

Kimberley B. Sullivan '92

ICHABOD WASHBURN YOUNG ALUMNI AWARD FOR PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENT

Kimberley Bloch Sullivan, you are continuing a long WPI heritage of working on the cutting-edge of aviation technology. The WPI Alumni Association is pleased to honor you today.

After earning your bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering, you began your career as an associate engineer at Pratt & Whitney, a subsidiary of United Technologies Corporation, where your work with airline customers took you around the world to many countries, including Japan, Singapore, France, Ireland, and South Africa. Your career path has included positions with progressively increasing responsibilities in engineering, manufacturing operations, and finance, as well as several program management roles. As program manager for the JT8D and JT9D Engine Programs, you managed a fleet of over 15,000 engines.

In 2008 you were named executive vice president of the Engine Alliance, a joint venture of General Electric Co. and Pratt & Whitney established in 1996 to develop, manufacture, sell, and support a family of modern technology aircraft engines for new high-capacity, long-range aircraft. In your role at the Engine Alliance, you oversee all P&W program and technical activities,

including the GP7200 engine low-pressure system and accessory gearbox. Through this work, you have provided leadership for the development and service of what is currently the quietest, most reliable, and most fuel-efficient engine for the A380 aircraft.

You are no stranger to WPI either. In recent years you have become more engaged in the life of your alma mater, serving as an Alumni Council class representative and on the Alumni Association's Board of Directors. You have volunteered as a judge at the Battlecry@WPI robotics

competition and as a guest speaker for both the WPI Camp Reach and WIN programs. You also took a leadership role in the reestablishment of the project program between Pratt & Whitney and WPI. In addition, you have earned an MBA from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

Kimberley Bloch Sullivan, we count you among those alumni who continue to carry the torch forward for the likes of Robert Goddard, Class of 1908, and Richard Whitcomb, Class of 1943. The WPI Alumni Association is pleased to honor you today with the Ichabod Washburn Young Alumni Award for Professional Achievement.

