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### President's Corner by Larry Belge

Over the recent quarter the chapter was part of several community events within the North East Florida area. Members have participated in Family Fun Days for the St Johns Aerospace Academy (St Augustine HS) at St Augustine Airport.

Next chapter members joined with members of the Jacksonville community, local officials and veterans to participate in 'Friends of the 125<sup>th</sup> Day' at the 125thFW. Included were presentations and a meet and greet for the attendees. Another event the Falcon Chapter supported

was "Wings & Wheels" an open house sponsored by JAXEX (JIA) at Craig Airport. Moving forward into June and July the Falcon Team prepared for hosting the Florida State Convention 2016 here at the Lexington Hotel on the Southbank, Jacksonville. At the Convention three Falcon members were awarded the AFA Florida Sustained Performance Award. Congratulations Ernie Webster, Bruce Fouraker and Larry Belge. Two Falcon teachers, Angela Lhotka and Warren McCrary were recipient of the AFA National Chapter Award as 'Teacher of the Year 2016' with stipend. In addition our Falcon member Ernie Webster, received the AFA Florida 'Member of the Year'. This recognition was for his exceptional support to the AFA Florida Region as Treasurer and many additional duties for multiple years.

A Big Thank you to all who assisted with FL Convention made this a successful event.

The Falcon Scholarship Program for 2016 concluded with five awards, four to AFJROTC and one to the St. Johns Aerospace Academy.

A special thanks to our Community Partners who support these Aerospace Programs.

The AFA National Convention 2016, in September has two delegates representing the Falcon Chapter. They are part of the AFA Florida Delegation from the 15 chapters here in Florida. Following the Convention is the AFA 'Air, Space & Cyber' National Conference 2016 with over six thousand in anticipated attendance. At this event Monday night the AFA and the Air Force honor twelve Airman of the Year at a prestigious Gala Dinner.

This Fall will start a new program year for the chapter. Yes, please consider joining the Falcon Team as one of the officers. Kick-off for the year is on *October 20*, the Falcon Fall Program and Awards Dinner. *Save the Date*.

Note: Falcon Business Meetings are the first Tuesday of the month at the Lexington Hotel on Riverwalk at Noon. Looking forward to seeing you there.

*Larry Belge*

### AFA FLORIDA CONVENTION 2016 (See Page Three)



AFA Florida Member of the Year President's Award presented to Ernie Webster by Bill Yucuis FL Region President at the FL Convention 2016 in July.



FL Convention members, enjoying the sights Friday evening River Cruise on the St Johns River in Jacksonville. .



## AFA FALCON CHAPTER NORTH EAST FLORIDA



### Membership Renewal by Name - Month & Year (3-30-16)

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Christopher Bergey	CMSgt Gerald French	Maj Gen Gerald Maloney
11 2015	12 2015	12 2015
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11 2015	12 2015	10 2015
Mr. Donald Campbell	Mr. Derry Greene	MSgt Andrew Miller
12 2015	7 2015	1 2016
Maj Gen Gerald Carey	Bobby Guthrie	Nemia Noble
1 2016	12 2015	6 2015
Col Samuel Carter	Maj Howard Hall	Col Henry Purser
10 2015	1 2016	12 2015
Angela Coleman Rao	Capt Duke Horner	1st Lt Austin Sanford
1 2016	1 2016	1 2016
Maj Samuel Consoli	Mrs. Mary Howes	BG Otha Smith
12 2015	12 2016	1 2016
Maj Peter Cosentino	Charles Jones	MSgt John Stuart
1 2016	12 2015	1 2016
Lt Col Thomas Cunningham	CMSgt William Justus	Col John Thomas
5 2015	1 2016	12 2015
SSgt Lance Davison	Gen Paul Kauttu	Jim Thompson
7 2015	11 2015	1 2016
Kyle Dean	Gigi Kosalko	Lt Col Troy Turner
1 2016	10 2015	11 2015
Casey DeSanto	Martin Kosiek	Chris Webster
1 2016	11 2015	1 2016
Bruce Duke	Capt Bill Kotziers	
9 2015	1 2016	



