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F-117 Stealth Fighter @ "The Boneyard"

From the Prez -

Welcome to July 2021. As we continue our country's journey towards a more "normal" life post COVID-19, I hope that you have found ways to enjoy your daily activities and count the blessings you have as an American. I also encourage you to become as involved as you can with your local AFA Chapter 105.

We had a VERY successful meeting April 23rd with a briefing and tour of the 309th Aircraft Maintenance and Regeneration Group (AMARG). This was a limited attendance event due to continued "social distancing" requirements. We were the first tour through AMARG in over a year but thanks to the efforts of the AMARG Commander, Colonel Jennifer Barnard, and her staff, those able to attend the event felt welcome and left with a better understanding of AMARG's diverse mission.

The 2021 Airshow, originally scheduled for April 24-25, has been rescheduled for November 6-7. The 2021 airshow, "Thunder and Lightning Over Arizona" will feature The Thunderbirds, the USAF's aerial demonstration team, along with many other aerial demonstrations and ground displays are planned for the 2-day air show. While there are no other details available yet, I am hoping we will again have the chance to have a chapter booth to tell the AFA story and encourage people to become members of AFA on the spot.

While we didn't have a meeting in May due to it falling on the Friday before Memorial Day weekend, we had an excellent presentation at our June 25th meeting by TSgt (Ret) Derrall Peach and MSgt (Ret) Phelipe Salinas from the Airmen & Family Readiness Center on their involvement with the Wounded Airmen Program and the Wounded Warrior Program.

The 2021 Annual Arizona AFA Gathering (the 2020 event was cancelled due to COVID-19), which was planned for May 14-15, has been rescheduled to May 13-14, 2022. The event will still be hosted by the Luke Chapter 151 and will be held at "The Wigwam" Resort in Litchfield, AZ. The Wigwam, which opened in 1929, will be the site of a dinner Friday night and State and Southwest Region meetings on Saturday. The featured speaker for Friday will be the Dean of the Michell Institute, Lt Gen David Deptula, USAF (Ret). This should be a great event so please consider putting it on your calendar.

One aspect of COVID-19 has been the use of distance learning for many courses and AFA

has adapted to that for the CyberGenerations course. The CyberGenerations course is aimed at seniors and is intended to emphasize the need for cyber security both online and on your phone. I would suggest that everyone take a look at the course at: https://www.uscyberpatriot.org/Pages/Special%

<u>20Initiatives/Virtual-Workshop.aspx</u>. If you haven't already experienced an email, web-based, or phone scam, you're lucky but I can almost guarantee that your time is coming. Take some time and be prepared.

While your chapter continues to be in good financial health, we need to continue raising funds to support chapter activities and fund the support we provide to our local airmen and their families; so please consider donating. If you are on Facebook, you can set up a fundraising event that directly supports YOUR chapter. If you use Amazon, consider making YOUR chapter the recipient of a donation every time you make a purchase by using Amazon Smile. You can get started at: https://smile.amazon.com/gp/chpf/homepage?orig=%2F

You'll need to designate Air Force Association Tucson Chapter as the recipient of your donation. It doesn't affect the price you pay and we receive 0.05% of all eligible purchases. Just making my Amazon purchases this way, I've generated \$20.29 for the chapter through June 15th.

Air Force Association Chapter 105 is now part of the Fry's Community Rewards Program. This program makes fundraising easy by donating to local organizations based on the shopping you do every day. Once you link your Card to an organization, all you have to do is shop at Fry's and swipe your Shopper's Card. See separate article to see how that is done or refer to the recent email describing how to do it.

We are always looking for members who want to be involved and everyone is invited to our Executive Committee meetings, which have resumed as inperson meetings in the 355th Operations Group Conference Room. The meetings are usually on the first Monday of the month unless it falls on a federal holiday. (See calendar elsewhere for specific dates).

I will be leading the Arizona AFA delegation to the National Convention, September 18-19 at National Harbor Maryland. AZ AFA is usually allocated 11 delegates but we often don't have that many. If you're interested please contact me.

