



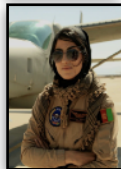
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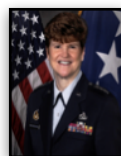
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AFA Luncheon Touted as “Best Ever”

Chapter 102 once again played host to the aviation notables who were selected to attend the 2022 Gathering of Eagles. The luncheon, held on 25 May at the beautiful Capital City Club Skyline Ballroom, was attended by over 170 civic and military leaders from throughout the River Region.

This year’s Eagles included: Gen Janet Wolfenbarger, USAF (Ret), former Commander of Air Force Material Command; Col Ron Terry, USAF (Ret) father of the AF C-130 gunship; CW5 Mike Hardy, U.S. Army, MH-60 pilot; Lt Col Dan Schilling, USAF (Ret), combat veteran; Captain Noolifar Rahmani, Afghan Air Force, the first Afghan female fixed-wing pilot; Col Gerry Berry, USMC, (Ret), pilot, Vietnam and DESERT SHIELD, Mr. Dean Kamen, inventor; CMSgt Kaleth O. Wright, USAF (Ret), 16th CMSAF; and featured CAPSTONE special guest, Gen David L. Goldfein, USAF (Ret), 21st AF Chief of Staff,.

We were privileged to have in attendance, the Governor of Alabama, Kay Ivey; Mayor of Montgomery, Steven Reed; Justice of the Alabama Supreme Court, Will Sellers; Lt Gen James Hecker, Commander and President of Air University; Col Lee Gentile, Commandant of Air Command and Staff College; and former 2013 Eagle Ramond “Donk” Strasberger, as well as many other civic and military leaders.

The audience was treated to a great presentation by former AF Chief of Staff, David Goldfein, AKA “JD” (Just Dave), who gave a compelling account the contributions of all of of this year’s Eagles being honored.

A sincere thanks to all of our sponsors: Presenting Sponsor, Power South; Platinum Sponsors: Dr. David Thrasher,, First Command Financial Services, City of Montgomery, and Servis 1st Bank; our Gold Sponsors: MAX Credit Union, Industrial Services, Goodwyn Mills, Caywood, Troy University (Montgomery Campus), Montgomery Chamber, Southeast Cherokee Construction, and Aviator Bar. A special thanks to Mr. Warren Adams and Mr. Irv Wells of Wells Printing for their continued support of our annual GOE luncheon, and to Bishop Lawson Bryan for the luncheon invocation.

Finally, kudos to the Chapter 102 team of Joe Panza, Larry Carter, Betty McCoy, Jim Harris, and several other volunteers who made this year’s luncheon one of the best ever.



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AFA/GOE LUNCHEON





AEROSPACE EDUCATION DAY



Chapter 102 Resumes Aerospace Day for Students



The Montgomery Chapter joined hands with Civil Air Patrol's national HQ to conduct an Aerospace Day at Maxwell for 200 4th and 5th graders from Bear Exploration Center in Montgomery Public Schools.

After a two-year lapse due to COVID, Bear students were able to once again learn about Maxwell: its place in the history of aviation; current missions; and Air and Space Forces missions for the future.

Brig Gen Leslie Maher, Commander, Holm Center, provided the welcome joining speakers from across the base to include the new Maxwell USSF13th Delta Space Operations Squadron. Students toured the Historic Air Park guided by Orville and Wilbur Wright starting from the base's Wright Flyer, the ATC tower and simulation room, the Fuel Cell Hangar, the Fire Department, and

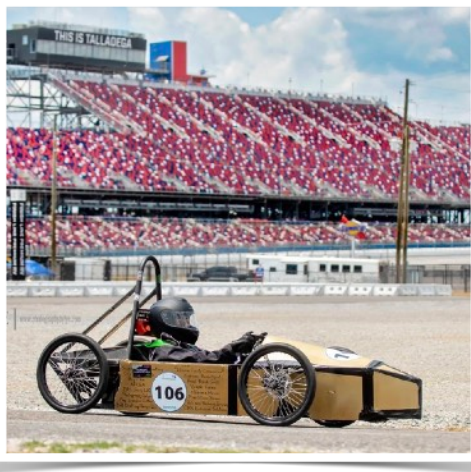
the CAP Hangar where CAP cadets were on hand to conduct STEM activities, tell about the cadet program, and showcase a CAP plane.

