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President's Message

Kevin Estrem—President, AFA Lance P. Sijan Chapter

Wow, the Lance P. Sijan Chapter just continues to do great things in support of the military, industry, families and the Colorado Springs Community. I'm very proud to be your President.

The second Quarter was very busy as schools are graduating their senior classes and summer is coming on fast.

In April, the Chapter financially and physically supported the AFSPC "Outstanding Airman of the Year Program" representatives attended the Icebreaker, Recognition Ceremony, and Banquet. Jim Hale and I attended and presented \$1000 in checks to support the commands program, activities and events.

Dave Shiller, our Treasurer from BAH attended an assembly and presented a Chapter donation of \$150 to the Mitchell H.S. Honor Guard Program for their willingness to help present the colors at multiple events when required. He also spoke to the assembly about AFA missions and support we provide to Educational programs and active duty Air Force activities.

Also in April and May, Jim Hale, our Exec VP represented the Chapter by presenting AFA National Awards to AF JROTC Cadets at Mitchell H.S. and Falcon H.S..

The Chapter also supported the "USAFA Outstanding Cadet Squadron Banquet" Jim Hale, Dave Shiller, Ray Powell and National Secretary Joan Sell attended... AFA National is the title sponsor.

May is also the month that the Base Education Offices hold their Community College of the Air Force Graduation Ceremonies. Jim Hale attended the USAFA CCAF Graduation and presented 3 Pitsenbarger Awards. I attended the Peterson AFB CCAF graduation ceremony and presented 7 Pitsenbarger Awards and attended the 310 Space

Wing Special Ceremony to present the Pitsenbarger award to their graduate.

All Pitsenbarger Award winners received a free 1-

year AFA membership, a chapter certificate, a membership pin, a chapter coin and a check for \$250. In addition, the winners receive a certificate and check for \$400 from AFA National.

With Baseball Season coming up, the Chapter decided to continue a program we started for Airmen and their families with one of our Community Partners the Sky Sox (Semi-pro) Baseball team here in the Springs. After discussions with the AFSPC Command Chief, the chapter purchased and donated 300 Sky Sox Baseball game tickets to be distributed by the AFSPC Command Chief throughout the season. We then highlight AFA and the Airman attending by running an advertisement in the Sky Sox Season Program that Welcomes the Airman to the Games on behalf of the AFA Sijan Chapter 125.

Every other year Air Force Space Command holds their Command competition called "**Guardian Challenge**". Teams of competitors from across the entire command compete for who is the best of the best in their specialties. The Sijan Chapter is in a unique situation having so many of the teams in our area of responsibility. We financially and physically supported the 50 SW, 21 SW, 310 SW and the AFSPC HQ team with a \$500 donation per team for the AFSPC Guardian Challenge Competition for 2010.

Also in May, the Sijan Chapter purchased a table in support of Armed Forces Day. The Annual Luncheon

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Keystone

July 14, 2010 By: Don Jewell
Defense PNT Newsletter, July 2010

which includes his better half Debbie, did an outstanding job with the speakers and agenda while making sure everything ran smoothly and efficiently. Both Kevin and Debbie work for the GPS LADO provider Braxton Technologies, who gladly gives its employees time off to participate in such events. My hat is off to all such employers for their generosity and foresight. I know from experience that it pays dividends for the companies in the long run. Consequently, the dedicated participants and supporters/sponsors make this one of the best-run symposia I have ever attended, and I attend a large number each year.



What makes the symposium such a great annual event for me and others is not only the subject matter, but the venue and the manner in which the symposium is conducted

Last month I had the honor of being invited to once again attend the Space and Cyberspace Warfare Symposium in Keystone, Colorado. For those of you who have read my past reviews or attended the symposium, you might notice the addition of cyberspace to the name of the symposium. It is fitting and necessary, but I will cover that aspect of the symposium at a later date.

This year's symposium took place June 8-10 in Keystone, Colorado, and the venue was simply unbeatable...you might even say incredible. This year there was more than ample snowfall in the Rocky Mountains so the runoff was fast, furious, and bitterly cold, while the Rockies were still sheathed in their blanket of white, pristine snow. The air was cool, crisp and clean; there were even a few brief snow showers, and if you were fortunate enough to hike or bike alongside the thundering Snake River, then you experienced something you will long remember. I know I will.

The Keystone Lodge and the outstanding staff at the Keystone Conference Center Resort provided an unbeatable venue for the symposium. The AFA (Air Force Association) Lance P. Sijan Chapter President Kevin Estrem and his staff,

What makes the symposium such a great annual event for me and others is not only the subject matter, but the venue and the manner in which the symposium is conducted. Other symposia organizers should take heed; you can learn a great deal from Kevin Estrem and his crack team of supporters/sponsors on how to stage a first-class get-together of subject matter experts (SMEs). First of all, as I emphasized, the venue can't be beat. William Dillard the founder of Dillard's Department stores once said, "Location, location, location," and believe me, the appellation applies. The Rocky Mountains in June will take your breath away, in more ways than one. The Keystone Conference Center Resort consists of more than 3,000 acres of pristine mountain vistas spread across three mountain ranges at an altitude of almost 10,000 feet.

I laughed goodnaturedly (sic) when I read the description of the [Keystone Conference Center](#). On their website, it reads, "Keystone Conference Center is free-standing and purpose built, guaranteeing comprehensive meeting solutions in a productive, distraction-free business setting." While I agree with most of the description, the distraction part is far from accurate, but only in a



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positive sense. It is a mere three blocks from the Keystone Lodge Resort to the Keystone Conference Center, and yet it invariably takes 20 minutes or more to make the trek because everyone is brought to a halt time and again by the incredible mountain vistas. There is so much to see and do, there truly is never a dull moment. Now, this is where I put in the obligatory plug for bringing your spouse, because this is a perfect setting for rest and relaxation for your better half. You won't regret it. One wag reflected that the prices were reasonable because it was the off-season, but I take exception to that reasoning. Keystone and the surrounding resort areas of Breckenridge and Vail have become so popular that there is no off-season. It is just a different season.

