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AIR & SPACE FORCES ASSOCIATION**



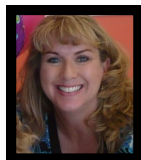
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*From The President.....*

Fellow Schriever Chapter AFA members,

Your AFA Schriever Chapter is poised for another banner year. After hosting the first annual Space Force Ball last November, our Chapter has an exceptional reputation within the larger AFA national organization, and with the U.S. Space Force staff. Both are looking to our November events, the Schriever Space Futures Forum and the Space Force Ball, as the national events to celebrate the Space Force birthday and recognize outstanding guardians from across the Space Force. But before we get to that, we have several closer events to orchestrate.

First, on Friday, June 10<sup>th</sup>, we'll host our first Salute to SSC Dinner which is also our first Salute Dinner since 2019. The Dinner will be preceded by our 39<sup>th</sup> Executive Forum, the first exec forum since 2019 as well. We should all be proud that in both 2020 and 2021, we still managed to recognize the best of the best at then-SMC in a 2020 drive by, and a 2021 hybrid outdoor ceremony. We're excited to get back to an in-person dinner to recognize the best of now-SSC. We'll then turn our attention to a September Wall of Honor Induction Ceremony.

On the National front, the AFA is now the Air & Space Forces Association, and we have a new logo that melds our Air Force Heritage with a Delta representing the U.S. Space Force. Both services are part of the Department of the Air Force. You'll see the new logo appearing more and more throughout the year, including later in this newsletter. And your Chapter had a major role in driving the change. Our Chairman of the Board, MGen (ret) Tom Taverney co-chaired a Senior Advisory Group (SAG) along with former SMC Vice Commander, MGen (ret) Roger Teague. I also have the honor of co-chairing AFA's Space Working Group (SWG). Last year, our Chapter conducted a survey to query Guardians about what they're looking for from a professional organization. The survey was adopted nationally, and pretty much validated that our Chapters' guardian's views were consistent with national views. That effort informed the SAG's recommendations that were approved by the AFA Board of Directors and are now being implemented. We often tout LA as the birth place of military space, and now, I think we might also be the birthplace of the Air & Space Forces Association (though DC might not agree).

As we head into summer, congratulations to those graduating from various schools, especially those with dependents graduating from high school and/or college. I hope you all take the opportunity to find time to relax and enjoy family and friends, and I look forward to seeing many of you at the Salute Dinner and the Wall of Honor Ceremony!

William Harding



## AFA Rebrands to Become the Air & Space Forces Association

After 76 years as the preeminent voice for American air and space power, AFA announced it is changing its name to better match its mission and will henceforth be known as the *Air & Space Forces Association*.



The Star is derived from the original "Hap Arnold" Army Air Corps Star, elements that defined AFA's identity since its founding in 1946. The new logo combines a stylized reimagining of the "Hap Arnold" star with the Space Force's distinctive Delta and Polaris, both drawn from the Space Force logo.

To read more about the new design, please click on the new Logo.





# ROTC/JR ROTC

A recent report from Lt Col Reid Wynan, Commander of the ROTC to the AFA chair of ROTC/JR ROTC Randy Odle.

Thank you for the 15K donation. In addition to providing 10-15 needs-based scholarships to our cadets every year, we also recently used this money in Feb 22 to partially fund ten Det 060 cadets to attend the National Character and Leadership Symposium at USAFA. While there they stayed with USAFA cadets for three nights in the dorms and learned from an incredible array of speakers, to include CSAF Brown and CMSAF Bass. Gen Brown dedicated an entire session just to AFROTC cadets in attendance. Airmen of Troy made sure to document the occasion with the man himself (see photo). Det 060 sent more cadets to NCLS than any other Det in the country outside of Colorado.

Det 060 established a cadet Space Delta in Aug of this school year and it is already making a Guardian impact on Det 060. In February, we used AFA Ch 147 funds to subsidize a trip to VSBF to see the Falcon 9 launch with an NRO payload. The picture below shows them at the launch viewing area. They were so excited!

None of these opportunities would be possible without the Schriever Chapter's steadfast commitment to the next generation of Guardians and Airmen. Please pass along our sincere gratitude and appreciation for your one-of-kind support.

REID J. WYNANS, Lt Col, USAF  
Commander, Air Force ROTC Detachment 060  
Chair, Department of Aerospace Studies



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**airmenoftroy** Last week, a few of our cadets visited the Vandenberg Space Force Base (NRO-87)! There, they observed the Falcon 9 launch carrying spacecraft built by the National Reconnaissance Office. Cadets also were able to tour the base, shadow officers, and even met the enlisted Airman responsible for creating the Space Force motto!



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**airmenoftroy** Keeping up with the Cadets who attended NCLS!

Some of our cadets had the chance to attend the National Character and Leadership Symposium at the USAFA where they had the unique experience getting to learn more about leadership and character development. This year's theme was ethics and respect for human dignity, and cadets listened in on guest speakers including General Charles Q. Brown Jr. and Chief Master Sergeant JoAnne Bass. Lastly, they had the chance to get an inside look into the lives of USAFA cadets.





