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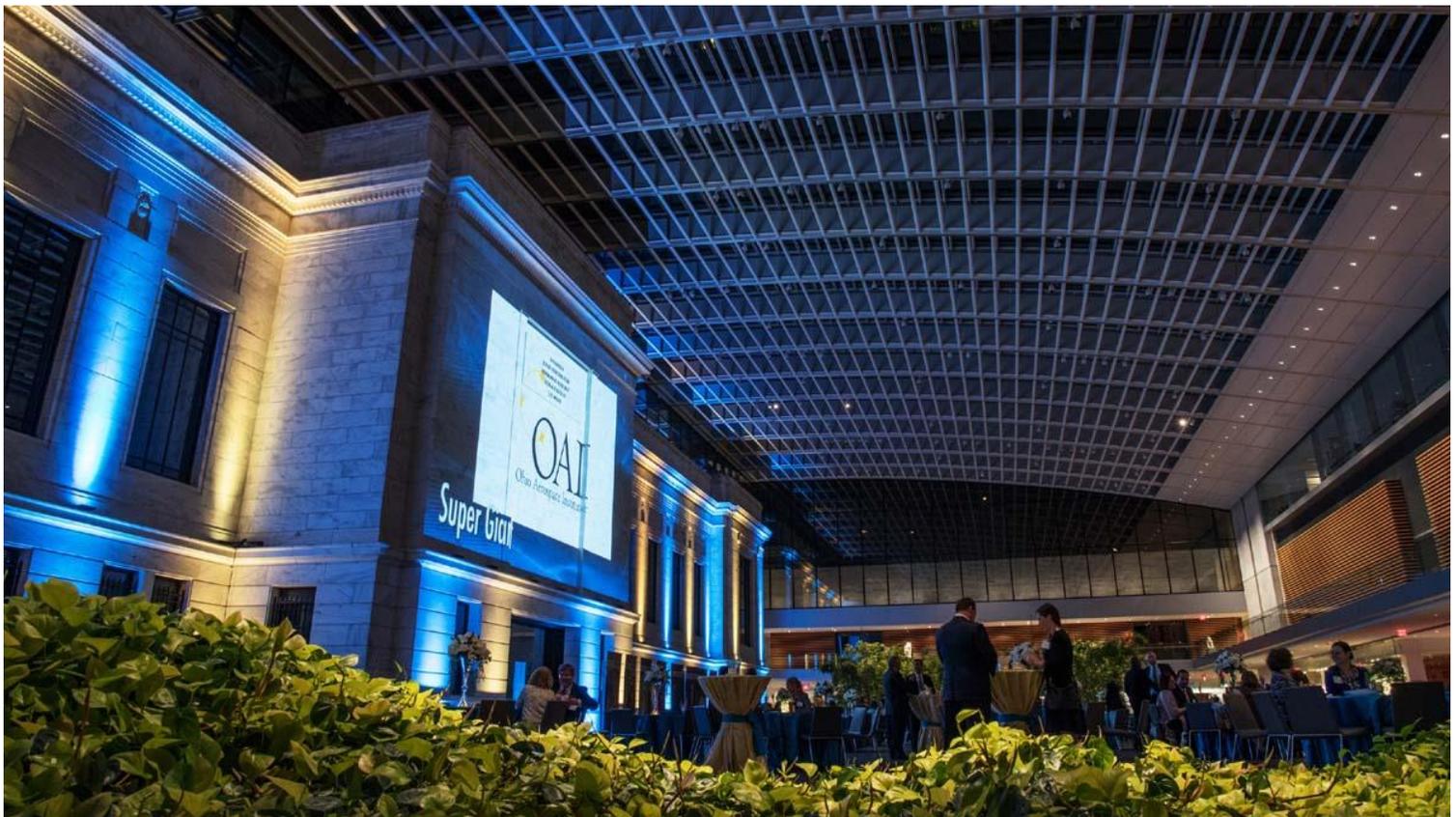
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AIAA Northern Ohio Section Proudly Sponsors NASA Evening with the Stars

The AIAA NOS sponsored, along with multiple other aerospace companies and organizations, an evening celebrating 75 years of innovation at NASA Glenn Research Center (GRC), held at the Cleveland Museum of Art on September 20, 2016. The event consisted of a formal reception and presentations. The three main presentations focused on Our Past (successful technology spinoffs), Our Present (work on the Orion Program), and Your Future (New Aviation Horizons). One of the "Stars," Dr. James Heidmann, is an AIAA Associate Fellow and NOS member. The event featured industry and government leaders, including a video appearance by NASA Administrator Charlie Bolden and opening remarks by GRC Director Janet Kavandi. Jonathan Litt, NOS Secretary, was in attendance to represent the NOS council.



