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# ALL-OHIO 99 NEWS

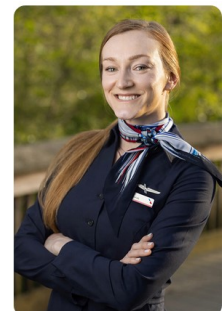


The Spring North Central Section Meeting was a huge success with 105 attendees! (Top photo) It couldn't have been done without the hard work of our members, especially our organizers, Debra and Val, who worked tirelessly to bring it all together! Lower L are our chapter members who made it all possible! At the banquet, special recognition was given to Valerie (top R) with the presentation of the NCS Governor's Award, and to Richard (Jun 49 1/2), who was honored with the NCS 49 1/2 Award (Mid R). Also, our member Natalia (Mid R) earned the Spinning Prop Award! One of our hard workers, Sarah (Lower R), was recently honored by her employer with a scholarship (Details are inside this newsletter). Debra noted Val's and Rich's many contributions to the 99s in her award applications, which are featured on pages 2 and 3 of this newsletter.

Welcome to our newest members, all student pilots: Mary-Kate of Cincinnati, Sepideh of Golden, CO, Shyanna of Columbus

A big thanks to Jun, Val, and Sarah for the photos!

The **first** Sunday May 3 meeting will be at Mansfield Lahm Airport. Details are inside this newsletter.





Above L-R: The North Central Section Meeting is officially open! Next: Gabby and Dalya registered 99s as they arrived at the section meeting hotel in March. Next: A group of our chapter members were ready for action. (L-R Jun, Gabby, Katelyn, Yuan, and Peg.) Middle row L: A member and her 49 1/2 won the silent auction bid for the 99s clock with logo crafted by excellent woodworking 49 1/2 Rich. R: The second group of section meeting attendees posed for a photo. There were 105 participants so they couldn't all fit in one photo. The rest of the group are in a photo on the first page of the newsletter. Bottom row: there was no business meeting in March, just a get together to stuff goodie bags and badge cases. L: Debra, Peg, and Dalya reviewed procedures. Middle: Dalya, Jodie-Lee, and Roberta stuffed goodie bags. R: Valerie P and Erin paused their work to admire Erin's Fifinella t-shirt. Fifinella was the logo of the Women Airforce Service Pilots (WASPs). Not pictured but present were Miss Lillian (Val's mom) and Margaret. Photos courtesy of Jun.



**A report on the Spring North Central Section Meeting from Outgoing Chapter Chair Debra:**

To the entire All-Ohio team and our invaluable contributors,

It fills me with immense pride and gratitude to reflect on the resounding success of our recent Section Meeting. With an attendance of 105 individuals, this gathering is the largest Section Meeting in over a decade, a true testament to the dedication and collaborative spirit of everyone involved. The overwhelmingly positive feedback regarding every aspect – from the meticulously chosen venues and flawless organization to the warm hospitality, exceptional banquet fare, inspiring speaker, exquisite decorations, and delightful Goody Bags – has been truly heartwarming. This achievement is a direct result of the countless hours, creative ideas, and unwavering commitment poured into making this event unforgettable.

At the heart of this triumph was the exceptional leadership of Val Palazzolo, who, as Section Meeting Chair, orchestrated every detail with precision and vision. Supporting this monumental effort were the chairs who guided their respective domains:

- \* **Publicity:** Gabby Tan ensured our message reached far and wide, generating significant excitement.
- \* **Treasurer:** Peg Ballou managed our finances with diligence.
- \* **Registration:** Dalya Abu-Shaweesh skillfully handled the complex registration process flawlessly and was assisted with the initial welcoming process by Gabby Tan and Peg Ballou.
- \* **Transportation:** Jun Oikawa spearheaded the smooth movement of attendees, supported by Jodie-Lee Hostetler and Yuan Zhao.
- \* **Silent Auction:** Peg Figley and Betty Huck curated and managed an incredibly successful auction.
- \* **Hospitality:** Sarah Smith ensured everyone felt welcome and comfortable, with the invaluable assistance of Natalie Moncaleano, Yuan Zhao, Betty Huck, Brooklyn Kochert, Peg Ballou, and Gabby Tan.
- \* **Decorations:** Val Palazzolo and Sarah Smith, along with Brooklyn Kochert, provided beautifully crafted decorations for our banquet.

Beyond these core teams, a special acknowledgment must go to our diligent ground crew, who ensured seamless operations behind the scenes. Matt Monell, Randy Holton, Sam Ballou, Alex Kochert, and Rich Wagner kept transportation to our venues running like clockwork. Furthermore, Tyler Smith, Melissa Moncaleano, and Phil Sykora tirelessly stepped in wherever needed, whether it be hospitality, registration, decorating or helping an attendee with her luggage. We simply could not have achieved this level of excellence without their hands-on support.

The success of this meeting was further elevated by extraordinary and generous contributions:

- \* Lisa Blair captivated everyone with her innovative invitation video, which garnered widespread interest months before the event.
- \* Peg Ballou exemplified true craftsmanship by designing and hand-sewing 40 Goody Bags, a personal touch that resonated with attendees and was described as "such a nice detail."
- \* Peg and Sam Ballou generously loaned their two personal passenger vans for transportation and provided eight coolers for the hospitality suite, a contribution that eased our logistical burden.
- \* Kylie Gottman's printing of all registration folder materials resulted in substantial cost savings for our chapter.
- \* Katelyn Buckler's creative design and fabrication of a Silent Auction sign not only solved an immediate problem but provided signage needed for future section meetings.
- \* Ali Peterkort leveraged her connections to acquire fantastic swag items from her employer, ABX, further enhancing our Goody Bags.

