

# Lance P. Sijan Chapter Meeting Minutes

April 8, 2008

- The meeting was opened by Vice President Kevin Estrem at 7:30 am with the Pledge of Allegiance.
- **President's Comments.** Attendance is quite low due to the conflict with the Space Symposium. We considered cancelling the meeting but did not in order to ensure we met the National requirement for meetings. Debbie Estrem will verify the National requirement.
- **Minutes.** Minutes of the March 11, 2008 meeting have been posted to the website.
- **Treasurer's Report (Jim Hale).** Jim is wrapping up the Ball finances and it looks like we will finish in the black! The credit card website is still not working. The Authorize.net and Wells Fargo systems are not functioning properly so we are seeking help.
- **Veteran's Affairs (Dan Beatty).** Dan is involved in planning for the Memorial Day ceremony as part of the Pikes Peak Veterans Council. The Sijan chapter's new wreath will be ready for the ceremony. Dan also reported that there is consideration being given to turning the Air Force Academy hospital into a VA clinic. Reminder that May 17 is Armed Forces Day.
- **Community Partners (Debbie Estrem).** Renewals continue and new partners continue to join.
- **Aerospace Education (Phil Hamann)** Phil has narrowed the field to two candidates. We will select our chapter TOY by 1 May. Phil will work with the chapter winner to prepare the package to compete at the State level. Scholarship applications are due May 1.
- **Communications (Jeanin Damery)**
  - o Last printed copy of the newsletter for this year is being mailed. From now on only 1 edition each year will be printed (which will be the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter), all others will be available on our website (as they currently are). It cost \$2500 for each edition (\$10,000 annually), this way the Chapter will save \$7500 which can be used supporting other programs. Copies will be mailed to those without e-mail accounts and also to our Community Partnerss.
- **Government Relations (Brian Binn).** No report.

- **Professional Development (Roy Griggs).** The essay contest is on track. Roy will look into publicizing the winning essay(s) beyond AFSPC, e.g., Air Power Journal and other publications from Air War College. Roy and Ron Kriete will develop a Professional Development program plan and a list of supporting activities. One component may be to connect with the Aerospace Education Fund to provide Air Force speakers to augment teachers teaching aerospace topics.
- **Membership (CT Trafton)**
  - o The Chapter recruited 103 new members last quarter- Outstanding work everyone!
- **Reports**
  - o Quarterly Activity Report (Kevin Estrem)
    - Kevin is preparing our 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarterly Activity Report (due 15 Apr to State)
  - o Quarterly Financial Report (Jim Hale)
    - Jim is putting the finishing touches on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Financial Report which will be sent to State on 15 Apr
- **Events**
  - o **Space Warfare Symposium (Henry Baird/Kevin Estrem)**
    - June 23-25, 2008 at Keystone, CO
    - The planning committee met with Gen Kehler and his staff and has agreed on a theme: “Integrating Air, Space, and Cyberspace Domains”. A draft agenda will be presented to Gen Kehler’s staff the week of April 14.
    - The committee and AFSPC will be developing panel topics and inviting guest speakers next.
    - Registration information is on the chapter website.
    - Corporate sponsors are still needed.
  - o **IMAGE Golf Tournament**
    - We will need a Chapter liaison for 2008. NDIA is the lead organization for 2008.
    - Aug 08, 2008, at Ft Carson Golf Course
  - o **AF Ball (Dan Beatty)**
    - The date is February 20, 2009 at the Broadmoor. Tops in Blue will perform and will probably stay for three nights.
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  - o **Chapter Picnic (Dan Beatty).** Dan asked if there was any interest in organizing a chapter picnic. To be discussed at the next meeting.

- **AFA State:**
  - o The Sijan Chapter will be responsible for hosting the State Convention and Awards Dinner on July 25, 2008. Kevin Estrem will be leading the planning effort for this event and needs volunteers.
  - o The next AFA State Quarterly Meeting is 3 May in Estes Park, CO. Along with the AFA State meeting there will also be a Rocky Mountain Region Meeting held. All attendees will then take in the 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Duck Race for charity. Tickets are \$20. If interested, please contact Tom Cavalli.
  
- **AFA National:**
  - o National Convention is now September 15-17, 2008 in Wash DC. These are new dates.
  
- **Upcoming Schedule**
  - o May 3: AFA State and Rocky Mountain Region Meetings; Estes Park, CO.
  - o May 12: NORAD's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Jubilee Ball, at the Braodmoor Hotel.
  - o June 23 - 25: 4th Space Warfare Symposium; Keystone, CO
  - o July 25: AFA State Awards/Convention Dinner, location TBD.
  
  - o Next Meeting: May 13, 2008

**Attendees**

Kevin Estrem	Hank Scarangella	Jim Hale
Debbie Estrem	Sharon White	Phil Hamann
Dan Beatty		