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President's Corner by Larry Belge

As we enter into this quarter the chapter is active with our aerospace education programs (STEM) in the Northeast Florida area with Science and Engineering Fairs for middle and high schools. Our Falcon members have participated as mentors and judges with St Augustine Diocese and the NE Florida Region Science and Engineering Fair.

In addition the seven AF JROTC high schools we support with scholarships have submitted cadet nominations for college bound cadet. This quarter the Falcon Scholarships will be presented.

Coming quickly this July, the Falcon Chapter once again is hosting the Florida Region (state) Convention July 15-17. (note article below) As you may remember the Falcon Chapter was selected to host this event in 2009 and 2013. Both events were a Great success and enjoyed by all in attendance. Of course this takes team support for which we ask you, the members of the chapter to assist with for this years event. Selection for Teacher of the Year 2016 was completed for both K-8 and high school category (see pg 8). Our membership is increasing each quarter with support from you the members. Thank you for your support.

Larry Belge, President *Larry Belge*



Larry Belge, Pres,

AFA Florida Convention 2016 Hosted by Falcon Chapter in Jacksonville

The Falcon Chapter will be holding the Air Force Association Florida (AFAFL) Convention at the Lexington Hotel Riverwalk in Jacksonville on the beautiful St. Johns River on July 14, 15 & 16, 2016. The following events will be included with the convention. For early bird arrivals there will be a free wine tasting at the Peninsular Condominiums located on the St. Johns River just a short a walk down the Riverwalk from the Lexington. We will have wine and cheese available for the members who decide to check-in on Thursday and spend an extra day in Jacksonville. (Cont'd Pg 4)



Arial view Lexington Hotel in background along the St Johns River downtown

FLORIDA AFJROTC DRILL COMPETITION 2016



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Sandalwood AFJROTC Scores Big

Once again this year Sandalwood takes First Place and OverAll Championship (Perpetual) Trophy

FL President Bill Yucuis thanks USAF ROTC Commander Col Cardoso, and the Cadet Judging Team for a job well done.



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

SMSgt Donald Baker	Abel Fernandez	Lt Col Arthur Lydick
1 2016	8 2015	1 2016
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11 2015	12 2015	10 2015
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12 2015	7 2015	1 2016
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1 2016	12 2015	6 2015
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10 2015	1 2016	12 2015
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1 2016	1 2016	1 2016
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Maj Peter Cosentino	Charles Jones	MSgt John Stuart
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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>

Community Partners should renew by contacting Ernest L. Webster at ewebs13@hotmail.com. You may also send your renewal checks to Ernest L. Webster, Treasurer at 1822 Brush Hill Drive, Jax, FL 32211

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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		LIFE MEMBERSHIP \$600	
LIFE MEMBERSHIP EXTENDED PAYMENTS: INITIAL PAYMENT OF \$90 WITH 4 QUARTERLY PAYMENTS OF \$135 EACH			
INITIAL PAYMENT OF \$110 WITH 8 QUARTERLY PAYMENTS OF \$67.50 EACH			
Payment included: CHECK ENCLOSED \$ AMEX MASTERCARD VISA EXP DATE			

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Florida State Convention on July 15 & 16, 2016

The Falcon Chapter is hosting the AFAFL Convention at the Lexington Hotel Riverwalk in Downtown Jacksonville. If you are attending the convention, please respond to this form with your check no later than **June 10, 2016**. We cannot guarantee the availability of hotel rooms if reservations are received after this date. By directly paying the chapter, you will save room and sales taxes totaling 13 percent. **Room rates include two breakfast tickets and free self-parking.**

Hotel Rooms:

Number of rooms ____ x number of nights ____ x \$109.00 = \$____.____

(Up to two guests/includes two breakfasts/free self parking)

Number of extra guests per room (maximum four)

Per room night: ____ x \$10.00 = \$____.____

Wine tasting at the Peninsular on Thursday, July 14 ____ x N/C = \$-0-

Delegate Registration for Convention ____ x \$20.00 = \$____.____

Friday, July 15 Evening River Cruise with Dinner ____ x \$60.00 = \$____.____

(Boarding at 5:30 PM/Ship leaves at 6:00 PM)

Saturday, July 16 Luncheon Buffet ____ x \$20.00 \$____.____

Saturday, July 16 Dinner ____ x \$25.00 \$____.____

(____ Beefs/ ____ Chickens/ ____ Salad/Vegetarian / ____)

