



HONORS AND AWARDS ***News Bulletin***

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AIAA ANNOUNCES SECTION AWARD RESULTS

Reston, VA, 17 September 2004 - The American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA) is proud to announce the 2003/2004 Section Award winners.

The Section Awards honor particularly notable performances made by a section of the Institute working as a unit, and are intended to formally underscore the AIAA conviction that intellectually stimulating section activity is fundamental to a healthy Institute.

All awards are bestowed annually in five section member categories (based on member size): Very Small, Small, Medium, Large and Very Large. A cash award and certificate is presented to each of the winning sections: First Place \$500; Second Place \$200; and Third Place \$100. The award period covered is 1 June 2003 – 31 May 2004.

The first place winners will be honored at the awards luncheon of the 43rd AIAA Aerospace Sciences Meeting and Exhibit, being held on Tuesday, 11 January 2005, at the Reno Hilton, in Reno, Nevada.

The **Outstanding Section Award** is presented to sections judged on their overall activities and contributions throughout the year. The basis for this award is the Section Annual Report. The winners are:

Very Small Category

First Place	Delaware	Clyde E. Carr, Jr., Section Chair
Second Place	Savannah	Jason H. Thomas, Section Chair
Third Place	Wisconsin	Kathy J. Prem, Section Chair

Small Category

First Place	Vandenberg	John A. Morris, Section Chair
Second Place	China Lake	James E. Serpanos, Section Chair
Third Place	Northwest Florida	Lawrence E. Lijewski, Section Chair

Medium Category

First Place	Cape Canaveral	Timothy T. Travers, Section Chair
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Second Place	Tucson	Kevin P. Kremeyer, Section Chair
Third Place	Michigan	Andrew D. Santangelo, Section Chair

Large Category

First Place	Houston	Michael L. Oelke, Section Chair
Second Place	St. Louis	Gary P. White, Section Chair
Third Place	Northern Ohio	Ian Halliwell, Section Chair

Very Large Category

First Place	Alabama/Mississippi	Steven R. Noneman, Section Chair
Second Place	San Francisco	Fanny A. Zuniga, Section Chair
Third Place	Dayton/Cincinnati	William W. Copenhaver, Section Chair

The **Career Enhancement Award** is presented for section activities that are beneficial to career development, such as: Time Management Workshops, Career Transition Workshops, Career Benefits Workshops (health care reform, financial planning, pension portability, etc.), Technical v. Management Career Path Workshops, Resume Writing, etc.) The winners are:

Very Small Category

First Place	Savannah	Shelly K. Brimmeier, Career Enhancement Officer
Second Place	Delaware	Timothy M. McCardell, & Clyde E. Carr, Jr. Career Enhancement Officers
Third Place	Wisconsin	Kathy J. Prem, Section Chair

Medium Category

First Place	Cape Canaveral	Timothy T. Travers, Section Chair
Second Place	Greater Philadelphia	Peter A. Cavallo, Section Chair
Third Place	Tucson	Kevin P. Kremeyer, Section Chair

Large Category

First Place	Houston	Jesus Reyna, Jr., Career Enhancement Officer
Second Place	Northern Ohio	Eric J. Pencil, Career Enhancement Officer
Third Place	St. Louis	Jeffrey C. Larrick, Career Enhancement Officer

Very Large Category

First Place	Los Angeles	M. Richard Denison, Career Enhancement Officer
Second Place	Dayton/Cincinnati	Richard J. McMullan, Career Enhancement Officer
Third Place	Alabama/Mississippi	Henry L. Pugh, Career Enhancement Officer

The **Communications Award** is presented to sections that have developed and implemented an outstanding communication outreach program during the section year. Winning criteria includes the following: level of difficulty and complexity as well as timeliness, multiple methods of communications, frequency, format and content of the communication outreach. The winners are:

Very Small Category

First Place	Delaware	M. David Rosenberg, Newsletter Editor
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Second Place	Wisconsin	Marty A. Gustafson, Newsletter Editor
Third Place	Savannah	Ken A. Terry, Newsletter Editor

Medium Category

First Place	Cape Canaveral	William E. Harrell, Newsletter Editor
Second Place	Utah	Mark J. Snauffer, Newsletter Editor
Third Place	Greater Philadelphia	William R. Letts, Jr., Newsletter Editor

