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2018 AIR FORCE BALL CELEBRATES OUR SERVICE FAMILY:

Onward Together. Celebrating Our Service family: Past, Present and Future



Lance P. Sijan Chapter 2018 Air Force Ball

Article by Linda Aldrich

Photos by SrA Dennis Hoffman, 21SW Public Affairs

Air Force Ball Celebrates Our Service Family

The advance publicity for the Air Force Ball at the Broadmoor on February 17 stated, "The cuisine is exquisite, the setting is unequaled anywhere else in Colorado Springs, and you can dance the night away after the dinner." Truer words were never spoken as the audience of over 500 guests celebrated the theme of Onward Together. Celebrating Our Service Family: Past, Present and Future.

Lt Col Karl Freundt, a most entertaining emcee, kept the black tie evening rolling along with introductions and quips as the audience ignored his guidance to hold applause until the end of introductions. He made special note of the Mitchell High School Junior ROTC cadets who presented the colors and the POW/MIA table as well as the amazing rendition of the National Anthem by Senior Airman Jamie Teachenor, USAFA Band and a singer/songwriter from Nashville, Tennessee. Senior Ranking Officer General Jay Raymond and his wife Mollie were joined by a host of distinguished active duty and retired military members plus many civilian dignitaries and DOD representatives. The Sijan Chapter Air Force Association sponsored event welcomed the current National Chairman of the Board for Field Operations, F. Gavin "Mac" MacAloon from the National AFA Headquarters Sijan Chapter, Senior AFA Leader Emeritus, Maj Gen Jerry White, USAF, Retired and his wife Mary in addition to National Director Emeritus and the very first Command Chief of Air Force Space Command, Chief Master Sergeant Chuck Zimkas, USAF, Retired, and his wife Ursula. In line with honoring the present and the future, the Ball had as honored guests the following Outstanding Airmen: SMSgt Benjamin Sward (10ABW), TSgt Michael Coblentz (N/NC), SrA Tyler Symoens (21SW), SrA Alex Reza (50SW), and SrA Jennell

Martin (AFSPC). Sijan Chapter President Kristen Christy explained that the words of the 2018 Theme had been carefully chosen. Onward for success; Together with joint and allied forces and civilians as a whole; Celebrating the Air Force Family in the myriad connections that make up that family; and the Past, Present, and Future that is the rich ongoing history of the Air Force. General Raymond and his wife shared their thoughts on the evening's theme, noting our Outstanding Airmen and the three tables of AF cadets in attendance spoke to the excellence, security and bright future of the Air Force.



Emcee Lt Col Karl Freundt leading the crowd in a toast.



Ms. Sharon O'Malley-Burg, Tracey Manor,



Lance P. Sijan Chapter 2018 Air Force Ball Cont.

After a dinner served with the usual elegance and efficiency for which the Broadmoor is known, Gayle White, Chairman of the O'Malley Award Committee joined with Sharon O'Malley Burg to announce the recipient of the General O'Malley Distinguished Space Leader award. The Sijan Chapter established the O'Malley Award to recognize the contributions of leaders in achieving General O'Malley's vision of "...providing an intensified space focus and reorienting USAF philosophy toward an operational approach by advocating the operations use of space systems at the highest levels of the Air Force." Gayle spoke of General Jerome O'Malley's legacy of leadership and personal efforts to get the Air Force organized for its activities in space. He knew space capabilities would be viewed as no value added if they didn't support both the strategic and tactical warfighters. Sharon spoke of her father's dedication, passion and dynamic personality, plus the privilege of being able to carry on his legacy with the O'Malley Award each year. The recipient of the award who was recognized at the Ball is Colonel Michael T. Manor, Commander, 614th Air Operations Center and Director, Joint Space Operations Center. The distinguished selection committee, which included Maj Gen Wes Clark, USAF, Retired, who worked with Gen O'Malley when he was promoting the idea of a Space Command, cited Col Manor for living the five leadership principles of General O'Malley: integrity, job knowledge, sensitivity toward others, being yourself and communicating, all combined with dedication to the mission.

