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9- by 15-Foot Wind Tunnel Modification Underway

We're making an investment to upgrade the most utilized low-speed propulsion acoustic facility in the world. The 9- by 15-Foot Low-Speed Wind Tunnel is under construction to increase its capability by reducing the background noise levels in the test section. The upgrades will be completed at the end of next summer. The newly renovated tunnel will keep Glenn in the forefront of addressing long-term aircraft noise reduction challenges. Our test and construction staff are committed to employing sound safety practices to ensure successful completion of this complex project. Please observe the restricted access inside and outside the tunnel, as forklifts and cranes will be used for hardware delivery and assembly.

Your attentiveness to safety is appreciated!

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Dr. Kavandi gives welcoming remarks.



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Guests network and enjoy refreshments on the library patio.



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Glenn's Francisco Guzman, left, offers guests an inside view of the 8- by 6-Foot Supersonic Wind Tunnel using a head-mounted virtual reality device.

On the Cover: *Dr. Aaron Weaver discusses how the Space Launch System will enable future exploration of deep space destinations during An Evening With the Stars event.*

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Glenn's EWTS: Shaping the World of Tomorrow

The lamps of knowledge shone brightly throughout the Louis Stokes Wing of the Cleveland Public Library during “An Evening With the Stars (EWTS), NASA Glenn Shaping the World of Tomorrow” program, Sept. 12. The event featured presentations by Glenn researchers and a networking reception for more than 300 guests.

Glenn presented EWTS to increase awareness of the center and its unique contributions to research and technology that is shaping the world of tomorrow. For the fourth year in a row, the Ohio Aerospace Institute (OAI) coordinated sponsorship for the event that attracted more than 25 companies, universities and organizations.

Center Director Dr. Janet Kavandi recognized several key people for their support of this year's event, including OAI's new President and CEO Jeff Rolf and Executive Vice President Ann Heyward; the Ohio Aerospace and Aviation Council Chairman Dr. Carlos Grodsinsky, who is also ZIN Technologies' CEO and Senior Vice President of Technology; and the Cleveland Public Library Executive Director and CEO Felton Thomas Jr. and his staff as gracious hosts for the event.

Kavandi reflected on the decades of expertise at NASA Glenn responsible for the research and game-changing technology that has enabled exploration of the universe and revolutionized air travel. “The men and women of NASA Glenn possess the imagination to create a vision and the expertise and skill to transform that vision into technologies that will allow aircraft to fly faster and quieter, and allow our spacecraft to carry astronauts to new worlds while communicating over the vast distances of space,” she said.

Kavandi then introduced three of Glenn's “rising stars” who captivated the audience with presentations on the center's Facilities and Capabilities, Journey to Mars and Cognitive Communications work.

Mary Lobo, chief of Glenn's Test Facility Management Branch, spoke about “Bringing the Atmosphere and Space Down to Earth” using Glenn's unique testing facility capabilities to help reduce risks by simulating the harshest environment of flight and space.

Dr. Aaron Weaver, Glenn's contracting officer's representative for NASA's Space Launch System Program Universal Stage Adapter, shared Glenn's portfolio of testing and other activities for the Orion spacecraft and Space Launch System rocket, to usher in a new era of exploration—the “Threshold to the Next Space Age.”

Dr. Janette Briones, computer engineer and technical lead for NASA Glenn's Cognitive Communications Project for artificial intelligence and machine learning algorithm development, addressed “Next-Gen Communications,” critical to our ability to collaborate with other NASA centers and government agencies on land and/or in space.

By S. Jenise Veris

EWTS Project Manager Zachary Lucas and Champion Deputy Director Dr. Marla Pérez-Davis thank team members across the center, who helped make the event a success.



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Photo by Bridget Caswell

Lobo presents.



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Dr. Weaver presents.



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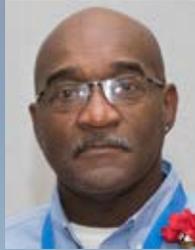
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Dr. Briones presents.

