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Note from the Chairman

This is FLIER announces meetings and reminds you of meetings previously announced.

We continue Section meetings in Zoom format. Please see meeting announcements on the next pages and sign up. We are considering resuming in-person meetings in June.

We are planning additional meetings in April through June. Please check future FLIER issues for information.

We would appreciate your suggestions for future section meetings. Please send suggestions for topics and/or speakers to **davidsparis@twc.com** or to any other member of the Long Island Section Council.

Thank you,

Dave Paris, 516-458-8593 davidsparis@twc.com

EVENTS CALENDAR

March 20, AIAA Niagara Frontier Section Webinar, John Blanton, "The History of the World's Most Successful Aircraft Engine Program - The CFM56." Details on page 3.

March 22, AIAA Long Island Section Zoom meeting. Jim Cavera. "Future Propulsion: Nuclear Fission, Fusion, and Beyond." Discussion on page 2.

March 26, Tri-state Engineering Expo. At White Plains High School. Details on page 4.

April 27, Plans for our next meeting are in progress.

April 30, Deadline for submission of student-written essays for the 2023 AIAA Essay Contest. Essays must be written by the student. Computer-generated essays are not acceptable. Details on page 5.

Watch this space for news of future meetings.

The James Webb and Hubble Space Telescopes and orbiting spacecraft continue to reveal new information about our universe. Juno continues to take revealing pictures of Jupiter's moons and will provide even better pictures of Io (from just 930 miles) before the end of this year.

The Perseverance rover on Mars is storing capsules of Mars soil for a future mission that will bring these samples to Earth.









NASA concept fusion reaction propulsion spacecraft

AIAA/SWE/ASME/ISA/IEEE (AESS) Joint Zoom Section Meeting

Wednesday, Mar. 22, 2023

Mr. Jim Cavera AIAA Distinguished Speaker Senior Engineer Blue Origin

"Future Propulsion: Nuclear Fission, Fusion, and Beyond"

- Location: Zoom Meeting online Link will be sent to those who register
- Time:6:30 PMSocial Time7:00 PMPresentation

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED RSVP BY March 21, 2023 davidsparis@twc.com or (516) 458-8593

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Nuclear propulsion promises performance many orders of magnitude better than chemical propulsion. Chemical propulsion can give us the moon, but nuclear propulsion can give us the solar system and even the stars. In this talk, the theoretical underpinnings of nuclear propulsion, the historical experiments, and the prospects for the future will be discussed.

Jim Cavera is a senior engineer with Blue Origin. He has undergraduate degrees in optical engineering and physics, and his graduate work was in nuclear engineering and aerospace engineering, during which he explored the use of dense plasma focus devices for interstellar travel. He has served for many years on AIAA's Nuclear and Future Flight Technical Committee and is currently its vice chair. His current research is in neutronics and MHD codes for fusion device simulation.

Directions: Click on the link in the meeting invitation you will receive after signing up for the meeting.



Please join us this month when John Blanton, retired General Electric Chief Consulting Engineer, discusses the development of the engine that powers the vast majority of Boeing 737s and Airbus A320s, the most popular commercial airliners in the world. Dr. Blanton has B.S., M.S. and PhD degrees in Mechanical Engineering from Virginia Tech and continues to teach and consult via his company Classic Engineering, LLC. He is an active leader and passionate supporter of both AIAA and ASME, is a Fellow in both societies, and currently serves as the chairman of the AIAA Carolina Section.

Pre-registration is required. Use this link <u>https://tinyurl.com/yckp8ax2</u> to register and receive your invitation to attend on the 20th.



The Long Island Section will judge essays submitted for both 7th and 8th grades together. The best 7th and 8th grade essays will be submitted to the SSTC.

THEME:

" Choose one aspect of the James Webb Space Telescope, describe how it works, and explain why it leads us to new discoveries and to answer important questions about the universe." **REOUIREMENTS:**

 Typewritten essay, double-spaced, Times New Roman 12 pt, font, in 500-1,000 words

 Include student name, teacher name, grade, and school name printed at the top of the essay

 Submit essay by e-mail to the Long Island Section at <u>davidsparis@twc.com</u>. Include student name, and teacher name, phone, e-mail, and mailing address, for notification and awards in the body of the e-mail.

JUDGING CRITERIA

1. Originality of ideas presented (30%)

2. Soundness of logic used to develop ideas (30%)

3. Realism of ideas presented (20%)

 Quality of composition and clarity of expression (20%)

NATIONAL PRIZES:

1st place will be awarded \$125. 2nd place will be awarded \$75. 3rd place will be awarded \$50.

Winners will be publicly announced in the September 2023 issue of Aerospace America magazine. ELIGIBILITY: Any seventh or eighth grader (or equivalent).

SUBMISSIONS OR QUESTIONS FOR LI SECTION:

E-mail Dave Paris at davidsparis@twc.com

SUBMISSIONS OR QUESTIONS FOR SSTC:

If you wish to avoid the LI contest, submit "atlarge" to Jeff Puschell, at jjpuschell@raytheon.com.

Send questions about the SSTC contest by Email to Anthony Shao-Berkery ant.shao@gmail.com Erica Rodgers erica.rodgers@nasa.gov Smrithi Keetthiyarman smrithik@umich.edu

DEADLINE: Final submission deadline to the Long Island AIAA section is April 30, 2023. Local winners and their teachers will be notified in May 2023. National winners and their teachers will be notified in June.

LONG ISLAND SECTION PRIZES:

Seventh & Eighth Grade essays judged together 1st place: \$300 award 2nd place: \$200 award 3rd place: \$100 award If the Long Island Section is able to hold an Annual Dinner Meeting, all winners will be invited.



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