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From the Prez -

Happy Summer. Hard to believe that we're over halfway through 2025. I hope 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.

April started out busy with the Inactivation Ceremony for the 355th Operations Support Squadron and transferring duties and personnel to the 563 OSS on April 3rd. Your chapter donated \$300 to support a Sexual Assault Prevention and Response event on April 4th and an additional \$200 for a banner to be displayed at that and future events. April 6th saw Wally Saeger attend the 162nd Wing Annual Awards where he presented the AFA Chapter 105 Outstanding Junior Airman of the Year to A1C Dante Lopez. See separate picture.

For the April 25th meeting, I was the speaker providing an overview of cybersecurity. Although I wouldn't call myself an expert, there are plenty of sources available to help you avoid many of the most common traps. See separate article for more details.

That evening, I attended the University of Arizona AFROTC Det 020 Dining Out where I presented the AFA Outstanding AFROTC Cadet Award to Cadet Colton Hackenyos. See separate picture.

To finish out the busy month of April, Marie Langford traveled to Nogales High School April 29th to present the AFA Outstanding JROTC Cadet Award to Cadet Julian Ruiz. Wally Saeger traveled to Innovation Academy in Oro Valley April 30th to present the Chapter 105 Teacher of the Year Award and Arizona State Runner-up TOY Award to Colin Cordell.

As usual we didn't have a chapter meeting in May so people could enjoy a long Memorial Day weekend. I hope you took some time to enjoy family & friends, but you also remembered why Memorial Day is observed; to honor those who paid the ultimate sacrifice in service to our country.

That doesn't mean May wasn't busy. Wally attended the Desert View High School AFJROTC Awards Ceremony where he presented the AFA Outstanding AFJROTC Cadet Award to Cadet Julia Acosta. May 9th saw Wally attending the CMSgt Carl E. Beck Airmen Leadership School graduation for Class 25-D. To finish the month off, Ed

Ryder attended the 79th Rescue Squadron Change of Command on May 27th.

In the month of June your chapter was represented at five squadrons and the 355th Medical Group changes of command. Scattered in between was the 355th Wing Deputy Commander, Colonel Gabriel Brown's "fini flight" on June 11th, The 355th Wing Commander, Colonel Scott Mills and 355th Wing Command Chief, CMSgt Michael Becker, farewell party June 25th. Another ALS graduation June 26th. Colonel Mills' and Colonel Sean Hall's "fini flights" on June 30th.

And we had a chapter meeting June 27th where Scott Marchand, CEO of the Pima Air & Space Museum, gave an enlightening and entertaining presentation on the history of the Pima Air & Space Museum, the Titan Missile Museum in Green Valley, and the new Military Vehicle Museum adjacent to the Pima Air & Space Museum. See separate article.

Speaking of chapter membership meetings, if you RSVP and are a NO-SHOW we are still responsible for your meal. If you don't prepay, please be considerate of those who do pay and send a check to cover your meal. Your check should be made out to AFA Chapter 105 and mailed to AFA Tucson 105, PO Box 15057, Tucson AZ 85708. Thank you

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; please consider donating. If you are on Facebook, you can set up a fundraising event that directly supports YOUR chapter.

Chapter 105 is 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.

If you have any suggestions on other sources of funds, please let us know. The more we raise the more we can support our Airmen, Guardians, and their Families.

Since we use email to stay in touch, as does AFA National, please remember to let us know if you change your email address.

Wally Saeger

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Chapter's April Meeting **What & Why of Cybersecurity** **Wally Saeger**

What is Cybersecurity? The tools we use and the actions we take to keep computers, networks and information safe and available for those who need it and protected from those who should not have access to it



Why is this Important? It is estimated that cyber-crime will cost the world **\$10.5 Trillion in 2025**.

What are some common internet myths?

Myth 1: If you didn't put your information online, you are safe from intrusion.

Publicly available government records, court records, records of any organization or committees that you are a member of – these are all viable sources of personal information.

Myth 2: If you are posting anything online, it's only shared with your friends and family.

Whatever has been posted on the internet is available to anyone that knows how to access it.