2017 NASA Agency Honor and Center Awards



Frate



Horn



Reehorst



Rohn



Welch



Calhoun



Babula



Dalton



Del Carmen



Del Roso



Johnson



Morris



Nolan



Butterfield



Grodsinsky



Guzik

HONOR AWARDS

DISTINGUISHED PUBLIC SERVICE MEDAL

Forman A. Williams*

OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP MEDAL

Marivell Baez*

David T. Frate

Cleve Horn

Sandra T. Reehorst

Dennis W. Rohn

Gary A. Ruff*

Gerard E. Welch

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY MEDAL

Cynthia C. Calhoun

EXCEPTIONAL SERVICE MEDAL

Maria Babula

Penni J. Dalton

Guillermo Del Carmen

Richard L. Del Roso

Joan V. Haug*

*Not in attendance



More than 100 NASA Glenn employees earned awards for their exemplary accomplishments in science, engineering, technology, leadership and administrative services during the 2017 NASA Agency Honor and Center Awards Ceremony, Aug. 23. Retired astronaut Michael T. Good assisted Center Director Dr. Janet Kavandi in awarding medals and certificates.



Zvosec



Bland



Ginty



Greenwalt



Havenhill



Koury



Lopez



Manthey



Niederhaus



Van Lear



Williams



Winter



Wittry



Bamberger



Melcher



Lewandowski



Bakhle



Manning



Padula



Sullivan

Susan M. Johnson
 Karen A. McLaughlin*
 Joseph E. Morris
 Susan E. Nolan
 George R. Schmidt*
 Richard N. Sorge*

EXCEPTIONAL PUBLIC SERVICE MEDAL

Paul R. Butterfield
 Carlos M. Grodsinsky
 Stephen J. Guzik
 Lesha P. Zvosec

EXCEPTIONAL ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL

Shanton V. Bland
 Carol A. Ginty
 Christine B. Greenwalt
 Maria A. Havenhill
 Leahmarie Koury
 Isaac Lopez
 Mark W. Manthey
 Charles E. Niederhaus
 Benjamin S. Van Lear
 Christopher J. Williams
 Gilbert A. Winter
 Jan M. Wittry

EXCEPTIONAL PUBLIC ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL

Helmut H. Bamberger

*Not in attendance



Zimmerli



Arnett



Gallagher



Hartwig

**EXCEPTIONAL ENGINEERING
ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL**

Kevin J. Melcher

**EXCEPTIONAL SCIENTIFIC
ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL**

Beth E. Lewandowski

**EXCEPTIONAL TECHNOLOGY
ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL**

Milind A. Bakhle

Robert M. Manning

Santo A. Padula

Roy M. Sullivan

Gregory A. Zimmerli



Holodnak



Lobo



Moss



Oriti

**EARLY CAREER
ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL**

Lori A. Arnett

Rochelle L. Gallagher

Jason W. Hartwig

Melissa R. Holodnak

Mary J. Lobo

Antoine D. Moss

Kathryn Oriti

Nicholas A. Schifer

Elliot A. Schmidt

Cory A. Smith

Mary A. Sours

Aaron J. Swank



Schifer



Schmidt



Smith



Sours



Swank



Bowman



Chapman



Cook

**SILVER ACHIEVEMENT
MEDAL (INDIVIDUAL)**

Cheryl L. Bowman

Jeffryes W. Chapman

Sandra Cook

Mark A. George*

Jason M. Hanna

Katherine A. Harcula

Christopher A. Hartenstine

Dallas R. Jenkins



Hanna



Harcula



Hartenstine



Jenkins



Loyselle



McIntyre



Nazario



Palivoda

*Not in attendance



Ryant



Del Rosario



Henry



Phillips



Acquaviva



Blankschaen



Downey



Nolan



Palivoda



Schroeder



Patricia L. Loyselle
 Leah M. McIntyre
 Margaret L. Nazario
 Monica M. Palivoda
 Denise L. Ryant

SILVER ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL (GROUP)

Advanced Electric Propulsion SEB Team
 Advanced Exploration Systems Modular Power Systems (AMPS) Modular Fuel Cells Team
 Glenn Research Center AS9100C Recertification Team
 Journey to Tomorrow Upgrade Team
 NASA Glenn 75th Anniversary Book Team
 Small Acquisition Transition (SAT) Team

