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# AIR FORCE ASSOCIATION 2002 NATIONAL

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In remarks from senior Air Force leaders and in special forums, AFA's 2002 National Convention highlighted USAF's role in the global war on terror.

Air Force Responds," delegates to the 2002 Air Force Association's National Convention gathered Sept. 15–18 at the Marriott Wardman Park Hotel in Washington, D.C. The event came a year after the Sept. 11 terror attacks on America and the subsequent cancellation of AFA's 2001 convention.

It also took place at a time of increased pressure for military action in Iraq. As a result, AFA members paid tribute to the forces engaged in the global war on terrorism and those about to embark on new and different battles.

Many delegates attended a memorial service at Arlington National Cemetery, where AFA National Chaplain Donald J. Harlin gave the invocation



Exchanging greetings are the Air Force Association's top two newly elected leaders: John Politi (at left), Chairman of the Board, and Pat Condon, National President.

and closing prayer. The 2001 and 2002 Memorial Tribute Lists were read by then–AFA National Chairman of the Board Thomas J. McKee and then–National President John J. Politi.

At the Air Force Anniversary Dinner on Sept. 17, USAF Gen. Richard B. Myers, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, received the H.H. Arnold Award, AFA's top honor for contributions to national security by a member of the armed forces.

During that same evening, AFA presented the W. Stuart Symington Award to Rep. James V. Hansen (R–Utah), a senior member of the House Armed Services Committee. The award recognizes the outstanding contribution of a civilian to national security.

Sydney Gillibrand, chairman, AMEC, London; and Jerry Morgensen, president and CEO, Hensel Phelps Construction, Greeley, Colo., were honored with the John R. Alison Award for industrial leadership in national security. The two companies rebuilt the section of the Pentagon damaged by the Sept. 11 terrorist attack and did so in less than a year.

The USAF Concert Band and Singing Sergeants, conducted by Col. Dennis M. Layendecker, closed the evening event with a musical presentation "A Tribute to Heroes," with New York City police officer Daniel Rodriguez, vocalist.

The convention keynote address was delivered on Monday, Sept. 16, by Gen.

Gregory S. Martin, commander of US Air Forces in Europe. Later that day, AFA recognized the Air Force's 12 Outstanding Airmen of the Year at a dinner in their honor. Gen. Robert H. Foglesong, vice chief of staff of the Air Force, was the dinner speaker. CMSAF Gerald R. Murray was toastmaster.

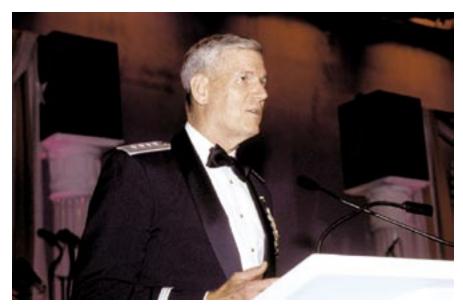
As delegates and USAF leaders focused on the past year's achievements, protesters gathered outside the convention site on Monday morning and Tuesday evening. They objected to potential US military action in Iraq. A group of about 50 protesters showed up on Monday morning, possibly hoping to be seen and heard by Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld. He had been invited to deliver the keynote address.

AFA convention delegates, military attendees, and other guests heard major addresses by James G. Roche, the Secretary of the Air Force, and Gen. John P. Jumper, the USAF Chief of Staff.

The convention's theme, which centered on the Air Force role in the global war on terror, was reflected in three AFA policy forums.

On Sept. 16, Air Force special operations was the topic of the first forum presented during the convention. Substituting for Gen. Paul V. Hester, commander of Air Force Special Operations Command, who could not attend, was Brig. Gen. (sel.) Lyle Koenig Jr., Hester's special assistant. Koenig briefly described the command, then turned the podium over to TSgt. James Hotaling, an AFSOC combat controller. Koenig said Hotaling is "the real warrior who has lain on the ridge line and shot back at terrorists."

The forum on Tuesday, "Transformation: Let's Get Specific," focused on the F/A-22 fighter and featured a briefing by Rebecca Grant, president of IRIS Independent Research. On Wednesday, at the third forum, Lt. Gen. Daniel James III, director of the Air National Guard, spoke about ANG and homeland defense.



