



2010-2011 Annual Report  
for the  
Wright Chapter of the SFTE

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1. The Wright Chapter of the SFTE is pleased to submit the following report on chapter activities for the period September 2010 – August 2011. Since re-forming in 2009, the Wright Chapter has established a local bank account and mailing address, participated in local flight test-related activities, and continues to work closely with the Great Lakes Chapter of the Society of Experimental Test Pilots (SETP). To date, the chapter has had minimal expenses, relying on individual member's assistance while building up its finances.
2. **Financial Status** – As of June 29, 2011, the chapter has a bank balance of \$601.59. The two primary sources of our current balance come from HQ SFTE (membership dues), and a one-time donation from SETP. The chapter is looking at other possible sources of income, such as corporate sponsorship.
3. **Membership** – The chapter membership currently stands at 22 members.
4. **Activities** – The chapter awards committee reviewed 5 award nominations in 2010 from various Wright-Patterson organizations. The committee recommended the X-51A Integrated Test Team nomination which was selected for the James S. McDonnell Award. A chapter meeting was held on Sept 30, 2010 to review events from the 2010 Symposium, and provide a chapter update on upcoming activities. On Nov 20, two chapter officers were given a tour of the new Merlin MP521 engineering flight simulator installed at The University of Dayton (UD). Chapter members participated in a Holiday dinner with SETP at Country Club of the North in Dayton on Dec 3. On March 9, 2011, the Wright chapter held a luncheon at the Engineer's Club in Dayton. The guest speaker was Col Daniel P. Morin, the Vice Commander of the Air Force Research Laboratory (AFRL). Col Morin discussed recent AFRL projects that involve flight test activities, including remotely piloted vehicles. On March 17, the Wright Chapter members joined SETP members at the National Museum of the United States Air Force after normal hours for "open cockpit night." On April 2, 3 members of the Wright chapter participated as judges in the project material and technical information assessment portion of a flight simulator competition using the MP521 at UD. On May 19, the chapter hosted a combined SFTE – SETP dinner at the Engineers Club of Dayton in conjunction with the Great Lakes SETP Chapter's annual Symposium held at Wright-Patterson AFB. The event was attended by 34 people, and served as the Wright Chapter's official installation of the 2011-2012 officers. The Chapter is currently planning another luncheon at the Engineer's Club for Aug 31. The tentative guest speaker will be Lt Col Darryl Ahner from the Air Force Institute of Technology. He will discuss developing short courses in Design of Experiments and Reliability Growth in support of the T&E Workforce Development effort.
5. **Miscellaneous** – The chapter is also carefully considering hosting the annual SFTE Symposium sometime in the future.

Respectfully Submitted,

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