Hey everyone. First off, we would like to thank everyone who attended the MIAE social dinner. It was a great turnout and we hope you all had a good time.

Also, we hope your courses went well and that you all had a fun and exciting semester. Here is a quick look at what some of the events you have to look forward to at the start of the next semester.

**MIAE Annual General Meeting**

The MIAE Annual General Meeting will be held on Thursday, January 31st, 2013 from 4:30 to 8:00 pm, in the McGill Faculty Club. The event is open to all the members of the MIAE group.

This will be a great opportunity to meet and socialize with your fellow peers and professors after listening to the guest speaker (TBA). Set aside the date now, and watch for an official invitation email from Linda Chernabrow soon.
CSA/NRC Tour

On January 25, we will be visiting the David Florida Lab (DFL) at the Canadian Space Agency and the Aerospace Structures and Materials Performance Lab (SMPL) at the National Research Council (NRC). There is also the possibility of visiting the wind tunnel testing facilities at the NRC. However, this tour will be only be 30 minutes. We are looking into further presentations at the wind tunnel.

Information about the labs can be found here:

SMPL:  http://beta.globalspec.com/supplier/about/AerospaceStructuresMaterialsLaboratoryNRCIARSMPL

Tentative Details:

Meeting time:  7am, Jan 25, 2013
Return time:  8pm, Jan 25, 2013
Meeting place: McGill, exact location, to be determined
Food items:  You must provide your own lunch. We will have supper in Ottawa before returning to Montreal.

Registration:

You must e-mail Alex at studentpresident.miae@mcgill.ca before Jan 8, 2013. Please indicate your preference of Aerospace Structures and Materials Performance Lab or the wind tunnel testing facilities. Place is limited!

If you would like to visit the wind tunnels, the registration is Dec 21, 2012, and you must provide the following information:

- Surname
- Given name
- Date of birth
- Place of birth
- Current citizenship
- Passport number
- Telephone

In any case (for any tour), if you are NOT a Canadian citizen, you must also attach a scanned copy of the photo page of your passport.

For any inquiries or details, contact: studentpresident.miae@mcgill.ca

CATIA Training

CATIA is coming to McGill! After a lot of work and even more discussion, the industry standard CAD software CATIA will be coming to McGill. The expected time of arrival is mid-January. In addition, we are also in the process of setting up CATIA tutorials, given by industry, to prepare you for eventual internships.

At the beginning of next semester, we will be doing a tutorial trial run, with courses given in the evenings. This will be limited to 10 students, and a selection will be based on if you plan on completing an internship and on seniority. Linda Chernabrow will be sending out an announcement in mid-January about available training dates and information about how to sign up for courses.
Engineers-in-Action
The McGill Engineering Student Centre and MIAE will be co-hosting this year’s Engineers-in-Action Speaker Event. As part of the event, we have invited Taryn Tomlinson from the Canadian Space Agency to speak on Thursday, January 24th 2012 at 5:30 pm (FDA 5).

Registration
Know any friends interested in aerospace? If so, they can now apply to join the MIAE and participate in various events and activities catered to those passionate about Aerospace Engineering! Registration will remain open until further notice.

For more information concerning the group and the application process, please refer them to http://www.mcgill.ca/miae/.

To keep up to date on upcoming MIAE and Aerospace Engineering events, continue following future MIAE Student Newsletters as well as visit the official MIAE website http://www.mcgill.ca/miae/ which will be updated regularly.

On behalf of the MIAE student executive committee, I would like to wish everyone happy holidays! Enjoy the break and we hope to see you all next semester.

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