

**CHICAGO AREA CHAPTER**

The Chicago Area Chapter's Girl Scout Aviation Badge Day was a huge success. More than 200 enthusiastic Girl Scouts, troop leaders and parents from the city and suburbs gathered at the Illinois Aviation Academy at DuPage Airport to attend the event. Thanks for the success of this activity goes to the many volunteers, but it never would have happened at all without the dedication of co-chairs Kristy Brooke and Elizabeth Hitchcock, who took on the project.

Seven stations were set up in the Academy hangar, with presenters covering various topics: Jennifer Biedron, portraying Amelia Earhart; Deanna Close, Air Traffic Control; Diane Cozzi, Dining in Space; Deb Kirschner, Maps & Charts; Cynthia Madsen, Real Airplane Display; Caelie and Ed Kalniak, Glider Flying; and Vickie Szweczyk, Careers.

When it comes to helping Girl Scouts earn their aviation badges, this was the Chicago Chapter's first ever event of this type. The event garnered terrific local newspaper coverage for The Ninety-Nines, including a large photo and interviews with Chapter Chairman Donna Klein and several of the Girl Scouts. The chapter is encouraged by the success of this event and is looking forward to conducting this aerospace education activity on an annual basis.

— Diane Cozzi



Participants in the Chicago Area Chapter's Girl Scout Aviation Badge Day.



Colorado Chapter Ninety-Nines complete a compass rose.

**COLORADO CHAPTER**

What do you get when you mix 35 Ninety-Nines, gallons and gallons of blue and white paint, a few quarts of coffee and enough donuts to make you smile? You get a compass rose painted in a record three hours.

It was a beautiful morning at Jeffco Airport (BJC) on Saturday, May 14. Airmarking Committee Chairman Jan McKenzie made sure we had the right stuff to get the job done. Masking tape could be heard tearing off the rolls over the din of Cessnas and jets taking off a short distance down the runway. Rollers on long poles and tiny rollers for the close spots were the necessities along with enough donuts for a flock of pilots. The donuts and coffee were furnished by the fabulous airport staff.

Since there had been a compass painted before, which was tired and worn, the laying out of the new and improved compass rose was a little easier. Out came the chains and chalk. Everyone was making circles and marking asphalt. Chalk lines, made with a twang, were done by Ninety-Nines and Forty-nine-point-fives alike. Thank goodness those fellows came along.

After the cleanup was accomplished, a Jeffco fireman rolled in with his truck with enough height to take a group photo of the new, fabulous compass rose and The Ninety-Nines with smiles, waves and a few leftover donuts.

— Margot Plummer

**NORTH GEORGIA CHAPTER**

North Georgia Chapter Member Pauline L. Mallary is presented with the Wright Brothers Master Pilot Award by Patrick Bruce, Program Safety Manager from the Atlanta FSDO. The presentation was held during a recent Georgia Chapter Silver Wings Fraternity luncheon. Chapter President Bill Bell and National President Raymond Hicks offer their congratulations. Pauline was honored for her aviation safety and achievements over the past 52 years of continuous flight and her aviation volunteer efforts on the national, state and local levels. Her history as a flight instructor, charter pilot and professional race pilot is chronicled in her memoir, *Racing In The Skies, A Pilgrimage To The Past*.

