

The Ninety-Nines



Minnesota 99s Chapter Scholarship Awards

The Minnesota Chapter of the Ninety-Nines offers two \$1,000 flight training scholarships and two \$500 currency scholarships to qualifying applicants. Scholarships are awarded annually in March. One \$1,000 scholarship is awarded for course work toward a Private Pilot certificate and the second \$1,000 scholarship is awarded for an additional rating or endorsement. Two \$500 currency scholarships are awarded to become current in flying and are offered in memory of WWII WASP Elizabeth (Liz) Strohfus. These four scholarships are open to all women pilots, including members of The Ninety-Nines.

The purpose of these scholarships is to encourage women pilots, promote aviation within the surrounding community, and provide networking opportunities for women. These scholarships are awarded to assist women working to become a certificated private pilot, to earn a higher rating or certificate or become current. Scholarships can be applied to flight training only (instruction, aircraft fuel, aircraft rental).

Once awarded funds will be sent to the scholarship winner's flight instructor, flight school, university or college chosen by the recipient on the following schedule:

1. One-half on award of the scholarship
2. Remainder after valid flight training receipts are submitted to Minnesota 99s Chairman

Scholarship Requirements:

1. Applicant must be:
 - a. Female and at least 25 years of age
 - b. Pursuing an aviation goal that includes flight training
 - c. Minnesota resident or student of a Minnesota school
2. If applicant is a student pilot, she must have her solo endorsement
3. Applicant must complete the application process
4. Application and all supporting documents must be postmarked by December 31
5. Applicant cannot be a previous Minnesota 99s scholarship or Amelia Earhart winner (applies only to \$1000 private pilot and advanced rating scholarships, does not apply to currency scholarships)
6. Winner must commit to membership in The Ninety-Nines, Inc. and the Minnesota Chapter for two consecutive years following award of scholarship

Scholarship Winner Must:

1. Use the money within one year from the date of the scholarship award

2. Provide written progress reports to the Minnesota 99s Chapter Scholarship Chairman every three months
3. Commit to membership in The Ninety-Nines for two consecutive years following award of scholarship
4. After completion of training, provide a letter to the Minnesota 99s Chapter Scholarship Chairman describing training experience and how the money was used to achieve aviation goals
5. Submit receipts showing hours flown and signed by the applicant and flight instructor to the Minnesota 99s Chapter Scholarship Chairman. Funds will be paid directly to the flight instructor or flight school

The Application will consist of:

1. Completed application
2. Two letters of recommendation - One letter must be from someone knowledgeable about the applicant's aviation interests and/or accomplishments, such as applicant's flight instructor or mentor - Letter must also include the length of time they have known the applicant
3. An essay relative to your aviation goals (see Application for specific information required)
4. Copy of pilot certificate (for applicants applying for additional rating scholarship)
5. Copy of logbook – last 3 pages (for applicants applying for additional rating scholarship)

The application can be scanned and emailed to mn99sgirlpilots@gmail.com. Application must be postmarked by December 31 of the current year. Illegible, incomplete or late applications will not be considered.

Scholarship Recipient Selection:

A selection panel of three judges from the aviation community will screen applications and make final selections. Judges must sign a statement that they have no knowledge of the applicant. Decisions of the judges are final.

Scholarship Timeline:

January 1-20	Minnesota 99s Scholarship Committee will review the applications for completeness
January 20	Scholarship Chairman will forward applications to Judges
Jan. 25 – Feb. 25	Judges will review applications
March Meeting	Minnesota 99s Chapter Scholarship will be presented at the March business meeting

Any questions please contact mn99sgirlpilots@gmail.com

Application Deadline is December 31

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