.

Learn how Senior member (adult) pilots can qualify for fully funded flying.



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- Share your stories , we want to hear from you.
- Newsletters issued quarterly



Travels in 2022

From Marcia Nellans

Marcia recalls a highlight of 2022:

I went to Seattle to see Eva Parks. Eva and I met when I first joined the Indiana 99s. At a presentation on flying to Alaska at Purdue to get the chapter ready for the 1984 International meeting in Anchorage. We looked at each other and said “let’s do it!” After many years we still remember a wonderful adventure with fellow 99s.



“This year was a great year for my flying....” Margaret Wint

Important Aviation Dates

2023 International Ninety-Nines Conference Jordan—Oct 27-Nov 2, 2023—Hosted by Arabian Section

PPLI Deadline—Spring Session:
1/31/2023

Women in Aviation Conference:
Long Beach, CA 2/23/23-2/25/23

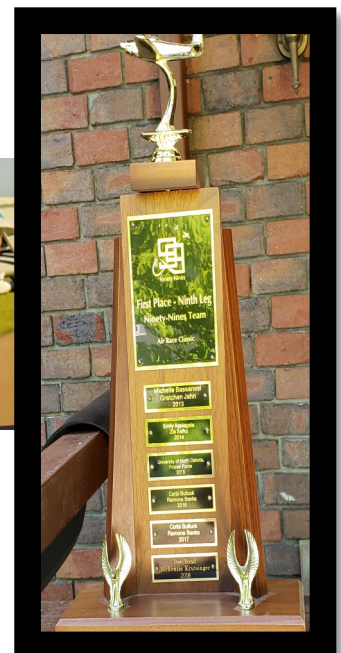
Sun n Fun Aerospace Expo:
3/28/23-4/2/23

Air Race Classic
6/20/23-6/23/23

EAA AirVenture Oshkosh
7/24/23-7/30/23

And the race is on....

This year was a great year for my flying. We had new avionics and auto pilot installed in the plane. Sue Glisson, Kentucky Bluegrass, and I flew the Air Race Classic for the third time together. We were lucky and had our name in early enough to get a top ten number. We got # 1. We got to lead the racers off from Lakeland FL. The weather was great. The new auto pilot and GPS decided to crap out on the way to the race. Thanks to Sue, who hand flew the race. At the banquet as they were calling the leg prize winners and we were not getting anything we figured. We were just in it for the friendships and fun. All of the stops were wonderful. Margarte Wint





Photos courtesy of Marilyn Horvath & TJ Shaum

Rawson Murdock long time friend of the 99s

Husband and 49 1/2 of Christine Murdock

Rawson passed away peacefully on December 30, 2022 at the age of 100. Many of the long time Indiana Dunes members recall the vibrant smile and energy of both Rawson and Christine. They lived a full and active life, filled with many aviation adventures. They flew in many chapter air rallies and owned several aircraft. Rawson's favorite flying machine was a gyrocopter.

Chapter member, Janice Welsh recalls her latest memory from 5 years ago when Rawson turned 95. Christine made arrangements for Janice to fly with him at the local flight school in La Porte. They had great weather and made two flights, flying his son and daughter-in-law, with Rawson at the controls. He arrived at the airport very prepared, including proudly carrying a well-worn, leather flight bag.

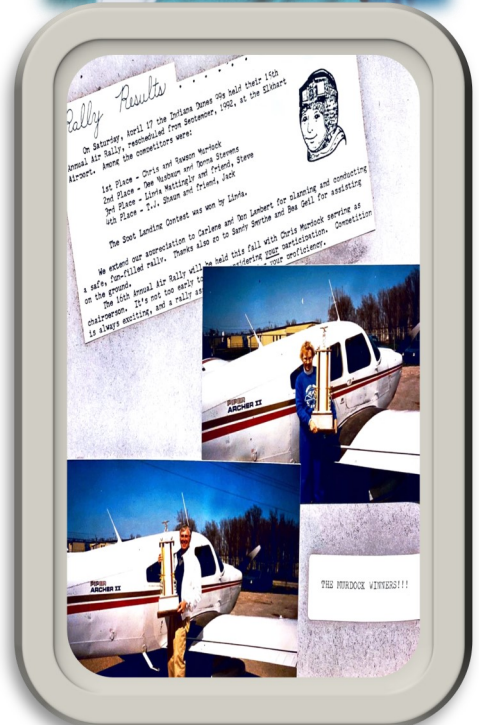
Other members, Marilyn Horvath and TJ Shaum presented the life membership to Christine and her daughters, at the memorial service for Rawson. TJ put the life long member pin onto Christine's jacket. The daughters were very pleased with the certificate, note and pin.

Christine will be moving to Texas to live with her daughter. Cards may be sent to:

Louise Murdock
1067 Waterford Drive
Dallas, TX 75218
Phone: 214-683-5304

Link to a great picture and article from Rawson and Christine's 70th Wedding Anniversary

<https://www.southbendtribune.com/story/lifestyle/2017/08/29/rawson-and-christine-murdock/46313329/>



Scholarship Opportunities

Minnesota Aviation Hall of fame scholarships.

Seeking other scholarship opportunities, check this site out.

<https://mahof.org/scholarships>

The Minnesota Aviation Hall of Fame is committed to doing our respective part to encourage individuals to follow their personal dreams of flight. We are pleased to announce the availability of scholarships to be awarded annually during the Minnesota Aviation Hall of Fame Induction Banquet. Scholarships are offered to individuals who are pursuing a career in the aviation industry, or in furtherance of personal aviation-related goals and objectives.