After dinner entertainment was provided by "The Other Band," a group of military veterans who got the crowd up and dancing. DJ music was later provided by CMSgt Marcia Hureau, USAF, Retired of "Gentle Rain." The Lance P. Sijan Chapter extends a huge thank you to the corporate sponsors who make this event possible each year and to Chapter volunteers whose hundreds of hours of effort made this year's Air Force Ball an outstanding event.

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2018 Outstanding Airmen as guests at the AF Ball: (Left to Right) SrA Alex Reza, SrA Tyler Symoens, SMSgt Benjamin Sward, SrA Jennell Martin, TSgt Michael Coblentz



Gen. Raymond with Arnies, Silver Wings, Academy Cadets at the Air Force Ball



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Lance P. Sijan Chapter Announcements

Article by Linda Aldrich

Air Force Military Spouse of the Year

Congratulations to our Sijan Chapter President who is the Air Force Military Spouse of the Year in the Armed Forces Insurance sponsored competition. She is in the competition for the Overall Military Spouse of the Year and she will be attending the USO-Metro Gala in Washington, D.C. on May 10th, the event at which the over-all winner will be announced. Her platform is suicide prevention, using her family's experiences in the aftermath of a suicide to help prevent it. Her strong chapter and community leadership most certainly make her an extraordinary and obvious choice for this honor. We are so proud of you Kristen!



Kristen Christy Lance P. Sijan President

Welcome to SMSGT Charles "Doc" Apodaca as the Lance P. Sijan Executive Vice President!

We are so privileged that "Doc" has stepped into the Executive VP position and he has already begun to bring in active duty airmen to work on AFA projects. He is actively serving as the Senior Enlisted Leader for the Air Force Operational Test and Evaluation Center, Detachment 4, located on Peterson Air Force Base, Colorado. He originally joined the Air Force in 1998 and has served in Colorado Springs since 2009.

Doc is involved with several organizations and prides himself on building strong community ties between our military installations and the Colorado Springs community. He is an active member of the Air Force Association, Non Commissioned Officer Association, and a past President for both the Air Force Sergeants Association and Pikes Peak Top III organization. Within the community, he is a member of the Military Affairs Council and an active Ramrod Chair under the Pikes Peak or Bust Rodeo board. His leadership and influence have led to such accolades as the 2013 Senior-Non Commissioned Officer (SNCO) of the Year for the 21st Space Wing as well as being selected as the Air Force Space Command SNCO Lance P. Sijan nominee in both 2014 and 2017. Most recently, he was honored as being the 2017 Mentor for the Junior Enlisted Association on Peterson Air Force Base. Doc is proud to call himself a Ram as he pursues his BS in Information Technology through Colorado State University—and now we are proud to call him a Lance P. Sijan Board Member!



Charles "Doc" Apodaca
Lance P. Sijan Vice President

2018 College Scholarship Opportunity

Each year the Chapter awards scholarships to outstanding high school seniors who have been accepted for enrollment at a college or university, and to current outstanding freshman, sophomore and junior students at a college or university. Scholarships are open to children of active duty and retired Air Force, Air Force Reserve and Air National Guard members, plus spouses of active duty Air Force members, Arnold Air Society members, and Silver Wings members. The Chapter scholarships are awarded based on the overall character and leadership potential of the student, which includes the academic achievement, demonstrated leadership, community service and writing composition. There is no specified restriction on the use of the scholarship monies, however, it is the intent of the Sijan Chapter that they be utilized in the direct support of academic pursuits. All applications must be postmarked no later than 6 April 2018 and winners will be notified no later than 4 May 2018. Complete application information will be posted on the Chapter website at <http://www.lancepsijanafa.org>.



