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Important Dates

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- 7 Labor Day
AFA Closed
- 12-13 AFA National Convention
- 14-16 Air & Space Conference and
Technology Exposition
Washington, DC



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Global Warfare Symposium

Thursday, November 19 – Friday, November 20, 2009
The Beverly Hilton | 9876 Wilshire Blvd | Beverly Hills, CA 90210 | 310-274-7777

AFA's 2009 Global Warfare Symposium will be held in Los Angeles, CA, November 19-20, 2009, at the Beverly Hilton Hotel.

AFA will repeat last year's successful two-day format, part of the evolution of this Symposium's emphasis from Space to Global Warfare. Topics include Space, Cyberspace, Unmanned Aerial Systems, the Pacific, and the Air Force's global responsibilities. We have invited multiple speakers to inform our audience on these topics, and we look forward to hosting the top echelon of USAF senior management and commanders, the aerospace community, and academia.

Invited speakers include:

Michael Donley, Secretary of the Air Force

Neil Sheehan, author, *A Fiery Peace in a Cold War*

Gen Bruce Carlson (Ret), former Commander, AF Materiel Command; heads the National Reconnaissance Office

Gen Frank Klotz, Commander AF Global Strike Command

Gen Lance Lord (Ret), former Commander, AF Space Command

Maj Gen Richard Webber, Commander, 24th Air Force

Lt Gen Gary North, Commander, AF Pacific Command

Lt Gen John T. "Tom" Sheridan, Commander, Space Missile Center

Gen C. Robert "Bob" Kehler, Commander, Air Force Space Command

Gen Kevin P. Chilton, Commander, United States Strategic Command

The symposium will be held on Thursday, November 19, from 1:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., and will continue on Friday, November 20, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The Annual Air Force Ball will be held Friday evening at 6:30 p.m. Since it is important for AFA leaders to have the opportunity to attend the symposium, a special "AFA Leader" registration fee for National Officers, Region Presidents, Directors, State and Chapter Officers and designees has been established. Registration will open in early September. Once registration is open, more details will follow.

If you plan to stay at The Beverly Hilton, please call the hotel directly to make reservations as soon as possible at (310) 274-7777 or 800-HILTONS. Mention the AFA symposium to receive the special symposium rate of \$255 (single or double) plus taxes, which are currently 14.05% plus a 1.37% surcharge. You may also visit: <http://www.hilton.com/en/hi/groups/personalized/LAXBHHH-AFTT-20091116/index.jhtml> to make your reservations online. The deadline to receive these rates is October 27 or until the group block sells out, whichever comes first.

Check the AFA website for the latest information on the symposium or contact the following people for additional details on specific functions:

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CFC Campaign Kick Off

The 2009 Combined Federal Campaign begins September 1, 2009. Please remember to consider the Air Force Association (**12214**) and the Air Force Memorial Foundation (**11953**) when you are designating your donations this year. With donations from people like you, we are able to continue to fulfill our mission to *Educate* the public about the critical role of aerospace power in the defense of our nation; to *Advocate* aerospace power and a strong national defense; and to *Support* the United States Air Force, the Air Force family, and aerospace education.

Membership Rosters

We have established a new procedure for granting access to the membership rosters. Those requesting access need to call Mary Nauheimer (Ext. 4821) or email her mnaheimer@afa.org to make the request. The User ID and password you created through our members only area is still valid but needs to be coded into the new system.

It would be helpful to have your current User ID, password, and AF member number available when you call.

Community Partner Memberships – An Opportunity to Network & Advertise

There are plenty of chapters that can gain AFA members by sharing the AFA mission with community leaders, local businesses, and even their own members who have not yet recruited their employers as a Community Partner (CP).

Local companies may be Industrial Associates or AFA members at the Corporate Level, however, most companies still want to be involved on the local level. They just need to be contacted locally and provided with CP

information. They may ask the question, “What’s in it for me?” Make it worth their time and investment. Becoming a Community Partner with AFA provides the opportunity for both networking and advertising. Each CP has the chance to network with other AFA members. They will also receive recognition several times throughout the year as someone who cares, as someone who wants to give back, and as supporters of the local military, the Air Force, and our veterans. Recognition for them can come in many forms -- be creative. Remember, increasing your Community Partner membership will be very rewarding for both businesses and your AFA Chapter.

