

# AFA Lance P. Sijan Chapter Meeting Minutes – December 9, 2014

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## Welcome

President Dave Shiller opened the meeting at 7:30. The meeting was held at the Lockheed Martin Corporate Business Development facility located at 985 Space Center Dr., Suite 225. A list of attendees is included at the bottom of these minutes. This was Dave's last meeting as Chapter President. The Chapter thanks Dave for his tremendous support and leadership over the past two years.

## President's Comments (Dave Shiller)

### Chapter Elections

Results from Chapter elections are as follows:

President:	Don Kidd
Vice President:	Linda Aldrich
Treasure:	Barbara Binn
Secretary:	Tom Ocvirk

125 ballots were received from Chapter members.

### 2015 Air Force Ball

The 2015 Air Force Ball will be held Friday, March 20, 2015 at the Broadmoor Hotel. Anyone interested in assisting with Ball planning and execution can contact any Sijan Chapter Board member. Volunteers are needed. Both Lockheed Martin and Boeing will be Platinum sponsors. Raytheon will be a Gold level sponsor. Gentle Rain Disc Jockey will play after dinner music.

### AFA Mentorship Program

Roy Griggs and Gayle White are leading the Chapter's AFA Mentorship Program. The program, initiated by AFA National, is designed to assist Air Force personnel with their transition to civilian life. This program, Airmen Helping Airmen, will put recently retired or separating AF personnel in touch with a mentor in their field of work. Roy is coordinating our efforts with local Base TAP program representatives. Volunteers are needed to act as mentors to out-processing or retiring Air Force service members. Contact Roy Griggs or Gayle White for more information about volunteering for the program.

### Cyber Patriot Program

The Chapter needs a volunteer to lead our cyber patriot program. The Cyber Patriot lead will represent the chapter to local high school and junior high teams. Twenty Four local high school cyber patriot teams (11-Service Division, 12-Open Division, 1-Middle School) are enrolled in this year's competition. Falcon, Vista Ridge, Air Academy, Lewis Palmer, Fountain-Fort Carson, and Civil Air Patrol are participating.

### Space Patriot Program

Planning has begun on a Space Patriot Program which parallels the Cyber Patriot Program. The goal of the program is to encourage participation and interest in space by junior and senior high students. Means for encouraging interest in space are being considered and discussed. Means currently under consideration are on-line satellite computer games and high altitude balloon launches. Program planning is currently in the conceptual stage. National and Chapter AFA representatives are meeting with HQ AFSPC officials.

### Chapter e-mail Address Clean-up

Treasurer Barbara Binn and VP Linda Aldrich are revising and updating the Chapter's email list. The clean-up of member email addresses is a time consuming task. Post cards have been sent to members whose addresses bounced or failed when a recent email was sent to all Chapter members. If you did not receive either an email or post card and want to be included on the Chapter email distribution list, please notify a Chapter board member so your address can be added. We want to be able to keep you informed of AFA local and national activities.

## **Secretary's Report (Tom Ocvirk)**

November meeting minutes were published and posted to the Chapter web site.

## **Treasurer's Report (Barbara Binn)**

Income and expenses for the previous month were reviewed and discussed. The Chapter received income from Community Partners, Air Force Ball sponsors and from checking account interest. Expenses for the month included: Wing Award Winners AFA memberships and gift cards, a contribution to the Colorado Springs Pearl harbor Remembrance Day ceremony, sponsorship of the Community Partners and Volunteer reception, and a contribution to the Peterson AFB Air and Space Museum.

## **Vice President Reports**

### **VP, Community Partners (Jeri Andrews)**

A Community Partner and Volunteer appreciation reception was held December 19<sup>th</sup> at the National Space Foundation. A big thank you goes out to Jeri for organization the reception including the catering from The Picnic Basket. The reception was a big success as several Community Partners attended and were honor for their support.

### **VP, Aerospace Education & Scholarships (Linda Aldrich)**

Planning for 2015 scholarships is underway. Essay topics are being considered and judges are being identified. An announcement regarding how to apply will be forthcoming.

### **VP, Communications Report (Bill Houth)**

The Chapter web site continues to be revised.

## **VP, Veteran's Affairs (Kevin Estrem)**

No update was provided.

## **Chapter Events & Activities**

### **Events**

Events attended by Chapter Officials in November & December included:

- 50SW Quarterly Awards Breakfast (November 3)
- Veteran's Day – Parade (November 8)
- Veteran's Day Wreath Laying (November 11)
- Community Partner & Volunteer Recognition Reception (November 19)
- Chapter Board Elections
- Team Peterson Quarterly Awards Breakfast (December 2)
- Tri-Command Holiday Party (December 6)
- Pearl Harbor Remembrance Ceremony (December 7)
- USAFA Superintendent Reception (December 13)

### **Upcoming Events & Activities**

- State AFA Meeting (January 10) – Sijan Chapter hosting
- SNOFEST (January 23 – 25)
- USAFA Wing Open (February 19)

### **Other Business**

None

### **Next Meeting:**

The next Chapter meeting will be held January 13<sup>th</sup> at Exelis's facility on Fountain Blvd. The meeting will begin at 7:30 am.

### **Attendees**

Dave Shiller	Linda Aldrich	Tom Ocirk
Barbara Binn (by phone)	Bob Cooper	Gayle White
TSgt Tim Tichawa	Bill Houth	Sharon White
Tom Sadler (by phone)	Don Kidd	