

# President's Page

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Your AsMA advanced team, including yours truly, recently completed a site visit of next year's meeting at the Swan and Dolphin hotel complex in Orlando, FL (www.swandolphin.com). These hotels provide ample capacity for all our scientific sessions, meetings, social gatherings, and exhibits. The staff was professional and accommodating and the grounds were beautiful and impressive, located on a lake front, complete with its own beachfront, and close to the Disney attractions. I hope you and your families will plan to enjoy all this venue has to offer.

The theme for this year's annual scientific meeting should be no surprise to anyone following my president's pages. It is "Making a Difference in Aerospace Medicine." Our meeting will address how we have been improving our understanding and impact on our field's current challenges. What knowledge gaps were filled by key work, what research was done in solving a critical problem, what scientific information or activities supported a change in viewpoints or policy? How have we demonstrated our impacts on improving the health, safety and human performance of those involved in aviation, space and extreme environments?

Below is a story from Royce Moser, former President of AsMA, who reminds us that we can make a difference in our field by helping the next AsMA generation.

## Helping the Next Generation

My colleagues will be "shocked" to learn that I can remember my first Aerospace Medical Association Scientific Meeting since I am so "Chronologically Challenged," recently receiving my 50 year membership pin. However, that first meeting stands out because I almost missed it.

I fortunately had Ross McFarland, Ph.D. as my supervisor in the Harvard MPH portion of my Residency in Aerospace Medicine (RAM) program. His studies of human factors in air transport played a major role in convincing the airlines to pressurize passenger cabins. He was well-known and highly respected in both aerospace medicine and industry communities.

The AsMA meeting would be held in New York City, and Dr. McFarland wanted all RAMs to attend. After the meeting we would tour aircraft manufacturing facilities in the area. Dr. McFarland asked me to contact the Air Force Institute of Technology, which funded our time at Harvard, to see if the RAMs could be funded to attend the meeting.

I clearly remember my conversation with a lieutenant colonel at AFIT. I stated our request, and the response was "Captain, can't you read? If you can read you can see that Paragraph xx, sub-paragraph xxx, sub-sub paragraph xxxx, clearly states there will be no funding of travel during the academic phase of the residency. Now don't bother me again!" "Yes, Sir."

The next day Dr. McFarland asked if I had called AFIT. I recounted my experience. Dr. McFarland calmly stated how disappointed he was. After the class, I overheard Dr. McFarland asking his secretary to see if General Bohannon was free. I wondered why he was calling the Surgeon General, but thought no more of it.



Philip J. Scarpa, Jr., M.D., M.S.

Later, when I arrived home to our apartment, Lois greeted me with "There's a Colonel from AFIT that has been calling, and you're to call him as soon as you get here." I replied that it was now too late to call so I would call tomorrow. "No! He said he would be in his office until you returned, so call him now." I did, and the earlier "Captain" salutation had been replaced by "Doctor", with apologies that the Lt. Col. had failed to note travel would "certainly" be approved if the Program Director required it. He then asked if I could call Dr. McFarland that evening to advise him the trip was funded. When I called, Dr. McFarland responded, "Isn't that nice, Royce?" (It took me a while to put two and two together.)

The meeting was great, and I learned from discussions by "giants" in our field. I knew only my classmates and Lt. Col. "Chuck" Berry, whom Dr. McFarland arranged for me to meet while I was in medical school. However, everyone was outgoing and friendly, and I was enthused after I attended the meeting.

The next year, Col. George R. Anderson, my RAM supervisor, "volunteered" me to take minutes at the Education Committee meeting. This opened up new opportunities to meet leaders in our field, and I soon found I was learning as much from these interactions as from the scientific meetings. Many members I met in committee work became life-long friends, and Lois had the same experience in The Wing. As I participated in committees, I was impressed by the contributions of our members. For example, each November over 80 Program Committee members meet, many at their own expense, to select scientific sessions. I know of no other organization with such dedicated members.

When I was President, I recalled my experience as a new member. I did a President's Page welcoming new members and encouraging them to become actively involved in the numerous opportunities in our organization as I did. A few years ago, a member told me how impressed he was that I would devote a President's Page to welcoming new members, as he was when he read the Page. He found active participation very rewarding, and... today he is your President! Making a difference by helping the next AsMA generation. You never know!

