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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

We are approaching the halfway point of the 2016-2017 year, and AIAA San Diego is having a great year! We had 3 events in January and have a full calendar of events planned from now until May.

As an announcement for our more senior members, applications for Associate Fellow are due April 15th. This is a great opportunity to upgrade your membership and be recognized for your achievements. If you have any questions about this process, please reach out to us.

AIAA elections for 2017 are currently underway. You can make your voice heard by voting online at www.aiaa.org/vote. Voting ends March 31st, so don't delay!

Thanks for supporting our local section events here in San Diego. If there is any specific programming you're interested in, please reach out to us. We look forward to seeing you at an upcoming event!

Stevie Jacobson



Red Bull Air Race

Red Bull Air Race World Championships have returned to San Diego!

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AIAA San Diego Attends Hidden Figures Movie



On Sunday, January 8th, AIAA-SD members attended a screening of the Oscar-nominated movie *Hidden Figures* at AMC Fashion Valley. The movie chronicles the engineering achievements of 3 African American women in the US space program during the 1960's. The movie viewing was followed by a coffee social hour. Thanks for attending the meetup and making this a great event!

AIAA San Diego Attends 2017 High Tech Fair



On January 25th and 26th, AIAA-SD hosted a booth at the 2017 High Tech Fair. The fair, held at the Balboa Park Activity Center, hosted hundreds of students, parents, and teachers and provided information on careers in a STEM field (science, technology, engineering, and math). AIAA-SD volunteers talked with attendees about the aerospace profession and showed off some of the different disciplines within aerospace, such as gas turbines and remote control aircraft.



The World's Forum for Aerospace Leadership

AIAA San Diego Hosts F/A-18 Flight Test Dinner Lecture



On Thursday, January 26th, AIAA-SD hosted a dinner lecture on F/A-18 flight testing. Pete Dougherty (NAVAIR North Island) presented on the discovery, troubleshooting, and resolution of the phenomenon of F/A-18 E/F “wing drop”. The event, held at Giovanni’s Italian Restaurant in Kearny Mesa, was attended by over 50 engineers, students, and aerospace enthusiasts. Thank you for attending and making this a successful event!

AIAA San Diego to Attend 2017 Engineers Week Banquet



On February 24th, AIAA-SD, along with other local engineering societies, will attend the 2017 Engineers Week banquet. The evening features keynote speaker Brandon Reyante (UCSD) with a talk on “Engineering for Humanity” and the presentation of awards for local engineering excellence. We hope you can join us in celebrating the achievements of our local engineers and companies!

AIAA San Diego Announces 2017 Distinguished Lecturer



Save the date! On March 9th, AIAA-SD will host distinguished lecturer Alice Bowman (Johns Hopkins University) for a lecture on the New Horizons Mission. As Mission Operations Manager, she was instrumental in mission planning and execution for NASA's New Horizons mission, which was the first probe to visit Pluto. The New Horizons mission has produced some amazing imagery of the planet's surface, and is currently en-route to another Kuiper Belt object. We hope you will be able to join us for this fun and informative evening!

AIAA San Diego Plans Annual Aerospace Heritage Night



Mark your calendars! AIAA-SD is planning our annual Aerospace Heritage Night (AHN), scheduled for April 13th. AHN is an opportunity to honor our long term members and recognize the rich aerospace history of San Diego. We hope you will be able to join us for this exciting event.