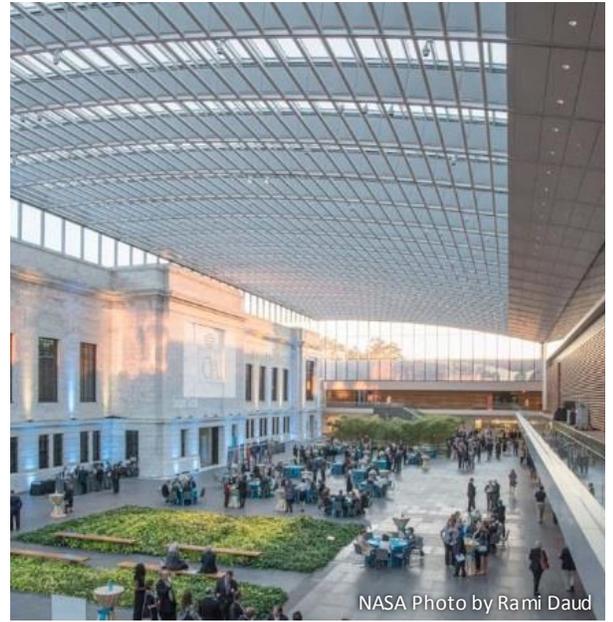
AIAA NOS Secretary Jonathan Litt attending the NASA Evening with the Stars event. AIAA NOS's sponsorship is acknowledged in the background, projected on the north façade of the Cleveland Museum of Art's 1916 building (photo courtesy of Maria Litt).



The Evening with the Stars reception was held in the beautiful Ames Family Atrium at the Cleveland Museum of Art (NASA Photo by Rami Daud).



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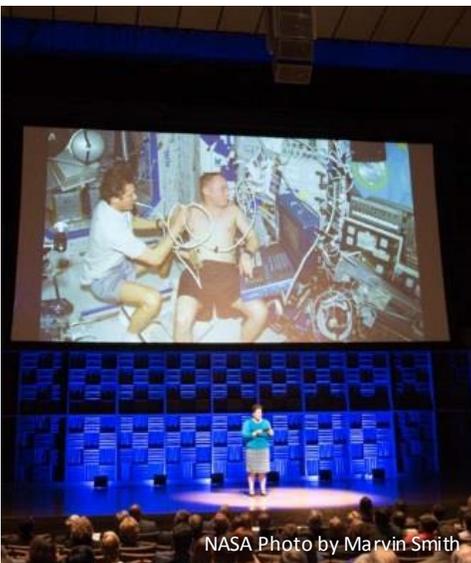
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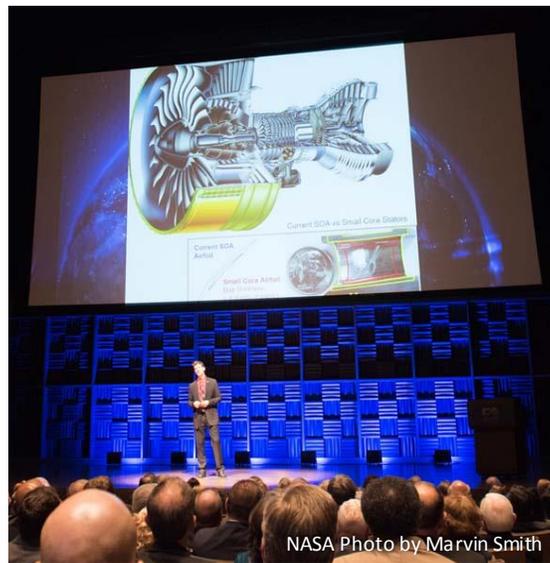
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AIAA NOS 2016 Awards and Honors Picnic

On August 31, 2016, the AIAA Northern Ohio Section (NOS) gathered at the NASA Glenn Research Center (GRC) Picnic Grounds to recognize award recipients and celebrate the accomplishments of the past year. As the event commenced, approximately 50 participants had the opportunity to spend some time socializing, renewing acquaintances and enjoying a wonderful picnic dinner comprising barbequed ribs, brisket, pork, chicken, and side dishes catered by [Famous Dave's Bar-B-Que](#). Following the meal, honorees were recognized. Attendees also participated in a raffle for a pair of tickets to attend the NASA Evening with the Stars event, which is co-sponsored by NOS and takes place on September 20th. Congratulations to Maria and Jonathan (NOS Secretary) Litt for winning the raffle.

To view additional photos taken during the festivities, please visit the link below to the photo album posted on the AIAA NOS Facebook page:

[Photo Album: AIAA NOS Awards & Honors Picnic 2016](#)



AIAA NOS Section Chair Jim Gilland announcing this year's honorees with the help of some enthusiastic young assistants (Picnic photos by Edmond Wong).



Approximately 50 attendees gathered at the NASA Picnic Grounds to recognize award recipients, celebrate accomplishments and enjoy a barbeque dinner.



AIAA Northern Ohio Section Wins 2015-2016 AIAA Section Awards

Congratulations to the Northern Ohio Section for their wins in the recently announced American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA) Section Awards for the 2015-2016 operating year. The Section Awards honor particularly notable achievements made by member sections that help fulfill the Institute's mission. The Institute believes that vital, active sections are essential to its success.

