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# NORTHERN UTAH CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

**CHAPTER 235** 

**Serving the Northern Utah Area** 

Jul - Dec 2019

#### **President's Notes**



To the Members of Northern Utah AFA Chapter 235,

This has been a year of transition. Our previous Chapter President, Angie Tymofichuk, answered the call to become the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Logistics and Product Support at SAF/AQ. What a great accomplishment...and well deserved! Her departure left a great hole in the organization

leadership that only time can address. Chapter 235 was truly blessed to have Angie as our President and her passion and energy will be greatly missed.

I transitioned into the office in July. Having to step into Angie's shoes was difficult, but luckily, I received world-class support from the active members of Chapter 235 who helped me learn and understand the process. Many thanks to those unnamed heroes who helped me keep my head above water.

There are a few highlights for 2019 that I would like to share with you that AFA Chapter 235 can be proud about:

- Chili Cook-Off Chapter 235 participated in the George E. Wahlen Veterans Tribute Run and Chili Cook-Off that was held on 12 October. Besides winning top honors for best tasting Chili (Sweet!) our members helped raised over \$9000 for the benefit of the Veterans who live in the Veterans home. While raising funds was the primary goal, AFA's participation is this event also helps to spread community awareness about our aging Veterans and what can be done to help make their lives easier.
- CCAF Graduate Chapter I was honored to have the privilege to present the AFA Chapter 235 Excellence Grant and Pitsenbarger Scholarship to distinguished members of this year's Community College of the AF graduating class. The talent and dedication of our USAF Airmen

who have full time jobs and attend school is amazing and the Chapter has decided to earmark additional funds so that we can increase our Grant and Scholarship contributions to the CCAF graduates going forward.

As 2019 drew to a close, the Chapter spent considerable time preparing for the upcoming Scowcroft Awards Banquet scheduled for March 18, 2020. The Scowcroft Awards Banquet honors the top Logistics, Maintenance and Sustainment performers in ICBM, Air Dominance, Supply Chain and Munitions. We are extremely pleased to have Mr. Steven Wert, Program Executive Officer (PEO) Digital AFLCMC, Hanscom AFB as our Keynote Speaker. PEO Digital is leading the paradigm shift in Air Force acquisition. The shift for PEO Digital (formerly Battle Management) stemmed from the implementation of Agile DevOps through Kessel Run. If you are not familiar with Agile DevOps and Kessel Run you need to be! Every AF acquisition going forward, be it "Big A" or "little a" will be influenced by this paradigm shift. Please register for this important event and get informed. We expect over 300 guests this year so take time to register now.

We are excited about 2020 and the positive role AFA Chapter 235 can play in the lives of our USAF Airmen. I hope you will consider volunteering to help the cause. The Chapter meeting time and location is printed in the newsletter.

Thank you for helping make 2019 a good year. I look forward to working with you to make 2020 an even better year!

Scott D. Warren
Northern Utah AFA Chapter 235 President

# **Financial Summary**

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	Checking Acct	Pay Pal Acct
Beginning Balance	\$29,075.14	\$200.00
Income		
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AFA National Payment to Chapter #235	\$262.90	
Net Income	\$262.90	
Expenses		
Team Hill - 2019 AF Ball Sponsorship	(\$500.00)	
Hole Sponsorship - 2019 Hill AFB Commander's Cup	(\$350.00)	
CCAF Scholarship Award - SrA Dustin J. Bennett	(\$250.00)	
CCAF Graduation Expenses - Oct 4 Event	(\$499.26)	
Utah Chartible Org Renewal (+ Late Fee of \$25.00)	(\$100.00)	
Order business checks for AFA Chapter #235	(\$36.27)	
Reimburse Dan Gomez - attend National Convention	(\$1,707.72)	
Snowball Express Donation	(\$500.00)	
Wolf Creek Foundation Donation	(\$300.00)	
Cindy Osbourne Retirement - AFA Certificate/Award	(\$1,000.00)	
Net Expenses	(\$5,243.25)	\$0.00
Ending Balance	\$24,094.79	\$200.00

# **JULY SIGNIFICANT EVENTS**

### **New AFA Chapter President**

Chapter 235 welcomed a new chapter president, Scott Warren. (background)

# **SEPTEMBER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS**

## **State Convention**

The Annual Utah AFA State Convention was held on Sep 5, 2019 at Roosters restaurant in Layton, Utah. All AFA members are encouraged to attend the event, help plan activities for the next year, and elect State officers. This year's elections, Frances Bradshaw, President; Terri Hensley, Secretary; Dan

Gomez, Vice President; and Jim Aadland, Treasurer. www.afautah.org

## **National Convention**

The AFA National Convention was held on 14-15 September at the Gaylord Hotel in Oxen Hill, MD. Please see more information on the Convention on at the AFA website, <a href="www.afa.org">www.afa.org</a> or feel free to contact a State officer. New officers: Rick Hartle, National Secretary (Chapter 237); Gerald Murray, Chairman of the Board (Chapter 237 prior member); and Bob George, National Director West Area (Chapter 235).