Physical Threats to Cybersecurity

Dumpster Diving

Shoulder Surfing

Phishing, Spear-Phishing, Vishing, Smishing

Learn how to identify fake email addresses & suspicious texts

Browser Safety

Learn how to identify fake/incorrect web sites

Use strong passwords

Consider using a password manager

Malware: Malicious software designed and written to steal information, spy on users or gain control of computers.

Adware: Designed to display unwanted ads on your computer

Spyware: Collects information about you without your knowledge or consent

Ransomware: Locks computer files that are then held for ransom

How to avoid internet threats

Use a proper anti-malware software

Use a VPN

Don't avoid security updates

Be wary of public Wi-Fi

Scam Awareness

Government Agencies: IRS, FBI, FTC, etc.

Financial Institutions: Bank, PayPal, Retirement Account

Dating Sites

Online & Phone Surveys

Donation Organizations

"Send Money Scams"

We've all seen these by email and text but with AI they will become more prolific and even come by phone with a voice impersonating someone that you know

Identity Theft: Identity thieves defraud people and the government by assuming the identities of unsuspecting victims and using that to commit a wide range of illegal activities.

What to do in case of identity theft:

Contact the organization where the theft occurred and alert them

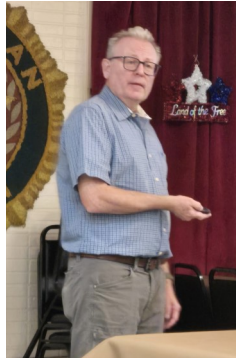
Contact a Credit Reporting Agency and ask them to place a fraud alert on your credit report.

Report identity theft to the FTC

Sorry that this article just scratched the surface but hopefully it will encourage you to learn more about cybersecurity to better protect you day-to-day from all of the threats out there.

Chapter's June Meeting **Pima Air & Space Museum** **Scott Marchand, CEO**

Scott Marchand, CEO of the Pima Air & Space Museum and the Arizona Aerospace Foundation gave an entertaining and enlightening presentation on the history of the Pima Air & Space Museum, the Titan Missile Museum, the Arizona Aviation Hall of Fame, and the newest addition, the Tucson Military Vehicle Museum.



The Pima Air Museum got its start in 1966 when DMAFB's Col I.R. Perkin approached the local Air Force Association Chapter Tucson 105 about starting a museum. A museum was needed to accept excess aircraft that was

being stored by the Military Aircraft Storage and Disposition Center (an early designation of the current 309th Aerospace Maintenance and Regeneration Group) along Golf Links Road. A 501(c)(3) non-profit "Tucson Air Museum Foundation of Pima County" was created. But it took until May 1976 to officially open.

First a site had to be selected; 136 acres south of DMAFB was identified which was owned by the Bureau of Land Management. Pima County purchased the land for \$800 using funds raised by the TAMF.

The original site plan called for a single large building along with the display of most of the aircraft outdoors. Site clearing and fencing took place in 1973 followed by the start of the movement of the aircraft from DMAFB later that year.

One of the first external aircraft acquisitions was a B-24 Liberator from the Indian Air Force in 1968. In March 1969, a volunteer USAF crew arrived in India to bring the plane back to the United States. The aircraft left Poona, India March 28 and arrived in Tucson (DMAFB) April 27 following a flight of 11,000 miles with 14 stops during those 30 days. The aircraft & crew were welcomed by General Jimmy Doolittle, Air Commodore Khanna of the Indian Air Force, and dignitaries from Pima County and the City of Tucson.

The Museum opened on May 8, 1976, with 50 aircraft and no permanent structures. The first ticket booth was a metal shed installed in 1978 and the ticket price was \$2. By 1980, the aircraft collection had grown to over 100 but the only permanent structure was a surplus barracks building that had been moved from DMAFB to be used for offices, and artifact storage and display.