# Association News

## Walt Disney World Swan and Dolphin Resort – This is no Mickey Mouse Operation!

By Jeffrey Svontek, Executive Director

The 86th Annual Scientific Meeting of the Aerospace Medical Association is scheduled for May 2015 at the Walt Disney World Swan and Dolphin Resort in Lake Buena Vista, FL. In preparation for next year's meeting, a small group of AsMA and FAA leaders visited this meeting site to ensure we understand the venue layout and begin the process of assigning scientific session rooms, committee meeting rooms, AsMA Wing Hospitality room, registration space, and organizing the exhibit hall spaces. The last time I visited the Orlando, FL, area was in 1998, when our family drove from Virginia to Orlando to visit Walt Disney World and other theme park attractions in the area. I was anxious to see what changes had occurred in Orlando over the past 16 years.

I arrived at the Orlando International Airport (MCO) and immediately realized the area had grown significantly in 16 years. The airport is a very large and modern facility capable of managing a large number of aircraft from international locations. Getting around the airport and to the baggage claim was quite easy. I retrieved my bag and stepped outside to find my Super Shuttle ride. We loaded into the van and began our circuitous trip to the Dolphin Hotel. Unfortunately, I was the last of six shuttle passengers so it took a little more than one hour and a very scenic tour of the Orlando area before I arrived at my hotel. Direct transport from the airport to the Dolphin Hotel is about 30-35 minutes, depending on traffic.

I arrived at the Swan and Dolphin Resort a little after 10 PM. The Swan and Dolphin hotels sit beside each other within the resort. All of our scientific sessions and committee meetings and most social events will take place in the Dolphin Hotel. The AsMA room

block is also in the Dolphin. However, if our Dolphin Hotel room block fills, overflow accommodations will be made at the Swan Hotel. It is a very short and easy walk between the two hotels. Of significance, the Swan and Dolphin hotels are offering rooms for all attendees at the US Government per diem rate. Currently, the per diem room rate for the Orlando area is \$101.00 U.S. plus applicable taxes per night! What a great room rate for our meeting. Of note, there is also a Resort Fee that includes unlimited domestic long distance and local calls, unlimited access to the resort's health club facilities, tennis equipment and access to lighted courts, seasonal pool and recreational activities, in room high-speed Internet access, and 2 bottles of water daily. This fee is usually \$23 plus tax per day but we are working with the hotel to get a discounted rate.

As I entered the Dolphin Hotel, I was taken by the very large lobby area with its large fountain. There were numerous sitting areas for people to gather and chat. Check-in was efficient and the reservation personnel were extremely nice. With key in hand, I went to my room.

I found my room to be a good size with nice furniture and amenities. The bathroom was large with nice fixtures and was very clean. Exhausted, I immediately prepared for bed. I found the Westin's Heavenly® Bed to be very comfortable. What a great night's sleep!

The next morning, I met with Walt and Phil Galanty of AIM Meetings & Events. We walked the facility to get familiar with the venue and to prepare ourselves for the official site visit scheduled for the next day. We found the Dolphin Hotel offered a very large amount of terrific meeting spaces for our Annual Scientific Meeting. However, I was a



little disappointed with the large ballroom space the hotel was offering us for our plenary sessions and large events. It was located on the 1st floor very near the Exhibit Hall space. This location was not ideal for our Continuing Medical Education activities. Phil Galanty made a note to discuss this space during the next day's official tour with the hotel staff. Walt, Phil and I had a wonderful dinner at the Shula's Restaurant located inside the Dolphin Hotel and turned in for the evening.

The following morning, our team gathered for a wonderful breakfast provided by the Dolphin Hotel. The AsMA team included Phil Scarpa (AsMA President), John Darwood (AsMA Arrangements Committee Chair), Walt and Phil Galanty (AIM Meetings & Events), Donnel Chandler and

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### Future AsMA Annual Scientific Meetings

May 10-14, 2015  
Walt Disney World  
Swan & Dolphin Resort  
Lake Buena Vista, FL

April 24-28, 2016  
Harrah's Resort  
Atlantic City, NJ

April 29 - May 4, 2017  
Sheraton Denver Downtown  
Hotel Denver, CO

May 6-10, 2018  
Hilton Anatole Hotel  
Dallas, TX



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Trellis Woods (AV Century Solutions), Kris Herlitz (The Herlitz Company – Exhibits Manager), Els Salisbury and Meg Smyrski (AsMA Wing), Jan Wright (FAA), and me. Following breakfast, the AsMA team introduced ourselves to the Dolphin Hotel Team and they then returned the favor. We discussed some of the unique activities for our Annual Scientific Meeting and then we were off to walk the property with the Dolphin Hotel staff.

