



AFA Dinner Meeting, Wednesday 8 June 2016

The Summer AFA/ROA Dinner Meeting will be on Wednesday, 8 June 2016 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, 3 June 2016

Our guest speaker will be Michelle Mayer. She is the Director of Outreach Services for the Office of the Indiana Attorney General. Since 2009, she and her staff have directly reached more than 257,000 Hoosiers by conducting programs in all 92 counties. The most popular program is a forum educating consumers on protecting themselves from becoming victims of scams, fraud and identity theft.

Michelle is very involved in the activities of her two children - one daughter, age 20 and one son, age 16. Her hobbies include photography, gardening and raising backyard chickens.

The President's Corner

I recently had a great opportunity to participate in the "Living History Program" held at the Indianapolis North Central High School 10th grade History Class. Because tenth graders study U.S. History, they invited Veterans to participate in this one-day event and about twenty did.

Some Veterans had a short time in service, while others served through retirement.

We met in the School Library where a table with 6 chairs was provided for each of us. Memorabilia was welcomed.

During each classroom period of approximately 45 minutes, two 20-minute sessions were conducted. There were seven periods during the day with the Veterans provided lunch between the morning and afternoon periods.

At the session break, students were free to move from one table to another if they desired.

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President's Corner (continued)

It was not unusual to see a student move from an Army Vietnam Veteran to a Navy Veteran, or an Air Force Veteran to a Marine Veteran.

During the day, I had as few as 2 students at one rotation and as many as 7, but usually 4 or 5 was the norm. In my case, students asked questions relating to the "Cuban Missile Crisis", the Vietnam War, and what was it like being on a bomber crew, what was the most rewarding thing I did, what was the most dangerous thing I experienced,

what was the training like, and what kind of schools did I attend.

I was impressed with the knowledge that each student possessed, the respect and courtesy the students extended to all the Veterans, and their genuine desire to participate. They appreciated the service we had given and the sacrifices we had made to serve our country.

This was a great experience. I would gladly volunteer for this or any other "Living History" program. If you have a chance, I highly recommend

it. I hope you will take advantage to return your "Living History" to our young people. These young people are just GREAT.

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- Over \$1 Million in scholarships presented to cadets, Airmen and their families to pursue college degrees.
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- Cyber Patriot which reaches over 12,000 students annually and keeps on growing
- Programs at the Mitchell Institute
- Support the total Air Force family and promote the AFA Airmen and Family Programs.

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Chapter 150 High School Teacher of the Year

AFA Chapter 150 High School Teacher of the Year is Mr. Mark Dewart from Park Tudor. Mark is the Science Department Chair for grades 6 - 12. Mark impacts lives in his students by working one on one and providing an innovative approach to his teaching.

Mark has used his interest and expertise in environmental to work

with students to create the "Milkweed for Monarchs" program. This program has expanded beyond Park Tudor to a host of other local schools.

Mark has also championed the growing recycling movement at Park Tudor. In addition, he has over and beyond to be a faculty leader in our broader "Community Engaged

Learning" initiative.

Mark is a star as a fine classroom teacher, an extraordinary mentor, a friend of the environment and a piper for collaboration with other schools and educators.

Chapter 150 Jr. High Teacher of the Year

Chapter 150 Junior High Teacher of the Year also comes from Park Tudor—Mr. DJ Weymuth. Mr. Weymuth is the Middle School Robotics teacher. Mr. Weymuth has built the Middle School Robotics Program into one of the strongest in the State. DJ also has mentored students and faculty not only at Park Tudor but other schools across the

State as well.

Through hard work Park Tudor Middle School Robotics team place well in competitions even on a National scale.

DJ took a lead role in the development of Park Tudor's Innovators Institute designed to get students in grades 6 –

12 interested in STEM. This program includes students from both private and public schools.

DJ goes above and beyond to share his love for Robotics not only with Park Tudor but also for those beyond the Park Tudor gates.

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