(see PASM pg.4)

Highlighting Our Community Partner Tucson Chick-fil-A



It is an honor and a privilege for the Tucson Chick-fil-A stores to be Community Partners with the Tucson Chapter 105, Air and Space Forces Association. We appreciate all they do to educate, advocate and support the Air Force members and their families. We also have a deep respect and heartfelt gratitude for all that our Air Force members and their families do for our local community and our country. They are true patriots and their selfless service in providing our defense and security across the world is greatly appreciated. We understand how difficult military service can be with the high operations tempo, constant reassignments and many deployments away from friends and family.

Chick-fil-A Corporate is also a big supporter of our military and their families. S. Truett Cathy, the founder of Chick-fil-A, served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He was drafted in 1939 and served until his honorable discharge in 1945. Corporate is thankful for his service and all those who have offered themselves and their loved ones in military service to our great nation. Truett and his



brother returned from the war and opened a diner in Atlanta called The Dwarf Grill in 1946. His first Chick-fil-A branded restaurant opened in Atlanta's Greenbriar shopping center in 1967. His company was based on service to others with the corporate purpose statement: "To glorify God by being a faithful steward to all that is entrusted to us. To have a positive influence on all who come in contact with Chick-fil-A." The five Tucson Chick-fil-A stores continue this legacy in serving the local Tucson community.



The Tucson Chick-fil-A stores also try to stay closely connected to Davis-Monthan AFB and the 162nd Wing, Morris Air National Guard Base to serve where they can. Some of the partnerships with the bases include:

- Serving Air and Space Forces Association members breakfast at the annual Heritage Flight.
- Providing Loft Dinner meals to Air Force dorm residences.
- Supporting the annual Thanksgiving Dorm Bash with food and supplies.
- Providing 700 "Be Our Guest" cards for the annual Cookie Crunch care packages for Airmen.
- Serving breakfast to Air Show participants.
- Providing "Be Our Guest" cards to squadrons for their annual Christmas parties and special events.
- Lead sponsor for the annual DM50 Picnic and Car Show.
- Sponsorship of the DM50 golf tournament.
- Providing Military a 10% discount at all stores.

It is truly special to have Davis Monthan AFB and the 162nd Wing in our Tucson community. We thank the Air and Space Forces Association for all they do for the Airmen and their families. We are honored to be able to partner with them and the bases. God Bless the United States Air Force and our country!

"A Little Bit of History"

Consolidated P-30



The Consolidated P-30 was a 1930s United States two-seat fighter aircraft. The P-30 is significant for being the first fighter in United States Army Air Corps service to have retractable landing gear, an enclosed and heated cockpit for the pilot, and an exhaust-driven turbo-supercharger for altitude operation.

The first P-30 was delivered in January 1934. Testing showed that the gunner's cockpit was uncomfortable and cold at the high altitudes where the P-30 was intended to fight, while the rearward-facing gunners were liable to black out when the aircraft was maneuvered. Despite these concerns, on 6 December 1934, the U.S. Air Corps placed an order for a further 50 P-30As, with more powerful V-1570-61 engines driving a three-bladed variable-pitch propeller and with oxygen supplies for the crew.

Three of the four P-30s were delivered to the 94th Pursuit Squadron at Selfridge Field in 1934. The first P-30A, by this time redesignated PB-2A (pursuit, biplace), made its maiden flight on 17 December 1935, with deliveries to service units starting on 28 April 1936. The last of the 50 PB-2As were completed by August that year.

While intended as a high altitude fighter, the PB-2 flew relatively few high-altitude flights, partly because of the discomfort for the crew. One exception took place in March 1937, when a PB-2A was flown to 39,300 feet (12,000 m) before being forced to return to lower altitudes when the aircraft's controls froze. On 17 October 1936, a PB-2A flown by Lt. John M. Sterling won the Mitchell Trophy air race with a speed of 217.5 miles per hour.