And remember, we are all: Airmen for Life

Wally Saeger, President

Tour of the 309 AMARG ("The Boneyard")

Twenty-three chapter members were finally able to tour the 309th Aircraft Maintenance and Regeneration Group, otherwise affectionately known as "The Boneyard" on Friday, April 23rd. The tour started with a mission brief by Mark Seitz in the AMARG conference room while chapter members consumed their lunch which was supplied by the Tanque Verde Chick-fil-A (owned by chapter

now has an A-10 wing shop to perform the complete overhaul of wings re-

moved from active A-10s and return them to the fleet with an additional

member Dave Carrell). The briefing made it abundantly clear that the over 800 employees (government and contractor) do more than just park aircraft in the desert for long term

storage. Although this was the original mission when the 3040th Aircraft Storage Group was established 75 years ago following World War II, the mission grew over time to the present. Currently, the group is dedicated to aerospace storage and preservation, aircraft parts reclamation, aircraft regeneration, depot-level maintenance overflow, and aircraft disposal in support of the Department of Defense and other government agencies including NASA and the Department of Homeland Security. The group encompasses 2,600 acres, more than 3,150 aircraft, 5,900 engines and 340,000 pieces of



Mark Seitz presenting the lion in spare parts to military, government, and foreign customers. AMARG 309th Aerospace Maintenance and Regeneration

aircraft production tooling valued at \$34 billion. The group has an annual operating budget of approximately \$130 million in both operations and maintenance, and depot maintenance activity group funds.

With the addition of several new facilities and streamlining of processes, AMARG reduced the time to reclaim and ship aircraft parts from almost 1 year to just over 1 day: returning on average over \$500 mil-

> 3,000 flying hours. The group is actively overhauling F-16 aircraft and converting them to be used as aerial targets through a partnership with Boeing Aircraft. The personnel have the capability to remove an aircraft from storage, refurbish it to flight-worthy condition, and have it returned to use by a US government customer, or by a Foreign Military Sales customer as approved by the State De-

partment.

Col Jennifer Barnard, briefs

the chapter members on what

happens during the overhaul

of the A-10 wings by

AMARG's skilled techni-

cians.

nard, joined us on the tour through several of the facilities talked about during the briefing including the A-10 wing shop and the F-16 aircraft repair and conversion hangar. Colonel Barnard's 4-year tour was instrumental in many of the improvements in production and mo-

rale that AMARG experienced. We were lucky to get the tour, the first in over a year after our tour was cancelled in early 2020 by COVID and the second attempt at a briefing by Colonel Barnard was thwarted by scheduling conflicts. Colonel Barnard relinquished command of the group on June 11, 2021, to Colonel Neil O. Aurelio.

The 309 AMARG commander, Colonel Jennifer Bar-

The tour was made possible by the 355th Logistics Readiness Squadron providing a bus and driver.



Major General C. McCauley von Hoffman (left), Ogden Air Logistics Center commander, after the Legion of Merit presentation to the outgoing 309th Aerospace Maintenance and Regeneration Group commander, Colonel Jennifer M. Bernard (center), and incoming AMARG commander, Colonel Neil O. Aurelio, before the official Change of Command ceremony. Standing between Major General von Hoffman and Colonel Barnard, with the AMARG guideon, is SSgt Joshua Villigran.

Photo curtesy of SSgt Giovanni Sims, 355th Wing Public Affairs.

Community Rewards Program

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1. Create a digital account.

A digital account is needed to participate in Fry's Community Rewards. If you already have a digital account, simply link your Shopper's Card to your account so that all transactions apply toward the organization you choose.

2. Link your Card to an organization.

Selecting the organization that you wish to support is as simple as updating the Fry's Community Rewards selection on your digital account.

- 1. Sign in to your digital account.
- 2. Search for your organization (Air Force Association Chapter 105)
- 3. Enter the name or NPO number of the organization you wish to support.

Air Force Association Chapter 105 NPO# is DH856

4. Select the appropriate organization from the list and click "Save".

Your selected organization will also display in the Fry's Community Rewards section of your account. If you need to review or revisit your organization, you can always do so under your Account details.

3. Your organization earns.

Any transactions moving forward using the Shopper's Card number associated with your digital account will be applied to the program, at no added cost to you. Fry's donates annually to participating organizations based on your percentage of spending as it relates to the total spending associated with all participating Fry's Community Rewards organizations.

