



The Sijan Sentinel

4TH QUARTER, ISSUE 1

DECEMBER 2014

WELCOME TO SIJAN CHAPTER 125!



President: Dave Shiller
President-elect: Don Kidd
Vice President: Linda Aldrich
Treasurer: Barbara Binn
Secretary: Tom Ocvirk

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

As 2014 draws to a close, so does my term as Chapter President. It's been my honor to serve as President and to represent our chapter. Thanks to a lot of hard work by a devoted team, we've had another terrific year, providing nearly \$40K and thousands of hours of volunteer support to the local Air Force Family. We have many, many highlights to be proud of—from increased support to the Air Force Wounded Airmen to the Air Force Ball and the inaugural Schriever Memorial Essay Contest and more.

I want to take a moment to thank the chapter members and chapter staff for making this chapter one of the best chapters in the nation! It's their selfless efforts that keep the chapter thriving, and I thank all our terrific volunteers!

Looking ahead, Don Kidd was elected President, and I could not be happier for the chapter. Don is a well-known community leader with deep passion and ties to the Air Force. Backed by Linda Aldrich as Vice President, Barbara Binn as Treasurer, and Tom Ocvirk as Secretary, the chapter is in excellent hands!

Once again, thank you for making this chapter so great! On behalf of our chapter staff, we wish you all a very joyous holiday season!

NEW WEBSITE LAUNCHED FOR SIJAN CHAPTER

www.lancepsijanafa.org

CHECK IT OUT!!!!

AFA SIJAN CHAPTER ELECTIONS RESULTS

President: Don Kidd
Treasurer: Barb Binn

Vice President: Linda Aldrich
Secretary: Tom Ocvirk



2014 Schriever Essay Contest Winners



1st place:

Lt Col Joseph Iungerman:

Essay Title: What Happens If They Say "No"? - Preserving Access to Critical Commercial Space Capabilities during future Crises

2nd place:

Lt Col Kris Barcomb

Essay Title: Space Sustainment: A New Approach For America In Space

3rd place:

Capt Bryan Bell & 2Lt Even Rogers

Essay Title: Mission Resilience & the Contested, Degraded, & Operationally-Limited Space: The Gaps in Tactical Space Operations

Honorable Mention:

Capt John Paek

Essay Title: Strategic Space Training

Capt Domenic Magazu III

Essay Title: Bridging the Gap: Cyber Situational Awareness to the End User

1Lt Gregory Eslinger

Essay Title: Air Force Space Command and the OODA Loop

Community Partner Reception



The local Colorado Springs Community Partners of the Sijan Chapter are essential to our support for a deterrent force with the sufficiency to ensure national peace and security. The Chapter sponsored a reception at the Space Foundation in November to honor and thank our Community Partners for their continuing and generous support. Jeri Andrews, Vice President of Community Partners, organized a wonderful catered reception, and President Dave Shiller summarized the Chapter accomplishments of the year for our Partners, while thanking them for their contributions. The interaction between the AFA Sijan Chapter and the Community Partners is a two-way benefit, promoting a common bond and understanding between the businesses and the military in Colorado Springs. Please visit the Lance P. Sijan website Community Partner link to become acquainted with all our outstanding local Community Partners.

**Thank You to all our Chapter
Community Partners!**



Sijan Chapter welcomes an AFA Emerging Leader to our Membership



The Chapter is honored to welcome Tim Tichawa, an AFA Field Leader and participant in AFA's first class of Emerging Leaders Program. While Tim was enroute to his new assignment in Colorado Springs, he visited the sixth grade classroom of AFA's Teacher of the Year, Kaci Heins. Tim shared information about STEM careers, what he does in the Air Force, specifically within Air Force Space Command. The students learned about how he works directly with satellites and how he got his job. They also got an overview of how the Air Force helps to deliver navigation and timing signals, weather data, satellite communications, missile warning data and maintain the world's most complete satellite catalog. The students loved his presentation so much that they all wanted his autograph afterwards!