SENIOR EXECUTIVE SERVICE APPOINTMENT

Rubèn Del Rosario
 Laura A. Henry

PRESIDENTIAL RANK AWARD

Alan H. Phillips

GROUP ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

75th Anniversary Open House Planning and Execution Team
 Aerospace Ground Test Facilities Funding Model Team
 Altitude Combustion Stand Reactivation Team
 BLI2DTF Technology Development and Test Team
 CAS Collaboration Rooms Team

European Service Module (ESM) Structural Test Article Team

Glenn Extreme Environments Rig Team

Glenn Technology Transfer Office Licensing Team

Mechanical Vibration Facility Commissioning Team

NASA's STEP Level 2 Cohort Team

The Agreement Business Process Design and Documentation (BPDD) Team

The Orbital Maneuvering System Engine/Thrust Vector Control (OMS-E/TVC) Project Team

FORTY-YEAR SERVICE AWARD

Cynthia S. Acquaviva
 James A. Blankschaen
 Alan N. Downey
 Henry F. Kacher*
 Randall R. Kwasny*
 Anderson K. Marlow, Jr.*
 Susan E. Nolan
 Monica M. Palivoda
 Thomas H. St. Onge*
 Dale K. Stalnaker*

FORTY-FIVE-YEAR SERVICE AWARD

Jimmy Simek*
 Donald Swedinovich, Jr.*

FIFTY-YEAR SERVICE AWARD

Marvin E. Goldstein*
 Lawrence J. Schroeder, Jr.

*Not in attendance



Steven V. Szabo Engineering Excellence Award



Craftsmanship Award—Assembly and Build-up



Craftsmanship Award—Manufacturing Technologies

CENTER AWARDS

STEVEN V. SZABO ENGINEERING EXCELLENCE AWARD

BLI2DTF Inlet Rakes Engineering Design
Development Team

David J. Arend	David R. Root
John Z. Gyekenyesi	Tony D. Shook
Thomas G. Gyekenyesi	Scott R. Thomas <i>(retired)</i>
Charles A. Herrmann	John D. Wolter
Quynhgio N. Nguyen	

CRAFTSMANSHIP AWARD

Assembly and Build-up

Propulsion Drive Electronics (PDE)
Connectors—Orion European Service Module
(ESM) at White Sands Test Facility Team

Andrew S. Fausnaugh
Robert A. Paulin

Manufacturing Technologies

Boundary Layer Ingestion Inlet Distortion
Tolerant Fan (BLI2DTF) Instrumentation Team

Timothy A. Dunlap
Derrick L. Espenschied
Christopher R. Metro

2016 DISTINGUISHED PUBLICATION AWARD

Prolonged Silicon Carbide Integrated
Circuit Operations in Venus Surface
Atmospheric Conditions

Philip G. Neudeck	David J. Spry
Roger D. Meredith	Leah M. Nakley
Liangyu Chen	Gary W. Hunter

DIVERSITY LEADERSHIP AWARD

Joseph W. Connolly
Vincent E. Satterwhite

SAFETY AWARD (CIVIL SERVANT)

Calogero Dirienzo*

SAFETY AWARD (CONTRACTOR)

Scott D. Mahnke

*Not in attendance



Connolly



Satterwhite



Mahnke



Ruffner



Jeziorowski



Berndt



Kelly



Roser



Salvo



Barrett



Kortez



Millard



2016 Distinguished Publication Award



Matthews



SUPERVISOR AWARD

Timothy J. Ruffner
Luz Y. Jeziorowski

**SUPPORT ASSISTANT/
CLERICAL AWARD**

Wendy A. Berndt
Denise A. Kelly
Kathryn M. Roser
Mary A. Salvo

**FEDERAL ACQUISITION
CERTIFICATION FOR
PROGRAM AND PROJECT
MANAGERS**

Michael J. Barrett
Trudy F. Kortez

**GRC LARGE BUSINESS
PRIME CONTRACTOR
OF THE YEAR**

Aerojet Rocketdyne

**GRC SMALL BUSINESS
PRIME CONTRACTOR
OF THE YEAR**

Summit Technologies and
Solutions, Incorporated

**GRC SMALL BUSINESS
TECHNICAL PERSON
OF THE YEAR**

Debra Millard

**GRC SMALL BUSINESS
PROCUREMENT PERSON
OF THE YEAR**

Ronald Matthews

**NASA SMALL BUSINESS
PRIME SOCIOECONOMIC
GOAL ACHIEVEMENT**

Glenn Research Center

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To view the 2017 Honor and Center Awards Ceremony booklet with award citations and team members, visit <https://events.grc.nasa.gov/honorawards/>