USAF Gen. Richard Myers, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, addresses the audience at the Air Force Anniversary Dinner. He received the H.H. Arnold Award for his contributions to national security.



For a complete list of AFA Region Presidents and National Directors, including those re-elected, see "This Is AFA" on p. 99.

The Aerospace Education Foundation elected the following officers: Richard B. Goetze Jr., Arlington, Va., as Chairman of the Board; L. Boyd Anderson, Ogden, Utah, as President; Victoria W. Hunnicutt, Gray, Ga., as Secretary; and Mark J. Worrick, Denver, as Treasurer. There is no longer a vice president. The newly elected AEF trustees are: Bonnie Callahan of Winter Garden, Fla., William D. Croom Jr. of San Antonio; David R. Cummock of Daytona Beach, Fla.; Mary Anne Thompson of Oakton, Va.; Robert M. Canady of La Quinta, Calif.; and Sanford Schlitt of Sarasota, Fla.

About 8,000 people participated in one or more of the conventionrelated activities. The 298 registered delegates—representing 47 states, the District of Columbia, and AFA in Europe—were joined by senior military and government officials for featured speeches, social events, and the Aerospace Technology Exposition. The three-day exposition showcased more than 100 exhibitors. On hand to cover the convention were more than 100 reporters and other news representatives.

Holding meetings concurrently were the trustees of AFA's affiliate, the Aerospace Education Foundation, as well as the Air Force Memorial Foundation trustees and Air Force command chief master sergeants. Also meeting were AFA's Air National Guard Council, Civilian Advisory Council, Company Grade Officer Council, Enlisted Council, Reserve Council, and Veterans/Retiree Council.

### **Election of Officers**

John J. Politi, Sedalia, Mo., was elected AFA's Chairman of the Board for a first term. Stephen P. "Pat" Condon, Ogden, Utah, was elected National President for a first term. Daniel C. Hendrickson, Layton, Utah, was reelected National Secretary for a third term, and Charles A. Nelson, Sioux Falls, S.D., was re-elected National Treasurer for a third term.

### **Other Elections**

Three new Region Presidents were





Jack Steed (at top), then an AFA national director, looks over material at the Aerospace Technology Exposition. Here, Lt. Gen. Richard Brown, deputy chief of staff for personnel, chats with Politi, James Carlock from AFA's Civilian Advisory Council, and Thomas McKee, outgoing AFA Board Chairman.

elected. Newly elected are Keith N. Sawyer (Midwest Region), James M. Crawford (North Central Region), and Michael G. Cooper (Texoma Region).

Elected to the Board of Directors for three-year terms were W. Ron Goerges, Fairborn, Ohio; Stanley V. Hood, Columbia, S.C.; John Lee, Salem, Ore.; Julie E. Petrina, Baltimore; Robert C. Rutledge, Johnstown, Pa.; and Emery S. "Scotty" Wetzel Jr., Las Vegas.

Three new Leadership Development Directors (formerly known as Under-Forty Directors) joining the AFA board are Brian P. McLaughlin, Bonaire, Ga.; John C. Moore, Dallas; and Warren E. White, Minneapolis.

### **Other AFA Business**

Delegates unanimously approved the AFA Statement of Policy and Top Issues, as well as the Strategic Plan for 2003–06. They also issued a statement of support for the nation's armed forces in the war on terrorism.

### **Congressional Activity**

AFA state delegations sponsored Congressional breakfasts on Tuesday and Wednesday of convention week, with 36 members of Congress participating. Among them were Sens. Wayne Allard (R-Colo.) and Mark Dayton (D-Minn.) of the Senate Armed Services Committee, and Sens. Robert Bennett (R–Utah), Kay Bailey Hutchison (R–Tex.), and Byron L. Dorgan (D–N.D.), who are on the Senate Appropriations Committee. Sen. Orrin G. Hatch (R–Utah), and Sen. Paul D. Wellstone (D–Minn.) also attended the meetings.