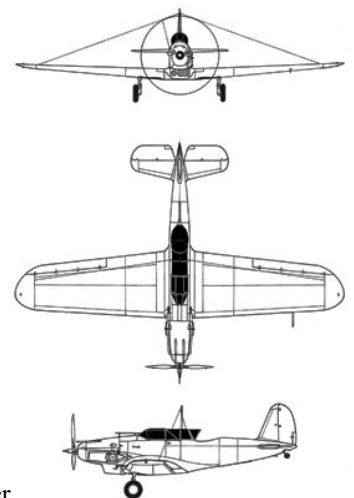
Crew: 2
Length: 29 ft 10 in
Wingspan: 43 ft 11 in
Height: 8 ft 2 in
Wing area: 297 ft
Empty weight: 4,297 lb
Loaded weight: 5,632 lb

Performance

Maximum speed: 274 mph
Cruise speed: 215 mph
Range: 510 mi
Service ceiling: 28,000 ft
Rate of climb: 1,925 ft/min
Wing loading: 19 lb/ft

Armament

Guns:
2 x 0.30 in (7.62 mm) machine guns firing through the propeller
1 x 0.30 in machine gun in the rear cockpit



Planning for Hangar #1 started in 1980 while construction started in 1981 and was completed in 1982. The building had an admissions area, gift shop and display areas for both aircraft and other artifacts. A "Red River Rats" display was one of the first featured.

The 390th Memorial Museum was founded by veterans of the World War II 390th Heavy Bomb Group which flew as part of the 8th Air Force 1943 – 1945. The museum opened on the grounds of the Pima Air Museum in 1982. As it is not part of the Pima museum, it operates separately. The building houses a B-17G Flying Fortress, artifacts and archival materials related to the 390th during World War II.

The Titan Missile Museum, located in Green Valley, opened in 1986 after modifications to the missile and the missile silo were accomplished to satisfy the Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty with the Soviet Union. More information can be found at: <https://titanmissilemuseum.org/about/>

The original restoration facility was constructed about 1980 and consisted of a covered area that was open to the elements. In 1990, a new facility was finished that was enclosed and was renovated in 2017 to provide more covered space for larger aircraft.

Hangar #2, constructed in 1987, houses administration areas; library, archives and collections storage; and the Arizona Aviation Hall of the Fame. The Aviation Hall of Fame was established in 1990 to recognize Arizonans that have contributed to the development of aviation history and science as pilots, designers, scientists and administrators. Over 80 people are currently recognized there.

Hangar #3 was added to the museum in 1992 followed by Hangar #4 in 1994. The construction of these two hangars allowed more of the museums extensive aircraft collection to be moved indoors and increased floor space for the display of artifacts.

In 1992, the museum was renamed as the Pima Air & Space Museum with the foundation following suit in 1995 to become the Arizona Aerospace Foundation to reflect the organizations' enhanced focus.

The Aerospace Gallery was created in 1990 for exhibits related to space exploration and aerospace technology.

The Spirit of Freedom Gallery opened in 2007 after the expansion of Hangar 1 that more than doubled the size of the building and added a new Museum Store and a remodeled entrance plaza.

Flight Central and Flight Grill opened in 2010 following a second addition to Hangar 1 that added another 20,000 square feet of display space and the "Flight Grill" restaurant.

Hangar #5 was opened in 2015 to bring more aircraft indoors and enable more exhibit space.



The Pima Air & Space Museum in 2018

For more information about the Pima Air & Space Museum, go to: <https://pimaair.org/>

The Tucson Military Vehicle Museum, located adjacent to the Pima Air & Space Museum, opened March 21, 2025, and currently has a collection of over 60 military vehicles including tanks, armored personnel carriers, amphibious assault vehicles, artillery and more.

For more information: <https://www.tucsonmilitaryvehicle.org/>

P-47 Thunderbolt



Photo John M Dibbs



The B-45 was designed in 1944. It owns the crown of being the world's first jet bomber specifically designed for that purpose.





It has been an incredible 2024-2025 academic year for STARBASE Arizona. Nearly 850 5th grade students were provided 25 hours of premier instruction in science, technology, engineering, arts/design and mathematics (STEAM). Students attend from the Vail, Amphi, Sunnyside and Tucson Unified School Districts. The goal is to inspire and engage students in unforgettable educational experiences within a discovery/inquiry based environment. Davis-Monthan has hosted the program for 19 years. This partnership is one the team is very grateful for.



This past December the program acquired a level 2 standing which recognizes the program's expansion into middle school. The STARBASE Arizona Advanced coordinator was instrumental in launching curriculum that focused on Forensic Science and CO2 Dragsters with much success.



