

the president's

corner

LARRY FLYNN

CELEBRATING 55 YEARS WITH INSPIRATION

When the first Gulfstream G1 took flight 55 years ago this year, few people would have envisioned the company we are today. Our fleet has grown worldwide, our service centers are in established and emerging markets, and our two newest aircraft have set the standards for others in the business jet industry to follow.

On Aug. 14, 1958, Grumman, the company that would become Gulfstream, flew its first business air-

craft from Bethpage, N.Y., on Long Island. This marks the beginning of our company. In 1967, the Savannah facility opened with 100 employees to build the Gulfstream GII. Today we are 13,000 employees worldwide making safe and innovative aircraft that have earned us a reputation as an industry leader.

It takes a lot of dedicated employees to create the best business jets in the world. Our employees have been doing that since the beginning of our company. They do it with teamwork, pride, respect, integrity and stewardship — these are our values, the things that guide our decisions and our interactions with each other.

In this issue of *Waypoint*, we spotlight a few of your co-workers who inspire us and show us how they live the Gulfstream life.

Take for example, Blaine Hammond, a former NASA astronaut who flew around the globe on two space shuttle missions. Now he's a senior experimental test pilot at our Long Beach site.

Back on the ground, Jaime Bahamon is a man of perspiration and inspiration. As a large-cabin demonstration pilot, he travels the world, but he doesn't stop there. He has his feet on the ground, literally running, swimming and biking farther in a day than most of us could go in a week. He's completed Ironman races that entail a 2.4-mile swim, 112-mile bike ride and a full 26.2-mile marathon in one day.

Flight-test engineer Courtney Pennington also inspires us with her enthusiasm and determination. She pursues her Hollywood dreams by getting extra roles in movies and television programs.

Over in manufacturing, the teams that build the G450 and G550 deserve recognition for their teamwork, which sets an example for us to follow. Collaboration among their departments is a key to our success as an aircraft manufacturer.

Of course, they do it all safely because safety is our No. 1 priority. To help teams company-wide stay safe and continuously improve, we have adopted a Safety Management System. Over time, this will help us remain a leader as we grow and develop future innovative products and services.

These are just a few of the many great employees at Gulfstream. To them and all of you, I say thank you for your work and dedication to making Gulfstream successful over the past 55 years.

We've come a long way since that first G1 took flight in 1958. With employees like the ones highlighted in this issue, I can envision a strong Gulfstream for many years to come.

Gulfstream®

A GENERAL DYNAMICS COMPANY

SUMMER 2013

Waypoint is published for employees of Gulfstream Aerospace Corporation. The magazine's mission is to inform and entertain; to bring together people from our many sites, teams, disciplines and interests; and to instill a sense of company pride. It also seeks to provide thoughtful, in-depth articles on our company's people, programs and initiatives in an effort to strengthen our common bond and adhere to our corporate values.

EDITORIAL DIRECTOR

Philip Hanyok

EDITOR

Laura Wentz

PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR

Matthew Stephan

CONTRIBUTORS

Matt Birch

Sean Coughlin

Nancy R. Fullbright

Dick Gorman

PHOTOGRAPHY

Kathy Almand

Andrew Duthu

Stephanie Lipscomb

Skip Terpstra

GRAPHIC DESIGN

Chic Graphic Design

CIRCULATION

Maureen Carey

Jim Davis

VICE PRESIDENT, COMMUNICATIONS

Steve Cass

Waypoint is published by the Gulfstream Communications Department. Copyright ©2013 Gulfstream Aerospace Corporation. All rights reserved.

Gulfstream Aerospace Corporation
P.O. Box 2206, M/S A-01
Savannah, GA 31402-2206

employee.communications@gulfstream.com

COVERS:

Front and Back: A G280 and a G650, our flagship aircraft, shine on the tarmac at twilight. Demonstrators of each are flying around the world setting speed records and impressing customers and industry watchers. Photos by Skip Terpstra.