Several members of the House Armed Services Committee also participated in the AFA breakfast meetings. They included ranking member Rep. Ike Skelton (D–Mo.), Reps. Roscoe Bartlett (R–Md.), Randy Forbes (R–Va.), James Hansen (R–Utah), Joel Hefley (R–Colo.), Jeff Miller (R–Fla.), and Ciro Rodriguez (D–Tex.). Reps. Virgil Goode (I–Va.), Carrie Meek (D–Fla.), and John Sununu (R–N.H.), members of the House Appropriations Committee,



USAF Chief of Staff Gen. John Jumper and former Air Force Secretary F. Whitten Peters have a chance to catch up at the Aerospace Technology Exposition.



attended. Co-chairman of the Air Force Caucus Rep. Sam Johnson (R–Tex.) attended a breakfast, as well.

Other Congressmen attending the breakfasts were Reps. Howard Coble (R–N.C.), Jeff Flake (R–Ariz.), Barney Frank (D–Mass.), Gil Gutknecht (R–Minn.), Mark Kennedy (R–Minn.), Frank Lucas (R–Okla.), Bill Luther (D– Minn.), James McGovern (D–Mass.), Betty McCollum (D–Minn.), Connie Morella (R–Md.), Collin Peterson (D–Minn.), Earl Pomeroy (D–N.D.), Jim Ramstad (R–Minn.), Martin Sabo (D–Minn.), Pete Sessions (R–Tex.), John Tierney (D–Mass.), Mark Udall

The Aerospace Education Foundation called its Sunday night gala "Carnival 2002." Convention delegate Donald Anderson from the Langley (Va.) Chapter and his wife, Barbara—wearing glow-in-the-dark novelty necklaces that AEF gave to guests—watch a card trick, above. The magician was part of the evening's entertainment. Security was an important concern during the convention. At right, a military working dog and his handler inspect the banquet hall before the gala.



(D-Colo.), and Wesley Watkins (R-Okla.).

The Florida delegation met separately with Rep. Mark Foley (R–Fla.). Foley and Sen. Zell Miller (D–Ga.) received AFA awards for service to USAF.

Air Force Secretary Roche visited breakfasts hosted by Oklahoma, Midwest Region, and Maryland. Air Force Chief of Staff General Jumper visited the breakfasts hosted by Virginia and Colorado.

### **Aerospace Education Foundation**

A video on the theme of the Air Force Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps' role in building better citizens and communities won AEF's Jimmy Stewart Aerospace Education Award. The winning entry was from Unit VA-20011 at Franklin County High School,



Air Force TSgt. James Hotaling receives a standing ovation after his presentation on his experiences as a combat controller in Afghanistan.



AFA's newest Gold Life Member Card recipient, Nathan Mazer (center), receives congratulations from a fellow Utahan, Wycliffe McFarlane of the Northern Utah Chapter. Mazer's friends Nate Nilo and Joan McGuire are at right.

Rocky Mount, Va. The video opened with the scene of the World Trade Center towers burning in the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, noting that on that day, "the price of freedom was forever changed." Cadets featured in the video said that AFJROTC builds leadership, fosters patriotism and service to country, and makes them feel a part of the Air Force team. The video ended with the now famous words, "Let's Roll!"

Col. Jack D. Howell II, USMC (Ret.), from Palm Coast, Fla., won the Christa McAuliffe Memorial Award as the year's outstanding aerospace science, mathematics, or computer science teacher. The Hurlburt Chapter, Hurlburt Field, Fla., received the Sam E. Keith Jr. Aerospace Education Award of Excellence. The award is named in honor of the late AFA leader and former National President and Board Chairman from Fort Worth, Tex. John Salvador, Montgomery Chapter, Ala., won the George D. Hardy Memorial Award. The winner is nominated by an AFA chapter for outstanding contributions to furthering the scientific, technical, and aerospace education of the nation.

On Tuesday afternoon, Jumper pre-

sented the Chief of Staff Team Excellence Awards for 2002 to: the C-17 Electronic Testing and Evaluation of Student Training Team, Charleston AFB, S.C.; Combat Intelligence Center Battle Management System Team, 48th Operational Support Squadron, RAF Lakenheath, UK; F-15 Wing Shop, Lean Depot Repair Team, Warner Robins Air Logistics Center, Robins AFB, Ga.; Air Force Flight Test Center Base Energy Team, Edwards AFB, Calif.; and GPS User Equipment Diminishing Manufacturing Sources & Materiel Shortages Team, Robins AFB, Ga.

