



Monthly Luncheon Meeting Minutes

Tuesday April 1, 2014

Meeting called to order – Tom Koogler

The Pledge of Allegiance – Recited by all

Introductions/Announcements – All attendees/one active cadet and one former cadet from Tecumseh HS JROTC were killed in a car accident this past week

ORGANIZATIONAL REPORTS:

- **88th ABW** – Col Barlow
 - Sexual Assault Awareness Month
 - All units base wide will participate in Sexual Assault/Prevention Response Day during Apr/May
 - Units will focus on small group discussions and team building exercises
 - Units will promote a culture of respect and resiliency
 - Earth Day - 22 April
 - Theme is “Conserve Today-Secure Tomorrow”
 - AF is highlighting sustainability programs: energy conservation, use of renewable energy resources, effective water resource management, pollution prevention, reduction in use of hazardous chemicals, and use of innovative environmentally-friendly technologies.
 - Volunteers will clean out the portion of Hebble Creek along Skeel and the creek in Kittyhawk
 - Base officials will plant a tree on Arbor Day, 25 April.
 - Month of the Military Child
 - Designated to recognize the contributions the military child makes as their parent(s) serve our nation
 - Air Force Assistance Fund
 - Underway the month of April
 - Raises funds for charities that directly support the AF Family
 - The charities are: The AF Enlisted Village, The Air Force Village, The AF Aid Society, The General and Mrs. Curtis LeMay Foundation
 - FY 15 President’s Budget - AF Budget continues to support the KC-45A, F-35A and Long Range Strike-Bomber
 - Force Structure – will reduce total end force strength by 20,000 (16,700 active duty, 3,300 AFR, and 400 Air N’tl Guard)
 - 88 ABW won 3 of the 4 AFMC Airman of the Year Awards
 - Installation Community engagements:
 - 10 April – 88 ABW/CC Commander’s Call
 - 11 April Duth Lions Military Appreciation Game
 - 12 April Military child Appreciation Day
 - 16bApril Volunteer Excellence Award Ceremony
 - 25 April Deployed Spouses Dinner
- **445thAW:** Col Gallet – not present, no report
- **178th FW/OHANG:** Col Greg Schnulo: not present, no report
- **Cadet Operations:**
 - ROTC – Lt Col Hughes
 - Currently 113 Cadets enrolled in AFROTC Detachment 643
 - Waiting for enrollment allocations in order to send cadets to Field Training this year; we’ve nominated 22 cadets.
 - Very limited In-College Scholarship opportunities in AFROTC this year (only 300 nation wide), AFROTC Detachment 643 cadets earned 2 of them (2/2 submitted=100% select rate for Det 643)!
 - Both Arnold Air Society and Silver Wings cadets are planning to attend NATCON in April 2014; THANK YOU TO AFA Chapter 212 for their support!

- 2 April; Lt Col Hughes working with Wright State University Veteran’s Center, presenting military orientation briefing to WSU faculty and staff members
- 3 April; Lt Col Hughes attending/briefing at Ohio Air National Guard Commander’s Conference, Columbus Ohio; will educate on AFROTC programs and advocate need for Ohio ANG/AFROTC training pipeline, in anticipation of future cuts by USAF. Will focus on development of commissioning path for Ohioans interested in commissioning, albeit in the OH ANG.
- 4 April: WPAFB Senior Day, led by 88 FSS 2d Lt Krista Greenwell (Det 643 alumni)—will orient AFROTC Seniors on USAF services, preparations for active duty, etc.,
- 4 April: Visit with Air Force Institute of Technology (AFIT)
- 5 April; Arnold Air Society/Silver Wings working at Ronald McDonald House;
- 11 April; visiting 445 AW, orientation, static display and mission briefing
- 12 April; Mock Deployment training exercise at WPAFB Warfighter Training Center; educates/trains/prepares cadets for leadership in a simulated expeditionary environment, part of Leadership Laboratory (all 113 cadets participating, some sleeping over 11/12 April as a morale event).
- 15 April; AFROTC Detachment 643 Annual Awards Night, held at the NCR building on the University of Dayton campus (thank you UD); four (4) cadets will receive AFA Scholarships—THANK YOU AFA Chapter 212!
- 4 May; Commissioning ceremony at National Museum of the United States Air Force, (NMUSAF), 1345-1515 hours. We will be commissioning 15 new Second Lieutenants
- June 2014—Cadets will assist with supporting Dayton Vectren Airshow. (working this support)
- Arnold Air Society - Cadet Nigel Hewlett
 - Spring Candidate class cancelled
 - Sq meeting 22 Mar
 - Elections will take place this month
 - National Conclave (NATCON) 18-22 Apr in Washington DC
 - T-shirt fundraiser underway; made \$450
 - 5 April-Ronald McDonald House Clean-up
 - 6 April- social event at Greene County Fish and Game Association
 - Member update -25 active,13 inactive, 0 candidates
- Silver Wings – Lindsay Olson
 - Member update – six members, seven initiates (six cadets & seven civilians)
 - Raised \$240 from the two bake sales; planning for recruitment and fundraising events
 - 5 April –helping with Ronald McDonald House Spring Cleaning
 - Participated in TechFest
 - Five officers will be attending NATCON
- Junior ROTC
 - Tecumseh- Col Fred Schuster-not present, no report
 - Bellbrook-Col Gene Longo - not present, no report
 - Stebbins- Lt Col Joseph Bryan - not present, no report
 - Fairborn – Pam Gayheart - not present, no report
- Civil Air Patrol - Ken Curell
 - The Wright-Patterson CAP unit was involved in two instances over the last couple of months requiring them to deploy ground/air teams to locate ELT signals actually transmitted from parked aircraft at nearby airports and successfully doing so.
 - On 29 & 30 March, the Ohio Wing is conducting a Search & Rescue Exercise (SAREX) hosted at the Dayton-Wright Brothers Airport in preparation for the Wing’s Air Force-level evaluation in August 2014.
 - Both ground and air teams are involved from across the state
 - Miami Valley area CAP units are providing significant support in the exercise.
 - The CAP Ohio Wing cadet competition is being held on 15 March at Madison Local Schools.
 - The winners will represent the state in the Region level competitions