2019 & 2020 162nd Wing AFA Junior Airmen of the Year

Mr. Bryan Foulk, VP Tucson Chapter 105, was able to present the 2019 and 2020 162nd Wing AFA Junior Airmen of the Awards on Sunday, May 2, 2021 during the wing's annual awards ceremony. The ceremony was held on the Morris Air National Guard Base which is located at the Tucson International Airport. The 2020 awards ceremony was cancelled due to COVID-19 restrictions.



SSgt Desiree Chacon

The 2019 162nd Wing AFA Junior Airman of the Year was presented to SSgt Desiree Chacon.

The 2020 162nd Wing AFA Junior Airman of the Year was presented to SrA Connor Linko.





"A Little Bit of History" Convair B-58 Hustler



The Convair B-58 Hustler, designed and produced by American aircraft manufacturer Convair, was the first operational bomber capable of Mach 2 flight.

The B-58 was developed during the 1950s for the USAF Strategic Air Command To achieve the high speeds desired, Convair adapted the delta wing used by contemporary fighters such as the Convair F-102. The bomber was powered by four General Electric J79 engines in underwing pods. It had no bomb bay: it carried a single nuclear weapon plus fuel in a combination bomb/fuel pod underneath the fuselage. Later, four external hardpoints were added, enabling it to carry up to five weapons.

The B-58 entered service in March 1960, and flew for a decade with two SAC bomb wings: the 43rd and 305th Bombardment Wings. It was considered difficult to fly, imposing a high workload upon its three-man crews. Designed to replace the Boeing B-47 Stratojet strategic bomber, the B-58 became notorious for its sonic boom heard on the ground by the public as it passed overhead in supersonic flight.

The B-58 was designed to fly at high altitudes and supersonic speeds to avoid Soviet interceptors. But with the Soviet introduction of high-altitude surface-to-air missiles, the B-58 was forced to adopt a low-level-penetration role that severely limited its range and strategic value. It was never used to deliver conventional bombs. The B-58 was substantially more expensive to operate than other bombers, such as the Boeing B-52 Stratofortress, and required more frequent aerial refueling. The B-58 also suffered from a high rate of accidental losses. These factors resulted in a relatively brief operational career of ten years. The B-58 was succeeded in its role by the smaller, swing-wing FB-111A.

General characteristics

• Crew: Three

• Max takeoff weight: 176,890 lb

• **Powerplant:** 4 × General Electric J79-GE-5A afterburning turbojet

Performance

Maximum speed: Mach 2.0

• Cruise speed: 610 mph

• Range: 4,100 nmi Combat range: 1,740 nmi

• Service ceiling: 63,400 ft

Armament

Guns: 1× 20 mm T171 cannon

Bombs: 1× Mark 39 or B53 or 4× B43 or B61 nuclear bombs; maximum weapons load was 19,450 lb



STARBASE Arizona is extremely proud and grateful to have been able to work with our partner districts and provide S.T.E.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) opportunities to 5th grade students despite the restraints of the pandemic. It was definitely a unique academic year. We worked with each school's schedule and delivered a modi-



fied number instrucοf tional hours to students at their site utilizing DoD approved option called STARBASE on Wheels. This involved indepth, strategic planning

for implementation of materials and curriculum. Even though class sizes were reduced due to a number of students learning remotely, we still supported 30 classes and 520 students. Our Davis Monthan community was amazing and continued to be involved by creating "Spotlight" videos that showcased how S.T.E.M. related to their career fields. At the end of each academic year, STARBASE Az hosts a free Summer camp for active military dependents. The curriculum used is a modified version of the DoD approved curriculum. We were thrilled to have twenty students in attendance. These students were able to experience our latest computer aided design program, Onshape. During the introduction lesson, they were excited to learn how to navigate through the layers of a spaceship in search of missing objects. We remain optimistic that students will be able to come onto base next academic year for instruction. We can't wait to get started again!

