



AFA Dinner Meeting, Wednesday 9 September 2015

The Fall AFA/ROA Dinner Meeting will be on Wednesday, 9 Sept 2015 at the American Legion Post, 852 Main Street, Carmel, IN 46032. Social time begins at 6 PM and dinner will start at 6:30. **Please either send your reservations to Mil Compo, 10655 106th Place, Carmel IN 46033 or contact Mil @ 317/828-4866. Dinner is \$15.00 per person payable either by cash or check at the door.** Make checks payable to AFA Chapter 150. So we can have an accurate count for dinner, please notify us no later than Friday, 4 Sept 2015.

Our speaker for the evening will be General James Bauerle (Retired). General Bauerle will be discussing Indiana legislative bills which support Military members and Veterans that will be coming up in the 2016 session. The 2015 session was not as fruitful as anticipated. Come hear how we as the AFA can provide the support needed to get these valuable services, resources and benefits available to those who need them.

The President's Corner

This message from the President's Corner comes not from the current Chapter President, but from all of the Chapter 150 Officers. Why?

A couple of our current Officers are dealing with severe health issues. Our Treasurer has been handling the Chapter's finances for several

years and would like to hand off those duties those duties also.

That said, Chapter 150 is looking for some different faces to provide a new generation of leadership for this Chapter.

Placement of Officers for the coming year will be at our 9 December

meeting. Please give careful consideration on how you could help Chapter 150 remain a strong and growing Chapter.

Your interest can be forwarded to Bill Megnin @ wmmegnin@yahoo.com

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Great Lakes Regional Meeting

The Great Lakes Regional Meeting was held in Indianapolis on 21/22 August. Representatives from Indiana, Ohio, Michigan and Kentucky were in attendance. Kari Hahn, National VP Member and Field Relations was the primary speaker for the weekend.

Membership is a key issue. Total AFA membership is under 100,00 which potentially loses credibility for the AFA when engaging Congress.

They are also looking for more contributions from the field for the Wingman Magazine. While the hope would be for 50% to come from the field, they are not getting even 25%.

Air and Space Conference. Secretary of Defense, Ashton Carter will be the

Keynote Speaker. Pacific Air Chiefs will be attending with three sessions for them to speak. We will once again host Enlisted Sessions on Wednesday of our event, and we have partnered with CMSAF Cody's Office to put these sessions together.

There also will be an Airmen and Family Program Forum going on during the Conference.

Unfortunately, registration is running half of what it was last year. Still time and space to make your arrangements

The brightest news was the information about the Wounded Airman Program. AFA is providing all the administrative support for this program so 100% of all donations goes directly to the Wounded Airman Program which in turn is used in direct support of our wounded Airmen. Currently there are over 4,000 Airmen who the USAF has identified as needing assistance.

More information about this program can be found at the following site—<http://www.afa.org/informationfor/military/afp/woundedairmanprogram> or contacting one of the Chapter 150 Officers.

Cyber Patriot Program For Elementary Schools

The Air Force Association's Cyber Patriot Program recently released a program designed for K—6 elementary school age students to educate them on the importance of online safety and to equip these students with skills to protect themselves while utilizing the Internet.

"The Elementary School Cyber Education Initiative will equip

educators and parents to teach students about cybersecurity at a young age," says Bernie Skoch, CyberPatriot National Commissioner. "Students are active online at increasingly younger ages, and AFA sees a need to equip them with the skills critical to their online safety. We are delighted to offer this opportunity at no cost to the schools and other organizations."

Participation in the initiative is completely free for schools and organizations for the digital copy of the programs. Schools and organizations may also elect to request a physical version of the kit, which includes a DVD, printed instructor's guide, and stickers for students, also at no cost.

Requests for free Elementary School Cyber Education Initiative activity kits may be submitted at the CyberPatriot website.—<http://uscyberpatriot.org/special-initiatives/elementary-school-cyber-education-initiative/escei-overview>

Cyber Patriot National Youth Cyber Defense Competition

This Cyber Patriot program is intended to engage students in learning about careers in cyber security and other STEM disciplines. This also helps students understand the importance of cybersecurity, introduce students to cyber security principles, and equips students to better protect themselves on the Internet.

Registration cutoff date for the 2015/2016 program is 9 October. If you have or know of a school that has an interest, please send Mil Compo an e-mail @ mecompo@gmail.com or call him @ 317/844-7054. It would also help if you also have the contact name at the school and a phone number and/or e-mail address for better communication.

Currently, the Chapter has helped support teams from Park Tudor , Cathedral, as well as a couple of CAP and JROTC teams. Let's grow the number of teams from this area.

State of Indiana AFA Report

The State of Indiana AFA held a brief meeting at the end of the Great Lakes Session. The purpose was the installation of State Officers. Current term will begin on 1 October, 2015

The new State of Indiana Officers are as follows:
President—Chuck Hassell from Chapter 411
Vice President—Bill Megnin from Chapter 150

Treasurer—Mike Williams from Chapter 411

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