### Acknowledgments

Parliamentarian for the AFA National Convention was Joan Blankenship. Inspectors of Elections were David T. Buckwalter (chairman), Steven R. Lundgren, and Coleman Rader Jr. Tommy G. Harrison chaired the Credentials Committee, serving with Judy K. Church and George C. Pankonin.

The association is particularly grateful to a corps of volunteers who assisted the staff in convention support: Cecil G. Brendle, Jimmy R. Canlas, Francisco A. Flores, Robert Harrelson, Debbie and Greg Snyder, Charlie Tippett, Leola Wall, and Patricia Wolfe.

The 2003 National Convention will again be held at the Marriott Wardman Park Hotel, Washington, D.C., Sept.14–17, 2003.

# Awards

These are the Air Force Association National Awards for 2002.

# National Aerospace Awards

### Award

**H.H. Arnold Award** AFA's highest honor in national security to a member of the armed forces

**W. Stuart Symington Award** AFA's highest honor in national security to a civilian

John R. Alison Award AFA's highest honor for industrial leadership

**David C. Schilling Award** *Outstanding contribution in flight* 

**Theodore von Karman Award** *Outstanding contribution in science and engineering* 

**Gill Robb Wilson Award** Outstanding contribution in arts and letters

**Hoyt S. Vandenberg Award** Outstanding contribution in aerospace education

**Thomas P. Gerrity Award** *Outstanding contribution in logistics* 

Department of Veterans Affairs Employee of the Year

Recipients

Gen. Richard B. Myers, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff

Rep. James V. Hansen (R–Utah), cochairman, House Depot Caucus

Sydney Gillibrand, Chairman, AMEC, London, and Jerry Morgensen, President and CEO, Hensel Phelps, Greeley, Colo.

**27th Fighter Squadron,** Langley AFB, Va.

Air Force Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance UAV Team, Pentagon

Tom Brokaw, NBC Nightly News, New York

Civil Air Patrol Aerospace Education Program, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

Col. Duane A. Jones, Shaw AFB, S.C.

Barbara Chiariello, Veterans Benefits Administration Office, New York

At the convention, Rep. James Hansen (R–Utah) and his wife, Ann, speak with Jack Price (left), then Chairman of the Board of the Aerospace Education Foundation. Hansen received the W. Stuart Symington Award, AFA's highest honor in national security for a civilian.





# **Crew Awards and Special Citations**

Award	Recipients	Achievement
Airborne Battle Management Crew	12th Airborne Air Control Sq., Robins AFB, Ga.	Best ABM crew
CMSAF Thomas N. Barnes Award	SSgt. Jeremy J. Johnson, 37th Airlift Sq., Ramstein AB, Germany	Crew Chief of the Year
Lt. Gen. Claire L. Chennault Award	Maj. Steve D. Hughes, 4th Fighter Wing, Seymour Johnson AFB, N.C.	Best aerial warfare tactician
Brig. Gen. Ross G. Hoyt Award	Chain 05 and Chain 06 Crews, 8th Special Opera- tions Sq., Hurlburt Field, Fla.	Best air refueling aircrew
Gen. Curtis E. LeMay Award	Crew Poison 61, 28th Air Expeditionary Bomb Wing, Diego Garcia	Best bomber aircrew
Gen. Jerome F. O'Malley Award	Rivet Joint Crew Easy 67, 97th Intelligence Sq., 38th Reconnaissance Sq., 55th Operations Support Sq., Offutt AFB, Neb.; 488th IS, 95th RS, 343rd RS, RAF Mildenhall, UK	Best reconnaissance crew
Gen. Thomas S. Power Award	Crew S-258/E-052, 91st Operations Group, Minot AFB, N.D.	Best missile combat crew
Space Operations Award	Bravo Crew, 21st Space Wing, Peterson AFB, Colo.	Best space operations crew
Lt. Gen. William H. Tunner Award	Havoc 11 aircrew, 7th SOS, RAF Mildenhall, UK	Best airlift aircrew
USAF Test & Evaluation Team of the Year	G-Range Scramjet Team, Arnold AFB, Tenn.	Best test team
Special Citation	2nd Bomb Wing and 917th Wing (AFRC), Barksdale AFB, La., and 5th BW, Minot AFB, N.D.	Maintained B-52s in mission- ready state

