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President's Message

Congratulations to our Chapter's Teacher of the Year-2012, Ms Virginia Knudsen.

The AFA has an annual program to recognize the "Teacher of the Year". Each Chapter searches for an exemplary teacher who epitomizes the AFA mission of advocating for educational programs that focus on the promotion of STEM programs, aerospace related studies and community involvements. The chapter's winning teacher moves on to the State competition and that winner moves onto the National competition.

Ms Knudsen has been selected by the Gold Coast Chapter Council Members as our TOY2012. Ms Knudsen a teacher, a pilot and AFA member has been selected for her innovative hands-on STEM school program, her involvement in Civil Air Patrol and her many years of aviation studies outreach. She is enthusiastic and a dedicated educator who furthers aerospace education every day in and out of the classroom. Kudos!...All the way!

"Education continues to be a vital part of AFA's mission and we urge continued attention to the future need for STEM professionals by government, industry, and AFA's peer organizations. AFA remains vigilant and active in advocating for education programs that focus on the promotion of STEM studies, such as DOD STARBASE, grants & scholarships, Visions of Exploration, CyberPatriot & others." Quote- AFA National President's Message

*SAVE THESE DATES:

April 11, Gold Coast Council Meeting at Banyan Bldg at Ft Lauderdale Executive Airport ; 1PM - **all invited**

April 28 & 29, Lauderdale Air Show
warhawk10@bellsouth.net for information

May 16, Gold Coast Council Meeting at Banyan Bldg at Ft Lauderdale Executive Airport; 1PM-**join us**

June TBA-Chapter's Quarterly Activity- **FLYER**

November 14-Homestead's Air Show-Trip **FLYER**

Note from AFA National President

Friday, March 30, 2012 - AFA members, these past two weeks, there have been many hearings on the Hill about the FY13 budget. Most of the time, you can actually listen to them from your computer. We try to keep up with them and put up a list of them on our website: <http://www.afa.org/grl/hearings/default.asp> You can tune into them by going to the appropriate committee website.

This past week there have been three hearings on the request by the Administration to increase TRICARE fees, deductibles, and means test the benefit. The best summary of the most recent hearing comes from Senator Webb's office. You can find his press release here: <http://webb.senate.gov/newsroom/pressreleases/2012-03-28-02.cfm> Similarly, there have been hearings in the House -- in the HASC and a combined VA House and Senate Hearing. AFA attended all these hearings and helped with the Military Coalition in their testimony. A special thanks to Kristine Robbins for her great work in this area.

For your consideration, Michael M. Dunn, AFA Pres/CEO

SecAF: Cyberspace is an Air Force priority

By Tech. Sgt. Richard Williams Jr. AF PA Agency

3/26/2012 - Secretary of the Air Force Michael Donley highlighted cyberspace as an important Air Force priority and joint force enabler during remarks to Airmen, industry officials and Air Force Association members March 23 at the Air Force Association's 2012 CyberFutures Conference and Technology Exposition here.

"Access to reliable communications and information networks makes it possible for today's modern forces to operate effectively at a high operations tempo," Donley said. "Our military depends on resilient, reliable and effective cyberspace assets to respond to crises, conduct operations, project power abroad and keep forces safe."

Given this, he said it was no wonder that cyberspace is a priority for the Air Force and the Department of Defense. In addition, he also pointed out that cyberspace operations impact every other operational domain, making the Air Force's integration of air, space and cyberspace operations an important requirement.

"As the only domain created by man, cyberspace is dynamic and evolving," Donley said. "Its operations support and closely interact with operations in all of the other domains -- land, sea, air and space. And through the integration of air, space and cyberspace operations, the Air Force is developing unique capabilities that support military operations across the spectrum of conflict."

The secretary said the Air Force has a long history of being a forward-leaning service that has always been at the forefront of applying new technologies to strengthen U.S. national security.

"Cyberspace is just the latest arena offering the Air Force the challenge and the opportunity to keep evolving as we again wrestle with technology and policy issues right on the cutting edge of national security," he said. "But more than that, we recognize that as cyber-related technologies transform the way we communicate, share information, provide services and conduct any number of daily tasks, the Air Force cannot afford to stand on the sidelines."

