



# The Vector

Newsletter of AF309: Cape Canaveral Chapter of the Air Force Association  
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## From The Chapter President-Dwyer Dennis

Well we are already speeding into the new decade with so many powerful things happening. In December our nation witnessed the first launch from Cape Canaveral under the new United State Space Force. As a chapter, we are busy launching events and activities to continue executing our AFA mission of promoting dominant Air Power. I encourage all our members to visit the AFA national website to read of how AFA is supporting our great Air Force and now Space Force!

It was a busy month of planning and reporting. Our financial and activity annual reports and 2020 plans were completed and forwarded to State/Regional for eventual National approval. With the activity plan in place now it comes time to start working the details. One of the exciting events on the calendar is a launch of a Chapter Luncheon Speaker Series. Save the date for 17 March. It will be held at The Tides at Patrick AFB. Watch for more details.

Our VP, Aerospace Education has contacted Brevard School District to get the word out about AFA's Teacher of the Year program. The deadline for applications is 27 March. During this month the Chapter also contacted the JrROTC (6) and Civil Air Patrol (3) units in our AOR. We anticipate active engagement with them in the future.

As way of update: The theater release of the "Last Full Measure" was 24 Jan 2020 but with only a limited release of 500 screens nationwide. This movie is the story of MOH recipient Airman William H. Pitsenbarger, Jr. ("Pits"). It is to be available in local theaters by 31 January. We are working to have a special showing for Patrick airmen. Standby for more information on this future event.

Lastly, to complement our website: [www.canaveral.afaflorida.org](http://www.canaveral.afaflorida.org) and The Vector, a new Chapter Facebook page is being established. We'll get the word out in February on the link address. It is being created by Ahna and Jordan Archturus – new active duty chapter members recently PCS'd to Patrick AFB.

## Community Partners VP-Randy Turner

The chapter's informational tri-fold is being finalized to launch our Community Partner (CP) recruiting campaign in February. There are numerous local businesses/organizations in our Chapter's AOR that are potential partners with us to Educate... Advocate... Support. If you have ideas or contacts for potential CPs please contact Randy or any Executive Council member.

## Chapter Treasurer-Jim Carroll

As of January 2020, our chapter bank balance was positive and finances are in good order. The Chapter 2020 budget/financial plan was completed and as we expected our plans exceed current funds so we will need "fund raisers" as well as secure Community Partners. The chapter donated \$350 to support the 45<sup>th</sup> Space Wing Annual Awards Banquet to be held 31 January.

## Chapter Secretary-Mark Lindsley

Chapter membership roster cleanup continues. To help accomplish the update we must update all contact info. While this process can take a while to complete, it would be helpful if all would verify mailing addresses with AFA National. Chapter membership/assignment is based on your data on file at National. Again, your patience and participation are appreciated as we conduct the "clean up"

## Monthly Activities

11 Feb: Executive Council monthly meeting at PAFB Marina, 5:30. Members are encouraged to attend.

## Executive Council Decisions

The Exec Council met 14 Jan at Mantatee Cove Marine on Patrick AFB. The EC decided to support 45<sup>th</sup> SW Annual Awards Banquet and establish a Facebook site. The 2019 Activity & Financial Reports and the 2020 Activity & Financial plans were approved for submittal to State/Regional.

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