2020 Chapter 105 High School Teacher of the

I was finally able to present our 2020 Chapter 105 High School Teacher of the Year to Amy Kueck during one of her classes on Thursday, May 22nd, at Walden Grove High School in Sahuarita. The award should have been presented last year but was postponed due to COVID-19. At the time of her nomination, Mrs. Kueck had been teaching for a total of 14 years and 6 years in her current position teaching



with a check

grades 9-12 in the following subjects: Advanced Placement Statistics, Advanced Placement Computer Science Principles, Advanced Placement Computer Science, and Algebra I. In addition, she was the coach for Walden Grove High School's CyberPatriot Cyber Defense teams.

Mrs. Kueck received a TOY certificate, President an AFA TOY padfolio, an AFA Chapter Wally Saeger pre- TOY lapel pin and \$250 from AFA Nasents Amy Kueck tional. In addition, the chapter provided a check for \$250.

Congratulations and thank you for the outstanding work with our youth that are the leaders of tomorrow.

Philips Respironics recall on all CPAP and BiPAP devices

Recently Philips Respironics issued a medical device recall on all CPAP and BiPAP devices manufactured before April 26th, 2021. This recall is related to the possibility of the sound abatement foam degrading and the risk of some degraded foam fragments getting into the airway circuit. This recall affects all models and serial numbers of their devices.

At the Southern Arizona VA Health Care System (SAVAHCS), your safety and care are our top priority. In response to this recall, our current guidance is as follows: unless notified otherwise by your sleep provider, please continue to use your PAP device.

We ask that you --

- Register your machine with Philips Respironics to see if it is included in the recall at: https://www.usa.philips.com/ healthcare/e/sleep/communications/src-update
- The website provides instructions on how to locate your device's serial number and will guide you through the process. If you need additional assistance, please call 1-877-907-7508.
- O If you have a model unit that is not listed on the recall list and you would like to get it evaluated, call the SAVAHCS CPAP Clinic at (520) 792-1450 extension 1-4596.
- Of concern in the context of this recall is the use of Ozone cleaners, such as the ones seen on TV, which we have never recommended. If using SoClean, Ozone cleaners and/or UV Lights to clean your CPAP, please discontinue use of these products immediately.

Continue to clean the device per the instructions provided to you by the SAVAHCS CPAP Clinic Staff and listed in the device instruction manual.

Cleaning instructions:

Daily Cleaning: Wipe down your mask using a damp towel with mild detergent and warm water. Gently wipe with a clean towel and let the mask air-dry. If your unit has a humidifier, empty any leftover water instead of letting in sit in the unit all day. Refill the humidifier with clean, distilled water right before bedtime.

Weekly Cleaning: Your mask and tubing need a full bath once a week to keep it free of dust and germs. Clean the CPAP tubing, nasal mask and headgear in a bathroom sink filled with warm water and a few drops of ammonia-free, mild dish detergent. Swirl all parts around for about five minutes, rinse well and let air dry during the day. The mask and headgear can be air-dried on a towel or hung on a hook or hanger.

Every other week; you should disinfect the humidifier. Do that by soaking it in a solution of one-part vinegar to five parts water for 30 minutes, thoroughly rinsing and then placing in your dishwasher's top rack for washing. And keep it clean by using only distilled water to prevent mineral deposits that can build up and cause damage to your machine.

The CPAP Clinic staff are available for additional questions concerns through the Respiratory Group in MyHealtheVet or you can contact the CPAP Clin-

Thank you for choosing the Southern Arizona VA Health Care System for all your health care needs!

June 2021 Chapter Meeting

To round out the first half of 2021, we had our June chapter on June 25th which was attended by 21 individuals. The meeting was held at a new location for us, VFW Post 549 on the corner of Old Spanish Trail and Broadway. The staff

were very accommodating and made everyone feel welcome.



L-R: MSgt (Ret) Phelipe Salinas & TSgt (Ret) Derrall Peach

Our invited guest speaker was TSgt (Ret) Derrall Peach who brought with him MSgt (Ret) Phelipe Salinas. Darrell joined the Air Force in 2003 and was medically retired in 2019 after he lost vision in one of his eyes and could no longer perform the duties of his career field as a 2T1 (Ground Transportation).