While I also take exception with the distraction-free venue description from a sensorial viewpoint, I totally agree that it is a distraction-free venue from a business point of view. The warfighter symposium provides you with an unparalleled opportunity for networking with senior officers and members of the government from every service and many relevant agencies. Many of the senior-level decision makers you have been trying to see, much less influence, can be found at Keystone in June, and your access to them is essentially unfettered, and they are not distracted by ringing phones and pressing agendas.

The atmosphere at the Keystone Symposium is definitely business-like, but in a relaxing way...it is described as Colorado casual, no ties, no hats or covers for the military, plus it's a no-salute area as well. Most of all the networking time available is the best of any symposium I have ever attended, although this year some of the presentations did run a bit long, but only because they were so interesting and there were so many questions from the participants. This is not a bad thing, but it seriously cut into the available networking time. My one recommendation for an improvement in future warfighter symposiums is that either the presenters be kept to their allotted time, be given more time, or my favorite suggestion, add a half-day to the symposium so that networking time can be increased.

The first day of the symposium starts with the obligatory golf tournament, but be forewarned, the Keystone golf courses (there are two) have been rated as one of the [best golf resorts in America](#) by both *Golf Magazine* and *Golf Digest*. Indeed I would venture to say that the courses at Keystone are not like any golf courses you have ever played before.

You are at 10,000 feet and a good golfer can easily experience 300-yard drives.

Secondly, the golf courses are impeccably maintained and well groomed. First timers will definitely want to use a golf cart; for the Space and Cyberspace War Fighter Symposium Tournament it is a requirement, just to help keep things moving. At 10,000 feet hauling your own golf bag around the course is a new experience, and one you should definitely forego (get it — fore go...oh well.) Here is your chance to complete a foursome with that VIP or general officer you have been trying to see for months. This is of course all a bit tongue-in-cheek, but seriously, playing golf at 10,000 feet is a new and wonderful experience. I had the wonderful opportunity a few years ago to attend the Masters Golf Tournament at Augusta, follow Tiger Woods around the course, and sit just 15 feet away as he won the tournament — a once in a lifetime experience. I put playing the courses at Keystone in that same category, as an experience you won't soon forget.



General Jerome F. O'Malley

I won't emphasize the presentations other than to say they were timely and excellently thought provoking. You can check them out for yourself at the [AFA event website](#). I do want to comment on the General Jerome F. O'Malley award dinner and the evening's speakers. For those of you who are not aware, General Jerome F. O'Malley was a renowned USAF general officer who attended West Point and is credited by many of us who knew him as having awesome foresight and wisdom. I guess that's why he joined the U.S. Air Force shortly after his graduation from the U.S. Military Academy. His foresight and organizational skills are legendary. Tragically, General O'Malley and his wife Diane, along with three other Air Force officers, died in an aircraft accident on April 20, 1985, at Scranton-Wilkes-Barre,

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History of Veterans Day

Extraced from: <http://www1.va.gov/opa/vetsday/vetdayhistory.asp>

World War I – known at the time as “The Great War” - officially ended when the Treaty of Versailles was signed on June 28, 1919, in the Palace of Versailles outside the town of Versailles, France. However, fighting ceased seven months earlier when an armistice, or temporary cessation of hostilities, between the Allied nations and Germany went into effect on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month. For that reason, November 11, 1918, is generally regarded as the end of “the war to end all wars.”



Soldiers of the 353rd Infantry near a church at Stenay, Meuse in France, wait for the end of hostilities. This photo was taken at 10:58 a.m., on November 11, 1918, two minutes before the armistice ending World War I went into effect

In November 1919, President Wilson proclaimed November 11 as the first commemoration of Armistice Day with the following words: "To us in America, the reflections of Armistice Day will be filled with solemn pride in the heroism of those who died in the country's service and with gratitude for the victory, both because of the thing from which it has freed us and because of the opportunity it has given America to show her sympathy with peace and justice in the councils of the nations..."

The original concept for the celebration was for a day observed with parades and public meetings and

a brief suspension of business beginning at 11:00 a.m.

The United States Congress officially recognized the end of World War I when it passed a concurrent resolution on June 4, 1926, with these words:

Whereas the 11th of November 1918, marked the cessation of the most destructive, sanguinary, and far reaching war in human annals and the resumption by the people of the United States of peaceful relations with other nations, which we hope may never again be severed, and whereas it is fitting that the recurring anniversary of this date should be commemorated with thanksgiving and prayer and exercises designed to perpetuate peace through good will and mutual understanding between nations; and whereas the legislatures of twenty-seven of our States have already declared November 11 to be a legal holiday: Therefore be it Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), that the President of the United States is requested to issue a proclamation calling upon the officials to display the flag of the United States on all Government buildings on November 11 and inviting the people of the United States to observe the day in schools and churches, or other suitable places, with appropriate ceremonies of friendly relations with all other peoples.

An Act (52 Stat. 351; 5 U. S. Code, Sec. 87a) approved May 13, 1938, made the 11th of November in each year a legal holiday—a day to be dedicated to the cause of world peace and to be thereafter celebrated and known as "Armistice Day." Armistice Day was primarily a day set aside to honor veterans of World War I, but in 1954, after World War II had required the greatest mobilization of soldiers, sailors, Marines and airmen in the Nation's history; after American forces had fought aggression in Korea, the 83rd Congress, at the urging of the veterans service organizations, amended the Act of 1938 by striking out the word "Armistice" and inserting in its place the word "Veterans." With the approval of this legislation

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The Lance P. Sijan Chapter thanks all the Veterans for their service and dedication to preserve and protect our freedoms and continued service to our Country.



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(Public Law 380) on June 1, 1954, November 11th became a day to honor American veterans of all wars.

