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Air Force Association Chapter 105



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From the Prez -

Welcome to October 2021. Now that we have started to enjoy cooler temperatures and the Monsoon season appears to be over, I hope that you continue 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.

Several chapter officers (Bill Goodall, Heidi Goldman, Marie Lankford, Vickie Jo Ryder, and Wally Saeger) served approximately 20 dorm residents on Sunday, July 25th, with a meal of pulled pork, pulled chicken, cole slaw, and pineapple upside down cake. Although Dick Roberts couldn't be there to help, he did supply a more than adequate supply of chips.

After our normal summer break from meetings in July we got back together starting in August with a presentation at the Community Center by Barbara Brownlie on a variety of topics including Wreathes Across America, Hawaiian Shirts for Deployed Soldiers and, The Woody Williams Foundation & Tucson Gold Star Families Memorial Monument Committee.

For our September 24th meeting, we again returned to VFW Post 549 where we were treated to a great presentation by 98 years-young Colonel (Ret) Richard "Dick" Bushong. Dick described his career as a B-17 pilot in the Army Air Corps and as an F-4 pilot in the Vietnam War. Dick missed the Korean War because he was stationed in Alaska.

I attended the 2021 National Convention, September 18-19 and the 2021 Air, Space & Cyber Conference, September 20-22 which were held at the Gaylord Center on National Harbor Maryland. See the separate article for more details.

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, we will again have a chapter booth to tell the AFA story and encourage people to become members of AFA on the spot. As always, we're looking for volunteers to help at the booth.

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. You can access the course at: <https://www.uscyberpatriot.org/Pages/Special%20Initiatives/Virtual-Workshop.aspx>. 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. See separate article to see how to join the program.

We are always looking for members who want to be involved and everyone is invited to our Executive Committee meetings are usually on the first Monday of the month unless it falls on a federal holiday. (See calendar elsewhere for specific dates).

And remember, we are all: *Airmen for Life*

Wally Saeger, President



Coming soon!



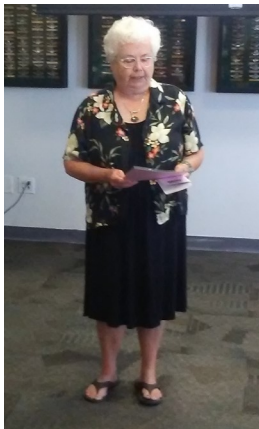
Chapter's August Program
Barbara Brownlie
Wreaths Across America
Hawaiian Shirts for Deployed Soldiers

Ms Barbara Brownlie has been a busy person, as she is a Honorary Board Member of the Woody Williams Foundation, Chair of the Tucson Gold Star Family Memorial Monument, Co-founder of Southern Arizona Honor Flight, Past President of the House of Neighborly Service, Volunteer of Tucson Medical Center Hospice, Volunteer with Wreaths Across America and Hawaiian Shirts for Deployed Soldiers.

At our meeting, Barbara spoke on Wreaths Across America and noted that this non-profit organization, headquartered in Maine found themselves with a surplus of wreaths nearing the end of the holiday season. Arrangements were made for the wreaths to be placed at Arlington National Cemetery. A transportation company out of Maine jumped on board to transport the wreaths to Arlington National Cemetery. Local VFWs and American Legions volunteered and these groups tied on the red bow on each wreath. Over 700,000 wreaths have been placed, by volunteers, at 1,000 cemeteries. Each wreath is tied with a red bow and cost \$15.00 per wreath.

Barbara noted that Hawaiian Shirts for Deployed Soldiers is a non-profit organization as of 2021. This mission started by a mother of a deployed army soldier who sent a shirt to her son in 2017. He wore a Hawaiian shirt on base and his fellow soldiers thought the shirt was "cool" and they wanted one. Being a great Army mom, she gathered 300 shirts to send to her son's troop....well, that 300

shirt story went viral. Team Tucson has spent 4 years gathering used or new Hawaiian shirts, then they are boxed up and sent to designated troops. Since 2021, shirt donations have increased and now more Americans are shipping shirts on a regular basis. This organization can be checked out on Facebook Hawaiian Shirts for Deployed Soldiers or at www.hawaiianshirtsfordeployedsoldiers.com. Purchase shirts at local thrift stores or ask family and friends to check out their closets too. Each shirt has a handwritten note tucked into the pocket sending the soldier LOVE and NOT forgotten.



Chapter's September Program
Richard (Dick) Bushong, Col. (Ret.)

