



**AFROTC DET 157 AT ERAU**

**By: Colonel Thomas J. Schrader**

Arnold Air Society and Silver Wings are national professional student service organizations that support leadership development and advocate the support of aerospace power. At Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Daytona Beach, Arnold Air Society has 45 members, Silver Wings has 60 members and both are Air Force ROTC advised. You might recall that last year our local Arnold Air Society squadron and Silver Wings chapter co-hosted their organization's yearly National Convention in Orlando. This volunteer year-long planning and execution effort included coordinating lodging and all logistics including banquets, an off-site entertainment venue, religious services, dozens of meetings, 24/7 ops/security, and airport transportation for the 1400+ students. Not bad for a bunch of students with a full time college load.

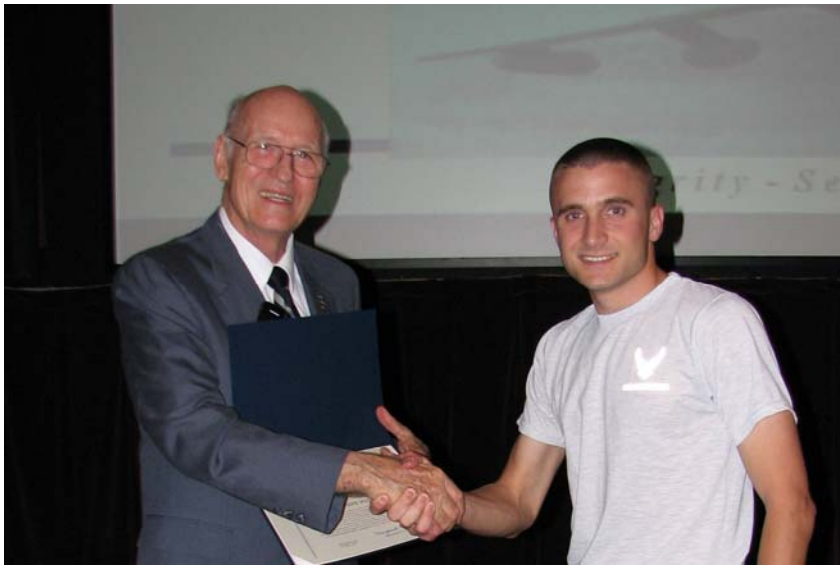
Those same Det 157 student organizations were at Salt Lake City in April. They bid for and won positions for one year terms as National Headquarters Staffs for their respective organizations (see photo of new staff Page 4). The newly-elected National HQ Staffs consist of 8-10 students each and will lead 180 or so student squadrons/chapters from across the nation in efforts to develop their mission.

During their tenure these staffs, or portions of them, will attend meetings in D.C. and Orlando at Air Force Association symposiums and board meetings where they will have the opportunity to work with past and present Department of Defense and corporate national aerospace leaders. They will also attend eleven meetings with their regional student counterparts to coordinate organizational efforts nationally. Their term will culminate in next years national convention in Chicago over the Easter weekend, where they will lead the 4-day 1500-student event.

Why do these students do this to themselves? Well, it is not because they get paid for the extra work! I see two reasons behind this phenomenon. One is self-motivation. Our students arrive at this aeronautical school from all corners of the nation and, like most aviation types, are generally drawn to excitement and are head strong to make things happen. The second reason is a learned initiative to strive for the highest attainable leadership challenge. ROTC is all about leadership. Our students spend hundreds of hours every year receiving leadership knowledge and theory in the classroom and then practicing/applying that theory in our leadership laboratory. Our "Arnies" and "Swingers" are groups of students who voluntarily take on more leadership opportunities to better themselves and their community. They are our best leaders at a university that draws high motivation and quality leadership.

You've heard the phrase "lead, follow, or get out of the way." I suggest you be careful around this group of students. Before you know it they will be running your business, your company, your airline, your Air Force. Come to think of it that is what they've been trained to do. From what I can see they'll make us proud. Thank you for all your support of these fine organizations.

**SAVE THE DATES      JULY 13TH AND 14TH  
STATE CONVENTION—OUR CHAPTER IS THE HOST  
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**CHAPTER NAMESAKE VISITS ERAU**

B/Gen James R. McCarthy USAF (Ret) recently visited his family in Daytona Beach and generously agreed to speak to the AF ROTC Cadets at a Leadership Lab.

Gen McCarthy also awarded the 2007 Chapter Scholarship to Cadet Captain Christopher Higginbotham.

Gen McCarthy and his sister Marilyn set up the scholarship in their late Mother's name, Susan McCarthy. The Scholarship has been continued by donations from our chapter with the approval of Gen McCarthy and his sister.

**ARNOLD AIR SOCIETY INITIATION DINNER**  
 Cadet Robert Latta and Alison Schoonbeck with National Director Dave Cummock and Chapter President Marguerite Cummock



Col "Tex" Schrader and his wife Lin pose with the Arnold Air Society Shirt presented to Col Schrader at the Arnold Air Society Initiation Dinner held at Indigo Lakes on 21 April 07. Col Schrader is retiring his year; "Tex" and Lin will be missed by all who came to know them.