Later that same year, on October 8th, President Dwight D. Eisenhower issued the first "Veterans Day Proclamation" which stated: "In order to insure proper and widespread observance of this anniversary, all veterans, all veterans' organizations, and the entire citizenry will wish to join hands in the common purpose. Toward this end, I am designating the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs as Chairman of a Veterans Day National Committee, which shall include such other persons as the Chairman may select, and which will coordinate at the national level necessary planning for the observance. I am also requesting the heads of all departments and agencies of the Executive branch of the Government to assist the National Committee in every way possible."



President Eisenhower signing HR7786, changing Armistice Day to Veterans Day. From left: Alvin J. King, Wayne Richards, Arthur J. Connell, John T. Nation, Edward Rees, Richard L. Trombla, Howard W. Watts

On that same day, President Eisenhower sent a letter to the Honorable Harvey V. Higley, Administrator of Veterans' Affairs (VA), designating him as Chairman of the Veterans Day National Committee.

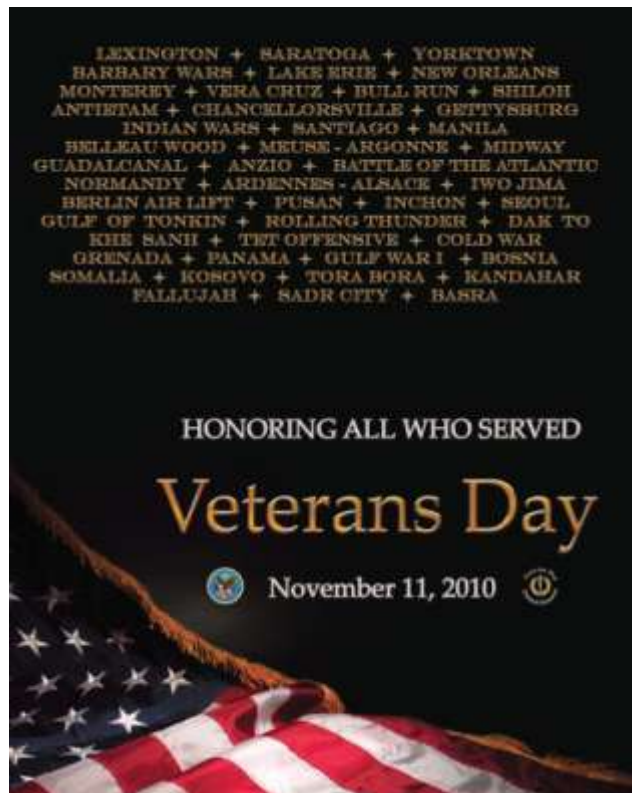
In 1958, the White House advised VA's General Counsel that the 1954 designation of the VA Administrator as Chairman of the Veterans Day National Committee applied to all subsequent VA Administrators. Since March 1989 when VA was elevated to a cabinet level department, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs has served as the committee's chairman.

The Uniform Holiday Bill (Public Law 90-363 (82 Stat. 250)) was signed on June 28, 1968, and was intended to ensure three-day weekends for Federal employees by celebrating

four national holidays on Mondays: Washington's Birthday, Memorial Day, Veterans Day, and Columbus Day. It was thought that these extended weekends would encourage travel, recreational and cultural activities and stimulate greater industrial and commercial production. Many states did not agree with this decision and continued to celebrate the holidays on their original dates.

The first Veterans Day under the new law was observed with much confusion on October 25, 1971. It was quite apparent that the commemoration of this day was a matter of historic and patriotic significance to a great number of our citizens, and so on September 20th, 1975, President Gerald R. Ford signed Public Law 94-97 (89 Stat. 479), which returned the annual observance of Veterans Day to its original date of November 11, beginning in 1978. This action supported the desires of the overwhelming majority of state legislatures, all major veterans service organizations and the American people.

Veterans Day continues to be observed on November 11, regardless of what day of the week on which it falls. The restoration of the observance of Veterans Day to November 11 not only preserves the historical significance of the date, but helps focus attention on the important purpose of Veterans Day: A celebration to honor America's veterans for their patriotism, love of country, and willingness to serve and sacrifice for the common good.



President's Message—Continued



Kevin Estrem (Sijan President) and Gayle White (Past AFA State and Chapter President) presenting The 2010 "General Jerome F. O'Malley Award" went to General C. Robert Kehler, Commander of Air Force Space Command.

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is where the Chamber of Commerce selects and honors the Enlisted Military members of the Year from the local Military Units in Colorado Springs. Competition includes Airmen, Sailors, Soldiers, Marines, Coast Guardsmen and Canadian Military members. 6 members from the Sijan Chapter attended and we donated the other four seats to random Active duty military members to join us.

Memorial Day - David Shiller, took our beautiful new wreath, and participated in the *Memorial Day Wreath Laying Ceremony* on 31 May that was sponsored by the Colorado Springs Veterans Council at the TREA building.

Then the biggie in June! The *6th Annual Space and Cyberspace Warfare Symposium (SCWS)* at Keystone conference center 8-10 June 10 was a great success under the leadership of **Mr. Hank Scarangella** from AT&T and **Thomas Ocvirk** from CSC. Their team did a wonderful job and overcame some huge obstacles that kept many of the prime speakers from attending...the first being the Air Forces summer CORONA Conference that fell on the same exact dates as the SCWS. Corona brings all the AF 4-star Generals, and many two and three stars as briefers together to discuss the Air Forces top priorities and construct the way ahead directions that the AF is headed for the future. So with many of our primary speakers pulled into Corona, we had to select and solicit other top notch expert speakers to support the SCWS. The committee did it with the help of **Colonel Felipe Morales from HQ AFSPC!** The Symposium was a great success and critiques were overwhelming to continue to hold the SCWS well into the future. We have already sold some of our top sponsorships and continue to receive kudos from those that were able to attend. It was another great example how the Sijan Chapter pulls together to support the wishes and missions of Air Force Space Command.

At the direction of the Commander, we continue to combine multiple events into one reducing the

numbers of events that take precious time away from senior staff member's already busy schedules. This year the SCWS included the *Operational Excellence Awards Luncheon* where we presented two awards to very deserving members of AFSPC. The Officer category was won by **Major Malcolm Mangels** from the 16th SPCS, 21st Space Wing and the Non Commissioned Officer Category was won by **TSgt Christopher Smith** from 11th Space Warning Squadron under the 460th Space Wing. This award recognizes exceptional Air Force Officers and Noncommissioned Officers who have made significant contributions to space, missile and cyberspace operations.