Author of "My Wars (B-17s to F-4s, WWII to Vietnam)", Dick Bushong was sworn in to the Army Air Corp in April 23, 1942 and had taken the Aviation Cadet exams in March '42 and was waiting to be called for that program. He graduated from pilot training on July 29, 1943 and went straight to B-17 Combat Crew Training.



Dick flew 28 missions over Germany from England, while assigned to the 390th Bomb group. He once asked, "What is the loss per mission" and was told about 5%. He figured with his elementary math that he had a 125% chance of not finishing the required 25 missions. But, he said they were all young and invincible (Dick was 20 then), so off they went!

A summary of the B-17s that Dick flew on Combat Missions:

Dolly	Shot down Feb 44—
10 POW	
Yankee Doodle Dandy	Shot down May 44—
4 KIA 6 POW	
Gloria Ann	Crashed March 44—10 Survived
Geronimo	Shot down July 44—10 KIA
Wild Children	Crashed July 44—10 KLD
Belle of the Brawl	Shot down May 44—8 KIA 2 POW
Johnny Walker	Survived

After his 28 missions, Dick returned to the U.S. in May 30, 1944 and went to Test Pilot School and then to the Boeing factory as an AAF test pilot on the B-29s.

During the Korean War, Dick was recalled to active duty and was assigned to Elmendorf AFB, Alaska as a Maintenance Officer.

Dick then was assigned to Vietnam and flew F-4 Phantoms with the 366th Fighter Wing out of Da Nang. His last combat mission was in 1971.

During his career in the Air Force, he flew 43 types of aircraft and then he retired in 1974.

Now, 98 years young, Dick is a docent at the 390th Memorial Museum inside the Pima Air Museum in Tucson. You can hear him tell his stories of time in the B-17 alongside the museum's B-17 "I'll Be Around".

President Saeger presented Dick a book from Saeger's uncle, who worked on B-17s in England during WWII, for the 390th Memorial Museum.



Know your Chapter 105 Officers
Lt. Tyler Solomon
V. P. Military Liaison

Tyler Solomon is a Weather and Environmental Science Officer in the US Air Force, stationed at Davis-Monthan AFB with the 25th Operational Weather Squadron. He graduated and earned his commission at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. While there, he joined the Air Force Association through the cadet-student organization Arnold Air Society. Tyler is an avid Chicago sports fan, much to the chagrin of his wife, Shawna, who was raised a St. Louis sports fan. Shawna (Lt.) is also assigned to D-M and is an Intelligence Officer assigned to the 563rd Operational Support Squadron, supporting the Combat Search & Rescue Mission.



NOTICE

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. Here's how it works:

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.

"A Little Bit of History"

North American Aviation Hound Dog Missile



The North American Aviation AGM-28 Hound Dog was a supersonic, turbojet-propelled, air-launched cruise missile developed in 1959 for the United States Air Force. It was primarily designed to be capable of attacking Soviet ground-based air defense sites prior to a potential air attack by B-52 Stratofortress long range bombers during the Cold War. The Hound Dog was first given the designation B-77, then redesignated GAM-77, and finally as AGM-28. It was conceived as a temporary standoff missile for the B-52, to be used until the GAM-87 Skybolt air-launched ballistic missile was available. Instead, the Skybolt was cancelled within a few years and the Hound Dog continued to be deployed for a total of 15 years until its replacement by newer missiles, including the AGM-69 SRAM and then the AGM-86 ALCM.

The Hound Dog missile's airframe was an adaptation of technology developed in the SM-64 Navaho missile, adapted for launching from the B-52. The Hound Dog's design was based on that of the Navaho G-38 missile, which featured small delta wings and forward canards.

A Pratt & Whitney J52-P-3 turbojet propelled the Hound Dog, instead of Navaho's ramjet engine. The J52 engine was located in a pod located beneath the rear fuselage. The J52-P-3 used in the Hound Dog, unlike J52s installed in aircraft like the A-4 Skyhawk or the A-6 Intruder, was optimized to run at maximum power during the missile's flight. As a result, the Hound Dog's version of the J52 had a short operating lifetime of only six hours. However, in combat, the Hound Dog was expected to self-destruct in less than six hours.



