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May 2008

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Don't Miss this
Special Event!

FRIDAY, MAY 23rd

A great dinner & program
at the
Orlando Marriott Downtown Hotel

PRESENTATION
by Lockheed Martin STS
President, Mr. Dale Bennett

**Reservations Required
by May 19th!
Sign up today! See pages 4 & 5**

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<http://centralflorida.aflorida.org>

Central Florida Chapter Announces "Teachers of the Year"

By Bill Yucuis, Executive Vice President

The Central Florida Chapter is pleased to announce **Seth Reichelson**, from Ocoee High School in Orange County, as the Central Florida Chapter Teacher of the Year for 2008. **Seth** graduated from the University of Buffalo in 1993 with a Bachelor's degree in Mechanical Engineering and currently teaches AP Physics, AP Computer Science, and Concepts of Engineering. Outside the classroom, **Seth** sponsors student teams in several engineering and computer science competitions, including SECME and Science Olympiad. **Seth** led his team as the Regional SECME champion in 2007 and 2008 and the National SECME champion in 2006 and the runner-up in 2007. He will be competing in the 2008 national competition this summer. His team was also the 2008 Science Olympiad Regional High School champion and will soon compete at the National Competition.

Your Central Florida Chapter selects five county Teachers of the Year. The committee found many great teachers, but with careful consideration, selected the winners for each county. Besides **Seth Reichelson**, from Orange County, the other county winners are **Kathleen Harkness** from Tavares High (Lake), **Carlos Duran** from Poinciana High (Osceola), **James Harrison** from Bartow High (Polk), and **Susan Behel** from Lake Brantley High (Seminole).

Congratulations to all the teachers who submitted nomination packets. The Central Florida Chapter appreciates all your dedication and hard work.



Central Florida Chapter Mission
**AFA advocates a strong national defense
through aerospace power.**

*We support and encourage the study of science and
technology, and . . .*

*We educate the central Florida community on the
importance of technology to national security.*



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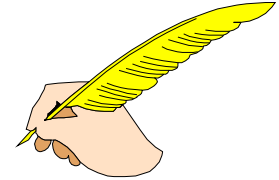
Chapter Council Meeting

The Council meets on the **second Thursday** of each month at **7 pm** at the Showalter Flying Service building at the Orlando Executive Airport.

- All Directors and Council Members are requested to attend.
- All members are welcome.

From the President

First and foremost, I want to extend my thanks to everyone involved in the planning and execution of a most successful Air Warfare Symposium and Gala. Our new venue location for the annual event, the Rosen Shingle Creek Hotel and Resort, is a tremendous facility.



As one walks through the lobby and long long corridors you wish they, the hotel, had shuttle service within the hotel. Yes, the hotel is large, but on the bright side it does give us the opportunity to expand.

A special thanks goes to **Tommy Harrison**, the Gala chairman, and **Bob Ceruti** and **Jim Derosé** who handled the golf outing. Without the help and assistance of many other chapter members, the annual event and fund raiser would not be a memorable and successful event.

As your president, one of my goals is to get more chapter members involved in the governance and activities of the chapter. To that end, we are having an event on May 23rd that should be of interest and result in an enjoyable evening. Not only will we be able to have a most enjoyable meal, but be able to hopefully outreach to non AFA members and listen to a presentation from one of our local aerospace and defense companies. We are limited to the first 100 people, so make your reservations early—reservation form is in this issue. Bring a non-AFA friend, have a good time and learn more about what our Orlando defense contractors are contributing to the local area and defense of our country.

Take care!

Jim Callahan

God Speaks Softly

by Bob Hicks, Chaplain

I have a tendency to look for God in the big things. I would like to see the kind of miracles so many other people of faith have apparently seen. Oh, I have experienced a series of coincidences that I would call miracles of providence, but these are not the hefty fireworks kind of miracles I have heard others speak of. I would like to see the fire from heaven, walking on water kind of miracles. I guess that's why I so enjoy reading about the prophet Elijah in the Hebrew Scriptures. After calling down fire from heaven to consume an altar he had built in a contest with pagan gods, he flees for the desert. Finally taking refuge in a cave, God begins to teach him a profound lesson. Gods brings a strong wind in front of the cave, but God is not present in the wind. Next He brings an earthquake but still God is not present in the earthquake. After the earthquake came a fire, but again God was not present. Finally, there is the sound a gentle, almost silent breeze in front of the cave. This is when God speaks and Elijah takes notice.