That same evening we host the O'Malley Awards Banquet. The General O'Malley award is given each year to a person or persons, who have exhibited outstanding leadership in space operations. Mrs. Sharon (O'Malley) Burg, daughter of General O'Malley attended and gave a wonderful talk that made the award even more special. The 2010 "**General Jerome F. O'Malley Award**" went to **General C. Robert Kehler**, Commander of Air Force Space Command.

Last but not least in our direction to combine events, we host the annual Enlisted Professional Development Session where enlisted Space and Cyberspace Professionals from the Air Force, Army and Navy can come together to build relationships, discuss, discover, and overcome challenges in their perspective career fields and specialties.

Next SCWS we are also planning to include yet another program that is being resurrected and included in the agenda. The Schriever Essay Contest which is a contest that selects the best written essay and publishes it in the High Frontier magazine and \$1,500 is awarded to the winner from the AFA Sijan Chapter.

Even though these next events did not happen in the 2nd quarter, I have to say something about them now!

Under the leadership of **Liz Anderson**, VP Aerospace Education, Liz conducted the Scholarship outreach program for high school and

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college level students to receive \$1000 scholarships from the Sijan Chapter. This year, eight students were selected. We had a very nice reception on 27 July at the **Hyatt Summerfield Suites** (an AFA new Community Partner) and was attended by the scholarship winners families and friends. Most of the scholarship winners were present (two were out of the country on study abroad programs) and very appreciative to get a check from the Chapter for their hard work and effort to apply for the scholarship.

Friday night, 30 July 10 was the **2010 AFA State Awards Banquet** hosted by the Mel Harmon Chapter in Pueblo at the historic Union Depot. Attending from the Sijan Chapter was: Dave Shiller, Henry Baird, Joe and Debbie Kahoe, Debbie and I and then from the state staff (still Sijan members) were Jeri Andrews, Tom Cavalli and Brian Binn. A great time was had by all...

The LANCE P. SIJAN CHAPTER 125 was named the "CHAPTER OF THE YEAR".

Jeanin Damery, Sijan's VP for Communications won the "**NATIONAL EXCEPTIONAL SERVICE AWARD**".

The pleasant surprise of the evening....**Debbie Estrem** was crowned the "**MEMBER OF THE YEAR**"!!!

Other awards won by those from Colorado Springs were:

- State Exceptional Service Award – Judee Albert, Judy Arnold, Henry Baird, Bob Cooper, Joe Kahoe & Tom Cavalli
- State Medal of Merit – Tim Lemons

USAFA won:

- The Secretary of the Air Force Safety Award
- Juanita Redmond Award from the 10th Med Gp Capt Gary Webb
- General Edwin W. Rawlings Award went to Ms Tammie L. Boyd, 10th Med Gp
- Airman of the Year – SrA Robert Kafka – 460th SW Buckley
- NCO of the Year – TSgt Darren Williams – 50th SW Schriever AFB
- SNCO of the Year – MSgt Vicki Robertson – 302nd AW Peterson AFB
- CGO of the Year – Capt David Knight – 21st SW Peterson AFB
- Civ of the Year Cat I – Ms Pamela Batzal – USAFA
- Civ of the Year Cat II – Ms Heidi Westphal – 50th SW

I say again, with over 2600 members in the Sijan Chapter, we have so much talent to support all the activities and events that

we can continue to take on risks and support AFSPC in whatever they may need. To those members that might be looking for an opportunity to get involved in something greater than yourselves, we would totally welcome your participation. The difference of being a member of a great professional organization like AFA and getting involved in a great professional organization is a sense of pride and accomplishment.

That's where participation comes into play. To make a professional organization great and especially a local chapter successful takes a commitment to become involved in something you believe in and want to participate in to keep it a successful organization that by the way supports our great Air Force to play a small part in keeping it not only successful, but keeping it the most powerful and respected Air Force in the world. Why wouldn't you want to be a part of that kind of success?

There are many programs and activities that you can become a part of in the Sijan Chapter. I would suggest that you can become involved at any level you like. My hope is that you would pick one or two things to support and become a participant in those activities to the best of your ability. The same 40 people cannot sustain a chapter the size of the Sijan Chapter forever. Over the last 6-8 years I've been excited and proud to have worked with outstanding volunteers that have, as "a team" been so successful. Every year we gain a couple members that also want to be a part of our success. Those volunteers are very welcome and it's exciting, powerful, and most of all a feel good gratification that we together have made a difference! I ask you to be a part of something special and join our Award Winning Sijan Chapter. We meet the second Tuesday of every month at the YMCA on Jet Wing at 0730...or check us out on our web site at www.afasijan.com.

Thank you to all our outstanding volunteers that make our chapter so successful. I look forward to working with you and having a wonderful time supporting all of our Airman stationed within the Colorado Springs and front range area. You're all fantastic and should be very proud of yourselves!

Again, a special **CONGRATULATIONS** to **Jeanin Damery** from **CSC** for winning the "**NATIONAL AFA EXCEPTIONAL SERVICE AWARD**" and...

To our amazing "**MEMBER OF THE YEAR**", **Debbie Estrem**. She makes things happen not only for AFA Sijan Chapter, but is very instrumental in the success of NDIA, AFCEA, Veterans Day Parade, Pikes Peak or Bust Rodeo, and at her work at Braxton Technologies. Thanks to Braxton for allowing us to use Debbie's talents.

2010 AWARD WINNERS

AFA NATIONAL UNIT AND INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

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Keystone—Continued

...what we know today as Air Force Space Command and all the accompanying capabilities from space that the world enjoys today, such as GPS and many other critical satellite systems.