The Hound Dog could be launched from the B-52 at high altitudes or low altitudes, but not below 5,000 feet (1,500 m) in altitude. Initially, three different flight profiles for the Hound Dog were available for selection by the commander and the bombardier of the bomber:

- High-altitude attack: The Hound Dog would have flown at a high altitude (up to 56,000 feet (17,000 m) depending on the amount of jet fuel on board the missile) all the way to the immediate area of its target, then diving to its nuclear warhead's preset detonation altitude.
- Low-altitude attack: The Hound Dog would have flown at a low altitude – below 5,000 feet (1,500 m) (air-pressure altitude) to its target where its nuclear warhead would have detonated.
- Low-altitude attack: The GAM-77B (later AGM-28B) could fly a low radar altitude, from 3,000 to 100 feet (914 to 30 m) above the ground. However, the improvement of "flying in the weeds", was such that the missile could be flown down in ground clutter (radar) thus nearly invisible to radar detection. Eventually, all A model GAM-77s were given this modification as well.
- A dogleg attack: The Hound Dog would have flown along a designated heading (at either high or low altitudes) to a preset location. At that location the missile would have turned left or right and then proceeded to its target. The intention of this maneuver was to attempt to draw defensive fighter planes away from the missile's target.

VA VETSmile pilot program to improve affordable dental care access for Veterans

The Department of Veterans Affairs launched a new initiative with community dental care providers to help improve dental care access for Veterans enrolled in [VA health care](#) who are [currently ineligible](#) for [VA dental services](#).

[VETSmile: Connecting Veterans with Dentists in their Communities](#) started early July to help [eligible](#) Veterans access free or discounted dental services at pilot sites in New York City and New Jersey through dental care providers at New York University College of Dentistry, Zufall Health Center and Rutgers School of Dental Medicine.

VETSmile is a Community Provider Collaborations for Veterans pilot program authorized under [Section 152 of the VA MISSION Act of 2018](#). It is the pilot program with a waiver request submitted to Congress under this authority.

“VETSmile is an opportunity for us to bridge the gap in Veterans’ access to continuous, accessible and affordable oral care, which is crucial for their overall wellbeing,” said [Center for Care and Payment Innovation](#) Acting Executive Director Roshni Ghosh, M.D. “[VHA’s Center for Care and Payment Innovation](#) plans to rapidly accelerate efforts to broaden VETSmile dental care partnerships in additional states after implementation at initial sites.”

For eligible Veterans who do not have regular dentists, partnering dental care sites will provide dental care and services. Depending on the community provider, the services offered to eligible Veterans will include:

Acute emergency dental care. Preventive oral care. Treatment of oral disease. Dental restoration, endodontics and periodontics.

Additionally, dental care partners provide Veterans with oral health education to encourage adoption of routine oral hygiene practices.

VETSmile expects to serve 3,900 Veterans through 9,000 Veteran patient visits in the first year. The numbers are expected to increase as the pilot reaches other geographic locations.

The program will carry on for the next five years and will be assessed for scaling or an extension. Sustained partnerships with the American Dental Association, the National Association of Community Health Centers, and VA Dentistry support the development and success of this pilot.

Learn more about the VETSmile program, visit [VETSmile | VA Center for Care and Payment Innovation](#).



What airplane is the Moose?
(see page 5)



The team at STARBASE Arizona has been excited to see students back in our classroom at Davis Monthan AFB for 2021-2022 academic year! This was not the case last year as we needed to take our program out to our partner schools due to the mitigation strategies in place for Covid. STARBASE Arizona is a Department of Defense Youth Program that provides 25 hours of hands-on minds-on instruction in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics. We support nearly a thousand 5th grade students from four school districts through-out the Tucson and Vail areas. Since August we have graduated four classes from the Vail School District and are currently supporting three classes from the Amphi School District. It has been absolutely rewarding to have students engaged in challenging tasks that promote team discussions, critical thinking and innovative ideas.



This year brings technological advancements to our computer-aided design program known as Onshape. STARBASE has a partnership with PTC who is a global software corporation working with customers across all industries. We are fortunate to work with a key education team focused on providing stimulating projects that allow our students an opportunity to engage in the design process. Students tap into their geometric knowledge and gain exposure to the basics of CAD all while working with a cool starship.