# Air National Guard and Air Force Reserve Command Awards

Award	Recipient	Achievement
CMSgt. Dick Red Award	CMSgt. Daniel J. Wheeler, 114th Fighter Wing, South Dakota ANG	Best ANG aerospace mainte
Maj. Gen. Earl T. Ricks Award	TSgt. Scott L. Anderson, Utah ANG	Best ANG airmanship
Best Air National Guard Unit	129th Rescue Wing, California ANG	Top ANG unit
Best Air Force Reserve Unit	315th Airlift Wing, Charleston AFB, S.C.	Top AFRC unit
President's Award	Team 23 Crew, 76th Air Refueling Sq., McGuire AFB, N.J.	Best Reserve aircrew

# **USAF** Team of the Year

Recipient	Unit
SSgt. Travis D. Hartzell	823rd Security Forces Sq., Moody AFB, Ga.
MSgt. Vicki L. Jones	11th Security Forces Sq., Bolling AFB, D.C.
SrA. Andres E. Salazar	310th Security Forces Sq., Schriever AFB, Colo.
SSgt. Brandon E. Sprague	55th Security Forces Sq., Offutt AFB, Neb.
MSgt. Todd A. Weinberger	115th Security Forces Sq. (ANG), Madison, Wis.

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# USAFA Outstanding Squadron

Cadet Squadron 24 "Phantoms," "Hard Core 24"

Fall Cadet Commander Cadet Lt. Col. Kristin Wenner

Spring Cadet Commander Cadet Lt. Col. Joshua Fogle

# **Citations of Honor**

Recipient	Achievement
Air Force Pentagon Communications Agency, Pentagon	Developed and implemented a secure communications plan for DOD in the hours after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.
Distributed Ground Station 2, Beale AFB, Calif.	Transformed Global Hawk UAV from an ISR test bed platform into an operational asset in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.
86th Air Mobility Sq., Ramstein AB, Germany	Established Ganci AB, Kyrgyzstan. Provided logistical support for Afghan airdrops. Per- formed airfield surveys in six classified locations.
MSgt. Edward Ferguson, Scott AFB, III.	Managed public affairs and media relations for Air Force Communications Agency. Enhanced USAF use of information technology.
51st Fighter Wing, Osan AB, South Korea	Implemented new CONOPS and tactics for chemical warfare, resulting in drops in sortie degradation and project casualty rates.
56th Fighter Wing, Luke AFB, Ariz. 494th Fighter Sq., RAF Lakenheath, UK	Eased F-16 pilot shortage by integrating reserve pilots as instructors. Generated more than the required number of aircraft for Operation Noble Eagle.
	Twice saved UAVs from Iraqi MiGs. Dropped the most AGM-130 precision guided munitions while in support of Operation Southern Watch.
19th Aircraft Generation Sq., Robins AFB, Ga.	Superb performance while undergoing expeditionary operational readiness inspection and glass-cockpit conversion.
19th Special Operations Sq., Hurlburt Field, Fla. 21st Space Operations Sq., Onizuka AFS, Calif.	Provided modeling and simulation training support, including technologically advanced capabilities, to warfighters.
	Configured USAF Satellite Control Network for NASA shuttle missions. Ensured con- tinuous flow of data to warfighters.

# Professional, Civilian, and Educational Awards

### Award

Gen. Billy Mitchell Award for C<sup>4</sup> Excellence Paul W. Myers Award for Physicians Verne Orr Award for Human Resources Juanita Redmond Award for Nursing Stuart R. Reichart Award for Lawyers Personnel Manager of the Year Civilian Wage Employee of the Year Civilian Program Specialist of the Year Civilian Program Manager of the Year Civilian Senior Manager of the Year AFROTC Cadet of the Year CAP Aerospace Education Cadet of the Year Joan Orr Award for Air Force Spouse of the Year Christa McAuliffe Memorial Award for Teachers Sam E. Keith Jr. Aerospace Education Award of Excellence George D. Hardy Memorial Award Jimmy Stewart Aerospace Education Award

