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As I wind up another year of editing the Journal of Aviation/Aerospace Education and Research (JAAER), I am pleased that you, our readers have responded so well to the Forum. We have had interesting and challenging dialog that I feel will make our industry a better place for all. I want to thank all who have taken the time to correspond with our colleagues through the forum section of the JAAER.

In this Spring edition of the JAAER Forum, we have an article I’m sure you will find interesting and educational. I am confident you will be inspired to contribute your views on the subject in future editions of the JAAER’s Forum.

Mr. Robert O. Walton and Dr. P. Michael Politano have selected to study the styles of learning and thinking and age-related declines in visual recall. Using a survey instrument the authors determined pilot’s learning preferences and compared that information to patterns of a control group of non pilots. Parallel in the study was an examination of the decline in visual recall performance for pilot’s based on age declination. The concern for this study was based on aviation safety which is always a concern. The authors had a wide and varied study group to work with.

I am confident you will find the results of this study to be interesting and perhaps motivating to do continued research in these areas. You are welcome to use the forum section of the JAAER as a venue for your new findings.

Again we have an excellent forum that should stimulate our readers into action. If you have an opinion or expertise in these areas or would like to start dialog on a different topic we welcome your articles. Have a great summer and we will communicate again this Fall.

Fly Safe.

Bill Kohlruss
Editor