Our tour offered us the opportunity to carefully view all of the meeting space available to us for the 86th Annual Scientific Meeting in the Dolphin Hotel. The meeting space is exceptional with large rooms and high ceilings in most areas. Phil Galanty raised the issue of the 1st floor ballroom and asked if we could exchange that space for the ballroom located on the 5th floor. After all, the 5th floor is where all of the other space for the scientific sessions is located. The hotel staff informed us that space was already assigned to another meeting activity and they would have to coordinate our request with that organization.

Fortunately, one week after our site visit we received word that the other organization agreed to swap the ballroom spaces with us and we now have all of 5th floor meeting space, including the large ballroom! Many thanks to Phil and Walt Galanty for making this happen.

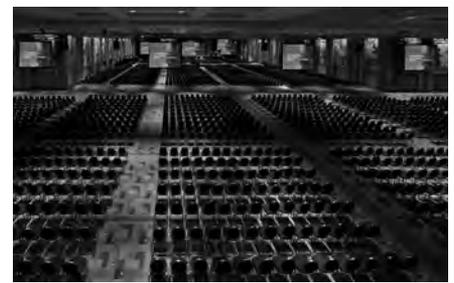
We were all impressed with the many outside spaces. Two outside areas were identified as possible sites for social events. However, as the weather in Florida can sometimes be quite wet, we must ensure we have proper indoor space reserved should we need to move the social events back indoors.

As you are probably all aware, The Walt Disney World Swan and Dolphin is an Epcot® resort hotel. Guests of the resort enjoy complimentary scheduled transportation throughout the entire Walt Disney World® Resort so that you can come and go at your convenience. A comfortable water taxi offers access from the Disney resorts' dock, running approximately every 15 – 20 minutes to and from Epcot® and Disney's Hollywood Studios™. Or you can take a leisurely stroll along a series of walkways that will also lead you to the entrance of

these two theme parks. Disney resort shuttle buses arrive at the main entrance of the Disney hotels approximately every 15 - 20 minutes to transport guests to Magic Kingdom® Park, Disney's Animal Kingdom® Theme Park, Downtown Disney® area, and Disney's Blizzard Beach Water Park and Disney's Typhoon Lagoon Water Park.

The Orlando area offers so many attractions and activities, it will be very hard to decide what to do. Four Walt Disney World theme parks, Legoland, Universal Studios, Universal's Islands of Adventure, Sea World, Busch Gardens Tampa, and Discovery Cove all await you and your family. The Kennedy Space Center is a little more than one hour away from Orlando. In fact, John Darwood is working the logistics for a day trip to the Kennedy Space Center. We hope to offer that trip on the Friday following the Annual Scientific Meeting.

Orlando offers something for everyone and the Dolphin Hotel will be an outstanding venue for our 86th Annual Scientific Meeting. Make plans now to attend. You will not be disappointed!



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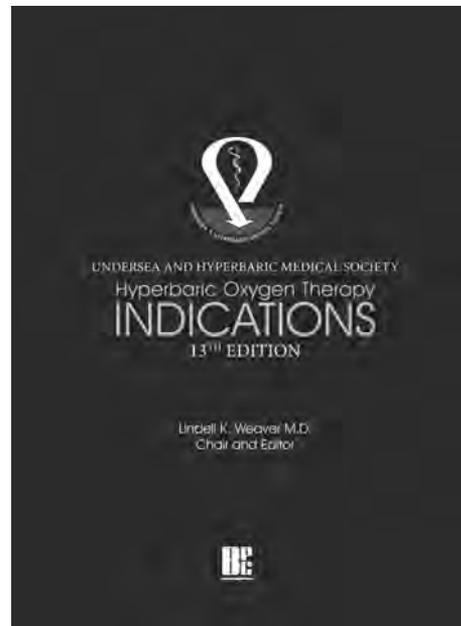
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## NEWS OF CORPORATE MEMBERS

### STS Systems Integration Is Newest Corporate Member

STS Systems Integration, LLC (SSI), is the newest Corporate and Sustaining Member of the Aerospace Medical Association (AsMA). They are a wholly owned subsidiary of Bristol Bay Native Corp. and began operating in January 2011. Currently, there are 117 employees who are a blend of business professionals, engineers, and scientists. The company offers technical, information management, and engineering support services to the Department of Defense (DoD) and other federal agencies. SSI operates throughout the continental United States and abroad at 17 DoD and Federal locations. Their policy is to provide an unwavering commitment to meet customer cost, schedule, and technical performance requirements while at the same time being flexible to the changing needs of their customers. For more information about this company, please visit their website at <http://www.ssi-anc.com/index.html>.

