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Welcome to the winter edition of the *Journal of Aviation/Aerospace Education and Research*. As we are in the middle of winter and most of us are stuck indoors it is a great time to improve our knowledge. We have in our winter edition forum two ideal articles to enhance our preparation for flying in the near future.

Our first forum article from Ms. Heidi Blackburn entitled "Prepped for Departure: Sources of Information for Aviators," has provided us with a fantastic list of resources that pilots can use prior to taking flight. She provides us with a detailed list of both library sources and internet sources that I am confident will enhance your knowledge and increase your confidence before you depart the pattern. Enjoy her paper and use the information wisely to enhance "your" safety of flight.

Our second forum article is a case study of legal information relating to the aviation laws now in effect. Dr. S. V. (Steve) Dedmon has provided us with a book review "Aviation Law After September 11th: Cases and Materials" by Timothy M. Ravich. I believe the information is relevant to all aviators and is certain to help us operate in a safe and legal manner. You may be inspired to locate and read the book as well. More knowledge always comes in handy.

In today's aviation environment it is critically important to fly in a safe, legal, and efficient manner. Knowledge is power. Perhaps these forum articles will assist you in the endeavor. If you have other ideas like these presented in our forum, please share this with our readers through the forum section of the *Journal of Aviation/Aerospace Education and Research*.

Fly Safe

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