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GALA EVENT SALUTES AIR FORCE COMMAND AND CONTROL

by Gary Lehmann, Executive Vice President

The Central Florida Chapter will host its 31st annual AF Gala dinner on Thursday, February 12, 2015, at the beautiful Rosen Shingle Creek Hotel in Orlando. This year's AF Gala will salute the **Air Force Command and Control** mission with multiple units, companies and organizations being honored during the event.

The chapter will kick off the festivities with our annual golf outing on Wednesday, February 11, 2015, at the Shingle Creek Golf Club, which is collocated on the hotel grounds. On Thursday and Friday, the AFA

will host its Air Warfare Symposium and Technology Exposition. Key speakers invited to speak at the event include the **Secretary of the Air Force Deborah Lee James**, **Chief of Staff of the Air Force General Mark A. Welsh III**, **Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force James A. Cody** and other top Air Force leaders. Exhibitors will display the very latest in military technology in over twenty-three thousand square feet of exhibit space.

For more information on these events, please visit <http://www.afa.org/AirWarfare>

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CFC Golf Supporting AWS - Feb 11th

CFC Gala - Feb 12th

AFA Air Warfare Symposium - Feb 12th - Feb 13th

***Get more information today at
www.AFA.org/AirWarfare***

Central Florida Chapter Mission

Our mission is to promote a dominant United States Air Force and a strong national defense and to honor Airmen and our Air Force heritage. To accomplish this, we:

- ***EDUCATE*** the public on the critical need for unmatched aerospace power and a technically superior workforce to ensure U.S. national security
- ***ADVOCATE*** for aerospace power and STEM education
- ***SUPPORT*** the total Air Force family and promote aerospace education

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Happy New Year to All!



Wow...I can hardly believe that another year has begun! Like an Air Force jet, time really does fly by. But maybe we should take a moment to look back at the past year and see where we have been—our ups and our downs.

As always, the year began with another great Air Warfare Symposium, made all the better by our chapter's Gala and Golf Outing.

We continued our successes with the annual Scholarship Opportunities Program, where we provide the perfect forum for potential future Air Force Officers, and their parents, to learn all about the Air Force ROTC program as well as the Air Force Academy.

Throughout the year, the chapter continued its financial support (in addition to direct involvement by many of the chapter members) to local Civil Air Patrol units, Junior Air Force ROTC units, and Detachment 159's Senior Air Force ROTC program. Our financial support also extended to assist the local Veteran's hospital.

Chapter members participated in numerous events, to include, the Air Warfare Symposium / Gala / Golf; Sun 'n Fun; ROTC commissioning ceremonies, Awards Breakfast and formal Dining Out; Scholarship Opportunities Program; State AFA Meetings; the State JROTC Drill Meet; 4th of July Party (held on July 3rd as always); Fall Awards and Installation Luncheon; and the Annual Holiday Party. Hopefully you had the opportunity to attend some of these great events and see the chapter in action. I would like to thank the many members who worked so very hard to make these events the great successes they were.

This has also been a year in which we have witnessed significant loss. The chapter lost an amazing officer, supporter and friend when **Bryan Paul** passed away this past Fall. **Bryan's** impressive list of contributions were described in an earlier copy of the FlightLiner. Since then, we have had the opportunity to present the first ever Lt Col Bryan Paul Recruiter of the Year Award...an award that will help ensure that Bryan's legacy lives on in the chapter. My personal thanks to **Tim Brock**, who immediately stepped in to fill Bryan's large shoes. We also lost the "Perle Mesta" of AFA, **Jeannie Austin**. She had been a driving influence in the chapter for over forty years. AFA Florida also lost a great leader and supporter—**Mike Emig**, who passed this past December. Each of these leaders will be sorely missed.

As we look forward to a fresh year, 2015 looks promising for the Central Florida Chapter, including our 31st Annual Gala. Our superb members continue to work diligently to provide an amazing array of events that we would love to see you all attend. As always, we are always looking for volunteers to help us keep up the chapter's reputation for top notch events. Please join us at our monthly council meeting or at one of our events and let us know you are interested in helping.

To all, I wish you a happy, healthy and active New Year!

Bill Palmby

AFROTC ARCON News

What is Readiness and Why It Matters...

Cadet Kaitlyn Brown, Cadet, Det. 159

A recent AFROTC Arnold Air Society event hosted by cadets from UCF's Det 159 ushered in the new fall season. This is an important annual event because it provides members the opportunity to discuss issues and vote on changes for their societies.

The meetings took place in the brand-new ROTC building on the University of Central Florida campus. Arnold Air Society and Silver Wings members from the University of Florida, University of Miami, Valdosta State University, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, and Florida State University were in attendance and took advantage of this opportunity to engage with fellow members, sharing experiences and forming bonds.

It was an active day. The morning was devoted to various informative presentations from the Arnold Air Society and Silver Wings national staff and the Air Force Association, among others. Afterwards, the attendees moved on to matters of business including the election of the next host of the Area Conclave, as well as the vote for Area Command.

The Florida State University and Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University both put in bids to be the host of next year's Area Conclave. Area IV members should prepare for a visit to Altamonte Springs because, by a close vote, Embry-Riddle won the bid.

This year's Area Conclave's host, the University of Central Florida, won the vote to be next year's Area Command, narrowly beating Valdosta State University.

Finally, the members moved on to an issue that has long plagued Area IV: the selection of the Area IV Mascot.

After much debate, Mark the Manatee was chosen to be the official mascot of Area IV.

This year's Area Conclave was hailed as a success with Arnold Air Society and Silver Wings members successfully engaging in this leadership opportunity and building connections with fellow members.

The members of Area IV look forward to next year's conclave, and are confident that it will be as exciting and successful as this year's assembly.