# Salute to SSC Awards

June 10, 2022

LAX Marriott



The Space Systems Center SSC (formerly the Space and Missiles System Center SMC), a subordinate unit of the Air Force Space Force, is the center of technical excellence for developing, acquiring, fielding and sustaining military space systems. SSC's mission is to deliver resilient, affordable and sustainable space capabilities. The Command is responsible for on-orbit check-out, testing, sustainment and maintenance of military satellite constellations and other Department of Defense space systems.

SSC's portfolio includes GPS, military satellite communications, defense meteorological satellites, space launch and range systems, satellite control networks; space based infrared systems and space situational awareness capabilities.

The Schriever Chapter has historically recognized and honored outstanding performers at then-Space and Missiles System Center (SMC) with the annual "Salute to SMC Awards". Pre-COVID we held an award ceremony dinner for the awardees and guests at the LAX Marriott. The last two years we held small ceremonies on LAAFB and virtually to recognize the winners.

We have made two big changes for 2022. First, with the establishment of Space Systems Command, we have expanded the nomination pool to include all SSC employees, which includes both Vandenberg and Patrick Space Force Bases. Second, we will return to hosting an award ceremony dinner at the **LAX Marriott on June 10, 2022**.

The nominations from SSC are expected by the end of April. The Schriever Chapter BoD will then select the winners and present them with their awards at the dinner on June 10th.

## The Salute to SSC Awards include:

- ◆ Lieutenant General John W. O'Neill Award for Outstanding Senior Leader
- ◆ Lieutenant General Kenneth W. Schultz Award for Outstanding Program Manager
- ◆ Lieutenant General Richard C. Henry Award for Outstanding Leadership
- ◆ General Samuel C. Phillips Award for Outstanding Young Engineer/Scientist
- ◆ Dr. Alfred Rockefeller, Jr. Award for Outstanding Civilian
- ◆ Lieutenant General Forrest S. McCartney Award for Outstanding Company Grade Officer (Over Four Years)
- ◆ Lieutenant General Roger G. DeKok Award for Outstanding Guardian
- ◆ General Schriever Chapter's Award of Excellence for Outstanding Staff or Support Member
- ◆ Chairman's Award for Outstanding Field Grade Officer
- ◆ President's Award for Outstanding Non-Commissioned Officer
- ◆ General Schriever Chapter's Award for Outstanding Company Grade Officer (Under Four Years)
- ◆ Major General Thomas D. Taverney Award for Outstanding Reservist
- ◆ General Schriever Chapter's SSC Unit of the Year Award
- ◆ Kathleen L. Landis Outstanding Volunteer of the Year Award
- ◆ Col Larry C. Jackson Award for Mission Assurance Excellence





## Treasurer's Report

Your continued membership and our first ever Space Force Ball allows your AFA chapter to continue being a generous benefactor to many young students. The Chapter recently awarded \$60,000 to the following:

### Treasurer Report

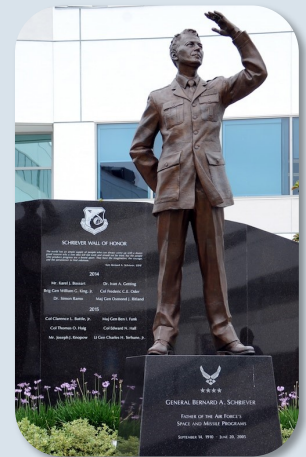
- \$3,000.00 LA Military Charitable Fund LAMCF
- \$15,000.00 Loyola Marymount University LMU AFOTC
- \$15,000.00 University of Southern California USC ROTC
- \$15,000.00 University of California Los Angeles UCLA ROTC
- \$12,000.00 Multiple Checks for TOY (Teacher of the Year) and STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) Grants.



## The Wall of Honor

Before the pandemic, the Wall of Honor Ceremony was held in June in conjunction with the Salute to SSC. The Wall of Honor Ceremony was cancelled in 2020 and a joint ceremony was held with the honorees from 2020 and 2021 in September. This year's ceremony will again be scheduled for September. The date will be announced at a later time. Please join us in the fall to honor the men and women pioneers who forged our rich space history.

If you'd like to watch last years joint Wall of Honor Ceremony, please click on the photo at the right.



## Wine Selection for Salute to SSC Dinner

The 15-member 2022 Salute to Space Systems Command Wine Selection Committee made this year's dinner wine selection on May 11 at Total Wine and Beverage in Redondo Beach. They chose Seven Rings Napa Valley Chardonnay and Sextant Paso Robles Cabernet Sauvignon. Thanks to Rick Reaser for making all the arrangements, to the committee for another pair of outstanding wine selections and to our sommelier, Jeffery Winter, for his knowledge and guidance. Any leftover wine will be sold at Chapter cost on a first come, first served basis after the event.



L-R: Matt Pope, Laura Pope, Steve Pluntze, Brenda Pluntze, Dorena Beidleman, Scott Beidleman, Dana Boyle, Joe Boyle, Charlene Harding, Bill Harding, Lynne Opel, Steve Opel, Ted Shoepe, Tina Shoepe, Rick Reaser, and Jeffrey Winter (Total Wine & More)



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