Well, it was anything but a slow summer and we had some truly remarkable events this quarter. The fall is shaping up to be amazing too. We continue to raise awareness about Women in Aerospace Canada and our base is definitely growing. It will soon be time for us to launch our membership drive in Atlantic Canada. Please consider joining!

Please share this newsletter with women you know working in the aerospace and aviation industry – from shop floor to top floor and everything in between. We want to reach all women in Atlantic Canada working in this industry.

**Eva Martinez, Vice-President WIA-Canada**

### Objectives of WIA-Canada

Women in Aerospace Canada (WIA-Canada) is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to expanding women’s opportunities for leadership and professional development as well as increasing their visibility in the aerospace community by creating a professional network in Canada and across the globe. The objectives of WIA-Canada are to:

- Identify, foster and promote the interests and professional development of women working in the aerospace industry and other related sectors.
- To be a networking platform for women and men in the aerospace industry and other sector areas related to aerospace.
- Advance aerospace education for women in schools, colleges, and universities.
- Develop alliances with aerospace associations (provincially, federally and internationally) and other relevant associations across Canada and globally.

### Recent Events

#### Lunch with Richard Aboulafia

In cooperation with ACADA, we hosted a “Lunch with...” Richard Aboulafia, VP Analysis at Teal Group on Thursday July 26. Richard’s impressive knowledge of commercial and military aircraft and his insight on the trends and forecasts in the industry were invaluable.

Richard focused on three key drivers – increases in travel, the relationship between cost of cash and cost of fuel, and the impact of China in the market! We hope Richard and his family will vacation in Atlantic Canada again so we can convince him to speak to our community!

#### Air Show Atlantic Networking Event

On Friday August 24, Women in Aerospace Canada Atlantic with sponsorship from 3 Points Aviation hosted a Meet and Greet networking event and panel discussion. The event drew a wonderful assortment of women working in the aerospace industry, female aviation professionals, and many young girls interested in aviation. With Canadian Armed Forces recruiters also on hand, cadets were provided with the most current information about aviation careers in the military.

We are already looking forward to the 2019 Air Show Atlantic with the hopes of making this networking event an annual thing!

#### DEFSEC Women’s Networking Event 2018

On Oct 4, Women in Aerospace Canada Atlantic hosted a post-DEFSEC Networking Event. The SOLD OUT meet and greet was a great opportunity to meet many women working in the aerospace industry in Halifax for DEFSEC 2018. The venue,
Tempo Food+Drink was perfect for casual conversation, networking, and informal mentoring with locals and visitors alike. Thanks to our amazing sponsors and their participation.

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Christmas Shopping

Is it ever too early to start planning your Christmas shopping? Do you have an aviation aficionado on your list? The Atlantic Canada Aviation Museum will open its gift shop on Saturday 24 November 2018 from 10am to 4pm. This is a perfect opportunity to pick up some model airplane kits, t-shirts, books and other aviation-related gifts...even if it’s for yourself! We won’t tell anyone! The ACAM is located at 20 Sky Blvd, Goffs NS B2T 1K3 – across the highway from the Halifax International Airport!

Other News

WinSETT Leadership Program

Women in Science, Engineering, Trades and Technology (WinSETT) is once again hosting a leadership program in 2019 in Halifax, Fredericton, and St. John’s featuring topics like Becoming Leaders, Effective Communication, Emotional Intelligence, Negotiating for Success, Navigating Politics at Work, and Networking, Mentors and Sponsors. Click here for details. A 10% discount is available to Women in Aerospace members using code WIA10. Complete a survey for a chance to win a free session!

Career Opportunities

IMP Aerospace has two live postings – Training Coordinator and Technical Training Officer. Check them out!

Halifax Partnership

Are you looking to access qualified talent? The Halifax Partnership has three programs that may be able to support your labour needs:

- The Experiential Learning initiative is a simple and effective program that connects local businesses and organizations with post-secondary students studying in Nova Scotia who are looking for work experience.
- The Atlantic Immigration Pilot is a big opportunity for our province. Through the pilot, employers in Nova Scotia can hire foreign workers and international graduates.
- Presented by RBC Future Launch, the award winning Connector Program matches new residents as well as local, and international graduates in Halifax with established business people and community leaders. This informal networking session is as simple as having a cup of coffee and a chat, and then offering three names from your network folks can get in touch with.

For more information, please contact Robyn Webb, Director, Labour Market Development at rwebb@halifaxpartnership.com.

Is WIA-Canada for You? Consider a Membership!

Members of WIA-Canada represent all levels of employment in aerospace – from entry level to senior executives, from administrative to technical to engineering roles and everything in between. If you are a woman working in the aerospace industry, WIA-Canada is definitely for you! As a not-for-profit organization, Women in Aerospace Canada uses membership fees as predictable and ongoing funding of our operational expenses.

In the last three years, while we’ve been raising awareness for WIA-C in Atlantic Canada, we opted to waive membership fees. However, starting in 2019 we will be launching a membership drive. We look forward to everyone joining the club and taking advantage of the immeasurable benefits. Watch for details!

Check out our Website – www.wia-canada.org

To join our email list, send an e-mail to leigh.kras@wia-canada.org!

Upcoming Events

Joyce Carter, President & CEO Halifax International Airport - NS

Join us for Lunch with Joyce Carter, President and CEO of the Halifax International Airport Authority and twice named Atlantic Business Magazine’s Top 50 CEOs.

Date: 11 October 2018
Location: Halifax Stanfield International Airport, Stanfield Room, 2nd Level, Air Terminal Building
Schedule: 11:00 am – 1:00 pm
Tickets: $20 - Click here for tickets

Cougar Helicopters Lunch and Tour – NL

Save The Date! WIA-Canada and Cougar Helicopters will cohost a Lunch and Tour at Cougar’s St. John’s, NL facility 24 Oct 2018 featuring a keynote presentation by Audrey Brady, VP of Commercial Systems and Services at Sikorsky. Stay tuned for registration details!

ACAM Annual General Meeting (AGM)

The Atlantic Canada Aviation Museum is holding its Annual General Meeting on 20 October 2018 from 1-3pm. The event will feature a keynote presentation by Colonel (Ret’d) John Orr entitled “Seven Flags over Shearwater”. Col Orr will provide an overview of Shearwater’s significant role in Canadian air operations over the last 100 years.

Join us for a free light lunch, a memorable presentation, and visit the museum while you’re at it! If you’re interested in becoming a volunteer – whether your skills are restoring planes, updating our collections database, or helping with events – there is a role for you! Come find out more! The ACAM is located at 20 Sky Blvd, Goffs NS B2T 1K3 – across the highway from the Halifax International Airport!