In the Outstanding Section Award category, NOS received Second Place (James Gilland, Section Chair). This award is presented based upon overall activities and contributions through the year.

For the Career and Professional Development Award, NOS received Second Place (James Gilland, Section Chair). This award is presented for section activities that focus on career development, such as time management workshops, career transition workshops, job benefits workshops, and technical versus management career path workshops.

In the Communication Award category, NOS received First Place (Edmond Wong, Communications Officer). This award is presented to sections that have developed and implemented an outstanding communications outreach program.

For the STEM K-12 Award, NOS received Second Place (Tie) (Julie Kleinhenz, STEM K-12 Outreach Officer). This award is presented to sections that have developed and implemented an outstanding STEM K-12 outreach program that provides quality education resources for K-12 teachers in the STEM subject areas.

In the Public Policy Award category, NOS received Second Place (Amber Abbott-Hearn, Public Policy Officer). This award is presented for stimulating public awareness of the needs and benefits of aerospace research and development, particularly on the part of government representatives, and for educating section members about the value of public policy activities.

For the Young Professionals Activity Award, NOS received First Place (Tie) (Roger Tokars, Young Professionals Officer). This award is presented for excellence in planning and executing events that encourage the participation of the Institute's young professional members, and provide opportunities for leadership at the section, regional, or national level.

Section awards are made in five membership size categories: Very Small, Small, Medium, Large and Very Large. NOS received its honors in the Large Section category.

AIAA Northern Ohio Section Associate Fellows Announced

The American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA) recently announced its Class of 2017 Associate Fellows, which includes six Northern Ohio Section members:

- Jonathan Burt, NASA Glenn Research Center
- Victor A. Canacci, Jacobs Aerospace & Technology Inc.
- Ann O. Heyward, Ohio Aerospace Institute
- Kevin J. Melcher, NASA Glenn Research Center
- Michael L. Meyer, NASA Glenn Research Center
- Gerard E. Welch, NASA Glenn Research Center

The grade of Associate Fellow recognizes individuals "who have accomplished or been in charge of important engineering or scientific work, or who have done original work of outstanding merit, or who have otherwise made outstanding contributions to the arts, sciences, or technology of aeronautics or astronautics." To be selected as an Associate Fellow, an individual must be an AIAA Senior Member in good standing, with at least twelve years of professional experience, and be recommended by a minimum of three current Associate Fellows.

AIAA will formally honor and induct the class at its AIAA Associate Fellows Recognition Ceremony and Dinner on Monday, January 9, 2017, at the Gaylord Texan Hotel & Convention Center, Grapevine, Texas, in conjunction with the AIAA Science and Technology Forum and Exposition 2017 (AIAA SciTech 2017), January 9-13.

AIAA NOS Sponsors NASA Intern/Faculty Picnic

The NASA Glenn summer programs for high school and college interns and faculty fellows have a combined picnic as their culminating event. The food and drinks are provided through the students' fundraising efforts and through the support of the external organizations. AIAA NOS is a sponsor of the picnic as one of its outreach activities. This year's event was held on July 28, 2016, at the NASA Glenn Picnic Grounds. It was attended by well over 100 students, mentors, faculty fellows, and colleagues. The support of AIAA NOS was acknowledged from the podium.

NASA Intern/Faculty Conference Day

AIAA NOS Secretary Jonathan Litt made a presentation entitled, "Professional Societies—Importance to Your Career and Professional Life," to the NASA Glenn Summer Interns on July 13, 2016. The purpose of the presentation was to introduce the interns to the benefits of participating in Professional Societies, including publishing, career development, and networking. The presentation was made under the auspices of the AIAA NOS, but was fairly general since the interns represent a wide range of majors. Although the outreach was general and broad, specific examples of AIAA membership benefits were presented.



AIAA NOS Secretary Jonathan Litt presents to summer interns at the NASA Glenn Intern/Faculty Conference Day (photo courtesy of Marvin Smith).

AIAA Indians Night

On September 24th, a sold-out group of forty AIAA members, their families, and guests cheered on the Indians as they sought to clinch their Conference Championship with a win over the Chicago White Sox. The omens were all there: fine, fall weather; a full house, dollar dog night, and forty experts on flying objects to help the Tribe batters along. Alas, a win was not to be, but not for lack of the Northern Ohio Sections' best cheers, fueled by the aforementioned dollar dogs! In consolation, the younger set in our section derived as much enjoyment from the victory of Ketchup over Mustard and Onion (Ketchup cheated), as from Indians hitting. The entire group stayed through the whole game, even the part where the White Sox started scoring almost at will, and were rewarded with a glorious fireworks show and the knowledge that the championship was still in sight. All thanks to the efforts of past Section Chair Chris Pestak, for reserving the tickets and leading the charge!



Enthusiastic NOS members, family and friends cheered on the Cleveland Indians as they took on the Chicago White Sox (photo courtesy of Jim Gilland).

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