## MEMBERSHIP

### Renewal List Past Quarter 2016

The Officers of the Falcon Chapter hope that everyone on the list here will renew membership. **Anyone on the list who has renewed please accept our thanks for your renewal.** For regular memberships the yearly rate is \$45, by renewing for three years at \$110 **you save \$25.** If you become a life-long member for \$600 you are getting your membership free after year 14. In addition now a **one year e-membership** for \$30. Visit <http://www.afa.org/AFA/Join> Regular members may renew at <https://secure.afa.org/joinafa/JoinAFA.aspx>

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### Scholarship Funding - To All

**Falcon Chapter Members:** Please give consideration to contributing to our scholarship fund. We need to replenish the funds. A \$20 or \$25 dollar check from 100 members will give two cadets \$500 towards books, tuition, etc. and we have 6 schools where students need our help so you can see where we need even larger donations. If you know a business owner, doctor, dentist or anyone who could be a **Community Partner** encourage them to sign on. A \$200.00 Community Partner is an even bigger help and we need a lot of them. Come to the Monthly Biz Meet 1st Tuesday each month to see what we are doing. We need your help.  
**Ernie Webster, Tres**

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## AFA FALCON CHAPTER NORTH EAST FLORIDA



### Florida State Convention 2016 - Collage - brief look at the Sessions

From Convention Floor - Members at opening session - FL President Bill Yucuis , presiding.



(Below) Presentations at the Session covered Cyber Patriot, Lee Barnby (left), the F-35 Initiative Center) Major Jonathan Kassebaum, 125FW, and Stella Explorer II, Tim Brock, AFA Secretary. (Right)



(Below) Attendees break for side discussions - cross tell and a look at Florida Chapters around the state!



**Air Force Association Annual National Convention Sept 17-18, 2016**





# AFA FALCON CHAPTER NORTH EAST FLORIDA



MONTH	ACTIVITY / - Tasks	CALENDAR	2016	DETAILS	POC
AUG1 4 5	FIELD RESOLUTIONS - CUT OFF DATE Chapter Meeting – Lexington – Dining Room Invite legislators to attend awards Banquet 10/20/2015			Business meeting (open to membership) Call/email or visit	Executive Council Pres/Ldrshp Team Pres/Ldrshp Team
SEP 6 17-18 19-21 23 31	Chapter Business Meeting – Lexington – Room AFA National Convention, Gaylord Ntional Hotel, AFA Natl Conf- Gaylord Natl Harbor, Wash, DC Newsletter Articles Due CAP Deadline for Teachers rants/Newsletter/QAR/QFR			<b>Attendance Encouraged</b> <b>Natnl Exhibits by Defense Contractors at Conference</b> <b>All Contributors</b> Due to State Oct 31	<b>ALL HANDS</b> <b>Comm VP</b> <b>Pres/Ledrshp Team</b> <b>CAP Liason/Pres/</b> <b>Tres/AE/CAP VP</b>
OCT 4 10 20 30 TBD TBD	Chapter Business Meeting – Lexington – Room AFJROTC Educator Grant Deadline <b>CHAPTERInduction Banquet Bouble- tree,RwalkSS</b> <b>- New Chapter Officer Rosters due to State President</b> Region President's Fall Area Mtg (Webinar/Conf Call) Exec Falcon Team Review			<b>Business Meeting (open to membership)</b> Submit Candidate if possible <b>Feature Speaker/present awards/induct officers</b> Nominations/Elections of officers All Falcon Exec Council Develop an Aerospace Technology Course	Pres/Ldrshp Team VP Ed, Secretary <b>All M'ship &amp; Invites</b> Executive Council Exec Council VP Ed, VP
NOV 8 15	Chapter Meeting – Lexington – St Johns Dining Rm Educator Grant Deadline (Proposed)			<b>Planning meeting/set calendar for 2015/AAP/AFP/Plan</b>	Pres/Ldrshp Team Pres/AE Ed VP
DEC 6 31 16 JAN31	Chapter Meeting – Lexington Hotel – Room TBD AAPlan/AFP due to FL State/Region Deadline for CAP Teacher Grants (Quarterly) QAR/QFR/Newsletter (due to State/Regn Jan 31, 2017)			<b>Business meeting (open to Membership)</b>  Review – AE VP Chair Prepare – Review with Exec Council	Pres/tres/LdrshpTm Pres/Ldrshp Team Aerospace Ed VP Pres/Tres/Comm VP