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2018 JROTC Colorado Drill Meet

Article by Linda Aldrich

2018 JROTC Colorado Drill Meet

For the eighth year in a row, the Lance P. Sijan Chapter is the annual sponsor for the JROTC annual drill meet with a record number of eleven schools competing in this year's competition. General William Mitchell High School hosted the event on January 27th, 2018 and the competitors represented a wide area in Colorado to include Air Academy HS (AF), Denver North HS (Army), Falcon HS (AF), Glenwood Springs HS (AF), Harrison HS (AF), John F. Kennedy HS (Army), Mitchell HS (AF), Sand Creek HS (AF), Skyview Academy (AF), Vista Ridge HS (AF), and Westminster HS (AF). Each team that placed in the competition areas received a trophy from AFA representative Dave Shiller. The top 10 cadets that placed during the Drill Down also received a ribbon to wear on their uniforms. Lt Col Isaac (Keith) K. Woodfork, Mitchell HS JROTC Senior Aerospace Science Instructor, stated, "Please pass on our sincere appreciation to all the members of the Air Force Association, Lance P. Sijan Chapter 125, for their outstanding support of our JROTC cadets. We could not have done this Drill Meet without your support. We truly appreciate your support in printing the programs (courtesy of MTSI). The programs received may compliments from cadets, parents, and instructors. It was definitely an outstanding Drill Meet and we look forward to working with you next year. If there is anything we can do for the AFA in the future, please do not hesitate to let us know. We definitely like to showcase our cadets." Sijan Chapter provided for the cost of the professional awards, program printing and the hospitality room for the judges of the competition. Additional Sponsors were Continental Cleaners, Louie's Pizza, Janny's Tailor Shop, Thomas Name Tags, Inc., and printing was provided by MTSI.



2018 JROTC Colorado Drill Meet cont.

Competition Results

o Drill Down

- 1st Place – Andrew Smith, Skyview Academy
- 2nd Place – Heaven Baldwin, Mitchell High School
- 3rd Place – Angel Escobar, Mitchell High School
- 4th Place – Brian Gainer, Harrison High School
- 5th Place – Rafael Figueroa, Skyview Academy
- 6th Place – Anthony Aragon, Skyview Academy
- 7th Place – Yechang Zhou, Westminster High School
- 8th Place – Ben Hunt, Mitchell High School
- 9th Place – Mario Garcia, Vista Ridge High School
- 10th Place – Richard Vuong, Vista Ridge High School

o Inspection

- 1st Place – John F. Kennedy High School
- 2nd Place – Sand Creek High School
- 3rd Place – Mitchell High School
- 4th Place – Falcon High School

o Unarmed Regulation

- 1st Place – Mitchell High School
- 2nd Place -- Air Academy Team #2
- 3rd Place – Air Academy Team # 1
- 4th Place – Harrison High School

o Unarmed Exhibition

- 1st Place -- Mitchell High School
- 2nd Place -- John F. Kennedy High School
- 3rd Place – Skyview Academy

o Color Guard

- 1st Place – Mitchell High School Lady Marauders
- 2nd Place -- Air Academy High School Team #1
- 3rd Place – Mitchell High School Team #2
- 4th Place – Glenwood Springs HS and John F. Kennedy HS Tied
- 5th Place – Air Academy Team #2



Commander's Trophy (Overall Championship)—William Mitchell High School



Casino Night Benefits Wounded Airman Program

Article by Steve Base

For the second year, the Lance P. Sijan Chapter organized a successful and entertaining fundraising event at the Broadmoor for the Air Force Association Wounded Airman Program (WAP). Casino Night raised over \$6,800 for WAP. Held in conjunction with the Cyberspace Symposium hosted by the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association (AFCEA), attendees enjoyed the symposium by day and unwound at the casino tables for the evening of March 5th. Over 350 guests pre-registered with a \$5 fee, which entitled them to a door prize ticket and a ticket for \$100 in chips to use for the games. An additional 150 guests showed up that evening to contribute to the WAP fundraising. Attendees received an additional \$150 in chips and a door prize ticket for every \$20 donated. With their chips, the guests tried their luck at various games of chance at tables manned by professionals. Every \$400 in winnings earned another door prize ticket.