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Pennsylvania, when the brakes failed on their CT-39 Sabreliner aircraft. General O'Malley, who was the Commander of Tactical Air Command (TAC) at the time of his death, left a space legacy that has become what we know today as Air Force Space Command and all the accompanying capabilities from space that the world enjoys today, such as GPS and many other critical satellite systems.

This is the primary reason the Lance P. Sijan Chapter of the AFA awards the General Jerome F. O'Malley Leadership Award at the Keystone Conference each year. I am confident that this year's winner came as a surprise to no one. General C. Robert Kehler, currently serving as the commander of Air Force Space Command, and the subject of an extensive [conversation](#) I was fortunate enough to have with him just a couple of months (May 1, 2010) ago for *GPS World*, was this year's distinguished honoree. I have known General Kehler for more than 20 years and can attest that no one is more deserving of this award. Unfortunately, he was unable to personally accept the award as he was attending a CORONA at the time. CORONAs are special conclaves initiated by the CSAF, or chief of staff of the USAF, and are typically attended by the secretary of the Air Force (SECAF) and all U.S. Air Force four-star general officers as well as other special invitees. For the Air Force four-stars, attendance is not optional.

Although he did not have a choice I know General Kehler wanted to be there to accept the award personally from General O'Malley's daughter, Sharon Kay O'Malley.

And I must say that Sharon O'Malley was in fine form and acquitted herself very well. When you hear her speak about her father and his vision for the future of space, there is no doubt that she possesses the same passion and flair for the dramatic as her illustrious father. Her presentation speech was genuine, warm, and illustriously retrospective, so that none of us had any doubt that the award was named after a true visionary to whom much is owed by all military space professionals.

Accepting the award on behalf of General Kehler was Major General Michael J. Basla (USAF), who also happened to be the evening's dinner speaker; remember, there are no coincidences in life. Major General Basla currently serves with distinction as the vice commander of Air Force Space Command and is another passionate individual. His remarks for the evening were thoroughly engaging and thought provoking. I would prefer to elucidate my impressions with a couple of pithy quotes, but general officers seem to be a bit quote shy during these immediate post-Petraeus days; certainly understandable. Suffice it to say General Basla's comments were moving, occasionally passionate, and right on the mark as he described today's mission for space and cyberspace. General Basla also made laudable and congratulatory remarks concerning all the men and women in the Armed Forces who put their lives on the line everyday so that we may enjoy the freedoms so very important and indigenous to our American way of life. If you ever have the chance to hear Mike speak, don't miss it; you won't be disappointed. Maybe in the future we will actually be able to garner some quotes.

Bottom line: The Space and Cyberspace Warfare Symposium is not to be missed and I hope to see you all there next June in Keystone, Colorado.



Corporate Sponsors of Space and Cyberspace Symposium



2010 Lance P. Sijan Scholarship Winners

The Lance P. Sijan Chapter of the Air Force Association held a scholarship reception on Tuesday, 29 July 2010, at the Hyatt Summerfield Suite to honor the eight recipients who received a \$1000 scholarship. Chapter President Kevin Estrem made short opening comments, and Dave Shiller handed out the coveted checks to the families and students who were able to attend.

The Lance P. Sijan Chapter annually sponsors scholarships awarded to outstanding high school seniors who have been accepted for enrollment at a college or university, and to current outstanding college students. The Lance P. Sijan Chapter Scholarships are awarded based on the overall character and successful leadership potential of the student, which includes academic achievement, community service, demonstrated leadership responsibilities and writing composition. A Scholarship Selection Committee, comprised of aerospace industry leaders, scored all applications and selected the scholarship recipients.

There is no specified restriction on the use of scholarship award moneys; however, it is the intent of the Sijan Chapter that they be utilized in the direct support of academic pursuits. The Vice President of Scholarships, Liz Anderson, chaired the selection committee and deserves many thanks.

In attendance from our Sijan Chapter were: Kevin and Debbie Estrem, Dave Shiller, Liz Anderson, Joe Kahoe, Jim Hale, Ray Powell, Henry Baird, and Gayle and Sharon White.

Congratulations to all the students receiving scholarships for this academic year:

- Whitney Richards; Daughter of James and Susan Richards. She is attending Trinity College in San Antonio.
- Hilary L. High; Daughter of Douglas and Kimberly High. She is attending Colorado State University.
- Kayla Rae Jahner; Daughter of Michael and Candice Jahner. She is attending Bismark State College.
- Ariane Peveto; Daughter of Dr. Ronald and Patricia Peveto. She is attending University of Colorado, Colorado Springs.
- Jacqueline Peveto; Daughter of Dr. Ronald and Patricia Paveto. She is attending University of Colorado, Colorado Springs.
- Kathleen A. Larkin; Daughter of Thomas and Colleen Larkin. She is attending Harding University.
- Heather Vozzola; Daughter of Robert and Diane Vozzola. She is attending University of Evansville.
- Rachel F. Reynolds; Daughter of David and Beth Reynolds. She is attending University of Colorado, Colorado Springs.



(L to R: Liz Anderson, Colleen Larkin, and Dave Shiller) Kathleen Larkin, attending Harding University, AR; History Major; Political Science and English minor; Omicron Delta Kappa member; National Leadership Honor Society as well as five other honor societies. Unable to attend – was overseas doing internship with State Department. Daughter of Thomas and Colleen Larkin.



L to R: Liz Anderson, Douglas High (father), Hilary High, and Dave Shiller. Hilary High is currently attending Colorado State University; graduated from Liberty High School, majoring in History with a minor in Music. She is a Distinguished Scholar award winner and an accomplished piano, clarinet and sax player and was a member of the All City Honor Band. Daughter of Douglas and Kimberly High.



(L to R in photo: Liz Anderson, Candice, Kayla, and Michael Jayner, and Dave Shiller) Kayla Rae Jahner, currently attending Bismark State College, ND; graduated from Doherty HS; Major in Math with emphasis on secondary education; Bismark State College Honor Roll; employed at the Pikes Peak Region YMCA lifeguard; CS Racquet Club Swim Team State Qualifier. Daughter of Michael and Candice Jahner.



