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UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday, 26 October: Luncheon at France-Amériques with our guest speaker, **Jacques Barrot**, Commissaire Européen au Transport speaking on “Le Transport Aérien: Environmentally Friendly?”

Friday, 23 November: This is advance notice of our **annual Thanksgiving Dinner Gala** to be held at the Cercle Interalliées. Dues-paid up members are entitled to two free invitations. Companies may “rent” a table in their name.

NEWS FROM THE BOARD

Our Annual General Assembly was held on 21 September during which our President and Treasurer reported on past year’s activities and future plans. Mentioned were the quality of our past guest speakers, the success of our first Student Award Program celebrated during our last Thanksgiving Gala, our Golf-Cultural outing in July and the move of our future luncheons to France Amériques. Our Southwest Chapter also had several well-attended luncheons with quality guest speakers. Our overall membership continues to grow. Annual membership dues remain unchanged at 250 Euros for Sep 2007-Aug 2008.

USAIRE’s 2007 Student Award Program is on track. Its theme is, “**Globalization / De-localizations – Challenges for the Aerospace and Defense Industry over the Next 20 Years.**” Cathay Pacific, Air France, Capgemini, Aviation Week and Air & Cosmos will be our partners for this Award. Candidates have submitted to a USAIRE jury a 1-page plan of their final 10-page document due in October. Winners will receive free airline flights and prizes at USAIRE’S Thanksgiving dinner in November.

Our updated Membership Directory will be issued during October. We have welcomed the following new members since 1 August:

BAE Systems	Nick Glover	Director, Western Europe	nick.glover@baesystems.com
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Northrop Grumman Int’l	James Moseman	Director, Europe & NATO	j.moseman@brusselsngc.com
Northrop Grumman NSD	Erick Reinhold	Marketing Director, Europe	(see below)

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RECENT EVENTS

Friday, 14 September: Our South West Chapter hosted a luncheon with guest speaker, **Dr. Norbert Lohl**, Head of Certification, EASA, responsible for developing common safety and environment rules at the European level.

Sunday, 16 September: South West Chapter also held its 3rd Gers Garden Party at Chateau de Larroque, Gimont (32). USAIRE members and guests enjoyed a countryside outing to an authentic local vineyard which included an open buffet lunch with typical Gascogne entertainment (games and prizes).

Friday, 21 September: The first luncheon in Paris of our new year hosted guest speaker, Luiz Fuchs, Sr. VP, Directeur Général, Embraer Europe, who spoke of his company’s future strategy. Embraer’s planned range of aircraft will make it a serious competitor.

Michel Dubarry, USAIRE President