As if the buffet of pizza, sliders, quesadillas, mac-n-cheese bar and wings wasn't enough to make the evening a hit, the door prizes were highly sought as well. Two lucky winners of the donated prizes went home with a gift basket containing \$500 worth of national chain restaurant and retail store gift cards ranging from \$15 to \$100, donated by the Lance P. Sijan Chapter. Another big winner will be having a Mini-Casino Night in his own home, complete with gaming table, dealer, playing chips and cards, while his guests enjoy four large Louie's Pizzas and two cases of excellent beer, a \$500 value donated by Deuces Wild Casino Rentals and Kristen and Sean Lange. In addition to these donations, the evening would not have been possible without the generous support of major sponsors: GARTNER, AT&T, MTSI, as well as Major General John Maluda (USAF, Ret) and his wife Kitty.

"Photos by Eric Wayne Savage, Visual Dynamics"



Casino Night Benefits Wounded Airman Program Cont.

The AFA Wounded Airman Program provides life-changing and life-saving support to our wounded, ill and injured Airmen who have given so much to our Air Force and our Nation. Through the efforts of the Air Force Association, in 2018 \$150,000 will be provided in support to Wounded Airmen and their families; 100 plus Wounded Airmen Caregivers will be supported for much needed “me time” activities; \$50,000 will be provided in grants to Wounded Airmen and their families; and 60 plus Wounded Warriors will be funded to attend AFW2 CARE Events and Warrior Games. WAP attempts to fill the gaps not covered by government programs and it relies on charitable contributions.



There is an increasing number of disabled veterans being discharged into American society, which includes 3K wounded AF veterans and many more from the other armed services. Why are there so many? The main reason is that the armed forces are doing a much better job of keeping seriously wounded combatants alive. During WWII the ratio of killed over wounded was 61%, meaning that during the war for every ten wounded that survived, another six died. For the Vietnam Conflict, that number had decreased to 38%, while during the more recent Afghanistan Conflict, it had fallen to an astonishing 13%. Part of this decline is due to improvements in medical technology, such as the respiratory ventilator, the central line and many new medications. The other factor comes from using helicopters as air ambulances, first utilized in Korea, to pick up the seriously wounded on the battlefield and deliver them directly to a trauma surgical suite within the “golden hour,” in time for the surgeons to save the patient.



The Casino Night of socializing, peer networking and competition also could not have happened without the donation of time by our every ready volunteers. A huge thank you to the combined effort of the civilian and active duty community for the hours contributed to assist the Air Force Wounded Airman Program.



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Cotopaxi's Martian Adventure!

Contributed by Randi Dotter, Science Teacher, Cotopaxi High School, 2015 Sijan Teacher of the Year

On Tuesday, March 6, twenty-nine Physical Science and Physics students from Cotopaxi High School blasted off on a “Voyage to Mars” mission at Challenger Learning Center of Colorado Springs. Students spent several weeks preparing to fly this simulator mission by learning about our solar system, Mars, and various aspects of space exploration. Students worked in teams to study essential topics such as survival principles, spacesuit design, navigation coordinate systems, hydroponics, nutrition and meal planning, spectral analysis of gases, acid-base testing, and methods to search for life in soil samples. After completing this “mission specialist” training, each student was selected to perform a role on the crew. The crew was given three measures of success:

