



Preserve the Past

HFI is committed to capturing and preserving the history of both the machines and the men and women who started an international helicopter industry that is still going strong today.

- ▶ **Trailblazers.** HFI's interviews with helicopter industry pioneers present a compelling look at how these visionaries shaped an industry. Trailblazer profiles are available in ROTOR magazine, on the foundation website, and through an online video series.
- ▶ **Heritage of Helicopters.** Each year at HAI HELI-EXPO, HFI displays rare vintage helicopters, most of which are owned by museums, nonprofits, and other educational institutions. Financial support from HFI enables these special aircraft to attend the show.
- ▶ **Virtual Museum.** HFI has thousands of documents, manuals, and photos that showcase the rich history of vertical flight. Your donation supports HFI's efforts to digitize the collection, making this history accessible to researchers, students, and enthusiasts.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION



Join the Leading Edge

JOIN THE LEADING EDGE COUNCIL. Your leadership and expertise will make a difference for the helicopter industry.

To learn more, contact HFI vice president Allison McKay at allison.mckay@rotor.org or 703-302-8476.

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HOW YOU CAN HELP



Join the Leading Edge of Helicopter Aviation



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PRESERVE THE PAST • IMPROVE SAFETY
SECURE THE FUTURE

The Leading Edge ... Where Lift Begins

Being on the leading edge isn't easy, but there is no alternative. Your drive to build, to contribute, to serve has made you a leader.

That is why I am asking you to join the HFI Leading Edge Council, a group of industry leaders who understand that helicopter aviation is facing a decisive moment.

Put simply, we need to take action **now** to achieve a sustainable helicopter industry: one supported by a growing, talented workforce, with a strong safety culture. We need to celebrate the history of our industry, so that others will begin to celebrate it too.

Please visit helicopterfoundation.org to take a look at how Helicopter Foundation International is working to preserve the past, improve safety, and secure the future. ***With your support, the sky is the limit!***

I'm also announcing the inaugural Leading Edge Dinner, to be held in Atlanta on Wednesday, March 6, 2019. We hope you and a guest can join us for an intimate evening where I and other members of the foundation's Executive Committee can hear your thoughts on industry conditions.



Matt Zuccaro

President and CEO, Helicopter Foundation International

PS: If you can't attend the dinner, let's find a more convenient time to meet and discuss the council. Email me at tailrotor@aol.com.

Visit helicopterfoundation.org to learn more

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT



Secure the Future

Educating the next generation of pilots and maintenance technicians is central to HFI's mission. Whether that means helping individual students fund their aviation studies or educating the public about the rewards of helicopter industry careers, HFI is committed to building the next generation of helicopter industry professionals.

- **Elementary Education.** It's never too early to introduce children to helicopters and careers in the STEM fields. HFI's *Come Fly with Me!* is a coloring and activity book about helicopters aimed at children ages 4–7.
- **Aviation Education for High School Students and Beyond.** HFI is working to increase the number of high schools that offer aviation programs. It also promotes rotorcraft curricula in flight and maintenance schools. The foundation's Equipment Donation Program gives equipment a new purpose: educating the next generation of maintenance technicians.
- **Scholarship Program.** Each year, HFI awards up to 22 scholarships for students pursuing careers in the helicopter industry. Help us dismantle the financial barriers that prevent other students from pursuing their dreams.
- **Military to Civilian Transition Workshops.** This annual workshop at HAI HELI-EXPO® has connected hundreds of transitioning military pilots and maintainers with mentors free of charge. With additional support from donors, we will expand this program, taking it on the road to reach more pilots and maintenance technicians ... before the airlines do.
- **HeliFutures.** This HFI initiative brings together industry leaders, trade groups, and education institutions to address the reasons for the pilot and mechanic shortage and to ensure a high-quality, sustainable workforce for our industry. This issue is larger than any one company or institution, but we are committed to solving the problem together.



SAFETY EDUCATION



Improve Safety

Safety is a core value for HFI, which has two programs aimed at reducing accidents, incidents, and injuries in the helicopter industry.

- **Land & LIVE.** This HFI program promotes one of the most valuable safety tools available to helicopter pilots: the precautionary landing. With your generous support, we can make our goal of zero accidents a reality.
- **Rotor Safety Challenge.** Each year, HFI offers free safety education sessions at HAI HELI-EXPO, featuring practical techniques that pilots and maintenance technicians can use back on the job. Almost 14,000 FAA continuing education credits for pilots and mechanics have been awarded through the Rotor Safety Challenge.



Helicopter Foundation International
Invites You and a Guest to the

Leading Edge Dinner

Wednesday, March 6, 2019
6 o'clock in the evening

Legacy Test Kitchen
250 Park Avenue W NW
Atlanta, Georgia

RSVP to 703-302-8465 or hfi@rotor.org
by February 22, 2019

Business Casual Attire

