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## ***International Flight Test News***



### **A Japanese “flying car” Successfully Completes 1<sup>st</sup> Hover Flight - Abiko, Japan**

Japanese electronics giant [NEC](#) tested a drone-like prototype yesterday inside a cage at one of its facilities in Abiko, Japan. It hovered about 3 meters (10 feet) above the ground for a minute. It didn't have any passengers on board and was powered by a battery, Bloomberg reports. NEC engineers spent about a year developing the model, which weighs about 150 kilograms (331 pounds) and is 3.9 meters (12.7 feet) long. [MIT Technology Review](#)



### **Russia's Stealthy New Combat Drone Completes 1st Flight – Russia**

The Su-70 Okhotnik-B heavy combat drone has taken flight for the first time, the Russian defense ministry revealed. The first flight, which occurred at a military airfield over the weekend, lasted 20 minutes. The aerial vehicle flown by the operator made several circles around the airfield at an altitude of 600 meters and then successfully landed. The testing may have occurred at the 929th Chkalov State Flight-Test Center in the Astrakhan region. The drone, a Sukhoi Design Bureau product with a flying wing shape, is quite large, but it has a low radar signature and is equipped with equipment for optical-electronic, radio engineering and other types of reconnaissance activities. [Business Insider](#)

## **Chapter News**



### **SFTE Rocket City Chapter**

with EAA

#### **FLY-IN BREAKFAST**

**17 August, 7-9:30 am EST**

Moontown Airport (K3M5)

SFTE member to provide a couple of seats in Redstone Arsenal Flying Club aircraft to fly out of KHUA into Moontown



### **SFTE South Florida Chapter**

with SETP/AIAA/Vertical Flight Society

**Pete Meir**

***Building the Lunar Excursion Module (LEM)***

**13 August, 6 pm EST**

Southern Pig & Cattle Co., Stuart, FL



### **SFTE North Texas Chapter**

with SETP/AIAA

**Nathan Neblett (M)**

***What Leaders Are***

**14 August, 7:00pm CST**

University of Texas at Arlington

**LIVE FFED**

Try our Live Feed at: <rtmp://71.170.72.11/PlayCentral/team>

Instructions on how to use:

[http://71.170.72.11/playcentral/How\\_to\\_play\\_RTMP\\_streams\\_with\\_media\\_player\\_on\\_Windows\\_or\\_Mac.pdf](http://71.170.72.11/playcentral/How_to_play_RTMP_streams_with_media_player_on_Windows_or_Mac.pdf)

**SFTE Canadian Chapter**

International Test Pilot School (ITPS)



Exciting times at ITPS with the renovations and upgrade moving along at a rapid pace. The new 27,000 sq.ft. hangar will be completed in December for the **8th Annual ITPS Flight Test Seminar in London, Ontario (FREE to SETP and SFTE Members)**. The 10,000 sq.ft. upgrade to the classrooms and school facility will be complete by May 2019.



**SFTE/SETP/AIAA Southwest Aerospace Symposium**

**6-7 Sept. 2019**

**University of Texas at Arlington**



## **MGen (Ret.) Charlie Bolden**

***Former NASA Administrator & Space Shuttle Commander***

**Keynote Speaker**

[NASA Bio](#)

### ***Preliminary Schedule***

#### **Friday 6 Sept.**

##### **1100-1300 Tech Tours (Choose 1)**

Bell Flight Test Tour (V-280)

Lockheed Martin F-35 Production Line Tour (US Only)

**1800 – SAE/AIAA Student Presentations**

#### **Saturday 7 Sept.**

##### **Technical Symposium**

0800 Continental Breakfast

0900 Morning Presentations

1130 BBQ Luncheon & Keynote

1330 Afternoon Presentations

1630 Reception

1700 Aero Mavs & Formula SAE Tours

#### **LIVE FFED**

A live feed is planned along with SETP Podcast

## **Job Opportunities**

### **Flight Test Engineer - Patuxent River, MD**

[AGI](#) is searching for an engineer with an aerospace background to directly support customers using AGI's Test and Evaluation (T&E) Toolkit at customer locations in the Patuxent River, MD area. This engineer must have a desire to make a meaningful contribution to the aerospace and defense community and possess the technical and interpersonal skills required to do so in a fast-paced work environment.

A background in test and evaluation (air worthiness and mission system test), statistics, modeling and simulation, and software scripting (MATLAB, Python, and/or Perl—comprehensive list below) is preferred. Experience with AGI's Systems Toolkit (STK) software is also preferred. You will have the opportunity to learn the T&E Toolkit which runs on STK. Clearance at DOD Secret or a recent background investigation is required.

Please apply at: [http://search8.smartsearchonline.com/agi/jobs/jobdetails.asp?job\\_number=383](http://search8.smartsearchonline.com/agi/jobs/jobdetails.asp?job_number=383)

## **Membership**

SFTE Total Membership = **1151**

### **4 Year Renewal Option!**

Renew for 4 Years and **save \$20** on your membership renewal.

### **50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Member Renewal Items for 2019!**

Make sure you renew your membership this year to receive the following member items to celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of SFTE.

Don't worry, if you would like to renew early to receive your items early your membership will be extended from its annual due date.



### **50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Patch for all Members**



### **50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Personalized Member Certificate for Members, Senior Members, and Fellows**

This classic format from the beginning of SFTE returns but with the special 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary logo designed by the SFTE Coastal Empire Chapter.

## **2019 Calendar**

### **13 August**

South Florida Chapter - Pete Meir talks about building the Lunar Excursion Module (LEM), Southern Pig & Cattle Co., Stuart, FL, 6pm

### **14 August**

North Texas Chapter – Nathan Neblett (M), Leadership is Closer Than you Think, UT Arlington, TX, 7pm  
Wright Chapter - with Great Lakes SETP Section social/beer call at the Troll Pub, 216 Wayne Ave, Dayton OH 4 – 7 PM

### **15 August**

South Florida Chapter – Monthly Meeting at Twisted Trunk on PGA

**17 August**

Rocket City Chapter - FLY-IN BREAKFAST at Moontown Airport (K3M5)

**6-7 September**

SFTE/SETP/AIAA Southwest Aerospace Symposium, Keynote MGEN Charlie Bolden, UT Arlington, TX

**19 September**

South Florida Chapter – Monthly Meeting at Twisted Trunk on PGA

**4 October**

SFTE/SETP North Texas Chapter - 1<sup>st</sup> Friday at the Flying Saucer, Fort Worth, 6pm

**17 October**

South Florida Chapter – Monthly Meeting at Twisted Trunk on PGA

**1 November**

SFTE/SETP North Texas Chapter - 1<sup>st</sup> Friday at the Flying Saucer, Fort Worth, 6pm

**21 November**

South Florida Chapter – Monthly Meeting at Twisted Trunk on PGA

**6 December**

SFTE/SETP North Texas Chapter - 1<sup>st</sup> Friday at the Flying Saucer, Fort Worth, 6pm

**12-13 December**

SFTE Canadian Chapter - 8th Annual ITPS Flight Test Seminar London, Ontario, FREE to SETP and SFTE Members. Contact Kelly Morrison [kelly@itpscanada.com](mailto:kelly@itpscanada.com) for registration and info

## **2020 Calendar**

**4-7 May**

SFTE/SETP/AIAA Flight Test Safety Workshop, Denver, CO

**Fall**

51<sup>st</sup> Annual SFTE Symposium – St. Louis, MO



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***Have some Flight Test news or Chapter Events to share?***

Just send as a reply to this email. Make sure it is public-released information and/or reference a news release. Include names of SFTE members contributing to the events.