**AFROTC AWARD WINNERS  
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 CHAPTER OFFICER ELECTIONS  
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## THANK YOU FROM AN AIR FORCE ROTC CADET

Our Chapter received the following letter from a cadet at ERAU AFROTC Det 157 Cadet. I wanted to share it with all chapter members as a reminder of the reason we continue to work for our Air Force Family.

Dear Brigadier General James R. McCarthy Chapter

Thank you for the recent recognition as the Air Force Association Outstanding Cadet of the Professional Officer Course at Det 157 and the accompanying fifty dollar check. It was a privilege to all of the cadets to have the McCarthy Chapter present at our recent Pass In Review ceremony on 19 April 2007. All of the cadets decorated are very thankful to have been acknowledged by the AFA for their hard work and dedication to Air Force ROTC.

The McCarthy Chapter and the AFA have always been active with Det 157, recognizing the future leaders of the Air Force and providing opportunities for future professional development with the scholarships presented to those outstanding cadets. Thank you again for your tremendous generosity and support of America's future leaders!

Sincerely,

Ian R. Osterreicher, C/Col, AFROTC  
Spring 2007 Cadet Wing Commander



## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

*Doug Grant*                      *Carmen Parrillo*  
*William Mohn*                 *Jason Sutherland*  
*Kevin Chivington*

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*Thank You!*

## CHAPTER PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



The Florida State Convention is being held July 13 & 14 and we are the hosts! We certainly can use some extra hands for this event and hope you will volunteer your time to your chapter.

We have some fun ideas to kick off the meeting—Friday afternoon is open golf (not a tournament) at Spruce Creek Fly In County Club (see Registration Form included in this newsletter) and Friday night we will host a hangar party at Spruce Creek Fly In at the Cummock's home.

Saturday is meeting time when we are all updated on the news from AFA National and exchange ideas with the other Florida Chapters. Our luncheon speaker is Dr John Johnson, President of Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University. Dr Johnson is responsible for the Daytona Campus, Prescott Arizona Campus and the World Wide campus programs available on military bases throughout the world.

Saturday night Dinner will be at the Spruce Creek Country Club and our evening speaker is our new National President Lt Gen Michael Dunn USAF (Ret). This will be his first Florida State Convention, but Daytona Beach Florida is home to Gen Dunn and he is a member of our chapter. I hope we can have a great Chapter turnout to welcome him.

Please send your e-mail address to ***MHCummock@cfl.rr.com*** to receive our Chapter Newsletter and notices of meetings and events electronically and in color. This request is being made to help save the chapter funds for AFROTC & AFJROTC awards and scholarships.



**THE NATCOM STAFF**

**L to R: Cadet/LtCol Robert Latta; Cadet/Maj Jonathan Kay; Cadet/1Lt Wesley Walsh, Cadet/Maj Sandra Mueller;  
Cadet/Col Matt Schneider; Cadet/1Lt Alex Ladysh; Cadet/3C Mike Vallone; Cadet/3C Hunter Barnhill;  
Cadet /Maj Nathaniel Drenckhahn**



# AFA FLORIDA STATE CONVENTION – 13-14 Jul 2007 REGISTRATION FORM



## Registration Information (Please Read Carefully) Member Information (please print)

- **Reservation Deadline is 30 June 2007**
- Convention Registration is \$50/attendee, includes breakfast, refreshments, hospitality, administration
- Open Golf will be held on 13 July at Spruce Creek Country Club. Fee \$32/player (includes tax & cart).  
Start times \_\_\_\_\_
- Convention details and maps to be posted on the AFA Florida web page at <http://www.afaflorida.org>

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Tel: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

## Spouse/Additional Guest Information (Please print)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Event Registration

	Member	Guest	Attending	Total
Convention (\$50/attendee)			X \$50 =	\$
Open Golf (\$32 per player tax & cart incl)			X \$32 =	\$
Handicap				\$
Friday Nite Buffet (\$30 pp includes drinks)			X \$30 =	\$
Saturday Lunch - Deli Buffet (15 pp)			X \$15 =	\$
Saturday Dinner at Spruce Creek Country Club			X \$35 =	\$
(\$35 per person)(Please circle dinner choice)	Chicken Salmon	Chicken Salmon		\$
			Total =	\$

Make Checks Payable to: **AFA Chapter 397**

Mail Registration & check to: **AFA Chapter 397, M.H. Cummock, 2890 Borman Ct, Port Orange, FL 32128**  
Hotel Reservations

## Reservation Deadline for Convention rate is 30 June 2007

For lodging reservations call the **Homewood Suites by Hilton Daytona Beach Airport/Speedway (386-258-2828)**.

- Rate is \$84/night plus 12.5% taxes \$10.50 = \$94.50/night
- Special Request \_\_\_\_\_ Sharing Room with: \_\_\_\_\_
- Ask for **Group Reservation Code: AIRFRC/Government**
- Be prepared to give arrival and departure Information.
- Have credit card available to hold room (Credit Card Number & Expiration Date required to guarantee for first night)

Convention Information: Marge Cummock, [MHCummock@cfi.rr.com](mailto:MHCummock@cfi.rr.com)

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