STARBASE Arizona is grateful to be supporting students this year and equally grateful for the support of our partner districts and military community. The military personnel at Davis Monthan have already been volunteering their time by assisting students with launching bottled rockets and sharing how their careers connect to each of the STEM fields. We continue to uphold the needed mitigation strategies and make any needed modifications with the hope of supporting students all year long in our classroom.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact STARBASE Arizona director Kristine Impellizzeri at (520)228-0912 or via email at impellizzerik@vailschooldistrict.org

2021 – 2022 Tucson Chapter 105 Elected Officers

The following individuals ran unopposed and were re-elected as Tucson Chapter 105 officers for 2021-2022 at the September 2021 Chapter Meeting:

President: Wally Saeger

Vice President: Bryan Foulk

Secretary: Vickie Jo Ryder

Treasurer: Marie Lankford



2021 Air Force Association National Convention and 2021 Air, Space & Cyber Conference

The 2021 AFA National Convention was held September 18-19 at the Gaylord Convention Center on National Harbor Maryland. The 2020 version was held virtually. The National Convention is held annually to vote on AFA business such as approving actions requesting approval from the national Board of Directors, receiving reports from various elected officials, and voting on various National officials such as Secretary, Vice Chairman of Aerospace Education, and National Directors. Individual Region Caucuses were held to determine how the region would vote on substantive issues and in some cases to elect a new region president. The Southwest Region had already elected Alan Berg of Tucson Chapter 105 to replace Bobi Oates from Nevada as the next region president so there was no need to caucus.

Although Arizona was authorized 11 delegates based upon our total membership, we only had 4 delegates (Alan Berg & Wally Saeger from Chapter 105 (Tucson)), Ross Lampert from Chapter 107 (Sierra Vista), and Michael Vargas from Chapter 151 (Frank Luke- Phoenix). Although our delegation was small, we still represented Arizona in a fine fashion.

The following were elected to fill National positions:

Vice Chairman of the Board, Aerospace Education: Steve Gourley

National Secretary: Bob George

National Director – West Area: Bobi Oates

National Director – At Large: Mark Tarpley and Jackie Trotter

In addition, the following incumbent officers were certified as qualified to run for an additional term of office and were so approved by the delegates:

Chairman: Gerald Murray

Vice Chairman of the Board, Field Operations: Jim Simmons

National Treasurer: Chuck Martin

National Director – Central Area: Susan Mallett

National-level award winners were recognized at the Field Awards Reception and Dinner on Saturday night. Although there were numerous awards presented that night, the chapter was recognized as for its excellence in Aerospace Excellence and Stu Carter, Arizona State President, and Bobi Oates, Southwest Region President, were both recognized for their outstanding contributions to the AFA with Chairman's Citations.

The most contentious issued faced during the Convention was the ratification of proposed new By-Laws to replace the current AFA Constitution and the transformation of the AFA governance from a delegate basis to a membership basis. The transformation to the By-Laws vice a constitution was mandated by AFA's compliance with its registration as a 501(c)(3) entity in Washington DC. Although there were numerous suggested changes to the By-Laws developed by a Governance Committee, there appeared to be no showstoppers. The BIGGEST contention was the move to a membership-based organization vice the delegate-based organization. The fear voiced by numerous individuals was that going to a membership-based organization would dilute, if not eliminate, the voice of the field such as chapters and regions, while vesting all of the power for decisions in the board. While it was acknowledged that the Board needed to attract

the talent required to govern the AFA to continue to grow and be fiscally viable, there needed to be a continued acknowledgement of the role that the Field played in the success of the mission of the AFA.

Seeing overwhelming opposition to adopting the By-Laws as written and going to a Membership-Based organization, Chairman Gerald Murray, chose to table the motions for 6 months and charge the Governance Committee to continue to look at alternatives to propose at the next annual convention.

The Annual Air, Space & Cyber Conference started Monday morning, September 21st with opening remarks by the AFA's Chairman of the Board, Gerald Murray followed by a keynote address by Scott Kirby, CEO of United Airlines Holding Company. During the 3-day event there were numerous keynote addresses from such leaders as the current Secretary of the Air Force, the Honorable Frank Kendall; the current Chief of Staff of the Air Force, General Charles Q. Brown, Jr.; the Chief of Space Operations, General John W. "Jay" Raymond; the Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force, Chief Master Sergeant JoAnne S. Bass; and, the Chief Master Sergeant of the Space Force, Chief Master Sergeant Roger A. Towberman.

There were also numerous panel discussions held for people to choose from. The Industry Showcase had numerous booths exhibiting capabilities and products from across the aerospace industry and some government organizations.

The agenda for the conference can be found at: <https://www.afa.org/events/airspacecyber2021/agenda>

The videos for all presentations will be made available on the AFA web site on October 9th.

Teacher of the Year



Presentation to Ms Paula Sotela, by Chapter President Wally Saeger, who was both our chapter and the State Teacher of the Year for 2021. She teaches kindergarten at Innovation Academy in Oro Valley.