### AOPA Praised by FAA Administrator

FAA Administrator Michael Huerta praised the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association (AOPA) during a visit to AOPA Headquarters in July. Huerta spoke to AOPA staff during the visit, the first time in years that an FAA administrator has visited the Frederick, MD, office. Huerta came to AOPA's main office at Frederick Municipal Airport to interview AOPA staff pilots as part of the FAA's "Got Weather?" campaign, which offers resources for pilots on a new weather topic each month. During an interview with AOPA President Mark Baker, Huerta noted that weather is the leading cause of fatal general aviation accidents, and said the campaign is intended to raise the visibility of weather issues. Huerta expounded on the topic of safety in a brief address to AOPA staff, when he noted that the association and the FAA have a shared interest in "ensuring general aviation continues to raise the bar on safety." He thanked AOPA staff for making the aviation system safer and encouraging "the magic of flight."

—Excerpted from <http://www.aopa.org/News-and-Video/All-News/2014/July/17/Huerta-visit>.

### ALPA Expands Laser Threat Awareness Campaign

The Air Line Pilots Association, Int'l (ALPA), recently collaborated with the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) to expand its campaign raising public awareness about the consequences of illegal laser attacks on aircraft. The FBI, along with ALPA and the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), launched the campaign at 12 FBI field offices earlier this year and is broadening the initiative based on the reduction of overall laser strikes on aircraft. The test program used public service announcements, billboards, and media outreach, resulting in a 19% decrease in the number of reported incidents in the major

metropolitan areas of the 12 field offices. A key component of the campaign is a reward, now available nationwide, for information leading to the arrest of any individual who aims a laser at an aircraft. This phase of the campaign will run through early September and will involve state and local law enforcement support in all 50 states as well as Guam and Puerto Rico.

—See [http://www.alpa.org/Portals/Alpa/PressRoom/PressReleases/2014/6-3-14\\_14.43.htm](http://www.alpa.org/Portals/Alpa/PressRoom/PressReleases/2014/6-3-14_14.43.htm) for more on this.

### NIOSH Launches Worker Health Affiliate Program

The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) Office for Total Worker Health (TWH)<sup>TM</sup> recently launched an Affiliate Program in order to increase the number of work environments that support the overall safety, health, and well-being of workers. Inaugural members of the NIOSH TWH Affiliate Program include NASA and the University of Colorado School of Public Health. A Through integrated health protection and health promotion programs, the NIOSH TWH Affiliate Program aims to increase the capacity and scope of public and not-for-profit organizations. Participation in the Affiliate Program is voluntary and intended for public sector entities; labor organizations; academic institutions; federal, state, or local entities; and non-profit associations.

—To see more, visit <http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/updates/upd-07-10-2014.html>.

### Mayo Clinic Finds Widowhood May Delay Dementia

A new Mayo Clinic study suggests that the care and support family members give to elderly widows following the death of their spouse may be a factor in delaying dementia. The study, presented at the Alzheimer's Association International Conference in Copenhagen, Denmark, in July, was designed to evaluate the effects of widowhood in people with mild cognitive impairment (MCI)—a precursor of dementia. It was thought that widowhood would accelerate the development of dementia in people with MCI, but the study showed the opposite. Researchers used data on more than 3,500 people from the National Alzheimer's Coordinating Center database. They found that of those who developed dementia, people who remained married developed dementia at a younger age than those who were widowed (83 years versus 92 years). The study suggests that in addition to the well-known negative impact of caregiver stress on the spouse without cognitive difficulties, there may be similar negative consequences on a spouse with cognitive impairment. Earlier implementation of better support for caregivers, such as respite programs, may mitigate these consequences.

—Please see <http://newsnetwork.mayoclinic.org/2014/07/21/widowhood-may-delay-dementia-mayo-clinic-study-says/> for more information.