"Much like the inventors who created the technologies of the 20th century, today's innovators will redefine our expectations and expand our capabilities as cyberspace continues to develop and mature," he said.

Donley said the Air Force is determined to ensure the service is ready to leverage these state-of-the-art technologies; to have the right plans and strategies in place; and that Air Force cyber operations and cyber support Airmen have the skills and the training needed to meet the defense challenges and opportunities this newest frontier presents.

To help tackle emerging cyber challenges and threats, the secretary said the Air Force has fielded a total force of

more than 45,000 trained and certified professionals equipped to ensure continuity of operations. In addition, he said the service will establish three new total force cyber units this year, consisting of two Air National Guard information operations squadrons to be located in Washington state and California, and one Air Force Reserve active association with the 33rd Network Warfare Squadron at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas.

There are also plans to expand the Maryland Air National Guard's 175th Network Warfare Squadron, he added.

"Cyberspace may be the newest recognized operational domain, but its importance in the way we think, the way we organize, train and equip is becoming more evident all the time," Donley said. "Today's joint missions in the air, space and in all domains are increasingly dependent on skilled and innovative cyberspace forces."

He said the Air Force must maintain its cyber security commitment by resourcing; developing cyber plans and strategies; developing and acquiring the best technology; and, most importantly, building the intellectual capital and expertise of its Airmen who make it all work.

"Doing so will contribute to our national defense as well as reinforce our proud position as the world's finest Air Force," Donley said.

For current information on the CyberPatriot 2012 Competition please contact: Fran Shaw, the Chapter's CyberPatriot Competition VP.
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Northrop Grumman Seeks Cyber Interns

As presenting sponsor of CyberPatriot IV, Northrop Grumman is cultivating the exceptional talent exhibited by competitors throughout the year by offering summer internship opportunities to qualified students.

Students can put their CyberPatriot skills to the test in a real life cyber environment, working side-by-side with Northrop Grumman cyber pros to help develop innovative cyber solutions for intelligence, defense, and civil/federal agencies. Positions are already posted in the Northern Virginia area; Annapolis Junction and Columbia, Maryland; and Aurora, Colorado with more positions coming soon.

"Our CyberPatriot high school competitors are an extremely valuable part of the Northrop Grumman workforce," said Diane Miller, Northrop Grumman Program Director for CyberPatriot. "Building the pipeline of qualified cyber pros is a national imperative and we are doing our part to fill the pipeline and keep America's networks safe."

Last year, the company hired 11 CyberPatriot students and expects to grow that number in 2012. One returning internship opportunity is called "CyberCell." Here, eight students worked on a company-funded cyber modeling and simulation research project that challenged the students' ability to understand how attackers can penetrate a network. "We set an aggressive schedule with some "stretch-goals" just in case. Our interns blew us away, meeting deadlines ahead of schedule and asking for more challenging tasks," said Amy Tsao, system engineer, Northrop Grumman Information Systems.

Basic requirements to participate include proof of U.S. citizenship, must be 16-years of age or older, GPA of 3.0 or higher, have participated in CyberPatriot, and currently enrolled and attend-ing a high school.

Northrop Grumman has designed a career site to explore job opportunities and get advice about your career path. For more information, <http://careers.northropgrumman.com/cyberpatriot>

Ms Loretta Young, USAF veteran and an AFA member is once again participating in this year’s National Veteran Golden Age Games. The Council voted to make a donation toward the BC Renegade Team. Below is the Team’s thank you letter.

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Dear President Montalvo,

On behalf of the “Broward County Renegade” Team, we want to thank you for the kind donation of \$100 for our team for the 2012 National Veteran Golden Age Games. We are being sponsored through the Veterans United of America, Inc. a 501c3 nonprofit organization. Please accept this letter as receipt for your tax deductible donation.

We want to thank your membership for their trust in our team and promise to return and share our experience with the group. Many thanks, I remain,

For God and Country,
Loretta Young, V/P Veterans United of America, Inc.
Coach, Broward County Renegade Team



Gold Coast members

visit Ft Pierce’s Navy UDT/SEAL Museum

AFA member stands beside the display of the actual 10,000 pound fiberglass lifeboat that was the epicenter of a hijacking by Somalian pirates on Easter Sunday, April 2009. Three of the pirates held the Maaersk Alabama’s captain, Richard Phillips, hostage for four days on this lifeboat before U.S. Navy SEALs shot them dead, freeing the captain.