Perhaps, in our multi-tasked, high volume society we need to take the time to be silent and listen for God's voice in the quietness. The Psalmist probably had it right:

"Be still and know that I am God!" (Psalm 46:10).

Veterans Opportunities...

by Dennis Moran, VP for Legislative Affairs

We Need All Choir Members to Rise PLEASE...

This article is a reminder that each of us needs to pick up the phone and call your Congressional representatives so they do not completely forget that we as veterans, or those who support the veterans, still exist and want our feelings to be heard and counted.

We are a large part of the "silent majority" and do not want to depend on those others to speak for us on the national political scene. We cannot remain silent. We can still speak for ourselves and certainly want each of our legislators to know that we feel very strongly about our USA.

The Congressional delegates are an important link in our American process and many of them need to be reminded that national defense is the number one priority in retaining our security and safety.

The choir needs to stand up and speak out---loud and clear.

Vote this year for a strong military---

Please make the promise to call from the list below---and do it this month!

Sen. Martinez—407-254-2573	Rep. Feeney—407-208-1106
Sen. Nelson—407-872-7161	Rep. Keller—407-872-1962
Rep. Brown—407-872-0656	Rep. Mica—407-657-8080
Rep. Brown-Waite—352-567-6707	Rep. Putnam—863-534-3530

Navy Exchange Highlights...

The Navy Exchange near the Orlando International Airport is open seven days a week to service the eligible patrons with pleasant service and reduced prices. The store is well stocked and always clean and orderly for a positive shopping experience.

A new deli will be opening on the grocery side this summer and will feature Boars Head products. Sandwiches will be prepared. The Subway store will remain open and will continue to service customers in their renovated restaurant area.

The NEX Manager is looking to hire an eye doctor who can provide full service eye exams and prescriptions to complement the eye glass sales now provided. If anyone knows of an Optometrist who may be interested on a full or part time basis, please have the person contact the store manager.

The NEX phone number is 407-857-3550.

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Chapter ...
... truly a "Special
Chapter in History"**



**We salute
our Veterans!**

FlightLiner Note

Again, thanks to all who have contributed to make the FlightLiner the best! It is teamwork that makes a great newsletter. Some still need to join us by sending in articles!

Please meet or beat our deadlines to ensure we get your good ideas into the newsletter.

Call 407-260-8139 or send suggestions to:

kennethkelly@earthlink.net

**Deadline for articles for the
next edition is
August 14, 2008**

Thanks,

Ken Kelly

CALENDAR

May 2008

- 8 * Chapter Council Meeting
- 17 Armed Forces Day
- 26 Memorial Day

June

- 12 * Chapter Council Meeting
- 14 Flag Day

July

- 4 Independence Day & CFC Celebration
- 10 CFC Meeting Cancelled
- 13-15 AFA (Florida) State Convention, Cape Canaveral

August

- 14 * Chapter Council Meeting

September

- 1 Labor Day
- 11 * Chapter Council Meeting
- 13-14 AFA National Convention in Washington D.C.
- 29 CFC Luncheon (Education, Awards & Installation)

* See details in this newsletter

CFC Special Event Highlights Lockheed Orlando STS

We promise a very interesting program with our guest speaker Mr. Dale P. Bennett!

Mr. Bennett is the President of Lockheed Martin Simulation, Training & Support (STS), headquartered here in Orlando. He and his team manage the global development and delivery of ground and flight training and simulation systems and services as well as enterprise logistics solutions for the U.S. Department of Defense.