### ETC Ships Altitude Chambers to U.S. Air Force

Environmental Tectonics Corporation (ETC) recently announced the shipment of the last two altitude chambers to the 711th Performance Wing at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, OH. The third and fourth altitude chambers, which are part of a total suite of four chambers sold to the U.S. Air Force, were shipped in June and July, respectively. The chambers are currently undergoing installation and will be integrated with the facility and other two chambers that are currently on-site. The suite of research chambers allows maximum flexibility for the design and configuration of unique test scenarios under a wide range of environmental conditions. Three of these four chambers will be "man-rated," allowing human occupancy for ongoing initiatives. The fourth chamber will be used for equipment and various research testing scenarios.

—Excerpted from <https://www.etcusa.com/etc-ships-chambers-three-and-four-of-four-research-altitude-chambers-to-united-states-air-force/>.

### HeartSine AEDs Used in World Lacrosse Championship

HeartSine® Technologies was an official sponsor of the 2014 Federation of International Lacrosse World Championship, which took place in July in Denver, CO, and provided its popular Samaritan® PAD automatic external defibrillators (AED) for the medical tents at the event. Sudden cardiac arrest (SCA) is a risk on any athletic field, whether due to commotio cordis or an undiagnosed heart problem, so it's imperative to have AEDs on site at sporting events. Relatively recent data from the registry of the Minneapolis Heart Institute Foundation show that commotio cordis, caused by a blunt trauma to the chest directly over the heart, is the leading cause of sudden cardiac death in young athletes.

—Taken from <http://heartsine.com/2014/07/world-lacrosse-championships-equips-medical-tents-heartsine-aeds/>.

### Wyle Awarded Defense Systems Contract

Wyle has been awarded a 5-year contract by the Department of Defense (DoD) Information Analysis Centers to provide research, development, test, and evaluation (RDT&E) services to DoD. The Defense Systems Technical Area Tasks contract is an indefinite-delivery, indefinite-quantity multiple award contract. Wyle is one of 12 contractors selected to compete for individual task orders related to DoD research and development efforts focusing on advanced materials; autonomous systems; directed energy; energetics; military sensing; non-lethal weapons and information operations; reliability, maintainability, quality, supportability, and interoperability; survivability

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and vulnerability; and weapons systems. Wyle will lead contract performance in partnership with its highly experienced subcontractor team.

—Taken from <http://www.wyle.com/News/2014NewsReleases/Pages/07-08-2014.aspx>.

## Air Canada Named Best Airline in North America

Air Canada has been named Best Airline in North America in the Skytrax 2014 World Airline Awards at the Farnborough International Airshow. It is the fifth consecutive year Air Canada has been recognized as the best airline in North America and among the leading carriers of the world. The annual poll, based on surveys of nearly 19 million global passengers, is regarded as a key benchmarking tool for product excellence and customer satisfaction by the global airline industry. The award recognizes the front-line service quality being delivered by Air Canada staff across all customer-facing areas, both in the airport and onboard environment.

—Taken from <http://micro.newswire.ca/release.cgi?rkey=2207157757&view=13213-0&Start=&htm=0>.

## Baxter Acquires AesRx

Baxter International Inc. recently announced the acquisition of AesRx, LLC, a private U.S. biopharmaceutical company focused on orphan drug targets, including the development and commercialization of Aes-103, an investigational prophylactic treatment for sickle cell disease. Baxter made an initial payment to acquire the company and may make additional future payments based on specified development, regulatory, and commercial milestones. The specific terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

—For more, visit [http://www.baxter.com/pressroom/press\\_releases/2014/07\\_09\\_14\\_aesrx.html](http://www.baxter.com/pressroom/press_releases/2014/07_09_14_aesrx.html).

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—Taken from <http://heartsine.com/2014/07/world-lacrosse-championships-equips-medical-tents-heartsine-aeds/>.

## Gentex Demonstrates Helmet Systems at Farnborough Air Show

Gentex Corporation demonstrated new and enhanced products from their 2014 Aircrew product line at the Farnborough International Airshow (FIA) in July in Farnborough, UK. Featured among those products was the new Gentex® HGU-55/GTX Fixed Wing Helmet System developed to maximize safety of aircrew throughout Western Europe, the Middle East, and Asia. At the international biennial forum, Gentex also demonstrated other additions made to their comprehensive product line earlier this year, including the Gentex HGU-55/IG Fixed Wing Helmet System with Ejection-Safe NVG Mount, enabling safe ejection from Panavia Tornado aircraft when wearing NVGs and the Gentex HGU-56/P Aircrew Ballistic Helmet (ABH) System with a new ballistically enhanced maxillofacial shield (MFS) for full protection.