Self-Parking for Non-Room Guests \$5.00/Car/Day \$____.____

Total payable to - AFA Falcon Chapter Number 399 \$____.____

C/O Ernest Webster, Treasurer

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MONTH	ACTIVITY / - Tasks	CALENDAR	2016	DETAILS	POC
APR - 5 16 21 23 TBD	SUBMIT QAR / QFR REPORTS TO STATE – By 30 Apr Chapter Meeting – Lexington– St Johns Dinning Room - SUBMIT STATE AWARDS TO STATE EXEC VP -BY16Apr - SUBMIT NATIONAL AWARDS TO STATE PREs- 16 April AWARDS BANQUET - CROWN PLAZA 6:30 Sign-in (social) Wings & Wheels – JAXEX Craig Airport - NE AREA Pres. MEET. (Conf Call w/ FL Rgn Pres)		- Activity & Financial Reports completed for 1st Qtr 2016 Chapter Business (open to membership) – final review of AWARDS Submittal to STATE - Rec/Select JROTC Units, Candidates & Instructors, CAP Units & Candidates, Airman of Year, Community Partners & Teacher of Year Falcon Booth & Display – Membership officers, Committee Chrs, & potential leaderst ExecTm	Pres, SEC & TRES Pres, VP, & Sec Pres, Ldrshp Team Pres, Ldrshp Team Pres, VP, & Sec, Membership&Invites Falcon Team Pres/Ldrshp Team	
MAY 3 10-15 31	Chapter Meeting – Lexington at noon – Dining Room All AWARDS and NOMINATIONS due to NATIONAL Natl Teacher of Year Submission - Deadline		Business Meeting - National Aerospace Education Awards, Natl TOY Submit Select at State level	Pres, Ldrshp Team Rgnl Pres Regional Pres	
JUN 3 15 22 24 30 30	Chapter Meeting – Lexington – St Johns Dining Rm (Proposed) date for fundraiser at Battalion AirSoft Program Newsletter Articles Due Executive Committee Planning Session – Lexington CAP Teacher Grants Deadline (Quarterly) Submit Newsletter (printed copies)/QAR/QFR to State		Business Meeting (open to membership) - Falcon Exec Team All Contributors Strategic Plan for 2015 - Membership Programs/Outreach Due to State Jul 30	Pres, Sec, Officers Pres/Treasurer Comm VP Members Exec CAP LIASON Pres/Tres/Comm VP	
JUL 6 15 - 17	Chapter Meeting – Lexington – St Johns Dining Rm FL STATE CONVENTION - Jacksonville, FL FL STATE DINNER CRUISE - TBA (Friday)		Business meeting – Final prep for Convention Attendance Recommended - all members ALL MEMBERS, FAMILIES & ATTENDEES	Pres/Ldrshp Team Pres, Ldrsp Team Members Att'dnees	
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	
SEP17- 18 19-21 23 31	AFA National Convention, Gaylord Ntional Hotel, Washington,DC AFA Natl Conf- Gaylord Natl Harbor, Wash, DC Newsletter Articles Due CAP Deadline for Teachers rants/Newsletter/QAR/QFR		Attendance Encouraged Natnl Exhibits by Defense Contractors at Conference All Contributors Due to State Oct 31	ALL HANDS Comm VP Pres/Ledshp Team CAP Liason/Pres/ Tres/AE/CAP VP	
OCT 8 10 20 30 TBD TBD	Chapter Business Meeting – Lexington – Room AFJROTC Educator Grant Deadline CHAPTERInduction Banquet Bouble-tree,RwalkSS - New Chapter Officer Rosters due to State President Region President's Fall Area Mtg (Webinar/Conf Call) Exec Falcon Team Review		Business Meeting (open to membership) Submit Candidate if possible Feature Speaker/present awards/induct officers Nominations/Elections of officers All Falcon Exec Council Develop an Aerospace Technology Course	Pres/Ldrshp Team VP Ed, Secretary All M'ship & Invites Executive Council Exec Council VP Ed, VP	
NOV6 15	Chapter Meeting – Lexington – St Johns Dining Rm Educator Grant Deadline (Proposed)		Planning meeting/set calendar for 2015/AAP/AFP/Plan	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)		Business meeting (open to Membership) Review – AE VP Chair Prepare – Review with Exec Council	Pres/tres/LdrshpTm Pres/Ldrshp Team Aerospace Ed VP Pres/Tres/Comm VP	

AFA Floridia Convention 2016 Activities

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We will have wine and cheese available for the members who decide to check-in on Thursday and spend an extra day in Jacksonville.

On Friday evening members of the AFA will take a short walk down to the riverwalk next to hotel where a cruise boat and dinner served.