1. Safety of the Crew
2. Launch the Space Probes
3. Study the Natural Resources

The simulation scenario begins with a crew of astronauts headed to Mars in their spacecraft in the year 2076. The spacecraft crew is to land on Mars, relieve the crew at Mars Base One, and send them home to Earth. Communication officers, Taylor Key and Thunder Burnham, ensured the timely flow of mission critical information between the spacecraft and Mars Base One and did an excellent job of multi-tasking under pressure. Data officers, Peter Belt and Abigail McNeal, acted as gatekeepers for all electronic messaging between teams and expertly tracked our rover crew and the path of a severe dust storm bearing down on our Mars base. Our Navigation Officers, Jacob Maestas, Hannah Karg, Hannah McNeal, and Aubrey Whipple, triangulated our positions en route to Mars, established our orbit, and flawlessly executed emergency landing and launch procedures that kept our spacecraft intact. Our Life Support specialists, Koylynn Gulliford, Shealee Coleman, Chellis Richards and Owen Voll, monitored all essential life support



Isolation team - Levi Barr (L) and Dalton Lewis (R) use robotic arms to manipulate samples for testing in the spacecraft.

systems and efficiently handled humidity and oxygen emergencies to ensure crew survival. Meanwhile our Medical team, Gino Husser, Kyle Buss, Brooke Cooper and Kali Carlson, skillfully tested our astronauts in a Barany chair for adaptation to microgravity, safeguarding the health and welfare of every crew member. Using robotic arms and a glove box, our Remote team, Erica Cauthron, Justin Robitaille, Clay Sanchez and Nathan Semer, carefully studied natural resources and provided detailed scientific information about the red planet's minerals. Precision work with robotic arms by our Isolation specialists, Eva Vacura, Amanda Fallas-Zuniga, Kurt Voll, Levi Barr, and Dalton Lewis, and detailed analysis of panel samples, detected micrometeoroid damage to our spacecraft. Their discovery allowed our astronauts to seek protective shelter prior to encountering a severe meteoroid event en route to Mars orbit. Last, but not least, our Probe specialists, Rose Ward, Jonah Bertolino, Collin Whipple, and Briana Carey, adeptly assembled a space probe which was to be launched to explore Deimos, a moon of Mars. Their quick, accurate work paid off when our rover crew lost contact while exploring Olympus Mons. The probe was used to deliver a transceiver to the lost rover crew, enabling them to safely return to Mars Base One.



Cotopaxi's Martian Adventure! cont.

Cotopaxi students learned many valuable lessons by participating in the “Voyage to Mars” simulation. Rose, Collin and Jonah stressed the importance of “listening and giving clear instructions” in performing their job as Probe specialists. Jacob emphasized the need for “communication and teamwork” to accomplish his navigation duties. Isolation specialists, Amanda and Eva, highlighted valuable lessons about “the dangers we will be facing” and the need to “take care of our resources” in any future space exploration. Koylynn and Shealee found problems were best handled by remaining calm and “not letting the pressure get to us” while handling life-threatening emergency situations. Clay, Nathan, Justin, and Erica used math and teamwork skills to study the natural resources and learned to “be prepared for anything” as Remote specialists. Gino recognized his Medical duties were vital to keeping the crew safe” by ensuring they adapted to space. Data officer, Peter, identified “finding the dust storm” as his most important contribution to “safety of the crew.” Communication officer, Taylor, described the most exciting part of her job as “sending important instructions to Mars Base during the oxygen shortage in order to solve problems and save the mission.”

To a person, every Mars mission crew member walked out of Challenger Learning Center Tuesday afternoon with their head held high and a strong, inner feeling of success and accomplishment. As their science teacher, I am exceedingly proud of these students, their outstanding teamwork, and how every crew member’s contributions were important to successfully accomplishing the mission. I commend them all on their tremendous effort!

In closing, I wish to thank Flight Directors Tanna George and Carrie Ryden of the Challenger Learning Center of Colorado for their excellent leadership and instruction throughout our Mars mission. Their knowledge and enthusiasm is invaluable to the success of our students. Thank you to Marty Grantz, Registrar, and Rob Fredell, CEO of Challenger Learning Center, for their assistance in scheduling, training and executing this mission. “Voyage to Mars” and our other unique science programs would not be possible without the financial support of organizations such as the Air Force Association of Colorado. I would also like to thank AFA for their generous support of Cotopaxi High School’s STEM programs.



