

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Wow, it is hard to believe that the holidays are over and we are in the middle of January 08. There are a lot of significant events ahead as we begin this New Year. Next month (21-22 February 08), Central Florida Chapter in Orlando will be the host for the 24th Annual AFA Air War Symposium and Gala. Saturday, February 23rd the State AFA meeting will be conducted at the Shades of Green Hotel on Walt Disney Resort. NOW IS THE TIME TO MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS AT THE SHADES OF GREEN! The room rate is special at \$100.00 per room. You

can make reservation online at: www.shadesofgreen.org or call them at 1-800- 593-2242. When making your reservations be sure to use the Group Code: 0802AFASTA. Remember, reservations must be made by 20 January 08! I hope that the McCarthy Chapter will have a solid showing at the state meeting. Lets show are Chapter pride.

We are currently getting ready for the Spruce Creek "Wheels and Wings Day" coming in March. The exact date TBD. Also, solicitations for Chapter "Teacher of the Year" will be sent to Volusia and Flagler county schools at the end of the month. I have been working with the School Board Administration and bringing them up to speed with regards to teacher eligibility for the award. Specifically, that the award is for any teacher using aerospace education in their classrooms. It is not limited to AFJROTC. I hope I broke the code on this.

Finally, let me wish each and every member a Happy and Healthy New Year. We have a lot to accomplish this year and only teamwork will get it done. I also charge each of you to get a new or former member in to our Chapter.

Please note that the 2008 Florida 20th Annual AFJROTC Drill Competition will be held Saturday, March 8, 2008 at the University of South Florida, 4202 E. Fowler Ave., BEH-236, Tampa, Florida, 33620-8490. This event will be conducted by the AFROTC Detachment 158 under the supervision of Col. Earl B. Ward and his cadets. It is worth the trip to watch these young folks make us all proud. Our Chapter sponsors two trophies for this event (1) honoring Marty Harris who was the first Florida state President and (2) AFA President/CEO Michael Dunn Lt Gen USAF (Ret). General Dunn is a native of Daytona Beach. His family was one of the pioneer families of Florida.

Semper Fi and Go Air Force,
Jack D. Howell



AIR FORCE ROTC Pass In Review

Chapter Awards were presented by Chapter President Jack Howell on 29 Nov 2007 at ERAU. Following the PIR was a photo opportunity—Left to Right

Cadet Steve Staton Professional Officer Course winner; Jack Howell; Col Scott Reese; Cadet Philip McCoy, General Military Course winner



AAS MEMBERS FLY WITH SPRUCE CREEK PILOTS

Saturday mornings at Spruce Creek are always an adventure for those who wake up early to fly (usually that includes a stop for breakfast).

Four ERAU students and members of the Arnold Air Society recently had the opportunity to do some Saturday flying with Chapter 288 Experimental Aircraft Association members.

Front row L to R: Bill Merken, Cadets Brian Metz, David Mandel, Trung Nguyen and Peter Carros.

Back Row: Les Lowman, Tony Crawford, Keith Phillips and Dave Cummock.



ARNOLD AIR SOCIETY INITIATION DINNER

The Lt General Kenneth L. Tallman Squadron of Arnold Air Society, Air Force Detachment 157 held an initiation Dinner and Ceremony on the 1st of December 2007 at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University College of Aviation Atrium. Guest speaker was chapter member Brig/General Paul Van Sickle who briefed the attendees on the mission of Southern Command.

Pictured above with Arnold Air Society Members: Left to Right Chapter Members Dave & Marguerite Cummock; General Van Sickle; Glenda Van Sickle; Anna Reese & Colonel Scott Reese Det 157 Commander



*WELCOME
NEW MEMBERS*

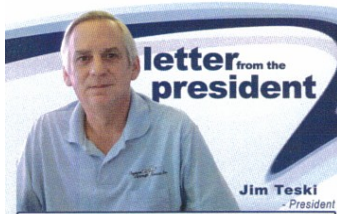
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WRIGHT FLIGHT GRADUATES

Your Chapter Aerospace Education Program continues in the schools in Volusia County. Photo above is of six students who successfully completed the course at Creekside Middle School in Port Orange with teacher Becky Erdelyan, Wright Flight Coordinator. The two photos on the left (above) is Chapter Member Orval Fairbairn with a student and (below) is Chapter Member and EAA 288 Chapter President Keith Phillips and his student. These two students flew early as both were moving out of state.

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