THUNDER & LIGHTNING OVER ARIZONA

DAVIS-MONTHAN AIR FORCE BASE
NOVEMBER 6-7 | 2021



The U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds are returning to Davis-Monthan AFB, November 6-7, 2021. No you didn't miss them in April, the airshow was rescheduled to November because of ongoing restrictions due to COVID19. Although there is no published schedule for the flying acts, you can see the list of performers and other information about the airshow at: <https://thunderandlightningoverarizona.com/>.

General admission is free and parking on DMAFB is provided. There is the opportunity to buy tickets for premium seating and upgraded parking at the above web site. The web site also has frequently asked questions about the airshow as well as what can and cannot be brought to the airshow.

The general public will enter through the Craycroft or Swan gates and those gates will be open from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm both Saturday and Sunday. Since the crowds are expected to exceed 2019's 100,000+, arrive early and expect a wait.

If you want to avoid the crowds and help your local chapter, volunteer to work in the chapter's booth either Saturday or Sunday. Although an email request for volunteers went out earlier, look for another to our chapter members soon.

Appreciation Plaques Exchanged

Wally Saeger, acting in his role as the AFA Arizona vice president, took the opportunity to present outgoing AFA Arizona state president, Stu Carter, a plaque recognizing his time as the state president on behalf of the four chapter presidents in the state of Arizona. Stu established several firsts during his 3 years as state president including the AFA Arizona Gathering, the first of which was hosted by the Sierra



Vista Chapter 107. Unfortunately, the next two were canceled due to COVID19 but the next one is scheduled for 2022 in Phoenix hosted by the Frank Luke Chapter 151. To help the flow of information and cross-communication between AFA Arizona state officers and the four chapter presidents, Stu continued and strengthened the use of video conferences on a monthly basis. Under his guiding hand, one of the AZ State Teachers of the Year, Michael Vargas, was selected as the AFA National Teacher of the Year in 2019. Well Done and Thank You Stu.



Turning the tables, Stu presented Wally with a plaque recognizing him for his 2 years as the state vice president, lauding Wally as a "Superior Difference Maker".

Exceptional Service Awards

After over a year delay, chapter president Wally Saeger, was finally able to present Marie Lankford and Dick Roberts their 2020 Exceptional Service Awards. The Exceptional Service Award is presented to individual AFA members who have performed exceptional services for AFA in local, regional or national fields. Normally, Marie and Dick's awards would've been presented

in the year they were earned, 2020 in their cases, but the source that AFA National procured the awards from went out of business due to loss of business under COVID19. This necessitated finding a new vendor and a redesign of the award to match the new vendor's capabilities.

Sorry for the delay but thanks Marie and Dick for your past and continued Exceptional Service to AFA Tucson Chapter 105.



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!

Tucson Chapter's Community Partners

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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!!

October 2021

- 5th: Chapter Executive Committee Meeting, 1130, Brushfire BBQ, 22nd & Kolb (all welcome!)
- 29th: Chapter Meeting, 355th Explosive Ordnance Flight, 11:30 AM, more details to follow

November 2021

- 1st: Chapter Executive Committee Meeting, 1200, 355th Operations Group Conference Room (all welcome!)
- 6 -7th: DMAFB Air Show w/USAF Thunderbirds, “Thunder and Lightning Over Arizona”
- 26th: NO Chapter Meeting Happy Thanksgiving

December 2021

- 3rd: Annual Daedalians/AFA Holiday Party & Annual Awards Dinner, 6:00 PM, DMAFB Community Center, By Invitation only due to COVID Restrictions
- 6th: Chapter Executive Committee Meeting, 1200, 355th Operations Group Conference Room (all welcome!)
- .24th: NO Chapter Meeting, Happy Holidays

SAVE THESE DATES:

- Jan 3rd: Chapter Executive Committee Meeting, 1200, 355th Operations Group Conference Room (all welcome!)
- Jan 24th: Chapter Meeting, TBD
- Feb 7th: Chapter Executive Committee Meeting, 1200, Location TBD (all welcome!)
- Feb 25th: No chapter meeting, Awaiting dates for Heritage Flight
- Mar 7th: Chapter Executive Committee Meeting, 1200, 355th Operations Group Conference Room (all welcome!)
- Mar 19-20: Luke AFB Airshow
- Mar 25th: Chapter Meeting, Subject & Location TBD
- May 13-14, 2022: AFA AZ Annual Gathering, Phoenix AZ Hosted by Luke Chapter 151

**Air Force Association
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Air Force Association Means Americans for Air Power

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.