(L to R in photo: Liz Anderson, Robert Vozzola, Heather Vozzola, and Dave Shiller) Heather Vozzola, currently attending University of Evansville, IL; graduated from Air Academy; majoring in neuroscience; National Honor Society; El Pomar Youth in Community Service. Daughter of Robert and Diane Vozzola.



L to R in photo: Liz Anderson, Beth Reynolds, Rachel Reynolds, and Dave Shiller). Rachel F. Reynolds, currently attending UCCS, History Major with Teacher Education and Licensure Program; Future Teachers of America; Tutor for 3rd and 4th graders; Academy Christian Church Operation Christmas Child Coordinator since 2003. Daughter of David and Beth Reynolds



Kevin Estrem presented the Colorado Springs Area Chiefs Group with the Sijan Chapter's annual donation of \$500 to the Group to help support their programs.



Kevin Estrem welcoming Maury Keller (l) and Kevin Hoskins (r) of BraxTech to the Sijan Chapter Community Partner program.



Jim Hale, Chapter VP welcoming Mr. Kelley Barcus, Saddletree & Symphony Homes as a new Community Partner to the Sijan Chapter



Mike Dunn National President, AFA and Lois O'Connor, Director of Advancement, AFA and other members of the Colorado Springs community were in town September 30 and visited the Sijan Chapter members during a Chapter hosted dinner at Kissing Camels Golf Clubhouse.



Kevin Estrem welcoming Ms. Christine Tharaldson, manager of the Hyatt Summerfield Hotel in Colorado Springs as a new Community Partner





Jim Hale presenting the AFA National Achievement Award to Cadet Renee Gomez of Mitchell High School JROTC.



Kevin Estrem, Sijan Chapter President presents the Guardian Challenge donation check to Reggie Selby, 21SW GC Team Booster Club Chairman.

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Colorado Annual State Awards Banquet

Submitted by: Brian Binn, State President

Colorado held its annual State Awards Banquet at the beautiful Union Depot in Pueblo on Friday, 30 July. The State was hosted by the Mel Harmon Chapter, who once again did an exceptional job of all the arrangements, making it a memorable evening for the many State AFA members and military that were able to join us. We presented many well-deserved awards to the tremendous volunteers that support the efforts of our four Colorado Chapters. In addition, one of the highlights is the presentation of our awards to the great military and civilians accomplishing the Air

Force mission. As always, we had an exceptional group of nominees, all winners, that made it a difficult task to select the best-of-the-best. A special congratulations to Ms Kerry Seip, Mel Harmon Chapter, for her selection as the State Teacher of the Year. Congratulations to the Sijan Chapter as this years State Chapter of the Year – their work across the spectrum of activity throughout the year supporting our airmen and Air Force is nothing less than phenomenal, and represents the work of

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CMSgt Joseph Westerlund, Command Chief of the 302nd Airlift Wing, Peterson AFB was guest speaker for the Colorado State Convention/Awards Dinner



State President, Brian Binn (right) presents State Exceptional Service Awards to Jason Unwin-Mel Harmon Chapter; Joe Kahoe-Sijan Chapter; Henry Baird-Sijan Chapter; and Tom Cavalli-Colorado State Vice President at the 2010 AFA State



Brian Binn and Tom Cavalli present Debbie Estrem-Sijan Chapter the Colorado State Member of the Year Award.

Note from AFA National President

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MICHAEL M. DUNN PRESIDENT/CEO

UK Defence Review

"The tone is similar to that of our Secretary of Defense [Robert Gates]. He talks about focusing on today's wars and avoiding what he calls "next war-ite-is."

This is an extraordinarily dangerous approach for it assumes that the future will be like the present—which it has never been. And lying in the future are certainly enemies who are far more difficult threats than those of today."

AFA members, Congressional staff members, Civic leaders, DOCA members, last August I sent you a piece in which the headlines read: "The RAF will shrink to its smallest size since the First World War, under unprecedented cuts being proposed at the Ministry of Defense." [See: http://www.afa.org/PresidentsCorner/Notes/Notes_8-12-10.pdf] Many of my UK friends mildly (and rightly) chastised me for spreading press stories about the review ... and urged I wait to see what comes from it.

This week the UK published its final report. [See: http://www.direct.gov.uk/prod/consum/dg/groups/dg_digitalassets/@dg/@en/documents/digitalasset/dg_191634.pdf] (Warning: it's 75 pages long). A fairly good summary of it comes from a Defense News piece by Andrew Chuter:

"The Strategic Defense and Security Review, unveiled Oct. 19 by Prime Minister David Cameron, stripped the armed forces of various capabilities, reduced military and civilian personnel numbers, and ushered in a restructuring of the Army.

Cameron told lawmakers that the 36.9 billion pound (\$53.1 billion) defense budget was being cut in real terms by 8 percent over the next four years, but that he

envisaged a possible increase in spending beyond that. The review said that Britain will in the future deploy no more than 30,000 troops overseas, including maritime and air support - two-thirds of the force deployed to Iraq in 2003. It will reduce the civilian MoD work force by about 25,000 and military personnel by about 17,000, both by 2015."

"All three services will see capabilities reduced, but the British Army has come off the lightest, mainly because it is embroiled deeper in the war in Afghanistan."

"The military's is heading toward a fast-jet fleet consisting solely of Typhoons and Lockheed Martin F-35s. The Harrier GR9 is being withdrawn from service beginning in 2011; the number of RAF Tornado GR4 strike aircraft will also be reduced as Eurofighter Typhoons arrive. The government decision to withdraw the GR9 and only start operating the F-35 in 2020 means the Royal Navy will have to take a capability holiday on carrier strike for the next 10 years.

The review said the MoD intended to operate a single type of F-35, not different land and naval variants."

"One of the two carriers being built by a BAE-led consortium for the Royal Navy will be fitted with catapult and arrestor gear, and is

slated to arrive in 2020. The second carrier being built will be mothballed in a low state of readiness."

Several reactions to these cuts have come from a number of people whom I respect. Below my name is a compendium of their talking points.

For your consideration.