## FRIENDS OF THE 125TH DAY



An invitation was accepted by several of our Falcon Team to attend the 'Friends' of 125th FW Day at Jacksonville International Airport the home of the 125th Fighter Wing. The guests were from different local businesses; City, County, US Congressional offices and veteran groups.

The opening session started with the 125th Wing Commander, Col Brian Bell identifying the intent of the Friends Day. After brief note Col Bell introduced the Commander for the Florida Air National Guard, Brigadier General James Eifert. The General reviewed the multiple number units, commands and the tasking assigned here within the Florida Air National Guard. Following the presentation all attendees were given a tour of the Air Guard Base which identified the facilities (buildings) and task each area had. The



BG Eifert presenting FL Air Guard Today



Visitors have an F15E up close cockpit look!

tour culminated at the main hangar housing the aircraft maintenance support equipment. In front of the hangar all visitors watched as select F-15E fighter jets, prepped and run up, then taxiing and take off demos. Wow they sure are loud at take-off!

**Note –** The 125th FW is the host to the Starbase Florida Program that supports weekly sessions during the school year to the inner-city elementary students (Title One) for intros in Aerospace Education.



Maj Greg Stritch Starbase Director, and Col Bell, 125FW Commander



Director Jackie Smith, Ted Nest, and Bill Spann, Milt Affairs & Vets, COJ



Falcon members Bruce Fouraker, Fred Dunkley in discuss with Col Bell, Cmdr.





## Falcon Award Recipients and Delegates at AFA FL Convention 2016

AFA is a volunteer organization and these awards are one way to recognize the service, sacrifice, and valor of our volunteers here through out chapters of Florida. The Florida Chapters nominate chapter members in several categories' for their support at multiple levels. A committee reviews all Florida State Awards nomination forms and produce a list of recommendations for awards to the State President for approval. Picture here are those Falcon Chapter members present for this presentation at the AFA Florida luncheon here in July 16, 2016. .



Falcon recipients (from left) Ernie Webster, Treasurer; Larry Belge, President; Bruce Fareaker, VP Govern Relations



Above - Ernie Webster receiving the AFA Florida President's Service Award. 2016

These Falcon Team members were identified by their fellow members for their sustained performance in support of the Falcon Chapters activities. It included out reach to the Northeast Area communities and business in promoting AFA Aerospace Education Programs and community partnering. Their interaction with Civil Air Patrol units, the local AFJROTC units, and veteran organizations were also identified in their activities.



AFA Florida Chapter 399  
Member of the Year 2016



Falcon members Frank Kozdras, Dr John O'Sullivan & Dr Cynthia O'Sullivan



Barbara Belge & Peggy Johnson  
enjoying the Dinner River Cruise.



After hours enjoyed at the Hospitality Suite



Above - A special session Fashion Show for the ladies.



Falcon members receive AFA National Award for TOY 2016 with a stiffen. Left Angela Lhotka (Annunciation School) and Warren McCrary (St Johns AE Academy - St Aug HS)







## **AFA's CyberPatriot Program Increasingly Recognized as a Model STEM Program. AFA Falcon Chapter and CyberPatriot**

AFA is a pioneer in supporting K-12 programs that promote cybersecurity education and STEM. Indeed, the National Youth Cyber Education Program better known as the CyberPatriot Program, was recognized at the Cybersecurity Competitions Workshop, hosted by the Office of Science and Technology Policy at the White House in April. Contests can promote higher diversity for the talent pool, too. CyberPatriot is committed to promoting diversity in the talent pool for future cybersecurity workforce needs.