It's also important to acknowledge the many other members who contributed various swag items for the Goody Bags and a diverse array of appealing items for our Silent Auction. This collective generosity directly translated into tangible results: the Silent Auction successfully generated an impressive \$1,500 for the All-Ohio Scholarship fund.

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I am profoundly proud to have collaborated with such an exceptional, dedicated, and talented team. Your collective passion and commitment have not only made this Section Meeting a triumph but have also set a new benchmark for excellence for our organization.

Thank you, from the bottom of my heart, for everything.

Sincerely,

Deb Henrichs  
All-Ohio Chapter Chair

### **Our incoming Chapter Chair Dalya's report on NCSM:**

Record-breaking 105 attendees, over \$1500 raised through the silent auction, lots of compliments from attendees regarding the itinerary and how well things were organized.

The first day entailed a tour at Jungle Jim's where many members came back with several full grocery bags but others saw each other at Jungle Jim's on Sunday, deciding to shop on their way out of Cincinnati. The tour included many samples as well as a take-home candy bag with some foreign chocolates and Japanese gummies. RJ's dinner was held in a separate little venue so the 99s had plenty of space and it was a great mix and match giving the opportunity to speak with people you haven't met before.

Sporty's was kind enough to provide a hot dog lunch but also gave us a choice of brats as well! The tour was divided up in three different legs where attendees got to look all around the offices, warehouse and facilities at Sporty's.

There was also a bus tour and history of Sporty's.

The business meeting was long but not without good reason, there were many high points, including Linda Langrill performing a song for her Chapter review and even wore a crown, scepter and cape. Our new NCS Section Officers were appointed by the departing section governor Sue Glisson, who was given a warm applause for all of her years of hard work for our section.

During the banquet, our very own Val Palazzollo was awarded the Governor's Award, a very well deserved moment for someone who has devoted so much to lifting up those around her, and who has spent countless hours agonizing over every detail to ensure the NCS Section Meeting went as splendidly as it did.

Rich Wagner, Jun's husband, was awarded with the 49 1/2 award, Jeananne Visser read out a lengthy detailing of all the incredible, meticulous, and thoughtful acts of dedication and support he has done for Jun and for the 99s. Rich built a simulator for Jun that he continues to upgrade, he has come along with Jun for most of our section meetings, in an attempt to ensure she has the ability to participate. Jun got teary-eyed as this long list of astounding acts of service were read out and there were other eyes in the room that were not dry either.

Our very own Natalie Moncaleano was one of three to receive the Spinning Prop award, suffice it to say All-Ohio was greatly recognized

Janet Patton spoke about her career in the airlines, 'Identity, Choice, Courage and Owning Your Flight Plan.' She also pointed to Val as a long-time mentor and friend she has known since she was 16 and showed some very jarring landings she has performed in low visibility. Almost all items provided for silent auction were bid on, only 2 remained.

Many members thanked our people for working hard and pulling off a great event, there were no real hitches due to the hard work of Val, Deb and the many lead coordinators.

### **Also from Chairwoman Dalya:**

**I am so pleased that we have three excellent candidates for the Spring First Wings Scholarships. The applicants are Jodie-Lee Hostetler, Brooklyn Kochert, and Yuan Zhao. We are permitted to forward all three applications to the Trustees for consideration. With that in mind, there is no need for a vote, however, if you have any issues or concerns, please advise me.**

**MEETING SUNDAY MAY 3 AT MANSFIELD LAHM (KMFD)  
TERMINAL BUILDING EAST OF THE CONTROL TOWER  
2000 HARRINGTON MEMORIAL ROAD. MANSFIELD  
**THIS IS THE 1ST SUNDAY****

**Hostess: Dalya**

**Arrival: Noon**

**Lunch: will be provided for \$5 each**

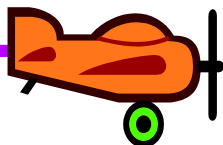
**Meeting: after lunch**

**This is a great airport for student pilots to fly in to! It has a long runway and a control tower that is (mostly) not too busy.**

Please check out our All Ohio 99s YouTube Channel for some really cool videos about our members and our Facebook page. Click on these links and enjoy!

- [All Ohio 99s – YouTube](#)
- [All-Ohio Ninety Nines – Facebook](#)

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**



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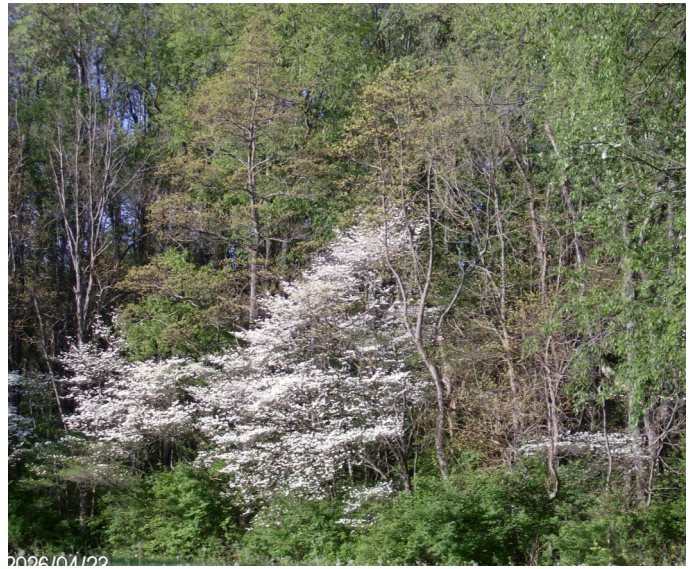
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**The spring flowers were out in central Ohio. L: Aquilegia sp. (columbine) made a lovely show. R: Flowering dogwoods on the edge of the woods.**

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