Mike

Michael M. Dunn President/CEO
Air Force Association

"The first thing that hit me was that the UK approach to developing future forces is similar to that of the US. Both countries are emphasizing force structure designed to deal with current conflicts (such as Afghanistan and Iraq) rather than the much more challenging and dangerous ones that will almost certainly occur in the future."

"Very high tech weaponry provides huge advantages to the United States and the UK and allows them to fight asymmetrically against enemies such as the Taliban rather than on a face-to-face basis where the advantage is minimal. And it actually turns out that the weaponry developed for demanding conventional conflicts has great utility in wars such as

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2010 AFA AWARD WINNERS

AFA NATIONAL UNIT AND INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

AFA NATIONAL EXCEPTIONAL SERVICE AWARD

- Ms. Jeanin Damery - Lance P. Sijan Chapter – Colorado Springs

COLORADO STATE AWARDS

- Colorado AFA Chapter of the Year—Lance P. Sijan Chapter, Colorado Springs

COLORADO AFA MEMBER OF THE YEAR

- Ms. Debbie Estrem - Lance P. Sijan Chapter, Colorado Springs

COLORADO AFA TEACHER OF THE YEAR

- Ms. Kerry Seip, Mel Harmon Chapter, Pueblo

COLORADO STATE PRESIDENTIAL CITATION

- Mr. Rick Peterson—Gen Robert Huyser Chapter – Grand Junction
- Mr. Kevin Estrem - Lance P. Sijan Chapter – Colorado Springs
- Mr. RJ Schultz—Mel Harmon Chapter – Pueblo
- Mr. Steve Gourley—Mile High Chapter – Denver

COLORADO STATE EXCEPTIONAL SERVICE AWARD

- Ms. Judee Albert—Lance P. Sijan Chapter – Colorado Springs
- Ms. Judy Arnold -Lance P. Sijan Chapter – Colorado Springs
- Mr. Henry Baird - Lance P. Sijan Chapter – Colorado Springs
- Mr. Bob Cooper - Lance P. Sijan Chapter – Colorado Springs
- Mr. Joe Kahoe—Lance P. Sijan Chapter – Colorado Springs

- Mr. Tom Cavalli - Lance P. Sijan Chapter – Colorado Springs
- Mr. Jack Powell—Mile High Chapter – Denver
- Mr. Chris Hasset—Mile High Chapter – Denver
- Mr. Jason Unwin—Mel Harmon Chapter – Pueblo
- Mr. Warren Barter—Mel Harmon Chapter – Pueblo

COLORADO STATE MEDAL OF MERIT

- Ms. Edna Simmons - Mel Harmon Chapter – Pueblo
- Ms. Jennifer Clinksdale—Mile High Chapter – Denver
- Ms. Emilie Stewart—Mile High Chapter – Denver
- Mr. Dave Tobin—Mile High Chapter – Denver
- Mr. Don Church—Lance P. Sijan Chapter – Colorado Springs
- Mr. Richard Follmar—Mel Harmon Chapter – Pueblo
- Mr. Tim Lemons—Lance P. Sijan Chapter – Colorado Springs
- Mr. Steve Csogi—Mel Harmon Chapter – Pueblo

COLORADO STATE CITATION

- SMSgt Edward Pineda—Mile High Chapter – Denver
- Ms. Christy Muckey—Mile High Chapter – Denver
- Mr. Dick Wood—Mel Harmon Chapter – Pueblo
- Mr. Dave Kolodecik—Mel Harmon Chapter – Pueblo
- Mr. Douglas Fry—Mel Harmon Chapter – Pueblo



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those in Afghanistan. One need only think of long range bombers and fighters, precision weapons that not only have great military utility but also reduce collateral damage dramatically, Global Position Systems, Imaging Satellites, and long duration unmanned vehicles to name just a few."

"The tone is similar to that of our Secretary of Defense [Robert Gates]. He talks about focusing on today's wars and avoiding what he calls "next war-ite- is." This is an extraordinarily dangerous approach for it assumes that the future will be like the

present—which it has never been. And lying in the future are certainly enemies who are far more difficult threats than those of today."

"I don't see, in the medium term (3-5 years), that the new UK posture will have any adverse affects on the US and British relationship. But it puts us on a joint course for the future which it makes it difficult to overcome serious threats with serious capabilities which will likely arise beyond the mid-term. I find this almost myopic focus on today to be quite troubling."

"The RAF has to be interoperable with the US ... not just in systems, but doctrine, training, thought and strategies. It is in the US interest to have a strong "left wing" [to quote a former boss] to oppose oppression and safeguard freedom and democracy."

"The RAF has to be able to accomplish a wide range of missions ... and continue to be a "Full-Service Air Force." Right now many of the world's Air Forces rely on the US for such things as ... transport, intelligence, smart munitions, AAR, etc. We cannot be expected to embrace 2nd or 3rd world efforts from the UK and still call them a dependable ally."

Note from AFA Chairman Sandy Schlitt

Dated 1 October 2010

Today begins my service as your new Chairman of the Board of Directors. This is an awesome responsibility, steeped in traditions engendered by some true aerospace giants who have previously held the position. My responsibility is to build on the foundations they have laid, given today's circumstances and empowered by the tools you have entrusted to this office. We have been fully engaged since the Convention in the many details of a leadership change—you will hear more about these in mid-October. All your volunteer leaders, in concert with our talented & dedicated staff, are working to take advantage of the many opportunities available to us as well as resolve the challenges we face.

Patricia & I are humbled by the confidence the delegates expressed in us at the Convention. Working together with you in the true spirit of "ONE AFA" we can accomplish more than we can imagine. You—the grass roots—remain our secret weapon; we have much to do as we get to work together. The e-mail address to reach me directly is chairman@afa.org. Please communicate with me, and indeed all our leadership team, soon, and often—as we intend to do with you.

Thank you for your service to and leadership in AFA. God bless America.

Respectfully,

Sandy

Thank You! From AFA Chairman Sutter

SUBJECT: Thank You!

