



ADVOCATE EDUCATE SUPPORT

May 12, 2021



PRESIDENT: Jeff Addison

- Opening remarks
 - Kudos to Mike Evans for his work on this year's Airshow workaround
- Upcoming events
 - Guest speakers
 - June 9th – chapter meeting with Col Mary-Katheryn Haddad, Commander of the National Air and Space Intelligence Center's Geospatial and Signatures Intelligence Group
 - July – in person event with Maj. Gen. Heather L. Pringle, Commander, Air Force Research Laboratory
 - Dayton Dragons Outing – date still to be determined
 - AF Ball – date to be finalized

VICE PRESIDENT: Dave Babcock

- Annual AFA/AFIT Awards
 - Our Chapter was represented on the Awards Committee
 - AFIT Commander approved our selection of the following awardees
 - Awards will be presented at the AFIT Commander's Call on 27 May 2021
 - Mr. Richard N. Kappell III, General Bernard A Schriever Award
 - Dr. Darryl Ahner, Colonel Charles A. Stone Award
 - Major Paul Weskalnies, Professor Ezra Kotcher Award
 - Dr. Brian Lunday, Gage H. Crocker Outstanding Professor Award
 - Captain Andrew S. Fenner, Outstanding Professional Continuing Educator Award

TREASURER'S REPORT: Carl "Shof" Shofner

- Money Market ended the month of April with a balance of \$125,851.59 earned interest of \$3.10
- Checking ended the month of April with a balance of \$50,054.28 after the following transactions:
 - Income:
 - \$17,000.00 sponsorships
 - Expenses:
 - \$ 22.68 - for website support
 - \$ 500.00 - for the Pitsenbarger Scholarship
 - \$1,000.00 - for the ROTC Scholarship
- Expected expenses for May include 3 remaining ROTC scholarships, USO support and website.
- Other Treasurer news: Kudos to Dave Babcock for filing the Federal and State tax forms for both Chapter 212 as well as the AFA – State of Ohio organization.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Vita Eonta

- 88 ABW has a conflict with a Wing Event
- Meeting with Col Philips to discuss upcoming events later this week

ADVOCATE

- **AF Ball**
 - 2021 AF Anniversary Ball
 - James Morgan will co-chair the event
 - Raffi will co-chair with support of local small businesses
 - Melissa, Adrianna, and Christina will support
 - Would like to hold it at the NMUSAF free of charge
 - AFA Chapter Awards – Nick Palczer
 - Awards should be presented within a formal event
 - Dave will meet with Nick to discuss nomination letter
 - AFA Award Plaques – Fred Pumroy
 - Heritage, Ambassador, Legacy, and Enlisted Awards ordered from AD Products of Dayton, Inc., 435 Littell Ave., Dayton, Ohio 45419, 937-298-8793,
 - adpro@ameritech.net website: www.adproductsofdayton.com
 - Not able to attend the AFA Executive meetings over the last year
 - Willing to order the ADPRO catalogs so the Board can review and help select and purchase the Awards for the Ball.
- **Dayton Airshow / Mike Evans**
 - 2021 Dayton Airshow update
 - No claims for airshow ticket refunds so far
 - If offered, should we consider hosting chalets considering the CDC's new guidance
 - Is it too late to host a premier chalet event this late?
 - Would require a large committee to pull it off

EDUCATE

- **STEM Outreach / Debbie Madison**
 - Debbie working with the NMUSAF to hold some STEM events this year
- **Aerospace Education**
 - Jeff presented Britton Siebenthaler with the Chapter ToY award on Tuesday May 10

SUPPORT

- **Star Sponsors /Community Partners – Jill Willingham**
- **Membership - Ronda Roberts /Betty Shellhorn**
 - **Cadet Programs**
 - **AFROTC Det 643 – Richard Hughes**
 - Chapter awarded 4 x \$1000 scholarships to AFROTC Detachment 643 students on 21 April 2021. The honorees were:
 - Cadet Adam Decoske
 - Cadet Isaac Zeilenga
 - Cadet Criselle Carlos
 - Cadet Patrick McVey
 - Due to COVID-19 restrictions, I was not permitted to attend the Leadership Laboratory
 - Lieutenant Colonel Brooks Conn, AFROTC Det 643/CC presented the AFA Awards on our behalf.
 - Arnold Air Society - Cadet Rossi (No Report)
 - Silver Wings (No Report)
 - **JROTC/CAP – Anna Schulte**
 - As volunteer at the WPAFB USO, spearheaded and processed donated ABU equipment