Glenn Staff Showcase Aeronautics Research During Dr. Shin's Visit

NASA Associate Administrator of the Aeronautics Research Mission Directorate (ARMD) Dr. Jaiwon Shin visited NASA Glenn, Aug. 24–25. Shin met with senior managers, toured several facilities at Lewis Field and Plum Brook Station and held a Town Hall meeting where he presented ARMD awards.



GRC-2017-C-05820 Photos by Marvin Smith
Left to right: Pérez-Davis, Lopez and Dr. Shin.



GRC-2017-C-05821
Left to right: Pérez-Davis, Dr. Wiesner and Dr. Shin.



GRC-2017-C-05822
Left to right: Pérez-Davis, Bridges and Dr. Shin.

During his Town Hall presentation, “A New Era of Aviation,” Shin talked about the concept of a convergence of disparate technologies. This involves taking different existing technologies and combining them into something new. Two innovative examples of this concept are drones and smartphones. “We need to look at what’s happening in other industrial sectors and relate that back to aviation,” Shin said.

Deputy Center Director Dr. Marla Pérez-Davis and Director of Aeronautics Dr. Rubén Del Rosario assisted Shin in presenting the ARMD awards to Glenn employees. These prestigious awards recognize accomplishments that had a profound positive impact and benefit to ARMD, its partners and/or stakeholders.

Shin presented trophies and certificates to two individual winners and a group honorable mention:

Leadership and Management Excellence Award: Issac Lopez

For leadership in team and resource management for the Convergent Aeronautics Solutions Project under the Transformative Aeronautics Concepts program.

High Potentials: Dr. Valerie Wiesner

For her leadership, insight and research into the effects of environmental factors on high-temperature engine materials.

Technology and Innovation Honorable Mention:

Commercial Supersonics Low Noise Propulsion Technical Challenge Team led by Jim Bridges.

Del Rosario also recognized two project teams for their contributions, dedication and professionalism in support of Aeronautics at Glenn:

Quiet Supersonic Technology (QueSST) team:

For outstanding contributions and customer service during the aerodynamic and propulsion testing of the QueSST model in the 8- by 6-foot wind tunnel.

Boundary Layer Ingesting Inlet/Distortion Tolerant Fan (BLI2DTF) team:

For outstanding contributions and success in completing, in a compressed test schedule, an extremely complicated test that included an elegant and sophisticated model design, integration into the 8- by 6-foot wind tunnel.

Additionally, **Doug Rohn**, recent retiree with 40 years of NASA service, was recognized for his accomplishments, leadership and faithful service to NASA and Glenn in the area of Aeronautics.

By Doreen B. Zudell

PROMOTIONS



Bury



Reid



Zoloty

Kristen Bury has been selected Integration Manager in the European Service Module Integration Office (EIO), Space Flight Systems Directorate. She will be responsible for supporting vehicle integration, the Joint Safety and Engineering Review Panel, European Service Module (ESM) reviews, and reporting and issues coordination for the Orion vehicle.

Concha Reid has been selected Bilateral Exchange Manager in the European Service Module (ESM) Integration Office, Space Flight Systems Directorate. Reid previously served as a battery and energy storage specialist, prior to a detail last year managing NASA ESM-2 deliverable agreements for the Orion program.

Lawrence C. Zoloty has been selected Deputy Chief of the Human Capital Management and Consulting Division. Zoloty has served as the lead of the Employee and Labor Relations Team, and the past 5 years as Labor Relations Officer, a position he will retain.

RETIREMENTS



Haeberle



Satterwhite

Arlette Haeberle, Planning and Integration Office, Facilities, Test & Manufacturing Directorate, retired Sept. 30, 2017, with 36 ½ years of service.

Vincent Satterwhite, Aviation Environments Technical Branch, Testing Division, retired August 31, 2017, with 33 years of service.

Attention Retirees! To electronically subscribe to *AeroSpace Frontiers*, email grc-aerospacefrontiers-subscribe@lists.nasa.gov.

