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**WOMEN TAKE FLIGHT – GIRLS TOO!
Offering free flights to eligible women and girls**

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‘Women Take Flight – Girls Too’ is part of a one-day worldwide event promoting aviation to women and girls. This coming Saturday, March 9th, weather permitting, local women will offer free flights to those females who have never flown in a small aircraft. From 8:30 am to noon at Albuquerque’s Double Eagle Airport, members of The Ninety-Nines, the international organization of women pilots, will use single-engine aircraft to introduce the joys of flight to interested women and girls.

This event is the first of its kind in the Albuquerque area, targeting females of high school age and older. Women will be donating their aircraft and time as pilots to share their knowledge and their passion. They will be available to discuss careers in aviation, how women can thrive in the adventurous world of aviation and how general aviation fits into the transportation system. Flights of approximately 15 minutes will open up a world of possibilities.

Part of International Women’s Week and envisioned only three years ago by Mireille Goyer, a member of The 99s in Canada, the event celebrates Raymond de Laroche, the first female to earn a pilots license worldwide in 1910.

Although the target audience is females of at least high school age, The 99s will try to accommodate all girls at least 12 years old. Parental permission will be required for minors. To gain the best likelihood for a flight, register in advance at www.womenofaviationweek.org/events.

All flights will originate at Bode Aviation and onsite registration will be handled at that location on Double Eagle Airport. For more information contact Susan Larson at (505) 690-6903.

‘Women Take Flight – Girls Too’ is sponsored by the Rio Grande Norte and Albuquerque Ninety-Nines, local chapters of The Ninety-Nines, Inc., the International Organization of Women Pilots in conjunction with the Institute for Women of Aviation Worldwide. The Ninety-Nines was founded in 1929 and Amelia Earhart served as its first elected president.

For more information go to www.womenofaviationweek.org and www.ninety-nines.org. Information on the local chapter can be found at www.rgn99s.org.

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