Chapter Council Meeting

The Council meets on the second Thursday of each month at 7pm at the Showalter Flying Service building at the Orlando Executive Airport.

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FlightLiner Note

Thanks to all who have contributed to make this the best Chapter newsletter!

Please send your comments and suggestions to Ken at:

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Deadline for articles for the next edition is April 9, 2015

Events Calendar

January 2015

- 1 New Years Day
- 8 * Chapter Council Meeting
- 19 Martin Luther King Holiday

February

- 11 *CFC Golf supporting AWS (Shingle Creek)
- 12 *CFC Gala (Shingle Creek)
- 12-13 *AFA Air Warfare Symposium
- 13-14 AFA FL Region Mtg (Orlando - Hampton Inn)
- 16 President's Day

March

- 12 * Chapter Council Meeting

April

- 5 Easter
- 9 *Chapter Council Meeting (Deadline for FlightLiner articles)
- 21 JROTC Drill Meet

May

- 14 * Chapter Council Meeting
- 16 Armed Forces Day
- 25 Memorial Day

June

- 11 * Chapter Council Meeting
- 14 Flag Day

July

- 3 Independence Day Celebration (Officer Election at Altamonte Hilton)
- 4 Independence Day
- 11 * Chapter Council Meeting
- 17-18 AFA FL Region Mtg (Ocala Hilton)

* See details in this newsletter

CAP International Air Cadet Exchange Visits Florida...

by Christina English, Captain, CAP

With the summer booming with fun and sun, Cadets and Escorts came from Belgium and the United Kingdom to visit Florida. Flying into Pensacola, five visitors stepped off the plane to experience a trip of a life time. Four IACE Cadets and one Escort along with three CAP Cadet Ambassadors toured North Florida for five days and then traveled to Orlando to experience all the flavor the



state had to offer. An Escort and two Cadets flew from Belgium to Washington D.C. to enter the United States and met up with two Cadets from the Royal Air Force and spent two days acclimating to the time change and then prepared themselves for the South. During the trip, they visited the Naval Air Museum (Pensacola Station), Air Armament Museum (outside Eglin AFB), Kawabunga

Water Park (Destin), Fort Walton Beach, Universal Studios (Orlando), Premier Outlet Malls, Starport FBO for Orientation Flights via Civil Air Patrol (Sanford) and Kennedy Space Center (Cape Canaveral AF Station).

Of their trip, Kennedy Space Center was the highlight of their venture to Florida. With



the new Atlantis Exhibit open, the visitors were amazed at how big and beautiful the space craft was. They experienced hands-on activities, informative exhibits like movies, a bus tour of the grounds and motivating lectures and stood in awe of what they saw and heard. The following evening they watched the Atlas V launch from the

front yards of the host homes they stayed with. The bonding between the cadets was fantastic.

After only a few hours the cadets all became friends and brothers. They learned how similar they are in language (vernacular), clothing, customs and their likes and dislikes.

The initiative for the program was achieved beyond doubt. Upon their departure at Orlando International Airport, tears streamed down the faces of the host families and our International Guests as they walked through checkpoints on their way into inspection and gating.

The program, as a whole, surpasses and breaks the barriers of all aspects of humanity. It is our privilege in Civil Air Patrol to host this great event every year.

Central Florida Chapter Awardees Applauded!



Above: AFA Exceptional Service to CFC



Above: AFA Chairman's Citation to Bryan Paul (received by CPT Brad Paul)



Above: FL Exceptional Service to CFC



Left: AFA Aerospace Education Award to CFC received by Sharon Branch



Right: Chapter Teacher of the Year to Jennifer Kane

CyberPatriot Corner

Do YOU have what it takes?

by Bonnie Callahan,
AFA National Director Emeritus



CyberPatriot (CP) VII is well under way. The Air Force Association's premier education program—CyberPatriot—set a new record at the close of registrations in October, up 40% from last year with over 2200 teams from all 50 states, DOD overseas schools, Canadian teams, and new this year, teams from the United Kingdom (UK) participating. The growth and constant improvement of the program is testament to the superb leadership of CyberPatriot's, **Dr. Bernard Skoch**, National Commissioner, and his staff.

Excitement built as Round 1 of the competition took off in late October, followed by Round 2 in mid-November. These two rounds, deemed qualifying rounds, when combined, determine what tier—Silver, Gold or Platinum—the team qualifies. Only the Platinum Tier teams have a path to the national Finals in Washington, DC, in March 2015.

The "Downloads" email that includes the images that the teams will be working with, along with instructions, are sent out the week before. This gives the teams time to make sure they can download the images (like a computer that will be inside their computer), properly and without problems. Competition rounds run from Friday through Sunday, allowing more flexibility as to where the teams can position themselves to compete.

All teams are sent a "Start Ex" email early Friday morning of the competition round, providing each individual team a unique hash tag (log-in) number to access the images and begin competing. Typically, the teams have three images to work. Once an image/images are opened, the teams have a six consecutive-hour period to fix vulnerabilities and harden the systems, testing their cyber skills, and registering points with each fix. The six hour time limit is strictly enforced and is the responsibility of the team to monitor and shut down before that time is up, lest they risk a time penalty. Teamwork and coordination is extremely important to the success of the teams.

In addition, the competition includes forensic questions to answer, as well as, new this year, teams will have a Cisco Networking Quiz/Challenge. Cisco has generously provided CP competitors access to components of its Networking Academy training material, covering topics the students will encounter throughout the competition, including Cisco's Packet Tracer software.

Check back with the FlightLiner's next newsletter for an update and to learn about upcoming CP Rounds at the State Level as well as Regional/Category Rounds leading to the National Finals in March.

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