2014 Colorado State Banquet

One hundred and thirty-five enthusiastic military and civilian guests attended the Colorado Air Force Association State Awards Banquet on July 18. The setting was the beautiful Doolittle Hall at the Air Force Academy. The featured speaker of the night was Mr. Alvin Drew, the NASA liaison to Headquarters, Air Force Space Command. He is a career Air Force officer and a two-time space shuttle astronaut who logged more than 612 hours in space on STS-118 and STS-133. He amazed the crowd with his footage from docking with the International Space Station and space walks. All four Colorado Chapters honored the best of



the best Air Space and Cyber Force Airmen and Civilians and the exceptional contributors to the success of AFA in Colorado. Colorado attendees were honored to be joined by Kari Hahn, National VP of Member and Field Relations, who assisted State President Steve Gourley, Rocky Mountain Region President Gayle White and Sijan Chapter President Dave Shiller in the presentation of awards. A complete list of the winners follows below. Special thanks goes to our corporate and individual sponsors who donated so that AFA may host the honorees: Lockheed Martin, ASRC, ATK, Raytheon, Gayle and Sharon White, Chris and Andrea Ayres, Dave and Margy Shiller, and Chuck and Ursula Zimkas. Kudos to the Association of Graduates, Heidi Jacobson and her Falcon Staff for the superb dining and service at this special event. Honorees and Award Winners at the event were:

National Awards

--AFA Gold Life Member Card: Maj Gen (Retired) George Douglas (one of only 20 previous recipients).

--Exceptional Service Award: Jeri Andrews (Sijan), Richard Follmar (Mel Harmon)

Medal of Merit: Howard "Cork" Hayden (Mel



2015 AF Ball

The Lance P. Sijan Chapter of the Air Force Association organizes and hosts the Air Force Ball each year to provide a wonderful social event for the Air Force community of the Front Range. This year the Ball will be on March 20, 2015. We hold the event at the world-class Broadmoor because it is the most elegant venue in town and can accommodate the number of guests the Ball attracts. None of the individual ticket prices cover the actual cost of the evening. Generous corporate sponsorships and corporate table sales subsidize the ticket prices to make this event affordable for all. Only a non-profit organization like the Air Force Association can solicit those contributions, which we are pleased to do, because it enables us to offer a fine evening to the Reserve, Active Duty and Civilian Air Force members along the Front Range. Be watching for more information and be sure to attend this outstanding event.



2014 State Banquet Cont.

Colorado State Awards

- Colorado Member of the Year: Richard Follmar (Mel Harmon)
- Superior Excellence Award: Jeri Andrews, Hank Scarangella, Roy Griggs, Joe Kahoe, Tom Ocvirk, Dave Shiller (Sijan)
- Presidential Citation: Linda Aldrich, Bob Cooper (Sijan), Rick Peterson (Huyser), R. J. Schulz (Mel Harmon)
- Exceptional Service: Barbara Binn, Ewa Folden, Bill Houth, Joe Westerland (Sijan), Robert Canvellieri, Csogi (Mel Harmon), Chris Hassett (Mile High)
- Medal of Merit: Margaret Eichman, James Gilchrist, Howard "Cork" Hayden, Steve Janssen, Shawn Kirscht, Edna Simmons, Paul Sipes, Dick Wood (Mel Harmon), Emilie Boschert (Mile High)
- Citation: George Andreatta, Cindy Ealy, Henry Eichman, Oscar Gwartney, Sandy Perkins, Ruth Steele, Eugene Vaerewyck, Kendra Zervas (Mel Harmon), Mary Orn (Huyser), Jay Harroff Judy Rogers, Mike Ruotsala (Mile High)
- Teacher of the Year: Katie Hobbs, Talbott Elementary in Colorado Springs
- Special Recognition Teacher of the Year: Rick Peterson (Huyser)

Military

- Airman of the Year: Amn Matthew Davis, 19th Space Operations Sq
- Non-Commissioned Officer of the Year: SSgt Shawn MacDonald, 302 Force Support Sq
- Senior Non-Commissioned Officer of the Year: SMSgt Vicki Robertson, 302 Force Support Sq
- Company Grade Officer of the Year: Capt Joe Pickenpaugh, 21st Space Wing
- Civilian of the Year, Category I: Kiesha Mills, 21st Med Gp
- Civilian of the Year, Category II: Reggie Selby, 21st Space Wing



Air Force Association Honors Maj. Gen (Retired) George M. Douglas

The Lance P. Sijan Chapter of the Air Force Association gathered at the Cheyenne Mountain Resort to recognize Major General (Retired) George M. Douglas as an Air Force Association Gold Life Member. General Douglas is only the 21st recipient of this award, joining a prestigious group of previous honorees, one of whom is Medal of Honor recipient, General Jimmy Doolittle, honored in 1959 as the second Gold Life Member. The award is only presented to members whose Air Force Association record, production and accomplishments on a national level have been outstanding over a period of years, reflecting the highest credit to the AFA mission, and culminating in a year of greatest individual achievement and distinction.