Are You Using Your Online Resources?

There is a wealth of information and resources located on www.afa.org in the “Field Resources” section. This brief note highlights three of these in particular that every chapter should be using routinely.

- **Unit Reports Received/Paid.** Chapter leaders should check here to be sure national headquarters has received all of the material required for quarterly payments to be made – and has issued the check
- **Membership Reports (Quarterly and Monthly).** Your chapter membership person in particular will want to track the new member “credit” the chapter has received and any “extras” it has built up so that you can set your target for each quarter.
- **Chapter Rosters.** One person in your chapter should have access to the monthly rosters so that you can track new members – both chapter recruited and automatically affiliated – as well as departing and expiring members. Experience has shown that both large and small chapters – and everything in between – can benefit from routinely downloading and analyzing these lists. They then use them in a variety of ways – welcoming new people, adding an extra “sell” to retain expired or expiring members, managing Community Partners and so on. If

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Region Review: The Great Lakes Region

The Great Lakes Region (GLR) is comprised of four states, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, and Ohio. We currently have 18 chapters -- six in Indiana, two in Kentucky, five in Michigan, and five in Ohio. Total membership is over 7,900.

The only active Air Force Base in the region is Wright Patterson AFB in Ohio. WPAFB is also home of the Wright Memorial Chapter 212 which is the largest chapter in the region and one of the largest in AFA with over 2,200 members. Chapter 212 has an outstanding relationship with Wright Patterson and works closely with the senior leadership at the base to support our Air Force family with programs such as Heroes Welcoming Heroes which is a reception held several times a year to recognize our returning deployed troops. In addition, Chapter 212 sponsored 228 Visions classrooms in 2008.

Many of the other chapters are located near Air National Guard and Air Force Reserve Installations and focus their efforts in supporting their operations. Indiana works closely with Indiana Air Guard Headquarters each year to jointly sponsor a chalet at the Indianapolis Air Show. Many of our Chapter and State leaders come from their local guard and reserve units.

The GLR was one of the earliest active areas when AFA was founded. One of our charter members recently provided us with copies of a newspaper article from the AFA National Convention held in Columbus, Ohio in 1947 which was chaired by President Jimmy Doolittle.

We would like to recognize our charter members who are still with us in the GLR. They are Harold Henneke from Indiana; Frank Ward from Michigan; Steve Uminski, Lloyd Blackford, R. Dunkel, Ralph Sims, Edward Davis,

William Schubert, Bob Dean, Bryon Solomondies, Jack Reed, Theodore Elsasser, Paul Koerner, T Tomko, Frank Bartkowicz, Bruce Mathis, Milton Kult, Peter Mier, Willam Barrows, C Furman George Dippel, Russell Larue, Harold Welker, James Gorman, L Rockwell, Robert Meer, D Hutchens, Ned Ailes, Kenneth Graham, Lawrence Grayson, F McNamara, Martin Hertz, Robert Kuhnert, Charles Frey, Judson Dailey, Carroll Irvine, and Willam Runser from Ohio. We are honored to have them in the GLR and hope that we have identified them all.

Special Flags Available

AFA is offering a unique opportunity to give a special gift while helping to continue its educational programs and outreach efforts. For a contribution of \$150, you can receive an Air Force flag which was flown over the U.S. Air Force Memorial on Memorial Day. This is an official 3'x5' U.S. Air Force outdoor flag made of 100% nylon and finished with a canvas header and brass grommets. The flag will also include a certificate of authenticity, and all donations are tax-deductible. It is a perfect way to honor and thank speakers, leaders in your community, or other dignitaries.

As you know AFA relies on support from people like you to continue to **EDUCATE** the public about the critical role of aerospace power in the defense of our nation, **ADVOCATE** aerospace power and a strong national defense, and **SUPPORT** the United States Air Force, the Air Force family, and aerospace education.

Please contact our Development Assistant, Lisa Rietmann, on Ext 4873 or at lrietmann@afa.org to be part of this unique opportunity.