DATE: September 30, 2010

Fellow AFA Leaders -- as I wrap up my time as Chairman, Geri and I want to thank you for your great support and friendship over the past few years. We have always been received warmly as we have visited many of you around the country at chapter, state, and region events, as well as Board and other committee meetings. Also, a big THANK YOU for your generosity to AFA and the honor of the Arnold Fellowship.

As I said at the Convention, it has been a high honor and privilege to serve as AFA Chairman, and I firmly believe that even greater things are ahead for our great Association. I know you will give the new leadership team your full support, and I look forward to continuing to serve AFA as a member of the Board and in other committee positions.

Thanks

Joe

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~ Sandy



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many dedicated members of the Chapter. There is no question on why Debbie Estrem, Sijan Chapter, was selected as our State Member of the Year – she's everywhere! Most notably, she has made the Chapters Community Partner Program the best in AFA. Thank you for all you do in support of our Air Force Association.

COLORADO AFA MILITARY AWARD NOMINEES

AIRMAN OF THE YEAR

- SrA Dennis Daone, Space Innovation and Development Center**
- SrA Jessica Morehouse, U.S. Air Force Academy**
- SrA Matthew McConnell, 50th Space Wing**
- SrA Kyle Wilson, 302nd Airlift Wing**
- SrA Olivia Gorman, 21st Space Wing**
- SrA Robert Kafka, 460th Space Wing**

NONCOMMISSIONED OFFICER OF THE YEAR

- TSgt Darren Williams, 50th Space Wing**
- SSgt Michael Clinkscales, USAF Academy**
- MSgt Thomas Hulsopple, Space Innovation and Development Center**
- TSgt Jared Morrison, 302nd Airlift Wing (AFRES)**
- TSgt Joseph Anderson, 21st Space Wing**
- TSgt Keith Kirkland, 460th Space Wing**

SENIOR NONCOMMISSIONED OFFICER OF THE YEAR

- MSgt Sarah Parks, Air force space Command**
- SMSgt Lavon Coles, 50th Space Wing**
- MSgt Derek Luicas, Space Innovation and Development Center**
- MSgt Robert Pemberton, USAF Academy**
- MSgt Vicki Robertson, 302nd Airlift Wing (AFRES)**
- MSgt Brandi Limardo, 21st Space Wing**
- MSgt Christopher Hart, 460th Space Wing**

COMPANY GRADE OFFICER OF THE YEAR

- Captain Michelle Ruehl, USAF Academy**
- Captain Jason Ballard, Space Innovation and Development Center**
- Captain Jared Smith, 50th Space Wing**
- Captain Benjamin Rich, Air Force Space Command**
- Captain David Knight, 21st Space Wing**
- 1Lt Shana Beach, 70th ISR Wing**



Brian Binn ® and CMSgt Joe Westerlund (l) present TSgt Darren Williams, 50th SW with the States' Outstanding non-Commissioned Officer of the Year Award.

CIVILIAN OF THE YEAR (CATEGORY I)

- Mr. Clyde Webb, Space Innovation and Development Center**
- Mr. Shane Downum, HQ Air Force Space Command**
- Mr. Joshua Winkel, 50th Space Wing**
- Ms. Pamela Batzal, USAF Academy**
- Mr. Richard Lange, 21st Space Wing**

CIVILIAN OF THE YEAR (CATEGORY II)

- Ms. Elizabeth Anne Jackson, Space Innovation and Development Center**
- Ms. Heidi Westphal, 50th Space Wing**
- Mr. Erich Hoffman, U.S. Air Force Academy**
- Mr. David Duke, 21st Space Wing**
- Mr. Terry Bashore, 460th Space Wing**



Brian Binn (r) presents Kevin Estrem, President Lance P. Sijan Chapter with the State's Chapter of the Year Award.

AFA/VBA Benefit Highlights

Dear Members,

AFA is pleased to announce the addition of two new insurance programs for Members.

CRITICAL ILLNESS INSURANCE

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The policy pays cash benefits of up to \$10,000 in addition to other insurance you have, thus helping to fill coverage gaps. You may insure yourself and your spouse. You can use the money for living expenses, medical expenses, alternative treatments, travel, home help, rehabilitation, home modification or any other purpose.

For more information, including cost and coverage details, please call 1-888-348-7669 or visit www.homeland4one.com/afa. Coverage not yet available in AR, CO, CT, GA, MD, MT, NV, NH, NC, OH, TX, UT, VT, WA.

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For more information, including cost and coverage details, please call 1-888-348-7669 or visit www.homeland4one.com/afa

Coverage not yet available in AR, CO, CT, GA, MD, MN, MT, NV, NH, NJ, NC, OH, TX, UT, WA

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This valuable coverage pays lump-sum cash benefits you can spend as you like to help offset the unexpected costs of recovering from a critical illness and provide for your own and your family's needs..

NEWSLETTER REMINDER

The Sijan Sentinel has Gone Green!



Please remember to update your email address with AFA National. In an effort to "Go Green" the Lance P. Sijan Chapter has implemented emailing the Quarterly Newsletter. To receive **The Sijan Sentinel**, the Chapter needs your current email

address. Please update by [clicking here](#). Or go to service@afa.org.

Thank you for your readership and contributions to The Sijan Sentinel and the Lance P. Sijan Chapter.



AFA Announces New Travel Program

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The Air Force Association has partnered with Government Vacation Rewards to provide you with a Best Price Guarantee on travel services and a loyalty program where you earn points that you redeem when you book your travel.

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Calendar of Events

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PLACE: ARMED FORCES YMCA-SOUTHEAST LOCATION ON JETWING DRIVE

DATE: EVERY 2ND TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH

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PLACE: KEYSTONE RESORT, CO

DATE: JUNE, 14-16, 2011

WEBSITE: : [HTTP://WWW.SPACEWARFARE.ORG](http://www.spacewarfare.org)

AIR FORCE BALL 2011

PLACE: BROADMOOR HOTEL, COLORADO SPRINGS, CO

DATE: FEBRUARY 18, 2011

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