Adopted by the Montgomery Chapter and CAP 13 years ago, Bear Exploration Center students were also involved in an essay contest to share what they learned at the event and explain how they can be aerospace innovators for the future. The six winning students and their teachers and principal, Mrs. Liz Hill, received an orientation flight provided by CAP's Alabama Wing.

The program was sponsored by AU Foundation, AU PA, CAP, and the Montgomery Chapter.



Montgomery Chapter Teacher of the Year Wins State Award



Montgomery Chapter's 2022 Teacher of the Year, Dr. Virginia Vilardi, has won the Alabama AFA State Teacher of the Year award, as well! She was presented her \$750, plaques, pins, and State Teacher of the Year jacket at the May Elmore County School Board meeting.

Dr. Vilardi teaches science, robotics and other STEM topics at Wetumpka High School, leads the school's annual AFA CyberPatriot team, and is the teacher leader of the school's NERDS team which competes in various STEM competitions across the nation.

Among the many awards won this year, the NERDS won 3rd place nationally in the 2022 GreenPower electric car competition at Talladega Motor Speedway in May. Congratulations to Dr. Vilardi and all of her amazing students for their above and beyond efforts to promote STEM education throughout the school!



GOLF - Arrowhead CC - 5 October!



UPCOMING EVENTS

August 31: Community Partner Appreciation Luncheon - Arrowhead Country Club 11:30 - 1:00 - Guest Speaker: Col Douglas "Cinco" DeMaio

Oct 5: Golf Tournament - Arrowhead Country Club

Nov ?: Date TBD - Vets Day Luncheon

See www.AFA102.net for specific event information and registration



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Hard to believe half of 2022 is behind us. We had a great AFA/GOE luncheon in May, most of you considered it to be our "best ever." I couldn't agree more! We were honored to once again have the Governor of Alabama, Kay Ivey, the Mayor of Montgomery, Steven Reed, Justice Will Sellers and many other distinguished guests in attendance of this event. I want to thank the leadership of Air University as well as our many loyal sponsors for their participation; it's this support that makes our annual AFA/GOE luncheon such a resounding success.

A big thanks to Larry Carter, Joe Panza and Patrick Albrecht for pulling it all together; first class job guys!

Susan Mallett headed up another successful Aerospace Education day where over 120 local students were treated to briefings, one by Wilbur and Orville Wright, a motivational presentation by the Holm Center Commandant, B/Gen Leslie Maher, and a visit to the Maxwell Control Tower, and other base venues. Great job Susan!

I hope to see all our Military friends and Community Partners at the Arrowhead Country Club on 31 August 2022. All Community Partners will enjoy a complimentary lunch by emailing your attendance request to Ms. Betty McCoy. All other participants can register and pay for it through the AFA102.net web site. Our guest speaker will be Col Douglas "Cinco" DeMaio, Commander, 187th Fighter Wing in Montgomery.

As a reminder, as we look ahead to the Fall, our Golf tournament is set for October 5th at Arrowhead. Space will be limited so don't delay in signing up for what is always a super event. We will announce the registration soon.

Jim Harris

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33rd Annual AFA Chapter 102 Golf Tournament

Wednesday, October 5, 2022

Arrowhead Golf Course, Montgomery, Alabama

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

4 person scramble

* Open to AFA members and non-members

* Sign-up as a team or individually

* Registration fee is \$100 per player

* Includes all fees, free range balls, beverages, snacks and **dinner** after the tournament

* Check-in begins at 1130 - Assembly 12:15 -- Shotgun start at 12:30

* Great door prizes

* Prizes to top three finishing teams, longest drive, and closest to the pin

Proceeds support Maxwell/Gunter awards programs and Aerospace Education through the Montgomery Chapter of the AFA .

Submit any inquiries to Pat McCoy by email at irish5327@gmail.com or AFA Chapter 102 Golf, P.O. Box 241918, Montgomery, AL 36124-1918

For Sponsorship Opportunities and to register go to:

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You may register as an individual or a team. You will need the following information for each team member when registering: Name; Golf Handicap (30 max). Daytime Phone #, E-mail Address.

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Register Early! Registration Will Close Friday, September 30, 2022

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