MORE THAN A MEMORY



Signorelli

Robert A. Signorelli, 89, a 1985 retiree with 35 years of service, died Aug. 17. Signorelli was a materials research scientist. He was a member of NASA Lewis's advanced composites development team that earned national recognition for developing and testing materials for improved performance and costs applied to aircraft turbine blades, engines and fans, space vehicles and advanced power and propulsion generating systems. Signorelli's expertise was in metal matrix composites, one of the three major advanced composites.

NATIONAL DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT AWARENESS MONTH

Glenn's annual observance is Tuesday, Oct. 31, from 2 to 3:30 p.m. in the Ad Building Auditorium. This year's theme is "Inclusion Drives Innovation." POC: Angela Pierce, 3-2813

NOVEMBER OUTDOOR SIREN TESTING

The Emergency Management Office staff will conduct an outdoor "voice" test at Building 87 on Wednesday, Nov. 1, at Lewis Field. An audible siren test focusing on the "all clear" tone will be conducted on Saturday, Nov. 4. POC: Allen Turner, 3-6826

IFPTE LOCAL 28, LESA MEETING

LESA will hold its next membership meeting, Wednesday, Nov. 8, noon, in the Glenn Employee Center's Small Dining Room.

NATIVE AMERICAN OBSERVANCE MONTH

Glenn's annual observance is Thursday, Nov. 9, from 9 to 11 a.m. in the MIC Auditorium. The speaker will be Mark Abotossaway. This year's theme is "Traditional Knowledge. New Ideas. A Better World." POC: Dimeta Hughes, 3-3616

FEHB OPEN SEASON

Federal Employee Health Benefits (FEHB) Open Season runs Nov. 12 through Dec. 11, 2017. Glenn's FEHB Open Season Fair will be held Tuesday, Nov. 14, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Upper Level of the Main Cafeteria, Bldg. 15. POC: Rhonda Billick, 3-6286

NASA RETIRED WOMEN'S LUNCHEON

The next luncheon is Thursday, Nov. 16, at 1 p.m. at Old Vienna Restaurant, 30111 Lorain Rd, North Olmsted. Please reserve your place with Gerry Ziemba at goto64gerry@yahoo.com or 330-273-4850.

Deadline for next calendar section is **Oct. 20, noon**. News and feature stories require additional time.





Two Employees Presented SFA Honoree Awards

Glenn's Michael Belair and Carrie Green received the prestigious Space Flight Awareness (SFA) Honoree Award, Aug. 16. The VIP event, held at the Hyatt Regency Grand Cypress Hotel in Orlando, included viewing the Tracking Data and Relay Satellite (TDRS)-M mission launch, Aug. 18, at Kennedy Space Center in Cape Canaveral, Florida.

The SFA awards program is a NASA-managed motivational and recognition program for NASA and contractor employees who have major responsibilities for human spaceflight mission success.

Belair received the award for outstanding leadership and contributions to the development of the Orion European Service Module (ESM). As the NASA component engineer responsible for oversight of the ESM Auxiliary Engine, Belair is the NASA technical representative in numerous major project boards. His actions have led to prevention of potential flight failure and timely delivery of the EM-1 flight engines.

Green received the award for excellence in her commitment to safety and technical leadership for the European Service Module (ESM) Propulsion Subsystem Project (PSS) at Glenn. As the Safety and Mission Assurance Lead on ESM PSS, Green provides oversight to the European Space Agency (ESA)/Airbus by breaking boundaries between organizations and working cooperatively with multiple NASA centers and ESA/Airbus to resolve safety concerns with the current design.

Anita Liang, director of Glenn's Safety and Mission Assurance Directorate, joined astronauts Steve Bowen and Nicole Mann and NASA Deputy Associate Administrator for Policy and Plans, Human Exploration and Operations Mission Directorate, Greg Williams in presenting the awards.

By S. Jenise Veris



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Pictured, left to right: Liang, Bowen, Belair and his mother Denise, Mann and Williams.



GRC-2017-CN-00059

Photo by NASA/KSC

Pictured, left to right: Liang, Bowen, Green and her husband Michael, Mann and Williams.

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Plum Brook Station: 419-621-3333

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