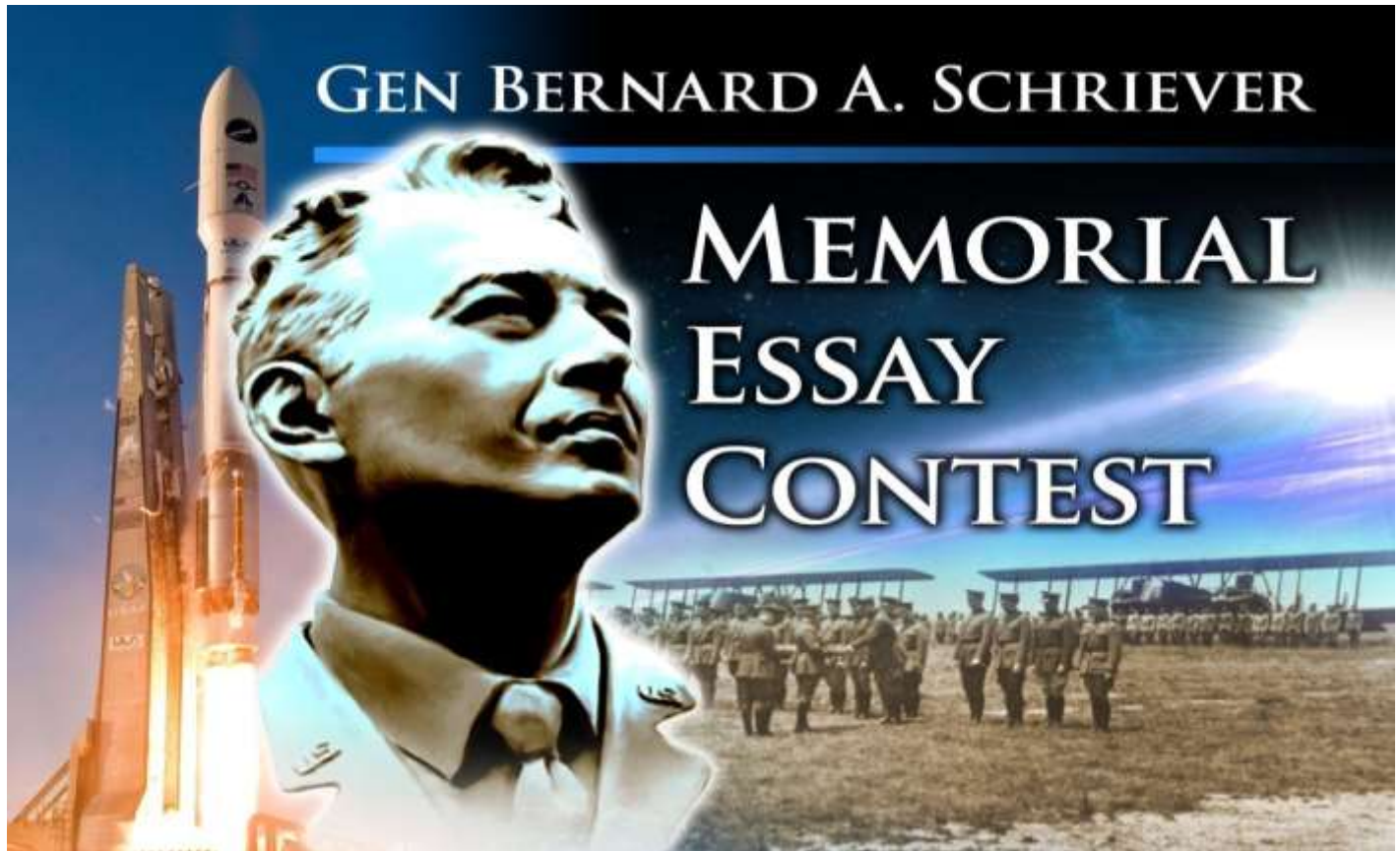
Flight Director Carrie Ryden (R) instructs Medical team, Brooke Cooper (2 R) and Kali Cooper (2L) on procedures for testing Life Support team member, Owen Voll (seated in the Barany chair), on his adaptation to microgravity. Background: Communication officer, Thunder Burnham (L) confers with Data officer, Peter Belt (R).