The year was rich with strong student connections, implementation of advanced technology and numerous community outreach opportunities where the team not only participated in base events and teacher trainings, but also science nights with partner schools.

Despite funding issues this past spring the program finished strong by serving a group of amazing military dependent youth during our Summer Academy. They were eager to learn how to work a Hydraulic arm, play a game of tic-tac toe utilizing a robot where coding must be done in the 3D world, launch bottled rockets and so much more.



STARBASE Arizona is grateful to be part of inspiring our youth in STEAM and equally grateful for the support from our partner districts and military community. 225 military personnel at Davis Monthan volunteered 249 hours by assisting students with launching bottled rockets and sharing how their careers connect to each of the STEAM fields. The team remains committed to empowering our

youth and building strong community connections in STEAM education.

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

ATTENTION ALL STEM EDUCATORS



The Air & Space Forces Association Educator Grant Program application process opens on September 1st and runs through December 15th. AFA's Educator Grant program promotes aerospace education activities in classrooms from kindergarten through twelfth grade. The program encourages development of innovative aerospace activities within the prescribed curriculum.

Every year, AFA awards \$20,000 in grants to 40 educators poised to make a lasting difference. The grant process is competitive. A committee of aerospace education experts reviews all qualified applications and scores them based on their detailed grant proposals. AFA selects projects that best serve our nation's students and support our mission.

To find more information, to submit your application, or to see the past projects that were funded under this program, visit: [Education Grants - Air & Space Forces Association](https://www.afa.org/afa/education-grants)

Air & Space Forces Outstanding JROTC Award Nogales, AZ High School

Master Sergeant (Ret.) Marie Lankford, AFA Tucson Chapter 105 Treasurer, presented the Air & Space Forces



Outstanding JROTC Award to Cadet Capt. Julian Ruiz at Nogales High School on 29 April. The AFA Award consists of a Medal and Ribbon and is presented annually to the outstanding AS3 cadet who possesses such characteristics as positive attitude, exceptional personal appearance, exemplary personal attributes, courtesy, and a high

degree of growth potential. The winner of this award must also rank in the upper five percent of the class in Aerospace Science for the current year, and achieve overall academic standing in the upper ten percent of his or her

MEMBERSHIP

Below is a list of new members and transferees into Chapter 105 for the second quarter of 2025. Thank you all for helping support our Air & Space Forces Association mission, and we look forward to meeting you at a chapter event in the near future. Watch your email for announcements regarding the monthly meetings and other AFA opportunities. Welcome!

SrA Kristen Garrett
SSgt Paul Tempin
Adalia Gutierrez
Anthony Pezzuto
TSgt Christopher Williams
Maj (ret) Robert Fields
SSgt Shawnee Danielle Bans

Telisha Winbush
SrA William Russell
Anthony V. Ceraolo
Col (ret) Greg A. Kern
Ma Gerlie Tate
Lt Col (ret) James Gibbons
SPC Mayri Lynn Hebert

Wreaths Across America

This year, National Wreaths Across America Day will be held on Saturday, December 13, 2025. Join the more than two million volunteers and supporters who will gather to Remember, Honor and Teach at more than 4,900 participating locations in all 50 states, at sea and abroad.



Sponsor a veteran's wreath in honor of or in memory of a loved one who served in our armed forces. Or, sponsor and allow us to designate a recipient among the millions of heroes who rest in honored glory.

What does it mean to sponsor a wreath? Sponsoring a veteran's wreath is a personal gift of gratitude and remembrance for someone who served this country so that we can be free. Your sponsorship supports the yearlong mission to remember the fallen, honor those who serve, and teach the next generation the value of freedom, while making new and existing free programs available to the masses. With each sponsorship made, a veteran's wreath will be placed to honor an American hero at participating locations this year on National Wreaths Across America Day.

