

## Associate Fellows are Announced

The AIAA Associate Fellows of 2004 have been announced. This year the membership standing of Associate Fellow was granted to 193 members worldwide. This position recognizes those 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. Nominees must be Senior Members with at least 12 years of professional experience. Three AIAA member references with the standing of the Associate Fellow, Fellow or Honorary Fellow are required. Nominations are due annually on the 15<sup>th</sup> of April, with references required by the 15<sup>th</sup> of May.

The newly elected 2004 Associate Fellows will receive a certificate and lapel pin, and will be honored at this year's AIAA Foundation Associate Fellows Dinner, to be held on January 5, 2004 at the 42<sup>nd</sup> AIAA Aerospace Sciences Meeting and Exhibit in Reno, Nevada.

The elected 2004 Associate Fellows from the Alabama-Mississippi Section are:

Michelle D. Bailey	G. Alan Lowrey
Biliyar N. Bhat	Paul L. Luz
Jonathan W. Campbell	Lon F. Miller
William J. Escher	Steven R. Noneman
D. Brian Landrum	Jeffrey A. Roux
John O. Lassiter	Muhammad A.R. Sharif
George M. Lide	

### CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!

**NOTE:** To request upgrade information or nomination forms, contact customer service at 800/639-AIAA or 703/264-7500, or visit our Web site at <http://www.aiaa.org>.

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## AL-MS Section Receives Recognition from AIAA HQ

AIAA Headquarters in Reston, VA has recently announced the Section Awards for the 2002-03 section year. 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 - bottom 15.5% of the sections, Small - next 23%, Medium - next 23%, Large - next 23% and Very Large - top 15.5%. A cash award and certificate is presented to each of the winning sections: First Place receives \$500; Second Place receives \$200; and Third Place receives \$100. The award period is from June 1, 2002 to May 31, 2003.

Competing in the Very Large category for 2002-03, the AL-MS Section received the Second Place Outstanding Section Award. This award is presented to sections judged on their overall activities and contributions throughout the year. The Section also received the Third Place Communications Award. This award is presented to sections that have developed and implemented an outstanding communication outreach program during the section year.

Competition for these awards is very strong, and many thanks go to all those volunteers who helped provide this recognition.

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## Monthly Electronic News from AIAA

AIAA does an increasing amount of its business via email. It is an inexpensive, almost instantaneous way to contact AIAA members; over the past two years, email has become a primary channel of communication with our members worldwide.

AIAA needs to be able to keep our members informed, but we want to be considerate of your time. We want to alert you to the products and services that will help develop you personally and professionally, but we do not want to be lumped in with spam offers. We want to be able to contact you by the most efficient means possible, thus making your membership dues go as far as possible.

Therefore, AIAA Headquarters will launch a new product this month aimed at informing the membership of what AIAA has to offer; a monthly electronic newsletter that is geared to be a "quick read." If you are interested in a specific headline, simply click on it for more information. If you want more information about a membership program, conference, publication, or professional development course, you will be one click away from more in-depth information. In other words, this newsletter will deliver timely and relevant information right to your email in-box.

If your email address changes, please make sure your member record is updated so that you will not miss out on the AIAA Headquarters Newsletter and the important information it contains!

# Let's Talk About Mars!

Who: Mark Adler, Mars Exploration Rover Mission  
Manager

Date: Monday, November 3, 2003

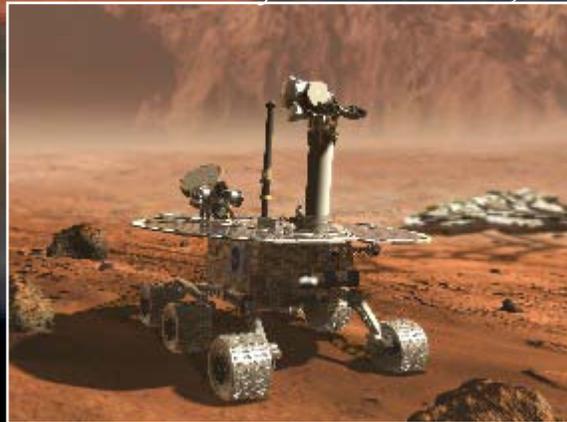
Time: 6:15 p.m., Social  
7:00 p.m., Dinner

Place: Holiday Inn at Research Park

Cost: \$25 per person (\$15 for full-time students)

Reservations: Joe Sims, 544-4650 or  
[Joseph.D.Sims@nasa.gov](mailto:Joseph.D.Sims@nasa.gov)