Region & State Presidents Meeting, October 30-31, 2009

The 2009 Region and State Presidents meeting will be held October 30-31 in Arlington, Virginia. As in the past, there will be an informal reception

on October 29 for all who arrive early. The business meetings begin at 8:00 a.m. on October 30 and 31. All region and state presidents (those serving another term, as well as the newly elected) are invited and will be reimbursed for attendance. Please contact Mary Nauheimer with the names of all new presidents as soon as possible. Mark your calendars with these dates; details will be provided as plans are finalized. If you have any questions, please contact Jim Simpson (ext. 5856 or jsimpson@afa.org) or Mary Nauheimer (ext. 4821 or mnauheimer@afa.org)

Applications Now Being Accepted for Educator Grants

AFA believes that one of the most significant means to affect student learning is to fund grants to meet the unmet and unfunded educational needs of students. Each school year, the Association awards grants of up to \$250 to worthy projects that significantly influence student learning. Applications were accepted beginning August 10, 2009. **The application deadline is 4:00 p.m. (Pacific Time) on Friday, November 13, 2009.**

Grant applications must be completed and submitted online - hardcopy or faxed applications will not be considered.

For more information or to register or log-in go to <http://www.afa.org/ae/aid/educator.asp>

Questions regarding the Educator Grant program should be directed to the Membership Manager, Laine Martens, at Ext. 4891 or via e-mail at lmartens@afa.org.

Visions of Exploration: A Science, Technology, Engineering & Math (STEM) Program – Registration Now Open

AFA, AFA Chapters and *USA TODAY* Education continues to provide

the Visions of Exploration Program to 4th-12th grade classrooms throughout the country. Over the course of this partnership, we have together impacted approximately 1,300 classrooms each year reaching more than 100,000 students.

Visions of Exploration is an ideal way for chapters to give something back to the community and inspire today's youth. This program provides educators with a curriculum designed to enhance student understanding of math, science, engineering, technology, and aerospace education.

Benefits to Your AFA Chapter:

- Creates and expands awareness of your chapter.
- Allows you to have an active relationship with your local schools and community.
- Inspires students to accomplish goals and explore careers in the fields of math and science.
- Educates students on the importance of aerospace technology today and in the future.
- Increases student knowledge base and teaches them to think critically and communicate more effectively both orally and in writing.
- Provides a standards-driven program that can be easily integrated into an existing STEM curriculum.

How the Program Works:

- Chapters decide how many classrooms they would like to sponsor. Fill out the registration form at www.usatodayeducate.com/forms/afaform_200910.cfm.
- Chapters may select the schools they wish to sponsor or *USA TODAY* will select them on behalf of the chapter.
- *USA TODAY* will work with the teachers to set up delivery to the school. Teachers can designate

the day of the week they wish to receive newspapers and lesson plans.

- All teachers will receive a start kit and an activity guide within the first two weeks of starting the program.
- AFA will send an invoice to the chapter once a registration form is received.

Program Costs:

Chapters may select from the following two program options:

- 30 newspapers, delivered one day a week, for 18 weeks. The cost per classroom is \$114.
- 20 newspapers, delivered one day a week, for 28 weeks. The cost per classroom is \$120.

For more information on the Visions of Exploration Program go to <http://www.afa.org/aef/visions/> or contact Laine Martens at either visions@afa.org or Ext. 4891.

AFA Awards 2009 Callahan Scholarship

AFA announces the selection of Air Force Captain Patrick Reimnitz for the 2009 Captain Jodi Callahan Memorial Graduate Scholarship. Captain Reimnitz serves as unit Education Officer for an AFROTC detachment, and is an instructor and mentor. In his personal and volunteer time, Reimnitz is a youth worker at his church, teaching and mentoring more than 40 students, and leading them in charity fundraising efforts, including the LA Food Bank and a ministry building homes for needy families in Mexico. Captain Reimnitz is pursuing a Master's degree in Theology at Loyola Marymount University, and plans to use that knowledge to help Airmen, perhaps in an official capacity such as chaplain or counselor. AFA awards the \$1,000 Callahan Memorial Scholarship annually to deserving Air Force active duty, full time Guard or Reserve pursuing a non-technical Master's Degree.

Air Force Memorial Ornament - Numbered, Limited Edition

This beautiful, distinguished ornament is the first in AFA's new numbered, limited edition Ornament Collection. The beautiful spires of the Air Force Memorial are surrounded by a silver star with red, white and blue highlights. The fine details include the Pentagon visible in the background. Only 2,500 have been produced and no more will be made.