Among their current programs are training systems for the F-35 "Lightning II," an embedded platform maintenance program in support of U.S. Marine Corps logistics modernization, an advanced gunnery and tactical trainer systems including the Virtual Combat Convoy Trainer, and the UK's Joint Asset Management and Engineering Solutions program. All are interesting programs!

Sign up today to join your AFA friends as we get a great update on DOD simulation and our home town team out at Lockheed Martin.

Don't Miss it!!

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6:30 Social, 7:15 Dinner

A great dinner is planned!

(Macadamia Nut Chicken or Tilapia Fish)

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400 West Livingston Street, Orlando, FL

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Send in your Reservation Today! See Page 5

**We welcome YOU
to join the
Central Florida Chapter
of the
Air Force Association!**

The AFA serves along with educators and industry in our communities to provide incentives to those who aspire to make our country strong through aerospace education. The AFA proudly supports aerospace education.

AFA APPLICATION



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CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

Central Florida Chapter #303
AFA CHAPTER CHOICE _____ DATE OF BIRTH _____

PHONE _____ EMAIL ADDRESS _____

I understand the annual \$36 fee includes a subscription (\$21) to the AIR FORCE Magazine.

CURRENT MILITARY STATUS

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Active Duty U.S. Armed Forces | <input type="checkbox"/> Previous U.S. Military Service |
| <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. National Guard | <input type="checkbox"/> Spouse/Widow(er), Lineal |
| <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Reserve | <input type="checkbox"/> Ancestor/Descendent of Veteran |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Retired U.S. Armed Forces | <input type="checkbox"/> Civilain (No service w/ U.S. Military) |

Branch of Service: _____

CURRENT PROFESSION

- Aerospace Industry
- US Government
- Retired
- Other

CURRENT JOB FUNCTION

- Management
- Engineering
- Procurement
- R&D
- Other

MEMBERSHIP OPTIONS

- \$36 for 1 year
- \$90 for 3 years

Special \$18 rate for:

- Current Service Enlisted E1-E4
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- \$500 single payment
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Membership Information

Call : Tim Wieck 407-977-4189

or

Send application to: **Air Force Association**
1501 Lee Highway
Arlington, VA 22209-9963

AFJROTC Cadets Learn Skills Essential To Succeed In The Aerospace Age

by Ken Kelly, Editor

Lake Brantley High School AFJROTC, as have other JROTC units, invited CFC representatives to give presentations. **Richard Ortega** was recently invited by Lake Brantley to give a presentation on educational opportunities, grants, scholarships, and other financial support that is offered by AFA and the Central Florida Chapter.

Richard helped students to see the many opportunities available by providing detailed information about tuition, books, lab fees, etc. which can be applied to over 900 colleges and universities nationwide.

The students were also encouraged to visit www.afoats.af.mil or call 1-800-522-0033, ext 5116 for more details on AFJROTC scholarships.

Richard also spoke to the importance of the AFJROTC training program including: Citizenship, Personal Responsibility, Sense of Accomplishment, and Honorable Service to the United States of America. He emphasized the importance of the leadership skills and tools which they are learning and how these will help them succeed in life after high school.

Membership is always on **Richard's** agenda! He invited and 41 cadets accepted the invitation to join AFA as "Cadet patrons." See the pictures below.

The CFC appreciates the Lake Brantley High School AFJROTC leadership as **Major Mark Watts** and **SMSGT Mauricio Forero** helped to make the visit a success for the cadets.



Front/Center left to right, Maj Mark Watts (Ret. - SASI), Mrs. Mary Williams, Lake Brantley High School Principal, CMSGT Richard Ortega (Ret.) Aerospace Education VP, for AFA Florida & CFC and SMSGT Mauricio Forero (Ret.- ASI). All 41 cadets joined AFA as Cadet Patrons.

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To be Received by May 19, 2008



**AIR FORCE ASSOCIATION (FLORIDA)
Special Event Dinner with Lockheed Martin Orlando
May 23, 2008 at the Marriott Downtown in Orlando**



Dinners (Macadamia Nut Chicken ... ()

Dinners (Tilapia Fish) ()

Total () x \$ **20.00** = \$

Name: _____

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