

Air Force Sergeants Association - Awards Nomination

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Award: VSA	Category: Chapter	Award Period: Jan 2017 - Dec 2017
Name of Nominee (First, MI, Last): Chapter 1328		Nominee's Rank: N/A
Division: 6	Chapter: 1328	Chapter Strength: 921

2. SPECIFIC ACCOMPLISHMENTS *(Use single-spaced bullet format)*

Activity and Americanism Projects

- AFSA Scout Ambassadors; 7 base tours w/260 people/5 Troops/2 Packs--key to son/dad excursion program victory
- Coord'd 7 tours; link'd K-9, Fire Department, Airfield Tower, F-16s, B-1s, B-52s, ALS & Museum--promoted AFSA
- Ordered 3 High Schools JROTC Awards; presented w/AFSA Chapter 1328 member--networked AFSA w/local edu
- Retiree Appreciation Day; Div 6 Legislative Trustee host--provided information booth for 300 attendees/raised \$286
- Brief'd 50 retirees/family mbrs/survivors; 70 minutes/covered full spectrum of mil benefits--raised AFSA awareness
- Teamed 4 Jul Freedom Festival/AFSA booth; 10 vols/9 hrs--\$678.04 profit/briefed AFSA benefits to 1.5K base prsnl
- Led 3rd annual "Beers for the Brave" event; AV community honored mil w/ beers--provided AFSA HQ Int'l branding
- Honored Total Force; AFSA event boosted morale--available to all Joint & Coalition military members w/CAC card
- Free game entrance; 4 free passes/coin/beverages/snacks for military members--raised \$2475/no cost AFSA chptr
- 320 total military/civil service in attendance; coord'd AADD trans--allowed AFSA committee to interact w/local ldr
- 23 Chapter volunteers devotion; honored nation as Honor Guard ceremony, First Pitch, National Anthem Singers
- Led 4th annual AFSA "Hits for Heroes" event; opened tournament w/CM Knight/chptr ldrship/Founder--PR success
- 740 AFSA supporters in attendance; 20 teams/\$5800 raised--proceeds 50/50 split w/chptr & Lancaster Vet Home
- 240 players enjoyed event; morale boosted by Chapter 1328 volunteer Honor Guard Ceremony, Chaplain prayers
- Increased team attendance; event broadcasted on Spectrum news for 500k spectators--awarded US HRep cert.
- Coordinate QoL funds; aided 1st public Enlisted Heritage room-- exec'd \$7K/showcas'd EAFB Enlist'd contributions
- Implemented AFSA "Enl Heritage Corner" proj; secured \$17K from 412th TW--secured prominent space from club
- AFSA spearheaded EAFB enlisted msn contribution display effort; 125+ attendees/lcl ldrs--lauded by base ldrship
- Cement'd AFSA Chptr 1328 enlisted legacy; selected as proj curator--unique displays reveal'd undoc'd contribution
- Supported volunteers! Donated \$50 to EAFB Volunteer Appreciation Award Ceremony--displayed positive outlook
- Above and Beyond! Organized Habitat for Humanity support in Santa Clarita--maintained good order, honored vets
- Homes built with AFSA volunteer support and donations specifically for local homeless veterans within the AV area
- Provided more than 22 volunteers month; supported building of 78 houses overall, six solely by AFSA personnel
- Supports youth activities and education! Donated \$100 to Science, Technology, Engineering and Math Innovation
- Ensured 72 students enrolled, ranging from 9-12 years old, received tools necessary to succeed in critical skills
- Partnered with The Flight Historical Foundation with cleaning up of the Black Bird Air Park annex in Palmdale, Ca
- Ensured quality image of park for use by the Junior Test Pilot School--enhanced STEM Innovation programs in AV
- Raised \$1160 for the Air Force Enlisted Village and CMSAF Scholarship Fund--supported programs for vet families
- Championed CA Vet Homes in '17; total 11 events/ 765 residents respectively--hands down best prgm in all AFSA
- AFSA Hosted Veterans Home of CA Lancaster Super Bowl Party; rais'd \$125--purchased food & supplies for event
- 20 AFSA vols; served 73 residents w/pizza--shared camaraderie w/lcl vets--shared camaraderie w/fellow veterans
- AFSA Vet Home New Years BBQ; rais'd \$200--purchased food & supplies;62 residents & 20 staff celebrated event
- Headed AFSA Chp Comm/539 mbrs; oversaw Facebook pg/promoted 23 events--1K views weekly/"Likes" up 56%
- Incrs'd awareness/AFSA Americanism visibility through paper/EABF web page/Vet Home & chptr Facebook page
- Present'd Lancaster Vet Home St Patrick's Day BBQ Luncheon; 60+ residents--AFSA cared for local vet/morale
- Veterans Home of Lancaster/Barstow; 60 vols/200+ residents/served food--raised awareness of AFSA initiatives
- Chaired AFSA Veterans Home of Barstow Base Tour & Bowling event; highly successful no cost event for veterans
- Coordinated with Bowling Alley for free Veterans Free Bowling, AFSA provided free meals for all 22 veterans/staff
- Conducted product donation drives at commissary; AFSA volunteers collected \$775+ worth in cash & donated food
- Organized seven individual Lancaster Vet Home BBQs--70 residents, 20 staff served; enhanced morale of heroes
- Donated \$2700 to veterans home from previous years events--enhanced good order with community, honored vets
- Delivered AF Birthday Bash celebration--200 resident Barstow Vet Home BBQ, key note on AF accomplishments
- Staffed Gathering of the Eagles; provided 19 AFSA silent auction volunteers--mentored 14 cadets on leadership