### Recipient

Capt. Oscar Delgado, Mountain Home AFB, Idaho Lt. Col. David F. Vanderburgh, Wright–Patterson AFB, Ohio 341st Space Wing, Malmstom AFB, Mont. Capt. Christie L. Lennen, McChord AFB, Wash. Col. Conrad M. Von Wald, Travis AFB, Calif. MSgt. Mark C. Long, Vandenberg AFB, Calif. Pamela R. Best, McChord AFB, Wash. Robert E. Coward Jr., Holloman AFB, N.M. Stephen J. Dunn, Langley AFB, Va. William D.W. Grimes, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio Brendhan A. Goss, Wright State University, Dayton, Ohio Peggy E. Schnack, Crystal, Minn. Charlotte D. Engeman, Aviano AB, Italy Col. Jack D. Howell II, USMC (Ret.), Palm Coast, Fla. Hurlburt Chapter, Hurlburt Field, Fla. John Salvador, Montgomery Chapter, Ala. VA-20011 Unit, Franklin County High School, Rocky Mount, Va.

# Management and Environmental Achievement Awards

### Award

AFMC Executive Management Award AFMC Middle Management Award AFMC Junior Management Award Gen. Edwin W. Rawlings Award for Environmental Excellence (Management) Gen. Edwin W. Rawlings Award for Environmental Excellence (Technical)

### Recipient

Col. Edward T. Alexander Jr., Los Angeles Maj. Clarke O. Manning, Seattle Capt. Henry Myers Jr., Robins AFB, Ga. Helen V. Walker, 11th Wing, Bolling AFB, D.C.

TSgt. Michael Durako, Grand Forks AFB, N.D.

# 2002 AFA Membership and Activity Awards

# **AFA Member of the Year**

Thomas J. Kemp, Tex.



AFA Member of the Year Thomas Kemp chats with AFA National Director Emeritus William Spruance.

# **Jack Gross Award**

Newport Blue & Gold, R.I.

Golden Triangle, Miss.

Capt. William J. Henderson, Wis.

Scott Memorial, III.

Central Florida, Fla.

# Dottie Flanagan Staff Award of the Year

A donation from Jack Gross, national director emeritus, enables AFA to honor staff members each quarter. Those members become eligible for the staff award of the year.

1992	Doreatha Major		
1993	Jancy Bell		
1994	Gilbert Burgess		
1995	David Huynh		
1996	Sherry Coombs		
1997	Katherine DuGarm		
1998	Suzann Chapman		
1999	Frances Mckenney		
2000	Ed Cook		
2001	Katie Doyle		

# Arthur C. Storz Sr. Membership Awards

Capt. William J. Henderson, Wis.

Thomas Stark, III.



Thomas Stark (center), pictured here with John Politi, then AFA National President, and Thomas McKee, then Chairman of the Board, was presented with the Arthur Storz Sr. Membership Award for an Individual.

# D.W. Steele Sr. Memorial Award

(AFA Unit of the Year)

Eglin Chapter, Fla.



Stanley Siefke, an Eglin Chapter vice president, accepted the award for his hardworking chapter.

Outstanding State Organization Colorado Outstanding Small Chapter

Charles Hudson, Calif. Outstanding Medium Chapter

Miami, Fla.

# **Unit Activity Awards**

Outstanding Large Chapter Gen. B.A. Schriever Los Angeles, Calif.

Exceptional Service—Best Single Program Paul Revere, Mass. Exceptional Service—Communications Hurlburt, Fla.

