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Scholarships Awarded at the 2006 Women in Aviation International Conference

Nashville, TN—Women in Aviation, International, a nonprofit 501(c) (3) organization that provides networking, mentoring and scholarship opportunities for women who are looking for challenging and fulfilling careers in the aviation and aerospace industries, for aviation enthusiasts, and aviation educators, awarded more than half a million dollars in scholarships to more than 50 of its members during its 17th Annual International Women in Aviation Conference, held last weekend in Nashville, Tennessee.

More than 3,100 women and men, students, active and reserve military, corporate and individual members of Women in Aviation, International gathered for the three-day event. Speakers included Astronauts Brian Binnie, Eileen Collins and Hoot Gibson, DoD Director Clarence Johnson, as well as executives from major U.S. airlines and aircraft manufacturers.

WOMEN IN AVIATION INTERNATIONAL MANAGEMENT AWARD

PRESENTER: Mary Ann Eiff, Past WAI Scholarship Chair

WINNER: Cynthia Campbell, San Antonio, Texas

CHUCK YEAGER FOUNDATION

PRESENTER: Mary Ann Eiff, Past WAI Scholarship Chair

WINNER: Maria Faith Weybrecht, Eastlake, Ohio

WOMEN IN AVIATION INTERNATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

WINNERS: Dora Gallo, Budapest, Hungary
Brownwyn Carr, Australia

R-W FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP

WINNER: Sherri Spagnola, Parma, Ohio

JOHN MOLSON SCHOOL OF BUSINESS – INTERNATIONAL MBA – Concordia University

WINNER: JingYu Pan, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada

AEA – AIRCRAFT ELECTRONICS ASSOCIATION

PRESENTER: Debra McFarland, Vice President of AEA

WINNERS: Brenda Lee Hardy of Calgary, Alberta, Canada

IT'S NEVER TOO LATE SCHOLARSHIP

PRESENTER: Sandy Anderson, Founding Board Member and 747 Captain for Northwest Airlines

WINNERS: Judi Oswald, Franconia, New Hampshire

Leticia Culbertson, Brownsville, Texas

SPIRIT OF AVIATION SCHOLARSHIP

PRESENTER: Bethe Stenning, Northern Spirit Chapter Representative

WINNERS: Tanya Kletke, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada

CORNELIA FORT SCHOLARSHIP

WINNER: Lyndsay Ann Asmussen, Salt Lake City, Utah

WASHINGTON STATE CHAPTER SCHOLARSHIP

PRESENTER: Trish Beckman, Board Member, and Washington State Chapter Representative

WINNER: Fidan Thornburg, Yelm, Washington, student at SPS Community College

RIDE THE SUN SCHOLARSHIP

PRESENTERS: Ruth Maestre and Denise Waters

WINNERS: Janna Greenhalgh, Westerly, Rhode Island

ANYTHING IS POSSIBLE SCHOLARSHIP

PRESENTER: WAI for Jenni Fogle

WINNERS: Anna Jo Anderson, Gillette, Wyoming

AIRLINE DISPATCHER FEDERATION AND AIRLINE GROUND SCHOOLS DISPATCHER SCHOLARSHIPS

PRESENTERS: Giles O'Keefe, President, Airline Dispatchers Federation

Danny Mortensen, President Airline Ground Schools, Inc.

WINNERS: Kara Kessler, Lawrenceville, GA (ADF)

Jody Roberts, Salinas, CA (AGS)

BOMBARDIER

PRESENTER: Karen Parr, HR, Bombardier
Marine Davis, Pilot, Challenger 604

WINNER:

Challenger Type Rating
Dana Saville, Del Mar, California
Amy Weitzel, Oshawa, Ontario, Canada

Lear 31A Type Rating
Susan Harbowy, Niceville, Florida
Jocelyn Warrick, Kenmore, Washington

CL604 Maintenance Training
Erin Burleson, Grovetown, Georgia

GAT WINGS TO THE FUTURE MANAGEMENT SCHOLARSHIP

PRESENTER: Dian Lensch, Vice President, GAT

WINNER: Becca Friesen, Port Orange, Florida – Student at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University,
Daytona Beach, FL

CAE SIMUFLITE SCHOLARSHIPS

PRESENTER: Shannon Washington, Instructor

WINNERS: Kathleen Felker, Oceanside, California
Deborah Price, Westminster, Colorado

WOMEN IN CORPORATE AVIATION

PRESENTERS: Ava Sumpter-Shubat, WCA President
Sharon McAleer, WCA Scholarship Chairman

WINNER: Beth Ferland, Oceanside, California (currently on deployment in Iraq)

DASSAULT-FALCON CORPORATION SCHOLARSHIP

PRESENTER: Ava Sumpter-Shubat, Falcon Pilot

WINNER: Amanda Jones, Williamstown, WV, student at Geneva College, Beaver Falls, PA