- **Dayton Development Coalition** –Chris Ford
 - 16-18 April –The Aeronautical Enterprise Dialogue with Industry
 - Hosted by the Dayton Area Defense Contractors Association
 - AFLCMC and AFRL leaders looking to partner with industry/small businesses
 - Opportunity to engage with leadership from industry, the LCMC, and PEOs

SECRETARY’S REPORT – Vita Eonta

- March Minutes were approved

TREASURER’S REPORT - Bob Van Hook:

- The beginning balance for Mar 2014 was \$82,393
- Expenses for Feb 2014 were \$4,482
- Deposits for Feb 2014 were \$33,235 (Dayton Development Coalition -\$6,000, Pratt & Whitney-9,000, GE Aviation - 11,000, Kettering Adventist Healthcare - 6,000)
- The ending balance for Mar 2014 was \$111,146

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT – Everett Odgers

- There will be a rededication of the Grotto at the VA Center
- The “National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers” is being rededicated as a National Historical Landmark

CORRESPONDENCE REPORT – Tom Koogler - none

UPCOMING EVENTS: 2014 Events:

- 26/27 June - Freedom’s Call
- June 28/29 Dayton Air Show
- 2nd July – night at the Dayton Dragons, a star sponsor event
- 4 Sept – Team Wright Patt AF Anniversary Ball - will need volunteers

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **Leadership Development/Awards** – Ron Georges – in the middle of the chapter awards cycle
- **Communications** – Tom Di Nino not present; no report
- **Social Media** –
- **Community Partners** – Fred Pumroy/Matt LeValley – not present; no report
- **Star Sponsors** – Jeff Liffick/Kent Owsley/Jessica Derr – not present, no report
- **Membership** – Dee Cox-Parker – 3 new members
- **Aerospace Education** – Shiela Wallace
 - Our Teacher of the Year candidate, is Ann Drake from Brookville Middle School
 - Will post past winners on our website for more visibility
- **Programs** – Jessica Derr - not present, no report
- **Government Relations** – Pam Strickler
 - The funding for STARBASE has been returned to the 1015 budget and efforts are on the way to promote keeping the funding in the Defense budget.
 - The AFA submitted testimony for the record to the Personnel Subcommittee of the Senate Armed Services Committee.
 - The AFA 2014 Team of the Year is the Air Force Office of Special Investigations career field, which has been the Air Force's major investigative service since 1948.
 - The AFA is partnering with Wright Patterson AFB to get the Ohio Federal Legislators to Wright Patt for a tour and reception at CORONA TOP. If the timing doesn't work, then efforts will be made to host it at a different time.
 - Ohio has set up special court for veterans – The Veterans Courts and Military Affairs subcommittee seeks to assist the justice system in dealing with the civil and criminal justice needs of military and veterans, with an emphasis on the physical and emotional causes that led to involvement in the criminal justice system.

- **Veterans Affairs – George Simons/Vita Eonta**
 - George Simons attended the VA Quarterly VAVS meeting on Thur,13 March 2014.
 - Though the dental dept had a problem a few years ago, the satisfaction among veterans at the Dayton VA hospital is the highest of any hospital.
 - The Dayton VA has hired 2 new doctors; they are professors at Wright State University.
 - Personnel changes in the Dept of VA Volunteer services: Kay Crawford volunteer services specialist has retired and Mark Frazee, the chief of Volunteer Services, is moving to the VA hospital in Connecticut.
- **State of Ohio President – Jeff Liffick - not present**
- **Great Lakes Region President – Kent Owsley –not present; no report**
 - Plan to have an AFA Regional and State meeting with an all members meeting
- **Communities -**
 - **Goodwill/Easter Seals Miami Valley** - Dan Semsel - Program Manager, Veterans Employment Services
 - Providing specialized training for employers to aid in the understanding of veterans’ needs and translating military skills/language into civilian terms
 - Aiding with interviews/social media/ dress for success programs
 - Mentorship program expanding
 - Veteran resumes are highlighted at JobsOhio
 - 29 April – American Legion hosting Regional Inter-Service Family Assistance Committee meeting in Sidney OH
 - **McCance Consulting Group** – John McCance
 - April 2nd Commissioner Matt Joseph will visit STARBASE
 - City of Dayton supporting community partnership program of WPAFB
 - May 30th Food truck rally for base personnel
 - May 16th 2015 will be one of Dayton’s larger Vietnam Veteran Recognition events – 2,000 motorcycles starting at the VA hospital and ending at the Nutter Center

Meeting adjourned

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