While still on active duty, he was entered into the Air Force's Wounded Warrior Program when his medical condition warranted it. The Air Force Wounded Warrior Program

(AFW2) is a Congressionally-mandated and Federally-funded organization tasked with taking care of U.S. Air Force wounded, ill, and injured Airmen, Veterans, and their families. It provides personalized restorative care throughout their transformation back to duty, separation, or retirement, staying in contact with them throughout the process as an Airman For Life. The goal is to leave them well-equipped to manage challenges, regardless of injury or illness. https://www.woundedwarrior.af.mil/

While in that program, Derrall was selected to compete in the 2018 DoD Warrior Games. While he was selected to compete in weightlifting, he was also chosen to compete in swimming which was definitely not his forte. To prepare for the swimming events, he hired a private coach and trained every day for over two months. As a result of his diligence and perseverance, he brought home seven medals ranging from bronze to gold. After his medical retirement in 2019, Derrall went to work for a local Target store as a logistics

executive but found himself working long hours that kept him away from his family. He also missed the sense of purpose and the camaraderie of the Air Force.

Looking to fulfill that need, he got involved with the AFW2 program at Davis-Monthan AFB as a volunteer which led to him being hired by the director of the Airmen & Family Readiness Center. He now helps airmen transitioning from the Air Force either through retirement or separation.



President Saeger thanks TSgt Peach

MSgt (Ret) Phelipe Salinas, was

first sergeant for the last four years of his career and retired in 2016. He got involved with the AFW2 program when one of his airmen injured his knees and was enrolled in the program. Because of his passion to help others he joined the staff at AFRC in 2017 where he is now the local director for the AFW2 program. He also served as the "first shirt" for several National-level AFW2 events, until they were able to hire a full time first shirt. Phelipe's passion for helping airmen was evident as he talked about his involvement and how important the AFW2 program is to the airmen and their families. He is proud of the evolution of the program to better serve those in the program and hopes that the VA will

make similar strides to better serve all service members after they leave active duty and are no longer eligible for their respective service's program.

The AFA has their Wounded Airmen Program (WAP) which was established to help airmen who are part of the AFW2 program but need financial assistance not covered by the AFW2 program. After vetting by the AFW2 program, these airmen are referred to the AFA for consideration of their situation and whether AFA can assist them. For more information about AFA's WAP and how you can help go to: https://www.afa.org/wounded-airman-program.

LOFT Meal, Sunday July 25, 2021

As part of your chapter's effort to support your DMAFB airmen, we will be preparing and serving what is known as the LOFT meal Sunday afternoon, July 25th starting at 1630 hours (4:30 pm) at a location in the dorms. The LOFT meals, which are coordinated by the DMAFB Chapel staff, are intended to be a chance for airmen that are associated with the base chapel to gather for food and fellowship in a room in the dorms set aside for this purpose. The room is equipped with comfortable seating, tables and chairs for eating and conversing, and musical instruments for use by the airmen. There is also a selection of games with a room dedicated to electronic gaming.

If you are interested in helping prepare and/or serve, please contact Marie Lankford (marielankford53@gmail.com) or Vickie Jo Ryder (ryderf16@yahoo.com) for more details on how you can be involved. And thank you for your interest.

AIR FORCE ASSOCIATION

Whether a Total Force Airman, Guardian, civilian, cadet, or family member, we all believe in dominant Air and Space Forces.

The Air Force Association is a volunteer-led organization connecting brave Airmen and Guardians who commit their lives to protecting the greater good of our country. And for all who support the importance of aerospace power and education, we welcome you to the AFA community. Through a network of more than 200 chapters, we are here to share, support and sustain your journey as an Airman and Guardian for Life.

TOGETHER WE ARE AIRMEN AND GUARDIANS FOR LIFE

"AFA continues to keep me informed about our Air Force and keeps me in the Air Force family." — SMSgt (Ret.) Ted Fafinski

"AFA has strengthened my awareness of national policy." — SMSgt Sonora L. Vasquez

"The relationships that have come my way through AFA prove that serving others leads to success." — Mitzi Morrison

"The network that I have through AFA is fantastic and the mentors I have gained are invaluable." — Lt Col Shannon Farrell

Community Partner Program

For more than 40 years, businesses have been joining the Air Force Association to support both AFA National and local AFA chapters. Becoming a Community Partner is a great way to get your business involved with your local Air Force Community. Community Partners are partnership businesses that want to assist both AFA National and the local AFA chapters by becoming involved in Community efforts to support the United States Air Force.