The spacecraft Life Support team, Shealee Coleman (L) and Chellis Richards (R) surveys the Navigation team, Hannah Karg (L) and Hannah McNeal (R), at their console. The survey responses determine the types of crops that will be grown once the spacecraft crew reaches Mars Base One and takes control of the station. Meanwhile, Data officer Abigail McNeal (R, at console) confers with Flight Director Carrie Ryden (standing) about the path of a severe dust storm tracking towards Mars Base One.

General Bernard A. Schriever Memorial Essay Contest Results

Article by Dave Shiller



For the fourth year and still going strong, the General Bernard A. Schriever Memorial Essay Contest was sponsored by the Lance P. Sijan Chapter, in concert with HQ Air Force Space Command. The 35 submissions this year set a new record for the competition and the judges were impressed by the quality and effort evident in each submission according to Dave Shiller, Essay Contest Coordinator. An evaluation panel of nine distinguished experts led by General Lance Lord, USAF, (Retired), former Commander of Air Force Space Command, determined the winners and runners-up from a broad array of submissions from across the Air Force. After a rigorous evaluation process, winning and runner-up essays were selected for the top prizes; four essays received Honorable Mention.

The purpose of the contest is to stimulate thought, discussion and debate on matters relating to how the Air Force and Air Force Space Command (AFSPC) provide space and cyberspace capabilities for the Joint Force and the Nation. The contest is sponsored in the name and memory of a great Air Force pioneer, General Bernard A. Schriever, with two divisions for competition: an Open Division and an Airman Division. The Open Division is for all current Air Force military and civilian personnel, including Air Force Reserve and Air National Guard members. The Airman Division is restricted to E1-E6 members, however, they have the option to enter the Open Division as well. The theme, as determined by the Commander of AFSPC, General Jay Raymond, was "What should the Nation do to better prepare to deter aggressive actions in space/cyberspace and, if necessary, prevail should deterrence fail?" All essays have been made available to AFSPC leaders for review and consideration.



General Bernard A. Schriever Memorial Essay Contest Results cont.

First place in the Open Division received a check for \$1000 from the Lance P. Sijan Chapter; second place received a check for \$500. Additionally, the top two essays in the Open Division were published in the *Air and Space Power Journal*. In the Airman Division, first place earned \$500; the runner-up received \$250. The Winners and Honorable Mentions for the 2017 General Bernard A. Schriever Memorial Essay Contest are:

Category	Essay Title	Author(s)	Duty
Open Division Winning Essay	“Deterring Aggressive Space Actions with Cube-Satellite Proximity Operations: A New Frontier in Defensive Space Control”	Capt Mikael Nayak	AFRL/RD Kihei HI
Open Division Runner-up Essay	“Brandishing Our Air, Space, and Cyber Swords: Recommendations for Deterrence and Beyond”	Lt Col Mark Reith	AFIT, Instructor WPAFB
Airman/NCO Div Winning Essay	“Leadership to Foster Innovation against Cyber-space Threats”	TSgt Amin Haqani	436 Airlift Wg, Dover AFB
Airman/NCO Div Runner-up Essay	“Space and Cyberspace Recruitment”	TSgt Juan Ramirez	1 st Airlift Sq Joint Base Andrews
Open Division – Honorable Mention Essays	“Persistent Space Situational Awareness for Guardians of the High Frontier”	Dr. Roberta Ewart	SMC LAAFB
	“The New Matrix of War: Digital Dependence”	Capt Keith Nordquist	USTRANSCOM/ AFTRANS/A3 Scott AFB
	“Cyber War & Deterrence: Applying a General Theoretical Framework”	Capt Isaac Nacita	AFIT, Student WPAFB
Airman/NCO Division – Honorable Mention Essay	“Space/Cyberspace: An Ever Present Danger to the Security of the United States”	SSgt Xavier Sayles	912 ARS March AFB

On behalf of the Lance P. Sijan Chapter of the Air Force Association and the General Bernard A. Schriever Memorial Essay contest judges and administrators, congratulations and thank all authors you their hard work in making this year's contest one of the best. We applaud all the entries and extend our thanks to the contributors for the scholarly efforts evident in your submissions.