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- Hosted Civil Air Patrol Cadet Visit--escorted 50 cadets, ensured proper amenities; successful training event secured
- Innovative! Completed AFSA Enlisted Alumni Board--showcase enlisted members with great contributions to AFSA
- Ensures positive and supportive outlook for AFSA for future generations of membership; celebrates team members
- Sponsored Wing POW/MIA Remembrance Ceremony; official retreat upheld military traditions--honored fallen vets
- AV Rotary Group Guest speaker; briefed 55 business owners on AFSA and EAFB--enhanced community relations
- Awarded club president certificate, best briefer; secured three AFSA memberships on the spot! Honed relationship
- Promoted AFSA! Set up booth, educated EAFB member/families during base 70th Anniversary of Flight celebration
- AFSA Powerhouse; TSgt Burd garnered 2016 International Mbr OTY/topped 97K mbrs--set pace for other chapters!
- Garnered 2016 Division 6 Large Chapter of the Year, overcame 21 others, 2nd yr running--AFSA Internat'l conv ldr!
- MSgt Keely Division 6 Volunteer Service Person of the Year
- CMSgt (Ret) Jim Lokovic Legislative Member of the Year
- 2016 Community Service Chapter of the Year

Membership

- Coordinated 32 event membership drives/briefings; educated 412 TW/ AV area newest laws--450+ mbrs briefed
- Spoke to 4 APEC classes; 36 NCOs briefed/mentored--covered AFSA importance, roles & membership benefits
- Coached Middle Tier Association; attended 12 meetings--briefed 256 on AF benefits, AFSA membership & ldrshp
- Briefed New Comer's Orientation--covered AFSA importance, roles & membership benefits for 150 new personnel
- Covered 52 1st Sgt meetings; 1248 briefed annually--stressed recruitment, talked importance of AFSA membership
- Mentored 7 ALS Classes; briefed/recruited/talked w/315 airmen--stressed importance of AFSA events/membership
- Collaborated with Top 3; attended 12 meetings--stressed recruitment, importance of AFSA to 264 senior wing ldrs
- Donated \$100 to Top 3--promoted positivity of members, strengthened rapport with key Edward's Senior NCO's
- Briefed 8 classes of First Term Airman Center--covered AFSA importance, secured interest of 135 junior members
- Orchestrated recruitment/retention campaign; crafted standing display minimum cost to cpt--reached 380 members
- Chpt ambassador PAC 17'; Recruited 19 members f/life; Coined by MSG & 412TW CCM for outstanding leadership
- Honored fallen first responders; Deputy Owens & Paramedic family each received \$500--AFSA fundraiser success
- Advocates for success! Provides career broadening skills and access to membership through key note speakers
- Secured 412 TW Career Assistance Advisor as Guest Speaker--enhanced member career vision and opportunities
- Provided public speaking skills and engagement--Toastmasters Club President honed speech presentation skills
- Advocated Total Force policy--two foreign services project leads/commanders provided allied country perspectives

Legislative Initiatives

- Org'd 3 day L.A. Air Show booth; mng'd 12 vols/raised \$1.1K funds--chp broadcast'd on spectrum to global viewers
- Staffed LA County Airshow; 2 days/raised \$1100--Armed Forces Network (AFN) interview--touted AFSA objectives
- Chp 1328/Div 6 AFSA PAC rep; attended 13 sr ldr (SAF,CSAF,CMSAF) seminars--shared AF's newest perspective
- Hosted 2 AFSA foreign military(UK/Australia); prep forum style/Q&A opportunity allies ldrshp --140 svc mbrs brief'd
- Coordinate 412TW annual congressional visit--link AFSA legislative platform;12 senior leaders/48 member briefed
- Hosted US Congressman Steve Knight--strengthened chapter relations with local community, political parties
- Supporter of local community! Donated \$100 to Branch Elementary School--ensured Biology fundamentals funded
- Maintained positive relationship with community, base education--supported Command Chief's QoL vision initiative
- Innovative! Organized Chief Lokovic Luncheon with Chapter 1328 Executive Members Council, other members
- Received mentoring for shaping the future of chapter! Honed skills for chapter organization, AFSA representation
- Attended AFSA International Convention and Professional Airman Conference--assisted in \$37K raised by 75 cptrs
- Briefed Edwards AFB leadership on pertinent information gained at conference; information channeled to all ranks
- Provided base, chapter with key beneficial key ideas--vision to hone AFSA marketing and strengthen community