Submission Deadline: 2/15/2023

Upcoming Elections

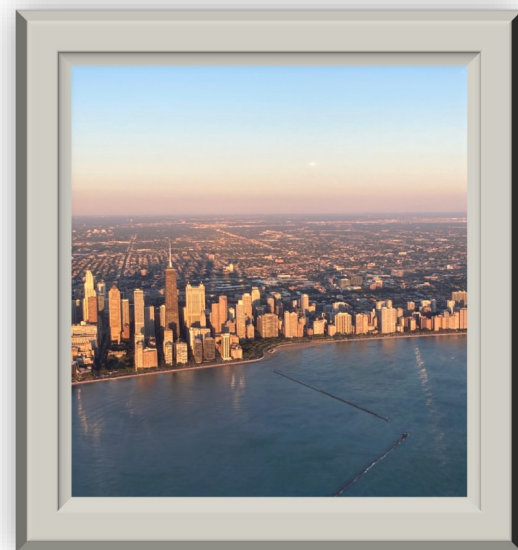
From the Nominating committee:

With the upcoming elections in April, please consider running for an office for the 2023-25 term. Officer positions, duties and descriptions will be emailed to chapter members. If you have any questions, please contact one of the nominating committee members. Please consider serving our chapter as an officer. Thank you!

TJ Shaum: shaumtj@hotmail.com

Maria Nellans:
manellans99@hotmail.com

Janice Welsh: jwelshcfi@yahoo.com



Chicago skyline:

Tricia De Block

Flying Favorites

Do you have a favorite aviation product, place or resource you would like to recommend or share? Here's your opportunity to share and support your aviation community!

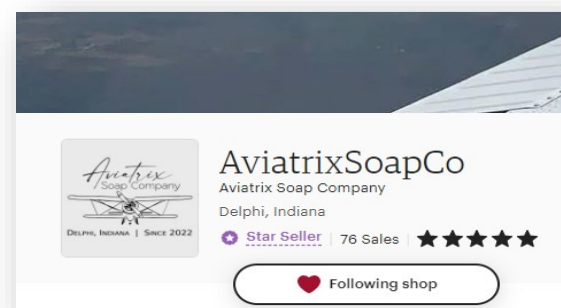
Check out Kaitlin
Aviatrix Soap Company!

Wonderful handmade soaps and products within our Chapter region.

Etsy store:
[aviatrixsoapco.etsy](https://aviatrixsoapco.etsy.com)

Find her on Instagram: [Aviatrixsoapco](https://www.instagram.com/Aviatrixsoapco)

Come to our February meeting and you will get your very own heart-shaped soap to try!



This is your Captain speaking....

We have a new captain onboard... our very own Jessica Richardson.

Captain upgrade on November 19, 2022. This year has been a busy year for her as she has had many hours flying and many hours of training. Not only that, but Jessica also informed us that she got the job with Southwest Airlines! Her official class date with SWA is February 14, 2023. Congratulations Jessica on achieving these goals. She shares her gratitude and special thanks to the 99s helping her achieve these accomplishments. Follow her on Facebook to see all her funny and beautiful pictures from her flying adventures. "So so so grateful to the 99s for helping me to get to where I am now." Jessica Richardson



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Chapter Calendar

<u>January 21, 2023:</u>	La Porte (KPPO) Host: Janice Welsh	<u>July 15, 2023:</u>	Lansing, IL (KIGQ) Host: Tricia DeBlock Lunch: Lynnies Que's
<u>February 18, 2023:</u>	Porter County (KVPZ) Host: Diana Austin Program: TBD	<u>August TBD:</u>	La Porte (KPPO) Air Fair 2-day event
<u>March 6, 2023:</u>	Plymouth (C65) Host: Janice Welsh Program: Alpha Flight High School Program Lunch afterwards	<u>August 12, 2023:</u>	South Bend (KSBN) Aviation Day Booth "Get to Know the 99s" All Members
<u>April 15, 2023:</u>	Goshen (KGSH) Host: Margaret Wint Annual Chapter Meeting	<u>September 16, 2023:</u>	TBD Girls Aviation Event All members
<u>April 28-30, 2023:</u>	North Central Section Meeting. Clarksville, IN Hosts: KY Bluegrass Chapter	<u>October 21, 2023:</u>	Auburn (KGWB) Fly In Host: Marcia Nellan
<u>May 20, 2023:</u>	Elkhart (KEKM) Co-hosts: TJ Shaum/Marilyn Horvath Program: TBD	<u>November 18, 2023:</u>	La Porte (KPPO) 2023 Recap and Planning 2024
<u>June 17, 2023:</u>	South Bend (KSBN) Host: Ashley Thorsen Meet on GA North side of Airport Possible Tower tour	<u>December 2, 2023:</u>	Holiday Gathering TBD

Indiana Dunes 99s

The Indiana Dunes 99s is a chapter of the Ninety-Nines who meets at local airports across Northern and Central Indiana and lower Michigan on the third Saturday of each month.

The Ninety-Nines is the International Organization of Women Pilots, and women holding a Sport Pilot Certificate or higher.

The Ninety-Nines promote advancement of aviation through education, scholarships, and mutual support while honoring our unique history and sharing our passion for flight.

Members Highlights

The Indiana Dunes Chapter of the 99s

New members include:

Ashley Cosme	Joined	11/16/2022
Christina Churley	Joined	12/8/2022

Recent Anniversaries:

Rose Sirko	Joined	10/7/2016
Janice Welsh	Joined	11/27/1990
Tricia De Block	Joined	12/3/2010

The Indiana Dunes Chapter is currently comprised of 31 members.

Welcome to our new members!!



Jessica Richardson

Indiana Dunes 99s

Chapter Chair:	Jessica Richardson
Vice Chair:	TJ Shaum
Treasurer:	Rose Sirko
Secretary:	Skylar Maul
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