Breakfast vouchers are included in the cost of the room and after breakfast the business meeting will start. The mid-day lunch will include the recognition of the state's top Cyber Patriot teams and a speech by a leading politician, business person or military expert.

While the afternoon business session is taking place, spouses of those in the session can attend a fashion show put on by the *Petunia Patch*. This leads up to dinner and more awards as well as our keynote speaker. The weekend winds down with casual conversation in the hospitality suite after the awards dinner.

The convention is packed with fun activities and good a time should be had by all. Please see the **registration form on the page three** and return it to Ernie Webster **before June 10, 2016**. Thank you: Convention Chairman Bruce A Fouraker



FLASH BACK 2013 Convention Time Memories





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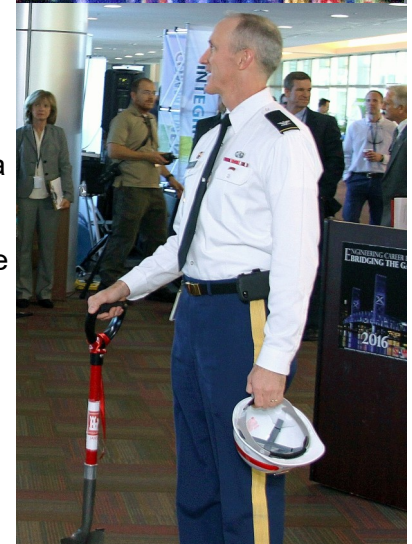
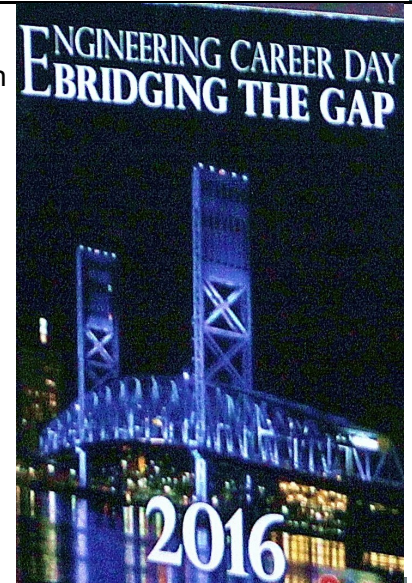
Engineering Career Day – Bridging the Gap

Our Falcon Chapter teachers of NE Florida Chapter had the opportunity to join in and observe the US Corp of Engineers Student Project Day.

This established the future partnering with this competitive program in engineering with the AFA Falcon AE teachers here in Jacksonville. We are all thankful for the invite and having a firsthand view of this event. It has opened up partnering for both parochial and charter schools (members of the Falcon Chapter) by competing in the forth coming Engineer Career Days.



Left to Right: Carla Chin - San Jose School, Yanny Salom - Holy Family School, Archie Yumul-Sacred Heart School, Suzette Gagnon-- Christ the King School, Peter House- NEFRSEF Board Member, and the host chair of the event Tim Gysan,



up to 5lbs weight. Oh! One exception – **the bridge is to be built out of spaghetti**. For the opening, the District Commander, Col Kirk gave the introductions, reviewed the complete requirements for the student engineering project and directed the competition to start. Note the full dress of the Colonel with helmet and shovel (symbolic) ready to dig in and work! (Pictured on Right) As observed (pictured), the stress test in applying the load capacity/weight that caused many failures to the dismay of the engineering students! To assure the tests are fair there were several judges on hand.



Initial 1st Stage



2nd Stage -judges observe



3rd and Final Stage



Above - Applying weight (sand in bucket) for the structural test - some are well built!

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

**STARBASE Florida in its twentieth year**

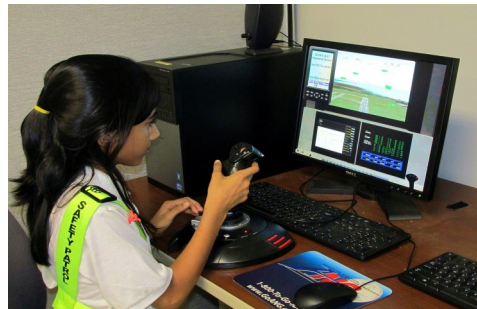
This year we implemented a new STEM initiative in the STARBASE classroom with engineering software from Parametric Technology Corporation (PTC) using Pro Engineering CREO with our fifth grade classes. Students use the design and modeling software to design an unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) set up for search and rescue. (Reference photo at right). The learning curve for the industry leading CAD program was steep for the instructional staff in the beginning but the scholars have quite taken to it. Later in the STARBASE week the students fly the UAV in the simulator program on a search and rescue (SAR) mission on the Big Island of Hawaii. Students must triangulate on Emergency Locator Transmitter

(ELT) signals to determine the bearing to the missing aircraft from Kailua Kona airport on the west side of the island. GPS overlays to the program enable students to identify the location of the rescue site with latitude and longitude coordinates after locating the site.