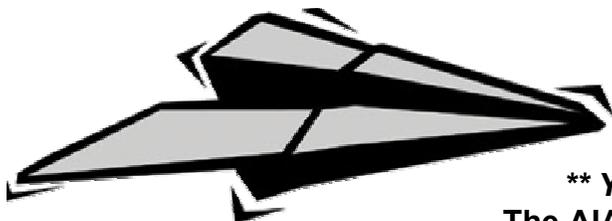
(Reservations must be received by 12:00 noon, Thursday, Oct. 30)



**Everyone is welcome!!**



# 10th Annual Great Paper Airplane Contest



**\*\* Your Event Host \*\***  
The AIAA Student Chapter at  
The University of Alabama in Huntsville (UAH)



**1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Place  
Awards**

**Competition Categories:**

- Aerobatics
- Time of Flight
- Distance
- Accuracy
- Artistic

*Anyone  
Can  
COMPETE!*

**Friday  
November 7, 2003  
3:30pm to 5:30pm**  
Awards presented at 5:15pm

This year's competition  
will be held at the  
**UAH University Center  
Exhibit Hall**

**Rules:**

- Paper ONLY.
- No Metal, Ceramics, Plastics, Composites.
- Tape and glue are OK.
- All flying entries MUST be launched by hand (NO RUBBER BANDS).
- No FLYING DISKS, MISSILES, etc.
- ONLY ONE entry in EACH flying category.
- Unlimited Artistic Entries.
- Judges Decisions are FINAL.

**Age Groups:**

- Under 7
- 8 – 13
- 14 – 17
- 18 – 21
- Over 21

*For more information,  
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## Highlights from the September Dinner



Section Vice-Chairman Joe Sims (left) thanks Art Stephenson for addressing the Section at the dinner. Mr. Stephenson is the former Director of NASA/MSFC, and is currently Special Assistant to the Associate Administrator for Education. Mr. Stephenson spoke about his current duties and the necessity of the aerospace community to support public education. It was made clear that such support was essential to protect the industry's global leadership in the future.

Section Chairman Steve Noneman (right) congratulates Alfred Ritter on his long time participation with the Institute. An AIAA Fellow, Dr. Ritter received recognition for his 60-year membership anniversary. Dr. Ritter had been a member of the American Rocket Society prior to the Society's merger with the Institute of Aerospace Science to create the AIAA.



Dinner attendees included science teachers from the Tennessee public school system. The teachers are also AIAA Educator Associates. Standing with speaker Art Stephenson are Educator Associates (from left to right) Ms. Doreen Forsythe, Ms. Anita Pahman, and Ms. Juliet Sisk.

### Upcoming Conferences (through January 2004)

- AIAA 3rd Annual Aviation Technology, Integration, and Operations (ATIO) Technical Forum. 17-19 November 2003. Denver, Colorado.
- AIAA 3rd Biennial National Forum on Weapon System Effectiveness. 18-20 November 2003. Seal Beach, California.
- 12th AIAA International Space Planes and Hypersonic Systems and Technologies. 15-19 December 2003. Norfolk Waterside Marriott. Norfolk, Virginia. Early Bird Deadline: 13 November 2003.
- Habitation 2004 (AIAA Cosponsored Event). 4-7 January 2004. Orlando, Florida.
- 42nd AIAA Aerospace Sciences Meeting and Exhibit. 5-8 January 2004. Reno Hilton. Reno, Nevada. Early Bird Deadline: 08 December 2003
- The Annual Reliability and Maintainability Symposium (AIAA Cosponsored Event). 26-29 January 2004. Los Angeles, California.

**For more information, go to [www.aiaa.org](http://www.aiaa.org) and click “conferences/workshops”.**

**Or call: (800) 639-AIAA**

### ...And for your car, Aviation or Space Tags!

The Alabama Aerospace Teachers' Association (AATA) invites you to purchase a distinctive Aviation Tag and/or Space Tag, Alabama's two newest vehicle license plate designs. Proceeds from the sale of these tags will go to K-12 classrooms across the state to promote math and science education using thematic learning. Through this learning technique, many teachers incorporate aviation and/or space activities into their lesson plans as a tool for demonstrating principles, formulas, and topics. And proceeds from tag purchases will be spent in the county in which they were received.

So how does this funding work? Each month the Alabama Department of Revenue will report the number of license plates that are sold or renewed in each county to the AATA. Proceeds from sales will be transferred by the Alabama Department of Revenue to the AATA to be allocated to each school system through TeacherNet®. Each school system in Alabama participates in TeacherNet by designating three System TeacherNet Representatives (STNR); one for each for primary, intermediate, and secondary schools within the system. 80% of these funds will be allocated for classroom support and 20% for scholarships. STNR's select classrooms within their system grade levels to receive funded aerospace-themed curriculum, projects and resources. And STNR's impanel a scholarship selection committee within each school system that selects student candidates for college scholarships.

For more information, go to [www.aviationtag.org](http://www.aviationtag.org) or [www.spacetag.org](http://www.spacetag.org).



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