Exceptional Service—Community Partners Wright Memorial, Ohio Exceptional Service—Community Relations

# **Community Partner Membership Awards**

Altus, Okla. Cape Canaveral, Fla. Carl Vinson Memorial, Ga. Cheyenne Cowboy, Wyo. Col. H.M. "Bud" West, Fla. Contrails, Kan. Diamond State, Del. Eagle, Pa. Enid, Okla. Fairbanks Midnight Sun, Alaska Fort Wayne, Ind. Gen. B.A. Schriever Los Angeles, Calif. Gen. David C. Jones, N.D. Happy Hooligan, N.D. High Desert, Calif. Hurlburt, Fla. Lance P. Sijan, Colo. Leigh Wade, Va. Llano Estacado, N.M. Lloyd R. Leavitt Jr., Mich. Northeast Texas, Tex. Panhandle AFA, Tex. Richard D. Kisling, Iowa Richard S. Reid, Ariz. Robert H. Goddard, Calif. Steel Valley, Ohio Swamp Fox, S.C. Total Force, Pa. Ute-Rocky Mountain, Utah Wright Memorial, Ohio

Alamo, Tex. Ark-La-Tex, La. Bob Hope, Calif. Cochise, Ariz. Delaware Galaxy, Del. Del Rio, Tex. Earl D. Clark Jr., Mo. Edward J. Monaghan, Alaska Francis S. Gabreski, N.Y. Gen. Charles L. Donnelly Jr., Tex. Highpoint, N.J. Jackson, Miss. Joe Walker-Mon Valley, Pa. John W. DeMilly Jr., Fla. Langley, Va. Long's Peak, Colo. McChord AFB, Wash. Mel Harmon, Colo. Mercer County, N.J. Monterey Bay Area, Calif. Montgomery, Ala. Mount Clemens, Mich. Palm Springs, Calif. Pope, N.C. Thunderbird, Nev. Tidewater, Va. William A. Jones III, Va.

# Special Recognition—Sustained New Member Recruitment

Altus, Okla. Cape Fear, N.C. Capt. William J. Henderson, Wis. Central Florida, Fla. Charles Hudson, Calif. Chautauqua, N.Y. Col. H.M. "Bud" West, Fla. Contrails, Kan. David D. Terry Jr., Ark. Earl D. Clark Jr., Mo. Edward J. Monaghan, Alaska Enid, Okla. Fairbanks Midnight Sun, Alaska Fort Wayne, Ind. Gen. David C. Jones, N.D. Golden Triangle, Miss. Grissom Memorial, Ind. Happy Hooligan, N.D. Highpoint, N.J.

Hurlburt, Fla. Iron Gate, N.Y. Joe Walker-Mon Valley, Pa. John W. DeMilly Jr., Fla. Lance P. Sijan, Colo. Leigh Wade, Va. Lt. Col. B.D. "Buzz" Wagner, Pa. Mercer County, N.J. Miami, Fla. MiG Alley, South Korea Mount Clemens, Mich. Northeast Texas, Tex. Richard S. Reid, Ariz, Robert H. Goddard, Calif. Taunton, Mass. Total Force, Pa. Ute-Rocky Mountain, Utah Worcester, Mass.

Alamo, Tex.

Exceptional Service—Overall Programming Donald W. Steele Sr. Memorial, Va. Exceptional Service—Veterans' Affairs Harry S. Truman, Mo.

# Named in Memorial Tribute

Deaths during the past year that were formally recognized at the convention

George Apostle Lt. Col. F.M. Barnes, USAF (Ret.) Maj. Willard F. Beard Lt. Gen. Marion L. Boswell, USAF (Ret.) Lt. Col. Ludevit Cerven, USAF (Ret.) Charles H. Church Jr. David O. Cooke Gen. Benjamin O. Davis Jr., USAF (Ret.) Maj. Gen. Andrew J. Evans, USAF (Ret.) Dorothy L. Flanagan Col. Eric Friedheim, USAF (Ret.) Col. Francis Gabreski, USAF (Ret.) Maj. William W. Hall, USAF (Ret.) LeRoy W. Homer Jr. Frank Jones Arthur F. Kelly Moya Lear Raymond F. Maisch David A. Nuzum Col. Richard L. Penny, USAF (Ret.) Lt. Col. Kenneth K. Plumeau, USAF (Ret.) Col. Cletus J. Pottebaum, USAF (Ret.) Col. Henry A. Potter, USAF (Ret.) Col. Robert M. Rawls, USAF (Ret.) Col. Peter J. Schenk, USAF (Ret.) William J. Schorr TSgt. Clair J. Smith, USAF (Ret.) Lt. Col. Nathan R. Stanley, USAF (Ret.) Ethel Stefanchin John E. Swanstrom Jr. Tommy Sylvester Dolores Vallone Lt. Col. Robert C. Vaughan, USAF (Ret.) Glen W. Wensch David H. Whitesides Lavern Willie