Large Category

First Place	Houston	Steven R. King, Newsletter Editor
Second Place	St. Louis	David E. Morgan, Newsletter Editor
Third Place	Albuquerque	Peter E. Dunn, Newsletter Editor

Very Large Category

First Place	Alabama/Mississippi	G. Alan Lowrey, Newsletter Editor
Second Place	San Francisco	Richard J. Kwan, Newsletter Editor
Third Place	Dayton/Cincinnati	Richard D. Snyder, Newsletter Editor

The **Membership Award** is presented for increasing the sections' membership by planning and implementing effective new member recruitment and retention campaigns. The winners are:

Very Small Category

First Place	Wisconsin	Robert J. Gustafson, Membership Chair
Second Place	Delaware	M. David Rosenberg, Membership Chair
Third Place	Savannah	Shelly K. Brimmeier, Membership Chair

Small Category

First Place	Northwest Florida	John H. Pletcher, Jr., Membership Chair
Second Place	Vandenberg	Eileen H. Wyckoff, Membership Chair

Medium Category

First Place	Greater Philadelphia	James D. Ott, Membership Chair
Second Place	Tucson	Kevin P. Kremeyer, Section Chair

Large Category

First Place	Phoenix	Ronald V. Roden, Membership Chair
Second Place	Houston	Elizabeth C. Blome, Membership Chair
Third Place	St. Louis	Peter Y. Cheng, Membership Chair

Very Large Category

First Place	Dayton/Cincinnati	Rebecca J. Schmidt, Membership Chair
Second Place	Alabama/Mississippi	Ann F. Whitaker, Membership Chair

The **Harry Staubs Precollege Outreach Award** is presented to sections that have developed and implemented an outstanding precollege (K-12) outreach program that provided quality educational resources for the Nation's K-12 teachers in the areas of science, mathematics, and technology. The winners are:

Very Small Category

First Place	Savannah	Patrick C. Connor, Precollege Chair
Second Place	Delaware	Anthony W. Lo Russo, Precollege Chair

Small Category

First Place	Vandenberg	Robert A. Wyckoff, Precollege Chair
Second Place	China Lake	Craig S. Porter, Precollege Chair

Medium Category

First Place	Sacramento	Jean P. Mundy, Precollege Chair
Second Place	Cape Canaveral	John T. R. Dillon, III, Precollege Chair
Third Place	Southwest Texas	Jimmy A. Turner, Section Chair

Large Category

First Place	Houston	Joy Conrad King, Precollege Chair
Second Place	St. Louis	Karen K. Copper, Precollege Chair
Third Place	Northern Ohio	Gwynn A. Severt, Precollege Chair

Very Large Category

First Place	Orange County	John C. Rose, Precollege Chair
First Place	San Francisco	Juanita Ryan, Precollege Chair
Third Place	Dayton/Cincinnati	Maxwell Blair, Precollege Chair

The **Public Policy Award** is presented to sections for stimulating public awareness of the needs and benefits of aerospace research and development, particularly on the part of government representatives, and for educating its members in the value of public policy activities. The winners are:

Very Small Category

First Place	Delaware	David K. McGrath, Public Policy Officer
Second Place	Savannah	Shelly K. Brimmeier, Public Policy Officer
Third Place	Wisconsin	Brant C. White, Public Policy Officer

Small Category

First Place	Vandenberg	Patricia M. Fresh, Public Policy Officer
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Medium Category

First Place	Michigan	Andrew D. Santangelo, Section Chair
Second Place	Tucson	Kevin P. Kremeyer, Section Chair
Third Place	Sacramento	Shane Kemper, Public Policy Officer

Large Category

First Place	Northern Ohio	Kim D. Otten, Public Policy Officer
Second Place	St. Louis	Mark K. Holly, Public Policy Officer
Third Place	Houston	Lynn Nicole Smith, Public Policy Officer

Very Large Category

First Place	Hampton Roads	Lee R. Rich, Public Policy Officer
Second Place	Alabama/Mississippi	Carl M. Case, Public Policy Officer
Third Place	Dayton/Cincinnati	Paul D. Orkwis, Public Policy Officer