- These were donated by Active Duty, Air Force Reserves, and ANG.
- These items have been transferred to the Kentucky CAP Group, Cincinnati CAP Group, Columbus CAP Group, and Miami CAP unit.
- ABU equipment was also provided to Stebbins HS, Fairborn HS, Beavercreek HS, Xenia HS, Little Miami HS, Tecumseh HS, Wayne HS, Springboro HS, Bellbrook HS, Fort Hayes Art and Academic HS (inner city school). These are all Junior ROTC units. Over 150 bags were given to all these units.
- I also attended the Awards Program for Bellbrook High School on 5 May.
 - Miss Olivia Geloff was not available for presentation - in Columbus, making her early MEPS appt, to do her delayed enlistment into the Air Force.
 - She plans to graduate December time frame.
- Continues to support these units with information, opportunities for volunteerism, uniforms and equipment, and AFA program support.
- Will check with Erik Oberg, Center Operations & Programs Manager to see where to best use our \$350 donation
- **Veteran Programs - George Simons / Vita Eonta**
 - Will make an appointment to deliver the check to the USO
 - Will determine where the donation is most needed
- **Leadership Development/Awards - Ron Goerges**
 - AFA Chapter Awards – submitted to National
- **Events - Christina Combs/Adrianna Templeton**
 - Looking forward to supporting any upcoming events

COMMUNICATIONS

- **Facebook** - Pat Koogler
 - Continue to post Chapter relative information on Chapter's Facebook page
 - Need Chapter related information to post on Chapter's Facebook page
- **Website** – Kevin Walker (No Report)
- **Newsletter** – Vacant Position (No Report)
- **Government Relations - Colin Ballein**
 - Legislative update is posted to our website at <https://wrightmemorial.afa.org/> under programs
 - Working with Kent Shin and Rep Casey Weinstein's office to set up a meeting with the Youngstown Chapter
- **AFA State of Ohio President - Kent Shin**
- **AFA GLR President - Tom Koogler**
 - AFA National Staff
 - Bernie Skoch (CIO, Cyber Patriot/Stellar Xplorer & Events) left AFA last Friday.
 - New Legislative Affairs lead is Bill Castle
 - Mitchell Institute is standing up a Space Research Center and added Matt Donovan to chair the new Center
 - AFA National Convention and Air, Space and Cyber Conference Update
 - As of now, both are planning to be in person at the Gaylord, National Harbor
 - National Convention scheduled for 18/19 Sep 2020
 - Air, Space and Cyber Conference Scheduled of 20-22 Sep 2021
 - Slate of Candidates to be voted on at the National Convention
 - Vice Chairman of the Board - Aerospace Education
 - Mark Lewis
 - Steve Gourley

- National Secretary
 - Bob George
 - Mike Liquori
- National Director, West Area
 - Bobi Oates
- National Director, At Large
 - Frank Gorenz – National Director, At Large
 - Jackie Trotter – National Director, At Large
 - Mark Tarpley – National Director, At Large
- Paul Weseloh – National Director, At Large
- Incumbents:
 - Gerald Murray – Chairman of the Board
 - Jim Simons – Vice Chairman of Board-Field Operations
 - Chuck Martin – National Treasurer
 - Susan Mallet – National Director, Central Area
 - Mac MacAloon – National Director, East Area
- Awards:
 - Region Individual and Unit Award submittals were sent to AFA National on 29 April
 - Awards Board will be held in mid/late June
- Portal Update
 - The updates to the portal maybe released in the near future, no day was given
- First Half 2021 Reports
 - Will be due to AFA National on 31 July
 - At this time, they will still be done in word or excel. There is an outside chance that the portal update will be completed and they will be done through the portal
 - More to come
- Some Chapters are already holding in person meetings
- **Community Announcements**
 - The 2nd Annual Virtual Ohio Space Forum is Tuesday May 18
 - Register at: [Online Registration – Orbit Ohio](#)
 - Life Cycle Industry Days - Virtual Life Cycle Industry Day (LCID), August 3-5, 2021
 - Register at: [Life Cycle Industry Days - Registration](#)
 - Brown Bag Speaker
 - The propulsion directorate at Tinker AFB and WPAFB hosts the meeting.
 - Derrick Slatton is responsible for finding a contact every other month,
 - The presenter can be active duty, retired military, and most certainly civilian.
 - If interested contact derrick.slatton.1@us.af.mil

Submitted by

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