## **Individual Activity Awards**

### **Gold Life Member Card**

Nathan H. Mazer, Utah

### Presidential Citation

W. Graham Burnley Jr., Mo. Eugene M. D'Andrea, R.I. Emil M. Friedauer, Fla. Arthur W. Gigax, Ariz. William R. Goerges, Ohio James T. Hannam, Va. William G. Stratemeier Jr., N.Y. Joseph E. Sutter, Tenn. Howard R. Vasina, Colo.

### Medal of Merit

Teresa A. Connor, Del. James R. Hobbs, Va. Clyde S. Judy, W.V. Myrle B. Langley, Va. James E. McInerney, Va. Daniel J. Murawinski, Va. Sheila T. Padlo, Va. Jeffrey L. Platte, Va. Miles L. Sawyer, Va. Briggs M. Shade, Va.

### **Exceptional Service Award**

George DeFilippi, Va. Herman N. Nicely II, W.V. Kenneth R. Reynolds, Va.

### Medal of Merit

John Barnette, Hawaii Kraig A. Croft, Hawaii Jack L. DeTour, Hawaii Karin L. Fones, Hawaii James L. Grogan, Calif. James K. Iwamura, Hawaii Dennis Laws, Calif. Edith A. Magerkurth, Calif. Linda D. Pagett, Calif. Lou Ruscetta, Calif. Michael E. Schorn, Calif. John F. Wickman, Calif.

### **Exceptional Service Award**

John K. Barbour, Calif. Kathryn G. Chapman, Calif. Rich Taubinger, Calif.

### **Special Citation** Melanie Habener, Calif.

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### Medal of Merit

George C. Ferkes, Fla. Deborah L. Hatch, Fla. David O. Miller, Fla. John F. Rogers, Fla. Gary B. Sharpe, Fla. Harvey W.C. Shelton, Fla. Charles L. Snyder Jr., Fla. David R. Swanick, Fla.

# **Exceptional Service Award** James Shambo, Fla.

### Medal of Merit

Dennis Bodem, Mich. Amy Beth Cervone, Ohio Toni G. Fuzo, Ohio William R. Grider, Ind. Betty J. Moredock, Ohio William A. Morris, Mich. Walter D. Shellhorn, Ohio

### Exceptional Service Award

Roger L. Claypoole Jr., Ohio Thomas Eisenhuth, Ind. Daniel E. Kelleher, Ohio

### Medal of Merit

Norman J. Beu, Iowa Richard D. Gaddie, Neb. John E. Guiste, III. John D. Miller, Mo. Gregg A. Moser, Kan. Mark R. Musick, Neb. Robert D. Persinger, Iowa Loran C. Schnaidt, Mo.

### **Exceptional Service Award**

Robert D. Lewallen, Neb. Gilbert E. Petrina, Mo. Patricia J. Snyder, Mo.

### Medal of Merit

Lori A. Ashness, R.I. David W. Houde, N.H. Steven J. Negron, Mass. Richard Taito, R.I. Timothy W. Trimmell, N.H. Thomas L. Wade, Mass. Edward N. Warfield, N.H. Ann E. Warmuth, Mass. Donald B. Warmuth, Mass.

### Exceptional Service Award

Kevin F. Gilmartin, Mass. Jeffrey W. Hallahan, Mass.

### Medal of Merit

Milton Arneson, N.D. Larry W. Barnett, N.D. Katherine DuGarm, Minn. Robert P. Talley, N.D. George T. Unsinger, N.D. Leo E. Wittenberg, Minn.

### **Exceptional Service Award**

James M. Crawford, N.D. Steven R. Winegarden, Minn.

### Medal of Merit

Edward Drobnich, Pa. David DuBarr, Pa. Paul J. Fiske, Pa. Ruth Iarussi, Pa. Stephen E. Lipski Jr., N.J. Warren E. Reid, Pa. William J. Worthington, Pa.

### **Exceptional Service Award**

Robert C. Rutledge, Pa.

### Medal of Merit

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