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The Gulf Coast Reporters' League aerospace books were annual between 2011 and 2015, and shifted to biennial after the 2015-2016 edition. All editions, including individual chapters, are available at the Gulf Coast Aerospace Corridor website.

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Eglin's F-35 showcase
Airports: The region's calling cards
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E pluribus Airbus: Making an A320
Eglin's aerial weapons portfolio huge
Aerospace a big player in 3D print
AMRO takes leap into 3D printing

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Hamburg sends historic shipment
The American aviation experience
Fit to print: New industrial revolution

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Top 10 call region home
Other top aerospace/defense companies

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Filling the aviation pipeline
Panhandle jump starts worker program
Aviation and aerospace career pathways
NASA helps develop STEM courses
Airbus spurs Mobile aero education
Making science intriguing, fun

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Innovation centers on the rise
A2IRc a new foothold in aviation R&D
IHMC like Disneyland for scientists

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Tech parks: A place to call home
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Florida First sites
Project Ready sites
Aerospace-related parks

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From F-35s to drones and more
Military activities at a glance
Military aviation sites replacement value change
Fixed wing
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Newsletters

The Gulf Coast Reporters' League aerospace newsletters, initially quarterlies, shifted to a bi-monthly schedule in August 2014. All newsletters and articles are available at the Gulf Coast Aerospace Corridor website.

2013

September

Pensacola's 350-acre lure
No college, no future? Think again
New drones a quantum leap
SSC team readies test stand

December

SSC: Hitting on all cylinders
6,200 acres seek shovel-ready status
Thriving in the shadow of a giant
Will region be a robotic powerhouse?

2014

March

Mobile still on the prowl

Airport positioned well for its niche
Moss Point riding leading edge
Aircraft display simplifies flying

August

Two Michoud proposals eyed
Eglin's F-35 wingman: Lockheed FWB
Aeroplex rising star's goal: 50% growth
TPR settles in, already mulls expansion

October

The one that didn't get away
Value of Gulf Coast bases climbing
Growing base tech outside the fence
Optech adds to string of innovations

December

The one that's knocking
Mobile company defining its niche
Small company with a big task
Niceville company paving new ground

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Mobile poised for historic cargo
Avalex innovator in key security field
At 57, company still on cutting edge
Putting their money where their mouth is

April

Putting the fight in the F-35
Keeping 'em flying still big business
The mentor of Coast Guard aviation
SSC gives SpaceX Mars plans a boost

June

Airbus delivery center set for debut
Why top aerospace companies are here
Filling the education pipeline
Innovation centers on the rise
Tech parks: A place to call home
From F-35s to drones and more

August

Growth in cards for VT MAE
Cluster helps engineer Mobile's future
Selex Galileo in the right place to grow
Boeing operations special for the region

October

A giant leap for robotkind
No. 6512 marks start of a new era
Space Grant a key STEM program
Airport growth a Katrina silver lining

December

The aviation MSA
Downtown airport expects to get busy
Coastal counties big defense spenders
Consolidation concerns still hover

2016

February

The Embry-Riddle factor
Three aerospace clusters take hold
The Rockhill Group continues to grow

DoD gives Raptor project a boost
Sassano starting a new phase of his life

April

'Mac' would like this chapter
Aviation maintenance training takes off
Engine steeped in history has a future
\$150M contract just the start for RT&T

June

STEAM-powered Aeroplex
Era draws to a close at NH Pensacola
Recent aerospace news briefs
AA gets planes; BluesMobile making \$\$

August

Farnborough: Cementing bonds
Drones growing SSC science repertoire
DI: Putting innovation on the fast track
SSC key in quest for next gen engines

October

How attractive are we?
How will world events impact aerospace?
SSC, I2R develop unique camera
VT MAE, MAAS join for new service

December

Changing of the guard and aerospace corridor
Summit sees good news for region
VT MAE and the collaboration card

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Exceeding expectations
Technology goldmine in our midst
Santa Rosa County's pitch to aerospace
F-35 shows worth; UTC a best plant

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Two projects ensure growth
BRAC: Much to lose but much to gain
Budget means system go for SLS, Orion
Opportunities abound for innovators