Lance P. Sijan Is Looking for Volunteers



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Your Lance P. Sijan Chapter relies on dedicated volunteers for our projects and contributions to the Air Force Family. We urge you all to consider volunteering with your Air Force Association. The AFA, like every other like-minded organization here in town, needs help. We need people dedicated to our mission, anxious to ensure we are visible and committed to our community and our Air Force family. Don't worry about whether or not there will be anything for you to do...there's plenty to go around. So please join us. Come to our monthly Board meetings, or just call one of us to let us know you're available. We'd love to see you!

We are also looking for members to fill these specific positions: (1) If you have a heart for working with young students in JROTC, ROTC, CAP, Arnold Air Society and Silver Wings, we need a liaison with the units here in Colorado Springs. (2) How about helping with our heroes? We need volunteers for the Wounded Warrior Games in June. (3) Are you well--connected within the Colorado Springs community? Help AFA by being our Chapter Public Relations Liaison.

If you are interested in these positions, please contact Kristen at LancePSijanAFA@gmail.com to learn more. These are great networking and volunteer opportunities!



Volunteer activities for the last quarter:

Jan-Feb 2018 (Kristen Christy & Sean Lange) – 21st SW Quarterly Awards, 21 SW Annual Awards, 50th SW Annual Awards, USAFA Annual Awards, HQ AFSPC Quarterly Awards, Team Pete Quarterly Awards

Jan 27-(Dave Shiller) – AF JROTC Colorado Drill Meet

Feb 17-(Kristen Christy, Caty Rozema, Gayle Divine, Brandi Sandoval, Lynn Dibben, Charles “Doc” Zenia Apodaca, Gerald Morey, Willie Kalaskie, Gayle White, Sharon White, Judy Arnold, Sean Lange, Bill Houth) Air Force Ball

Mar 5 (Kristen Christy, Gayle Divine, Cordelia Kendall, Brandi Sandoval, Bill Mills, Sean Lange, Charles “Doc” and Zenia Apodaca, Gerald Morey, Brian Patterson, Dorjee Tashi, LeAndra Mescale, Natasha Rivera, James Gerald, Linda Aldrich) – WAP Casino Night

Mar 26 – (Linda Aldrich) – Women’s History Month/Ft Carson



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- To join AFA or renew your membership, visit: www.afa.org
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LANCE P. SIJAN CHAPTER MONTHLY MEETINGS

Place: MTSI, 985 Space Center Dr., Ste 155, CLSP., CO. 80915
Date: Every 2nd Tuesday of each month / Time: 4:30pm

COMMUNITY PARTNER RECEPTION

Place: RE/MAX Advantage Realty
Date: April 11, 2018
Time: 6pm

34TH SPACE SYMPOSIUM

Place: Broadmoor
Date: 16-19 April 2018

NATIONAL FINALS, STELLAR XPLORERS COMPETITION

Place: Space Foundation
Date: 17-21 April 2018

WARRIOR GAMES

Place: US Air Force Academy
Date: 2-3 June 2018

STATE CONVENTION

Place: TBD
Date: Saturday, August 25, 2018
Time: Business Meeting at 9:30am / Awards Banquet at 6:00pm

IMAGE GOLF

Place: Silver Spruce Golf Course Peterson AFB
Date: 24 August 2018
Time: 7am

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We're on the Web!

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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!

Membership Changes

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