(L-R) Kirk Schmierer ( UT Chpt 237), Pat Condon (UT Chpt 235), Gerald Murray (AFA National Chairman of the Board), Alex Dubovik, Bob George, Dan Gomez (UT chpt 235 members), and Fran Bradshaw (Utah AFA State Pres).

# OCTOBER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS





George E. Wahlen Veterans Tribute Run and Chili Cook-off

On October 12, 2019, chapter members participated in a chili cook-off and 5K run in support of the George E. Wahlen Veterans home. The event was held at a church near the Home in North Ogden. The

chapter submitted one chili entry. Our chapter has partnered with the First United Methodist Church of Marriott-Slatterville to support the annual Veterans Tribute. Overall the event raised \$9,000.00, all proceeds went directly to the George E. Wahlen Vets home.

The chapter would like to extend a special thank you to the Daedalions who alone raised over \$3000.00 for the event.

The funds raised through the Chili cook-off, were used to purchase \$3500.00 in items that the veterans could choose from to provide gifts to family members. Bob George graciously volunteered his time to assist the staff with procuring the items.

#### **CCAF Graduation**

Chapter President, Scott Warren, represented the chapter at this year's Community College of the Air Force (CCAF) graduation ceremony where he presented the AFA Chapter 235 Excellence Grant to SrA Dustin J. Bennett and the Pitsenbarger Scholarship to SSgt Bridget E. Kelly.



# **NOV & DEC SIGNIFICANT EVENTS**

#### 2018 Snowball Express

Since 2006/07, the Gary Sinise Foundation's *Snowball Express* program and American Airlines sponsorship, has hosted Gold Star Families. On December 7<sup>th</sup>, one thousand seven hundred and twenty-two Gold Star children and their surviving parent or guardian were picked up and flown, free of charge, from more than 80 cities across the Nation to participate in the annual Holiday retreat at Disney World in Orland, Florida.

Salt Lake City (SLC) was one of the stops; known for its welcoming attributes it did not disappoint. Led by Utah AFA's SLC chapter, hundreds of volunteers, including chapter members greeted the families during their stopover at SLC. This year's holiday theme was the Grinch and the Whoville village, and fun activities were arranged at the gate. Utah State AFA and chapters coordinated visits by uniformed members from each service, AFROTC, AFJROTC and CAP.

Check out Peggy Fletcher Stack's article in <u>The Salt</u> <u>Lake Tribune</u> that captures more of the story.



SLC welcomes the Gold Star Children







All Aboard!

# **Upcoming 2020 Scowcroft Awards Banquet**

The Scowcroft Awards Banquet honors the Top Logistics, maintenance and sustainment performers in ICBM, Air Dominance, Supply Chain and Munitions.

This year's keynote speaker is <u>Steven D. Wert</u>, Program Executive Officer Digital, Air Force Life Cycle Management Center, Hanscom AFB, MA.

Join us Thursday, March 18, 2019, at the Ogden Eccles Conference Center. For more information and registration:

http://afafod.org/afautah/Chapters/Chapter-235-Northern-Utah/Annual-Scowcroft-Awards-Banquet



## **Upcoming Calendar Events**

**Second Monday each month-Chapter meeting:**Building 1575, Lobby Conference Room, Hill AFB, UT

#### Jan

9: Chapter Meeting, 5pm, Hill AFB Building 1575

#### Feb

10: Chapter Meeting, 5pm, Hill AFB Building 1575

#### Mar

9: Chapter Meeting, 5pm, Hill AFB Building 1575

18: Scowcroft Awards Banquet

#### Apr

3: CCAF Graduation

13: Chapter Meeting, 5pm, Hill AFB Building 1575

25: Wolf Creek Annual Fund-raiser

#### May

11: Chapter Meeting, 5pm, Hill AFB Building 1575

#### Jun

8: Chapter Meeting, 5pm, Hill AFB Building 1575

## **Chapter Website:**

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Chapter Meetings: Held at 5:00pm, the second Monday of each month at Hill AFB in building 1575, first floor (lobby) conference room. A call-in number is available for those unable to attend in person. The dial in number is (712) 775-7031 and the meeting ID is 169-187-692. If you would like to attend and do not have base access, please contact one of the officers on the front page.