General Douglas entered the enlisted ranks in World War II and later earned a commission through Officer Candidate School. He rose to the rank of Major General in the Air Force Reserves, serving as Individual Mobilization Augmentee to the Secretary of the Air Force and two North American Aerospace Defense Command Commanders. These positions provided opportunities for him to engage at the highest levels of the Air Force, all service components and the Total Force comprised of active duty, reserves, and National Guard. He has been a member of the Air Force Association for over 50 years and has served as a National President and Chairman of the Board with focusing on leadership development to ensure a strong corps of senior leaders.

General Douglas has long been a strong supporter of the Colorado Springs community through his work in the Military Affairs Committee, National Defense Industrial Association, and founding member of the Pikes Peak Roundtable. The Roundtable promotes positive relations between military and community leaders.

The Chapter is honored to have General Douglas as one of our members and proud that his lifetime of accomplishments has been recognized at the national level. Congratulations General Douglas!



2015 SnoFest

SnoFest is held at Keystone Resort in the heart of the Colorado Rockies. It's hosted by the Force Support Squadrons from the U.S. Air Force Academy, Peterson, F.E. Warren, Buckley, and Schriever Air Force Bases. Activities include world-class skiing, snowboarding, fabulous lodging, parties, giveaways, races, a hilarious cardboard derby, sleigh rides, tubing, ice-skating, non-skier excursions and more. All at discounted prices for the military community thanks to the generous support of SnoFest sponsors. The Lance P. Sijan Chapter is proud to be a sponsor for the 9th year. For details visit: www.mysnofest.com



Snofest 2015; January 23-25

2015 Wing Open Boxing

Each winter, the U.S. Air Force Academy (USAF) conducts a charity drive during its Wing Open Boxing Tournament, and the Lance P. Sijan Chapter of the Air Force Association (AFA) sponsors a pizza party to support its cause. Last year, the Senior Class of the Cadet Wing chose The Home Front Cares as its Wing Open charity. The Home Front Cares is



a Colorado 501(c)3 non-profit organization whose sole purpose is to help needy veterans and military families with rent/mortgages, utilities, car and home repairs, childcare and groceries, and other essential life needs.



**Air Force Association & Rampart Chapter of the USAFA
Association of Graduates Cadet
Wing Open Boxing Tournament Annual Pizza Party**

Thursday February 19, 2015 @ 5:45pm: Cadet Field House USAF

Academy Door Prizes and all you can eat Pizza & Soda Donation: \$15 per person, or \$30 per family (pay at the door)



Silver Wings

Silver Wings functions as a civilian organization that emphasizes leadership, citizenship, and development of professional skills. To provide continuity of identity on the local campus, existing chapters chartered under the name Angel Flight or Silver Wings may continue to operate under these names (at the discretion of the local unit).



Mission

Silver Wings' predecessor organization, Angel Flight, had a specific objective of supporting the mission of Arnold Air Society. While this is no longer explicitly stated, Silver Wings remains committed to developing strong civilian leaders with an understanding of aerospace power—and obviously, the continuing partnership between AAS and SW is critical to building this understanding.

Personal Development of Individual Members:

Local chapter activities and projects provide character growth through service to the community, which enables the individual member to develop a sense of purpose within and a responsibility to the local community.

Professional Development of Individual Members:

Local chapter activities and the national organizational structure provide members with leadership opportunities and the chance to develop professional skills. These include, but are not limited to oral/written communication, public speaking, and project planning and execution.

Civic Awareness:

Exposure to Air Force issues and personnel enables members to develop a personal awareness of aerospace power and the role that it plays in the national defense. The leadership and skills development objectives are enhanced by opportunities for members to actively promote aerospace issues in the community through educational programs, seminars, public relations activities, and voter awareness projects.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

4TH QUARTER, ISSUE 1

PAGE 7

How To Contact

AIR FORCE
ASSOCIATION
LANCE P. SIJAN
CHAPTER

- To be added to the AFA Update distribution list, please e-mail us at: service@afa.org
- To change the e-mail address to which you receive the AFA Update service@afa.org Please provide the old and new e-mail addresses.
- For questions or comments about the AFA Update, e-mail (srubel@afa.org).
- To change the mailing address or other information for your AFA membership record, and to join AFA or renew your membership, visit: <https://www.hqafsa.org/AM/Template.cfm?Section=Renew&Template=/MembersOnly.cfm&NavMenuID=780&ContentID=12875&DirectListComboInd=D>
- For details on your AFA member benefits, go to: <http://www.afavba.org/AboutUs/member/>



MilitaryHOMEFRONT is the Department of Defense website for official Military Community and Family Policy (MC&FP) program information, policy and guidance designed to help troops and their families, leaders, and service providers. Whether you live the military lifestyle or support those who do, you'll find what you need. Visit: <http://www.militaryonesource.mil/>