Lt. Col. Lee Barnby (USAF, retired) gave an excellent update of CyberPatriot's three main programs at our recent Florida AFA meeting. CyberPatriot is aimed at ANY high school or middle school student, not just "alpha geeks". No prior knowledge of cybersecurity is needed and training materials are designed so any students can excel within the competition. During the National Youth Cyber Defense Competition, high school and middle school student teams act as newly hired IT professionals tasked with increasing the security of a company's network. These teams are given a set of virtual images that represent operating systems and are tasked with finding cybersecurity vulnerabilities and hardening the system while maintaining critical services. Top teams within their state and region earn an all-expenses paid trip to Baltimore, MD for the National Finals Competition where they can earn national recognition and scholarship money. Florida sent 3 of the 28 teams to the National CP-VIII. Thus far, Falcon chapter area teams are located at three local high schools: Creekside, Ridgeview and Oakleaf.

AFA Cyber Camps emphasize fun, hands-on learning of cybersecurity principles that are relevant and applicable to everyday life for students in grades 7-12 who have little to no cybersecurity knowledge. AFA chapters, middle/high schools, ROTC/CAP/Scouting units, Boys and Girls Clubs, and other non-profit organizations may sponsor these camps but must provide the computer and technical equipment as well as a qualified instructor. The CyberCamp kits are available from AFA for a cost of \$1050. In 2015, CyberPatriot launched a new activity for elementary school students. The program is designed to engage students in learning about careers in cybersecurity and other STEM disciplines, help students understand the importance of cybersecurity, introduce students to cybersecurity principles and equip students to better protect themselves on the Internet.

What can the Falcon Chapter do to help?

First, we need to identify more hosting institutions such as JROTC, CAP, educational institutions and Boys and Girls Clubs and recruit a coach at the institution to participate in the various programs. Coaches are typically a teacher or adult JROTC/CAP/NSCC leader. If you have interest and some expertise, please consider becoming a technical mentor at a hosting institution. Either coaches or technical mentors can mentor teams. There is a modest commitment of time to teach cyber security basics with provided material as well as oversee team participation in competitions. AFA helps pair technical mentors with teams, who express a need. You may also wish to participate as a team assistant, who volunteer to help coach/technical mentor with administrative tasks, recruitment etc. Help these programs by remaining an active member of national and your local AFA

chapter. For more information : <https://www.uscyberpatriot.org/> or Contact the CyberPatriot Program Office at 877-885-5716 or [info@uscyberpatriot.org](mailto:info@uscyberpatriot.org). If interested in helping in our area please contact Dr. Cynthia O'Sullivan, [anatbat@gmail.com](mailto:anatbat@gmail.com) or one of the Falcon Leadership.



State Award All Service 2016 Centurion Battalion Navy Sea Cadets, Winter Park

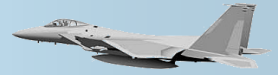


State Award, Top Open Division, 2016  
Wizard Squad, Winter Springs HS





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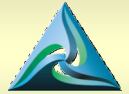


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AFA Air, Space, & Cyber Conference Sep 19-21**



## AFA FALCON CHAPTER NORTH EAST FLORIDA



**Ran Mariam, VP, assisting with  
a new member application.**



A community event was sponsored by the Jacksonville Aviation Authority at JAXEX, Craig Airfield in Jacksonville. Over thirty eight hundred attended the open house a full day event. The theme for the day was *Wings* - all types of aircraft and *Wheels* a classic car collection from local car clubs. For the opening ceremony the local CAP Composite Sqdrn #383 presented the colors with singer. The chapter was very successful for the day with signing up five new members. Congratulations.



**Ran Mariam explains the Falcon Chapters  
Aerospace Ed Program in the community.**



**A Classic Aircraft Lockheed Model 18**



**The Falcon Team from left Larry Belge, John DeNys, Mary Fouraker, Bruce Fouraker and Ran Mariam**