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Welcome all to another year of publishing interesting and educational aviation related forum articles and manuscripts in the *Journal of Aviation and Aerospace Education and Research*.

This fall we have a historical piece for our forum section submitted by Mr. Joseph Clark entitled "Flying in the 1920's." I am sure you will enjoy how Mr. Clark takes us back to a time when the advances in military aviation and the free heartedness of the barnstormers sometimes slowly but inevitably advanced aviation in America. Of course the government had to intervene and start regulating aviation in our country which ultimately set commercial aviation on the correct path. A history lesson for us all!

We also have three fantastic manuscripts this fall. In one, entitled "Analysis of general aviation instructional loss of control accidents" authors Sarina Houston, Robert Walton, and Bruce Conway bring us back to reality with a discussion on how most aircraft accidents occur during flight training. The most common cause in these accidents is loss of control. The papers analysis focuses on five factors that relate to this cause. Trends were also analyzed which identified two significant findings. I am sure we can all learn and perhaps prepare from these findings so we do not lead our flight training students into these areas.

Another manuscript, which was submitted by Dr. David Byers, deals with airport management and managers. "Homogenous Learning Styles Among Airport Management Professionals" is an assessment of learning styles that would best profile or predict people who may excel in these professions. Dr. Byers also suggests his research may be useful in the collegiate aviation world to help identify students with the appropriate learning styles and therefore be recruited into these professions.

A third paper, "Not Just a Student Problem: Plagiarism in Aviation Academic Research", the author David Carl Ison brings to light that not only are college students plagiarizing their work but that faculty and researchers may be just as guilty. I am confident you will find Dr. Ison's research very interesting!

Lastly I want to take this opportunity to introduce Dr. Daniel Friedenzohn who will be taking over the editorship of the *JAAER* in 2013. After nearly fifteen years as the editor, I feel it is time for me to move on to other tasks and let Daniel take the helm of the *JAAER* and lead it into the future. I want to thank each and all who have over the years subscribed to, submitted to, and refereed for the *JAAER*. This journal has allowed us all to work together and communicate many fantastic ideas in the aviation and aerospace world. I hope our contrails in the sky will continue to cross on a regular basis. So for one last time.....

Fly Safe,

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