This is the only museum dedicated to the history of the Navy SEALs and their predecessor - from the Underwater

Demolition Teams; the Frogmen of WWII to the SEALs, who recently had a successful mission in the Middle East.

The AFA members and friends who went on the trip all agreed that a tour through the museum made Naval Special Warfare history come to life. A delicious lunch at nearby Harbor Cove restaurant and friendly company made for a very pleasant trip. *** VSM



WHO’S WHO – Each quarter we will endeavor to spotlight one of our members. This quarter please meet US Army Air Corp Veteran pilot of the B 17 Bomber- JULES HOROWITZ, Major; USAF Ret.

Mine...an average life- born, raised and attended school in New York City. **But** then in 1941, after an introductory aviation course at Wagner College in Staten Island and 35 hours of flight instruction in the Piper Cub, **I knew that I knew that flying was for me.**

On December 8th 1941 I joined the Army Air Corp and received my wings on December 1942 at Maxwell Field, Alabama. After B17 School, as part of 2nd AF, I was sent on May ’43 to Algiers, North Africa as a first pilot. I flew 50 missions as a pilot in the Flying Fortress with the 99th Bomb Group and saw action in North Africa and Italy until February 1944, all which is documented in detail in my memoirs. I flew with the 12th and 15th Air Force, a 13-hour flight as my longest mission.... and then **NORMANDY!**

I remained in the USAF reserves for 20 years, earning my dual rating as navigator. I married, went into business and now at 90 years of age and profoundly deaf, I have had to curtail most of my speaking activities which have included two decades of recounting my flying exploits to visitors when the B17 comes into town. I still find pleasure in seeing the B17 Flying Fortress and telling my story to WWII aviation enthusiasts.

Please send your Bio if you would like to be the next who’s who

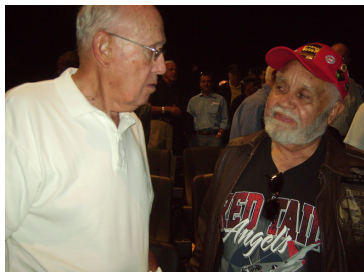


WINGS of FREEDOM

During the Wings of Freedom Tour of the Flying Fortress and the Liberator, Leo Gray, Lt Col., USAF

Ret and WWII RED TAIL, P51 Fighter pilot visited with B 24 crew member Abe Wilen who was a POW in Germany during WWII.

“RED TAILS”



At a recent showing of the movie RED TAILS by Producer and Director George Lucas, one of very own Gold Coast Chapter members, Leo Gray, Lt Col. USAF Ret. received well deserved accolades from the SRO audience at the theater. Col Gray was a WWII P-51 Mustang “RED TAIL” Tuskegee Airman fighter pilot serving in Italy.

The Tuskegee Airmen were known to have encountered racism and skepticism all through their training and on the war front. But as RED TAIL pilots assigned to protect B-24 bombers flying over Germany, they earned respect and a distinguished flying record.

Pictured above is Hank Henry a B24 pilot who after the Movie made his way up through the crowd to tell Col Gray that his B24 had been one of those bombers protected by the RED TAILS.

“I guess you can say the success of the Tuskegee program led to the integration of the military subsequently to the rest of the country.” commented Col Gray during an interview.

Col Gray also said, “that historian point to the success of the airmen on the battlefield but not enough is recognized about the Tuskegee Airmen accomplishments after the war. “

Model Aircraft-The chapter has a wholesale account with an aircraft model distributor. We can get you a model of a plane that might have special memories for you or a loved one at less than normal retail cost. Milt Markowitz 561-499-0583 or markf84@att.net

There is strength in numbers-please renew your AFA membership. Thank you. VSM



CHALLENGE AIR

The Chapter Council Members would like to recognize Gold Coast member ART Randall for his continued support of the Challenge Air, a national program which flies disabled children. Every year the GCC makes a donation to help out with the expenses for this great event and one of our community partners Banyan Air Service provides the hangar for the day-long activities.

Art, a volunteer pilot for the event is pictured here with his wife Shirley. Art was one of many pilots who volunteered their time and planes on that special day to fly over 150 delighted youngsters. VSM

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