The **Young Professional Activity Award** is presented to sections that demonstrate excellence in planning and executing successful events that encourage the participation of young members in the AIAA and provide opportunities for leadership at the sectional, regional, and national levels. The winners are:

Very Small Category

First Place	Wisconsin	J. Arthur Sauer, Young Professional Officer
Second Place	Delaware	Sue Ann Cuppett, Young Professional Officer

Medium Category

First Place	Greater Philadelphia	Peter A. Cavallo, Section Chair
Second Place	Cape Canaveral	Domenico Ruggiero, Young Professional Officer
Third Place	Tucson	Matthew J. Angiulo, Young Professional Officer

Large Category

First Place	Houston	Bradley S. Files, Young Professional Officer
Second Place	Northern Ohio	Michael A. Brescilli, Young Professional Officer
Third Place	St. Louis	Dwayne D. Car, Young Professional Officer

Very Large Category

First Place	Orange County	Andrew H. Chen, Young Professional Officer
Second Place	Hampton Roads	Kurt E. Severance, Young Professional Officer

The Outstanding Activity

In addition to these awards, AIAA would like to acknowledge three sections that held an outstanding activity that deserves additional recognition:

Dayton/Cincinnati: William W. Copenhaver, Section Chair

The **Passport To Flight Program** capitalized on the Dayton/Cincinnati area's rich aviation and space heritage to promote young people's interest in aerospace sciences. Leveraging the many 2003 Centennial of Flight activities near Dayton, "The Birthplace of Aviation", the program motivated children and their families to make to make approximately 13,500 visits and experience the aerospace related sites. Professionally designed, brightly colored, 22-page commemorative 'passports' were available at the 16 participating venues for children, grades K – 8, to collect and maintain. A unique, colorful sticker designed especially for this event by the organizing team was also available at each venue for placement in the child's passport. Children who visited at least 9 of the 16 venues were eligible to return the 'Flight Log' page from their passport to the Dayton-Cincinnati Section, and were then qualified for the grand prize drawing. Completed Flight Logs were received from participants in 15 states and Germany. The University of Dayton AIAA Student Branch, lead by Ms. Christie Pastor, was responsible for generating the personalized certificates and bag tags mailed to each participant. Over 200 of the qualifying participants attended the closing event and prize drawing at the U.S. Air Force

Museum. The Passport Program was sponsored with grants from AIAA, AIAA Dayton-Cincinnati Section, and the National Park Service. Generous support was also received from Skyward Ltd, Universal Technology Corporation, and the Wright Memorial Chapter of the Air Force Association.

Vandenberg: John A. Morris, Section Chair
Centennial of Flight and Pioneer Space Center Open House

An entire day was devoted to bringing in rich historians from Vandenberg Air Force Base's storied past to reminisce about their stories and for new comers to learn from their experiences. An entire day literally from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm was planned to commemorate the early space and missile development days; the personnel used to work full 12-hour days in the past. The morning was devoted to the early Intercontinental ballistic missiles, lead by Cal Venable and Stan Radom. The afternoon was devoted to warhead and space vehicle programs, with the evening presentation by local high school program themed, "From the Bottom of the Sea to the Outer Reaches of Space," completing the evening with a mixer discussion by the California Space Grant Foundation. The forum was a complete success in educating politicians, business people, technical employees from Vandenberg and school administrators about the Pioneer Center and how the President's 2004 National Goals and Vision for Moon Exploration and Interplanetary Human Flight could be partially met locally. Over 100 people attended the event throughout the day and the AIAA professional display was on location to promote new membership.

Wichita: Douglas E. Sipes, Section Chair

The "**Wichita's – Legacy of Flight**" book that documents through pictures and captions, the evolution of the Wichita community as influenced by aviation was published as the Section's Evolution of Flight project. The Section provided funding and worked with the Wichita State University History department, Society of Public Historians, and college students to make this project a reality. Copies have been donated to local schools.

The book, published by Arcadia Press, is available via their web site. Additionally, the book is available in the local heritage section of major bookstores and at two local museums: Exploration Place and the Sedgwick County Historical Museum. A portion of the funds generated by the book will return to the Section and are slated for continued support of local aviation history.

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