The Official 2009 AFA Collector's Ornament is 2.843" x 2.843", solid brass with rhodium finish, made in the USA by ChemArt, a Veteran-Owned Small Business, known for their superior quality photo chemically etched decorative brass ornaments and collectibles. To order, visit http://afa.tranguard.com/details.asp?item_id=539&tgs=1921550:18044862&cart_id=, or call AFA Member Services on 1-800-727-3337 (Option 3). The cost of the ornament is \$25 plus \$5 Shipping and Handling.



2009 AFA NATIONAL CONVENTION
September 12 – 16, 2009
Gaylord National Resort & Convention Center
(Tentative Schedule of Events as of August 15, 2009)

Friday, September 11

1:00 pm – 4:00pm	Region Presidents Meeting	Presidential Boardroom
4:00 pm – 9:00pm	AFA Executive Committee	Presidential Boardroom

Saturday, September 12

8:00 am – 2:00 pm	AFA Board of Directors	National Harbor 5
10:00 am	AFA Credentials Registration	National Harbor 10-11 Foyer
2:00 pm – 5:00 pm	Preliminary Business Session	National Harbor 10-11
5:00 pm – 5:45 pm	Catholic Mass	National Harbor 4
6:00 pm – 9:00 pm	Field Awards Reception and Dinner	Potomac AB
9:00 pm – 11:00 pm	Delegate Regional Caucuses	
	Central East	Chesapeake 6
	Far West	Chesapeake 7
	Florida	Chesapeake 5
	Great Lakes	Chesapeake 4
	Midwest	National Harbor 9
	New England	National Harbor 6
	North Central	National Harbor 7
	Northeast	Chesapeake I
	Northwest	Chesapeake 8
	Overseas	Chesapeake H
	Rocky Mountain	Chesapeake 9
	South Central	Chesapeake D
	Southeast	Chesapeake G
	Southwest	Chesapeake F
	Texoma	Chesapeake E

Sunday, September 13

6:00 am – 7:00 am	Continental Breakfast	National Harbor 2-3
7:00 am	Departure for Memorial Service	Bus Loop by Maryland Ballroom
8:00 am – 8:30 am	Memorial Service/Wreath Laying	Air Force Memorial
	<i>Rain back-up</i>	<i>Potomac C</i>
9:00 am – 5:00 pm	AFA Business Session	National Harbor 10-11
12:30 pm – 1:30 pm	Official Delegate Buffet Lunch	National Harbor 2-3
5:45 pm – 8:30 pm	Delegate Education Session	Lockheed Martin Facility

Monday, September 14

7:30 am – 8:45 am	Continental Breakfast	Potomac 1-6 Foyer
9:00 am – 11:00 am	Conference Opening and Award Ceremonies	Potomac AB
11:00 am	Technology Exposition Ribbon Cutting Ceremony	
11:30 am – 1:00 pm	Conference Attendee Lunch	Exhibit Hall CDE
1:00 pm – 5:00 pm	Conference Address & Workshops	various rooms
1:55 pm – 2:40 pm	Delegate Workshop: Field Council	Chesapeake 5
6:00 pm – 7:45 pm	Outstanding Airmen of the Year Reception	Exhibit Hall CDE
8:00 pm – 10:30pm	Outstanding Airmen of the Year Dinner	Potomac AB

Tuesday, September 15

7:00 am	Departure for Congressional Morning Reception	Bus Loop by Maryland Ballroom
8:00 am – 9:00 am	Delegates Congressional Reception	Senate Dirksen Room 106
9:00 am – 5:00 pm	Conference Address & Workshops	various rooms
12:00 pm – 1:30 pm	Conference Attendee Lunch	Exhibit Hall CDE

Wednesday, September 16

7:30 am – 8:45 am	Continental Breakfast	Potomac 1-6 Foyer
9:00 am – 5:00 pm	Conference Address & Workshops	various rooms
12:00 pm – 1:30 pm	Conference Attendee Lunch	Exhibit Hall CDE
6:30 pm – 7:45 pm	Air Force Anniversary Reception	Exhibit Hall CDE
8:00 pm – 10:30 pm	Air Force Anniversary Dinner	Potomac AB