For additional information and how to participate: www.wreathsacrossamerica.org/azoldc



Mini C-17

The Mini C-17 is an exact replica of the C-17 Globemaster III. (Photo by Debbie Baldwin)

What started as an idea has now become a reality four years later, thanks to a group of volunteers from the 315th and 437th Airlift Wings, Charleston Air Force Base. Through their hard work and dedication, they have created a miniature replica of the C-17 Globemaster III.

The base of the C-17 replica is a John Deere "Gator" multi-purpose vehicle, donated by the 315th Recruiting Service. The replica is 32 feet long, 13.4 feet tall, has a wingspan of 28.5 feet and was built in modules to make movement easier. The true-to-life replica is complete with flight station panels, engine sounds, operational ramp and cargo door and markings.

The replica was officially named the "Spirit of Hope, Liberty & Freedom" and dedicated to the citizens of South Carolina for their continued support for the Air Force.

Since the dedication ceremony November 2004, it has proudly been featured at ball parks, air shows, parades, and even displayed in the courtyard of the Pentagon.

Chapter 105 Awards



Chapter 105 President Wally Saeger presents the AFA 162nd Wing Junior Airman of the Year to A1C Dante Lopez at the 162nd Annual Awards Ceremony 6 April.



Chapter President Wally Saeger presents Tucson Chapter 105's 2025 Teacher of the Year, Colin Cordell, with a check for \$750 to represent being named your Chapter TOY and the State TOY runner-up. Also present was one of Colin's children and the Innovation Academy of Oro Valley principal, Michael McConnell (in the fancy outfit).



Chapter 105 President Wally Saeger presents the AFA AFJROTC Cadet of the Year for Desert View High School to Cadet Julia Acosta at the DVHS AFJROTC awards ceremony 1 May.



Chapter 105 President Wally Saeger presents the AFA Outstanding AFROTC Cadet Award to U of A AFROTC Det 020 Cadet Colton Hackenyos during the Det 020 Dining Out 25 April at the Landing Community Center at DMAFB.

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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Vantagewest.org

Upcoming Events

We hope to schedule future “field trips” to different organization on base while conducting chapter meetings at the American Legion Post 36 off base. If you have something specific you want to see, please let us know! There are MANY events supporting our local Airmen and changes of command! As a Chapter, we try to attend all that we can. If you are interested in representing your 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!!

Jul 2025

- 7th: Chapter Executive Committee Meeting, 1130, Zoom by invite
- 25th: NO Chapter Meeting
- 27th: LOFT meal, 1630 in DMAFB Dorm, for more info contact Marie Lankford (520) 360-3467 or Vickie Jo Ryder (520) 820-8197

Aug 2025

- 4th: Chapter Executive Committee Meeting, 1200, OG Conf Rm, DMAFB (all welcome!)
- 22nd: Chapter Meeting, Subject TBD, 1130, American Legion Post 36

Sep 2025

- 8th: Chapter Executive Committee Meeting, 1200, OG Conf Rm, DMAFB (all welcome!)
- 18th: US Air Force Birthday, 78 years young
- 19th: POW-MIA Recognition Day
- 22-24: Air, Space & Cyber Conference, National Harbor MD
- 26th: Chapter Meeting, Anjani T. Polit, Presentation on OSIRIS Missions, 1130 hours, American Legion Post 36

SAVE THESE DATES/DATES TO REMEMBER:

- Oct 5th: [Chapter Executive Committee Meeting, 1200](#), OG Conf Rm, DMAFB (all welcome!)
- Oct 24th: Chapter Meeting, Subject TBD, 1130, American Legion Post 36
- Nov 3rd: Chapter Executive Committee Meeting, 1200, OG Conf Rm, DMAFB (all welcome!)
- Nov 24th: Dorm Bash (Feed Dorm residents) More info to follow
- Nov 28th: No Chapter Meeting, Enjoy your Thanksgiving
- Dec 1st: Chapter Executive Committee Meeting, 1200, OG Conf Rm, DMAFB (all welcome!)
- Dec 4th: Joint Awards Luncheon with Daedalians, 1130, American Legion Post 36
- Dec 13th: Wreaths Across America Day
- Dec 20th: US Space Forces Birthday
- Dec 26th: No Chapter Meeting

AFA's Mission

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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.