As with other STARBASE lesson series, the hands-on problem solving models integrates Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics in a fast paced fun setting. Scholars hardly realize they are using math to solve the tactical problems of the mission simulation.

Other aspect of the new Engineering program include designing a lab module for the international space station.

If you are on base stop by to see our amazing students navigate the new STEM series in the classroom. Greg Stritch, Director, STARBASE Florida



Up front learning "hands-on" with a flight simulator for an approach landing in return to an airfield.

Local School - Big Winner at Florida State Science & Engineering Fair

The Florida State Science and Engineering Fair of Florida was held from March 29th to March 31st in Lakeland, Florida, and San Jose Catholic School students came home as big winners. The three-day STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) competition is a display of projects prepared by scientists and engineers in grades six through twelve. Each student was required to show and tell the reason for their project. More than 900 finalists from across the state competed, and San Jose was fortunate to have five of the only eleven middle school students from Jacksonville representing NFRSEF (Northeast Florida Regional Science and Engineering Fair). Winning students were given the encouragement to go forward with their projects by Carla Chin, Science Chair & Pat Mandigan of San Jose school. Both teachers are active chapter members supporting our Aerospace Education, (STEM) Programs. All five of these San Jose students received an award, out of the 417 students competing in the middle school division.

MaryAlice Young	First Place	Physics
Isabelle Young	First Place	Biomedical and Health
Jack Brophy	Third Place	Physics
Grant Reidy	Fourth Place	Physics
John Cratem	Sixth Place	Physics

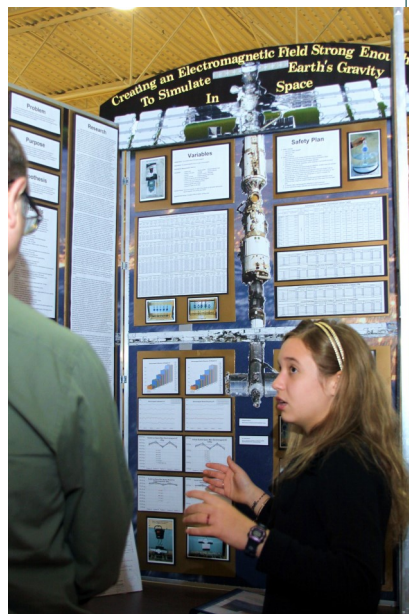
In addition to her first place award, MaryAlice Young received the very prestigious *Doctor Nelson Ying Scholars' Grand Award*.

We applaud these students for their time and dedication on creating these complex science projects, and even more impressively, for spending a good portion of their spring break to bring home these awards.

Congratulations go out to each of these stars.



Picture from St Aug Catholic Diocese Science Fair: Carla Chin identifies winning projects to Deacon Conway, Superintendent Diocesan St Augustine & Col Greg Stritch, Starbase Director Florida



Winning student Mary Alice Young presents her 1st Place Physics project to Judges.



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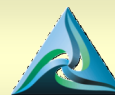


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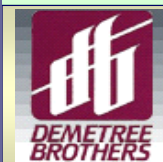
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☐ **YES!** We wish to support the aims of the Air Force Association for greater community understanding of the need for aerospace power in the defense of the nation, and apply for affiliation with the Association as an AFA Community Partner.

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**AFA Florida Convention July 15-16, 2016 at
Lexington Hotel, downtown Jacksonville**



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Falcon Chapter Honors Teacher of the Year 2016

This years nominations committee has made its selection of the Falcon Chapters Teacher of the Year for 2016. By unanimous agreement the following: for Middle School (K-8) is Ms. Angela Lhotka teaching at Annunciation Catholic School, in Middleburg.

The High School category goes to Mr. Warren McCrary from St Johns Aerospace Academy, St Augustine High School. These TOY 2016 Awards were presented at the recent Falcon Chapter Awards and Presentation Dinner. Both teachers gave a brief highlight of their classroom and after hour activities identifying their exceptional and commendable support of Aerospace Education Programs (STEM) to their students.

The purpose of this award is to identify the accomplishments and achievements in exciting K-12 students about science and math (STEM) and preparing them to use and contribute to tomorrow's technologies.



Ms. Angela Lhotka recipient TOY'16 for K-8



Mr. Warren McCrary recipient TOY'16 HS