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This weekly document, my status report, is published here. The full link is: www.aiaahouston.org/history_technical_committee/#news

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"We need to make the ultimate pivot..."

The 2021-2023 AIAA Diversity Plan
Archived on our Houston Section Server

Regents of the University of California v. Bakke

On Critical Race Theory, a 2022 Book by Victor Ray

Bakke case, pointed out the nonsense of colorblind approaches to solving racial inequality. The Bakke decision recognized that universities had a compelling interest in using race to diversity their student bodies but outlawed the ...

Bakke rejected the traditional rationales of slavery, Jim Crow, or ongoing racial discrimination as reasons to diversity. In line with Bell’s interest convergence thesis (see chapter 5), Powell focused on the shared educational ...

Amanpour & Co. WEEKDAYS ON PBS

Will Congress Seat a Cherokee Delegate?

09.05.2023

In UVA Mechanical & Aerospace,
WE BELIEVE

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The complaint also charges that Amazon searches prioritize the company's own in-house line of products over others, even if those other products are of better quality, and serve an increasing number of paid and junk ads.

The injunction the FTC and states are seeking would force the company to stop these practices, the agency and states say, a change that could significantly alter the ways customers interact with Amazon's platform and the types of products that surface when they are shopping.
AIAA Houston Section sister sections

France-USA: www.3af-mp.fr
France: Francis Guimera, preceded by Alain Chevalier
Houston: Douglas Yazell

Ethiopia-USA:
Ethiopia: Tulu Besha Bedada, PhD and Berhan Gessesse, PhD
Houston: Thomas Haregot

Peru-USA:
Houston: Jackelynne Silva-Martinez
Peru: Julio Valdivia, Saul Perez
Félicette, the First Cat in Space, Finally Gets a Memorial

Last month, a team unveiled a bronze statue honoring the feline, who launched on a suborbital mission in 1963.

Katherine J. Wu
Correspondent
January 28, 2020

Félicette, the only cat to have ever survived a sojourn into space, is now being recognized for her extraterrestrial achievements in the form of a bronze statue at the International Space University in Strasbourg, France.
Marathon

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Tigist Assefa shatters women’s marathon record in new £400 shoes

- Ethiopian clocks 2hr 11 min 53sec in Berlin, fastest by 2min 11sec
- Assefa’s Adidas trainers ‘enhanced by unique technology’

On the stillness of Berlin mornings, a tsunami of a performance. It came from Ethiopia’s Tigist Assefa, who over 26.2 astonishing miles redefined what many thought was possible in the women’s marathon, as she blew the world record to smithereens in a time of 2hr 11min 53sec.

The fact the 29-year-old Ethiopian shattered the previous best, set by Brigid Kosgei in 2019, by 2min 11sec was remarkable enough. Yet the way she powered home through the Brandenburg Gate suggested she could go even quicker still.

Head of mission
- Mr Gelaye Kebede, Honorary Consul

Consular services
- No information available

Supervising authority
- Embassy of Ethiopia in Washington, D.C.


Current events:
- https://www.theguardian.com/world/ethiopia
- https://www.ethiosss.org

Ethiopia

Ethiopian Honorary Consulate in Houston, United States

Ambassador Tracey Ann Jacobson

Deputy Chief of Mission Fiona Evans

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María José Caro (born Lima, 1985) is a Peruvian writer.

**Life**

Caro was born in Lima in 1985. She has a master’s degree from the Universidad Complutense de Madrid. She has published three books, including two short story collections - ¿Qué tengo de malo? (What is wrong with me?) (2017), La primaria (Elementary School) (2012) - and a novel Perro de negros (Black Dogs) (2016). In 2017, she was named as one of the Bogotá39, a list of the best young writers in Latin America. The other 38 included Samanta Schweblin & Lola Copacabana from Argentina, the Brazilian Gabriela Jauregui, Liliana Colanzi from Bolivia.

Above: María José Caro. Image credit: Rodrigo Fernández, from Wikipedia (CC BY-SA 4.0).
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Mexico

AIAA Houston Section: Mexico and the Section's territory in Texas
AIAA Region VII (International) and Region IV (Mexico and four states of the USA)

Region IV Sections
1. Houston (Texas, includes Mexico & Texas A&M University)
2. Southwest Texas (includes Dallas & Fort Worth)
3. North Texas (includes San Antonio)
4. Albuquerque (New Mexico)
5. White Sands (New Mexico)
6. Oklahoma (includes Arkansas)

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As Mexico decriminalizes abortion, what this means for women's rights in the country

Mexican author and activist Gabriela Jauregui talks to Bianna Golodryga about Mexico's highest court federally decriminalizing abortion, and the two female candidates for president.

Wikipedia: Gabriela Jauregui
Bianna Golodryga (Substitute host for Amanpour & Co. on PBS)
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