CESSNA AIRCRAFT CORPORATION

PRESENTER: Rhonda Fullerton, Cessna Aircraft Company

WINNER: Janviere Shellie Carlin, Suffolk, Virginia

FLIGHTSAFETY CORPORATE FLIGHT ATTENDANT SCHOLARSHIP

PRESENTER: Brenda Seaman, Assistant Manager, ATL Learning Center,
FlightSafety

WINNER: Maria Escobar, Bronx, New York

EXPRESSJET AIRLINES dba CONTINENTAL EXPRESS SCHOLARSHIP

WINNERS: Susanne Swim, Waialua, Hawaii
Kathleen Veatch, Oxnard, California

AIRBUS LEADERSHIP GRANT

PRESENTER: Barry Eccleston, CEO and President, Airbus North America
WINNERS: Bonnie Warner Simi, Discovery Bay, California
Christine Fagan, Memphis, Tennessee

BOEING CAREER ENHANCEMENT SCHOLARSHIP

PRESENTER: Nicole Piaseki, VP, The Boeing Company
WINNERS: Allison Page, Houston, Texas
Donna Waters, Chesterfield, MO

ELISHA HALL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

PRESENTER: Sheri Castle, President of Wright Chapter
WINNER: Robin Lee, Seattle, Washington

LEGACY OF AVIATION SCHOLARSHIP

PRESENTER: Linda Schumm, Co-Owner, Legacy Aviation
WINNER: Lauren Clark, Evans, Colorado

TELEX CORPORATION SCHOLARSHIP

PRESENTER: Vonnie Nelson, Customer Service at Telex
WINNER: Jessica Hines, Coppell, Texas, student at Utah State University, Logan, UT

MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN OF THE YEAR

PRESENTER: Jerry Kosbab, President, AIRCRAFT TECHNICAL PUBLISHERS
WINNER: Lana West, Juneau, Alaska

BOBBI TROUT SCHOLARSHIP

PRESENTER: Cheryl Baker and Nanette Malher, Aviatrix Enterprises
WINNER: Margaret Lent, Truckee, California

IF YOU CAN DREAM IT, YOU CAN DO IT

PRESENTER: Nicole Cagnolatti, former multiple winner of WAI and AWAM scholarships.
WINNERS: Kimberly Kelsey, Columbus, Ohio
Rene Classen, Campbell River, British Columbia, Canada
SPECIAL RECOGNITION: Maria Weybrecht

KATHY K. HODGKINS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP – FLOAT PLANE TRAINING

PRESENTER: Brooke Miller, flight student and friend of Kathy Hodgkins
WINNER: Jenny Lind Caden, Moscow, TN

WOMEN MILITARY AVIATORS

PRESENTERS: LT Col Vicky Calhoun US Army (retired), and Captain Barbara Bell US Navy.

WINNER: Fidan S. Thornburg, Yelm, Washington

PRATT & WHITNEY MAINTENANCE SCHOLARSHIPS

PRESENTER: Linda McGeary, Student Administrator, Customer Training

WINNERS: Mojisola Dokun, Nigeria

Rhonda Cooper, Arizona City, AZ

Rebecca Hopkins, Alamosa, Colorado, student at Colorado
Northwestern Community College in Rangely, CO

Theresa Stone, Stockbridge, GA

Amanda Myers, Pittsburgh Institute of Aeronautics

SOUTHWEST AIRLINES

PRESENTER: Ryan Hurling, Flight Operations Recruiting

WINNERS: Kelly D'Arcy, Palm Springs, California

Melanie Langston, Minneapolis, MN

CONTINENTAL AIRLINES - Kathy Petersen, 737 Captain

WINNERS: Kima Nalis, Montebello, NY

Caren Kazmarek, Dearborn Heights, MI

Jennifer Phelps, Houston, TX

Jann Waldhauser, Chicago, IL

DELTA AIRLINES and DELTA CONNECTION ACADEMY

PRESENTERS: Ms. Anne Quiello, Director, In-Flight Services, Delta Airlines.

WINNERS:

Delta Engineering: Heather Hava, Klamath Falls, OR, student at the
Oregon Institute of Technology

Aircraft Maintenance Technician: Julie Anne Gordon, El Cajon,
California, student at San Diego Miramar College

Business/Maintenance Management: Heather Rae Kelly,
Anchorage, Alaska, student at University of Alaska, Anchorage

737-800 Type Rating: Laura Ann Conover

737-800 Type Rating: Erin Caitlin Neville, Oakland, CA

777 Type Rating: Amy Louise O'Brien, Mt. Prospect, IL

DELTA CONNECTION ACADEMY

WINNER: Rachel Davis, Crestwood, Kentucky, student at the
University of Kentucky in Lexington, Kentucky

Total – 59 Scholarships for a total value of \$511,000

The 2007 Women in Aviation, International Scholarship opportunities promise to be all of these, and more. Watch the web site, www.wai.org in July, and the July/August issue of *Aviation for Women* magazine, and start getting letters of recommendation together today! Remember, you can't be a winner if you don't apply!

Scholarships will be awarded during the 2007 18th Annual International Women in Aviation Conference, which will be held February 15-17, 2007, at the Disney Coronado Springs Resort in Orlando, Florida.

For more information about Women in Aviation, International, its members and its mission, go to www.wai.org or call:

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