—For more, see <http://www.gentexcorp.com/default.aspx?pageid=5440>.

## United Offers Carbon Offset Options to Cargo Customers

United Airlines recently announced the launch of CarbonChoice(SM), a new business tool for corporate cargo customers to easily track and offset the emissions associated with their air freight accounts. Cargo customers with large-scale, regular shipments on United can receive customized emissions reports with simple options to offset their company's carbon footprint through the airline's partner, Sustainable Travel International. United is introducing the business tool to allow cargo customers to more easily incorporate carbon-neu-

tral business practices into their overall corporate strategy. United's calculation approach recognizes weight, actual flight data related to aircraft type, routes and seasonality, and applies a next-generation CO2 emissions calculation methodology informed by the International Air Transport Association's recommended practice for airlines to calculate CO2 emissions from freight transport. United offers one of the most robust carbon offsetting programs in the industry, with specific options for its entire range of customers, including MileagePlus members, individual business and leisure travelers, and now the airline's cargo account customers.

—For more, please visit <http://newsroom.united-continentalholdings.com/2014-07-22-United-Airlines-Cargo-Customers-Can-Now-Offset-Entire-Carbon-Footprint>.

## Corporate News Bites

**InoMedic:** Members of Kennedy Space Center's GHG Scope III Emissions Pilot Team, some of whom are InoMedic employees, were recently selected for NASA's prestigious EMD Director's Environmental and Energy (Blue Marble) Award. The names of InoMedic's employees who were part of the winning team and a photo of the award can be seen at: <https://www.facebook.com/IHAMedical/photos/a.226324600838326.55205.10971413916604/453287664808684>.

**IFALPA:** The International Federation of Airline Pilots Associations has issued a statement regarding risks to civil aviation from conflict zones. To read the statement, see [http://www.iata.org/pressroom/pr/Documents/ICAO-IATA-ACI-CANSO\\_Joint-Statement\\_2014-07-29.pdf](http://www.iata.org/pressroom/pr/Documents/ICAO-IATA-ACI-CANSO_Joint-Statement_2014-07-29.pdf) (pdf document).

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## Is Anybody Out There?

By Pam Day, Managing Editor

It used to be that getting a promotion was big news. It used to be that getting a new assignment or receiving an award was newsworthy. Being on TV or quoted in the newspaper was a bit deal. I have always been proud of our members and their accomplishments. To see a member join as a student and go on to become an astronaut or a general in the U.S. Air Force makes me proud. To see a member interviewed on TV makes me feel connected to the world in a special way—I can say “I know him! He’s a great guy and he is doing great work.” Nowadays, these milestones of a member’s career seem to have become mere paving stones, walked over without much regard or fanfare. At least that is how it appears to me. Our news of members section has shrunk to one or two items per month, if that. Surely with over 2,250 members, somebody has done something memorable. Maybe you don’t think we even print News of Members anymore. Or maybe you are new and don’t realize we are interested in your accomplishments. That is certainly not the case! We post member news immediately on the web and then follow up with a notice in the journal.

We also have a Facebook page! Newly created and launched in March of this year—<https://www.facebook.com/AerospaceMedicalAssociation?ref=profile>

Those of you with Twitter accounts can follow us at @Aero\_Med.

In January, the journal will change its name to *Aerospace Medicine and Human Performance*. Other things are bound to change as well. We will be moving to a new format for member news. Since the news section has been underutilized for the past few years, we will be moving the news section entirely onto the website with an e-newsletter to be sent quarterly.

We have so many ways to connect now and reach you, our members, but what we really need is for you to reach us—let us know what is going on in your professional life. Send us an email ([rtrigg@asma.org](mailto:rtrigg@asma.org) or [pday@asma.org](mailto:pday@asma.org)), post something on Facebook. Just let us know—*is anybody out there?*

## New Members

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### Boyd Interviewed by Local TV Station--

Douglas Boyd, Ph.D., who runs a fear of flying program for anxious passengers in the Houston, TX, area, was recently interviewed by a local TV station and by Houston Public Radio. The photo shows Dr. Boyd with Courtney Perna, correspondent and producer of Great Day Houston, in the flight simulator at Ellington Airport, Houston, TX, used to demonstrate aerodynamics to anxious passengers. The photo was taken by Christopher Robins, cameraman, and is used with permission.

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