By forming a partnership with your local AFA chapter, your business will help AFA fulfill their mission to promote a dominant United States Air Force and a strong national defense. Any business or organization can become a CP and have two options for membership:

Category One (CP I) \$90.00 annually- Business can designate one person to receive AFA Membership and enjoy all benefits thereof.

Category Two (CP II) \$180.00 annually- Business can designate two people to receive AFA Membership and enjoy all benefits thereof.

Not only does a Community Partner receive all the benefits of an AFA membership, such as a variety of product and service discounts, insurance programs, and much more, but the partner will also receive the following upon joining AFA:

Date Medallion

Wooden Plaque

8"x5" "Our Business Supports Our Troops" Window Decal

If your business is interested in becoming a Community Partner, you should first contact your local chapter.

For questions or for more information on the program, please contact: Dave Carrell, carrelldav@aol.com, (520) 305-4407

Have your business become a part of a great cause and show your patrons that you support our Air Force!

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Upcoming Events

As we continue to adjust to the "New Norm", we look to schedule future "field trips" to different organization on base. If you have something specific you want to see please let us know! There are MANY events supporting our local Airmen listed below and more to come! As a Chapter, we try to attend all that we can. If you are interested in representing our AFA Chapter at any of these, please inform Wally Saeger (wsaeger@afatucson105.org) and he will coordinate it. You just have to show up and enjoy these traditional military ceremonies and gatherings. First come, first served!!

July 2021

- 5th: Chapter Executive Committee Meeting, 1130, Brushfire BBQ, 22nd & Kolb (all welcome!)
- 23rd: No Chapter Meeting
- 25th: Chapel Loft Meal, Opportunity to provide "homecooked" food to dorm residents (See separate article)

August 2021

- 2nd: Chapter Executive Committee Meeting, 1200, 355th Operations Group Conference Room (all welcome!)
- 27th: Chapter Meeting TBD

September 2021

- 13th: Chapter Executive Committee Meeting, 1200, 355th Operations Group Conference Room (all welcome!)
- Sep 18-19: 2021 National Convention, National Harbor MD
- Sep 20-22: 2021 Air, Space & Cyber Conference, National Harbor MD
- -.24th: Chapter Meeting TBD

SAVE THESE DATES:

- Oct 4th: Chapter Executive Committee Meeting, 1200, 355th Operations Group Conference Room (all welcome!)
- Oct 22nd: Chapter Meeting, Visit 355th Explosive Ordnance Flight
- Nov 1st: Chapter Executive Committee Meeting, 1200, 355th Operations Group Conference Room (all welcome!)
- Nov 6-7: DMAFB Air Show w/USAF Thunderbirds, "Thunder and Lightning Over Arizona"
- Nov 26th: No chapter meeting
- Dec 6th: Chapter Executive Committee Meeting, 1200, 355th Operations Group Conference Room (all welcome!)
- Dec: Annual Daedalians/AFA Christmas Party & Annual Awards Dinner, Date & Location TBD
- Dec 24th: No Chapter Meeting
- May 13-14, 2022: AFA AZ Annual Gathering, Phoenix AZ Hosted by Luke Chapter 151

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JOIN AFA

AFA's Mission

Our Mission is to promote dominant U. S. Air and Space Forces as the foundation of a strong National Defense; to honor and support our Airmen, Guardians, and their Families; and to remember and respect our enduring Heritage.

To accomplish this, we:

- EDUCATE the public on the critical need for unrivaled aerospace power and promote aerospace and STEM education for a technically superior and professional workforce to ensure national security:
- ADVOCATE and promote aerospace power to favorably shape policy and resourcing decisions to guarantee the strongest aerospace forces in the world:
- SUPPORT Airmen, Guardians, and the families of the Total Air Force and Space Force, including Active Duty, National Guard, Reserve, civilians, families, and members of the Civil Air Patrol.