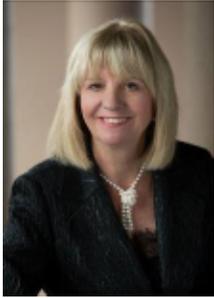




**President's Message**



It is hard to believe this beautiful summer is almost over. As the fall is upon us, I am very excited for the upcoming programs WIA – Canada has planned in the next few months. From leadership events, professional development, lunch and learns, and all of our annual events, you will not want to miss a single event.

This organization was started for our members; we appreciate your comments and suggestions. We are in the process of

developing our program for 2017, any speakers you would like to hear or topics you would like covered please contact Leigh Kras @ [leigh.kras@wia-canada.org](mailto:leigh.kras@wia-canada.org).

Looking ahead we are very optimistic about reaching our goal of increasing membership by 20 % both individually and corporate. Please help us reach our goal by encouraging your co-workers, friends and companies to join.

**Val Wilson**  
*President, Women in Aerospace Canada*

**Upcoming Events**

**Mohawk College Lunch, Learn & AMRC Tour– Coming Soon!**

Stay tuned for details on our Mohawk College - [iDeaWORKS](#) Lunch, Learn & Tour of their Additive Manufacturing Resource Centre (AMRC) The AMRC uses additive manufacturing to support industry (aerospace, medical, manufacturing) via applied research with a focus on design and process optimization, and materials development.

**Recent Events**

**WIA Lunch & Learn, Celestica – May 18, 2016**



On Wednesday, May 18th, Celestica kindly hosted WIA Canada for another successful Lunch n' Learn and Tour of their facility. Darryl Sills, Director of Aerospace & Defence welcomed the group and talked about Celestica's growth and their move

to a new facility.

Our Guest Speaker was Hanna Kounov, Project Manager, change agent, published author, TV Host and community producer, and now a WIA Canada member. Hanna shared with us, a passionate delivery of her insights on "Knowing Your Team" and utilizing that very knowledge to better lead and motivate each team member to success, hence, the best possible outcome for the project. Congratulations to our Survey winner Adeline Lopez.

Photos from this event are available by [linking here](#).  
[www.celestica.com](http://www.celestica.com)

**WIA Career Day – May 27, 2016**

On May 27th WIA Canada held its inaugural Career Day held in cooperation with Fanshawe College's Nirtin Wolf School of Aviation Technology. The event was attended by over 50 participants

including industry, academia, youth and organizations such as the Air Cadet League of Canada. Over 14 presentations were made by industry and academia highlighting their career paths and opportunities for youth.

The event was focused on active engagement and awareness of career opportunities for youth with ample networking breaks. Many thanks to all who supported and participated in the event. We will look forward to building on this important event for the next WIA Canada Career Day.

Sponsors include: Fanshawe College, London Economic Development Corporation, MHI Canada Aerospace, Envision Technologies, Promotion, Shimco Aerospace Defense Industrial, London District Catholic School Board, Alfare Systems, Tranlingo Business Services Corp, Diamond Aircraft, Safran, Canadian Manufacturers and Exporters, LAV Solutions, hEr Volution, Simply Kept Caterings, Footage, Advanced Composites Training, Royal Canadian Air Force, Bombardier, OAC, WIA Canada.



**OAC Annual Golf Event – June 14, 2016**

The 3<sup>rd</sup> annual OAC golf event was held at the Glencairn Golf Club in Milton, ON. The golfers were treated to another wonderful event under sunny skies. WIA Canada sponsored the putting contest where accuracy (and some extra cash) helped assure many golfers would be entered into the prize draw. Our President, Val Wilson, drew the winner's name - Paul Geissler, President, Can-Tech Services was the lucky winner. Congratulations.



**WIA Canada Scholarship Winner – June 14, 2016**

At the OAC Golf Tournament, Shaziana Kaderali was named the recipient of the inaugural WIA Canada Scholarship; \$1800. for the 2016-2017 Academic Year. Shaziana has just completed her 3rd year in Aerospace Engineering – Space Systems Design at Carleton University and has started her Co-op term at MDS Aero, Ottawa in the department of Aerodynamics. Shaziana plans to work in the aerospace industry or pursue her Masters degree in Space Studies.

This past year Shaziana recruited a team to compete in the Carleton Engineering Design competition. Under her leadership as Team Captain they won 1st place and advanced to the Ontario Engineering Design Competition. Congratulations to Shaziana!



Pictured (L to R): Val Wilson, Shaziana Kaderali and Moira Harvey

### WIA Maritimes Summer Networking Social– July 27, 2016

On Wednesday July 27, 2016, Women in Aerospace Canada Maritimes hosted a summer networking social at The Middle Spoon. With representation from the Canadian Forces, Export Nova Scotia, Halifax Partnerships, IMP Aerospace, L-3, MDA, Nova Scotia Business Inc., and ADIANS, the event allowed for lots of good conversation and the participants easily made new connections across the sector. The event was generously sponsored by Bluedrop Training & Simulation and MDA. With discussions varying from career changes to strategic trends in the industry and more social conversations around summer vacation plans, the event was a great way to continue to raise awareness about Women in Aerospace Canada in the Maritimes.



Pictured (L to R): Julie McCord, David Gough, Moniqa Cornish, Eva Martinez, and Lisa Evong

### WIA Summer Gala – August 17, 2016

We hosted 40 members and guests on the patio at the Historic Armour Heights Officers Mess on Wednesday, August 17th. What a wonderful evening to be outside!! Margo Hampden, Director, Business Development & Partnerships Canadian Aboriginal & Minority Supplier Council shared statistics on Women in Leadership roles in History and in the projected future. Women need to show confidence in themselves to advance their careers **was the main theme of the evening**. What else **should** we do? Ask questions of management, join in on the networking activities of your organization and seek out a Mentor/Sponsor to assist you in your advancement.

Photos from the event are available by [linking here](#).



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### OCE Discovery Conference – May 9-10, 2016

Discovery is Canada's leading innovation-to-commercialization conference. Hosted by the Ontario Centres of Excellence (OCE), Discovery brings together key players from industry, academia, government, the investment community as well as entrepreneurs and students to pursue collaboration opportunities.

Women-In-Aerospace Canada participated in the annual conference at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre. The WIA booth was situated in a prime location – right opposite the wonderful beacon/magnet known as the OCE “Drone Zone”. Foot traffic was brisk as seemingly everyone made it a point to check out the aerial drone demonstration and interest in WIA was considerable. Valuable contacts were made from local post-secondary institutions, who expressed interest in participating in WIA's annual speed mentoring event.

### News

#### Canada Student Grant



WIA Canada secured a Canada Student Grant for summer student. This grant would not have been possible without the guidance from Fair Grant Writing's Igor Chigrin, Funding Expert & Grant Writer. WIA Canada would like to thank you Igor for his assistance.



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### International Aviation Women Association: 28th Annual Conference – October 19-21, 2016

The IAWA's 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference will be held at the Hotel Omni Mont Royal in Montreal, QC, on October 19-21.

Details at: <http://iawa.org/content/28th-annual-conference>

### Membership and Benefits

The benefits of membership with Women in Aerospace Canada are numerous.

- Networking
- Programming
- Career Resources
- Professional Development
- Recognition of Contribution to Aerospace

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