AFA LANCE P. SIJAN CHAPTER

Points of Interest & Up Coming Events

LANCE P. SIJAN CHAPTER MONTHLY MEETINGS

PLACE: LOCKHEED MARTIN OFFICE, 985 SPACE CENTER DR., STE. 225 COLORADO SPRINGS, CO. 80915

DATE: EVERY 2ND TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH

TIME: 07:30AM

WEBSITE: [HTTP://WWW.LANCEPSIJANAFA.ORG](http://WWW.LANCEPSIJANAFA.ORG)

STATE AFA MEETING (HOST)

PLACE: LOCKHEED MARTIN OFFICE

DATE: JANUARY 10, 2015

21SW QUARTERLY AWARDS BREAKFAST (SPONSOR)

PLACE: PETERSON CLUB

DATE: JANUARY 16, 2015

SNOFEST (SPONSOR)

PLACE: KEYSTONE

DATE: JANUARY 23-25, 2015

STATE JROTC DRILL COMPETITION (CHAPTER-SPONSORED)

PLACE: MITCHELL HIGH SCHOOL

DATE: JANUARY 31, 2015

QUARTRLY AND ANNUAL UNITS AWARDS—21SW, 50 SW, USAFA & HQ AFSPC (SPONSOR)

PLACE: TBD

DATE: TBD

AIR FORCE ACADEMY WING OPEN BOXING (CO-SPONSOR)

PLACE: USAFA FIELD HOUSE

DATE: FEBRUARY 19, 2015

AIR FORCE BALL (HOST)

PLACE: BROADMOOR HALL

DATE: MARCH 20, 2015

For up-to-date chapter happenings follow us on Facebook:

https://www.facebook.com/browse/adminded_pages/?id=100004188004907#!/pages/Lance-P-Sijan-AFA-Chapter-125/378580798874849

Tel: (719)591-1011
dave.shiller@lmco.com

For more information contact:

lancepsijanafa@gmail.com Or
lletters@comcast.net





Chapter Officers:

President:
DAVE SHILLER—591-1011
DAVE.SHILLER@LMCO.COM

Executive VP:
LINDA ALDRICH—694-8719
LSALETTERS@COMCAST.NET

Primary Business Address
Air Force Association
Lance P. Sijan Chapter #125
P.O. Box 15007
Colorado Springs, CO 80935-5007

Secretary:
TOM OCVRK
TOMJANOCVRK@COMCAST.NET

Treasurer:
BARBARA BINN—487-0153
BARBBINN14@GMAIL.COM

Membership Changes

Any changes to members' home / work addresses and email addresses must be sent to AFA National not the Sijan Chapter because we cannot add, delete or change a members mailing address due to privacy laws.
[Click here](#) to update your address and email, or mail changes to AFA National address at:

The AFA is an independent, nonprofit, civilian education organization promoting public understanding of aerospace power and the pivotal role it plays in the security of the nation. AFA publishes Air Force Magazine, conducts national symposia and disseminates information through outreach programs. It sponsors professional development seminars and recognizes excellence in the education and aerospace fields through national awards programs. AFA presents scholarships and grants to Air Force active duty, Air National Guard and Air Force Reserve members and their dependents, and AFA awards educator grants to promote science and math education at the elementary, secondary, and high school level. Nationally, AFA has more than 100,000 active members. The AFA National Website is WWW.AFA.ORG

Air Force Association
Member Services
1501 Lee Highway
Arlington, VA 22209

We're on the Web!
www.lancepsijanafa.org
www.lancepsijanafa.com

The Lance P. Sijan Chapter is one of the largest, most active chapters in AFA, with more than 2100 members. The Sijan Chapter, one of four AFA Chapters in Colorado, primarily focuses on support to the Colorado Springs area, including Peterson AFB, Schriever AFB, Cheyenne Mountain Air Station, and the USAFA. The AFA Sijan Chapter is proud of our rich heritage and strong support for the Colorado Springs Air Force community. We pride ourselves on active support to the local Colorado Springs "Air Force Family," providing approximately \$40,000 and thousands of volunteer hours in support annually!

NEW AND RENEWED COMMUNITY PARTNERS

LOCKHEED MARTIN
We never forget who we're working for®

NORTHROP GRUMMAN

ASRC FEDERAL

Booz | Allen | Hamilton

Scitor Corporation

EXELIS

delivering results that endure

Raytheon

ATK

Ball Aerospace & Technologies Corp.

serco

COLSA Corporation

STIFEL

itec
Information Technology Engineering Consultants

Webster UNIVERSITY

at&t

BRYAN CONSTRUCTION INC.

SPACE FOUNDATION