2017 Air Warfare Symposium and Technology Exposition

The Air Force Association's 33rd Annual Air Warfare Symposium and Technology Exposition will take place March 1-3, 2017 at the Rosen Shingle Creek Hotel in Orlando, Florida. Invited speakers to the Symposium will include the Secretary of the Air Force or Acting Secretary of the Air Force (dependent on changes coming from the new administration), Chief of Staff of the Air Force David L. Goldfein, incoming Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force Kaleth O. Wright, and other top Air Force leaders.

The chapter will celebrate its annual Gala dinner on Thursday, March 2, 2016 this year. Tickets to the Gala may be purchased through registration on the AFA website. Dress for the Air Force Gala will be Service Dress and/or Business Suit. For additional Gala information, please contact Mike Liquori at mliquori@cfl.rr.com.

As an AFA leader, you are invited to attend the symposium which will be held on Thursday, March 2, from 8:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m., and on Friday, March 3, from 8:30 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. The standard registration fee for the symposium is \$895 for an AFA individual member and \$1,025 for non-AFA members. However, since it is important for AFA leaders to attend this national event, there is a special leader registration fee of \$275 (for AFA National Officers, Region Presidents, Directors, National Committee Members, State and Chapter Presidents. [Note: Since this is not a directed meeting, this fee is not reimbursable for AFA leaders.] The registration fee includes a welcome reception in the exhibit hall on 3/1, one and a half days of sessions on 3/2-3; continental breakfasts on 3/2-3; coffee breaks on 3/2-3; and a lunch in the exhibit hall on 3/2.

Registration is now open. Please go to http://www.afa.org/airwarfare/home for more information. To register, click on the 'Register' button then select the 'AFA Leader' registration category. If you have any questions regarding registration, please contact Katie Storm (ext. 5848) at kstorm@afa.org.

AFA is pleased to extend our internal rate of \$164 single/double per night, plus applicable taxes. Reservations will be accepted on a first-in basis until the block is full or until noon on Friday, January 27, 2017, whichever comes first. To reserve your hotel room, you must first register for the Symposium by selecting the 'AFA Leader' category. At the end of the registration process, look for the Hotel Reservations paragraph and click the link to make your hotel reservation. The hotel link is also included in your event registration confirmation that is e-mailed to you. **NOTE: Do not call the hotel directly**; this is the only avenue available for you to make your hotel reservation at this rate. If you have any questions, please contact Amanda Grandel at agrandel@afa.org or 703-247-5819.

We are looking forward to having another successful meeting at the **Rosen Shingle Creek**. Here are some highlights about the property:

- Less than 20 minutes from the Orlando International Airport. <u>Click here</u> for driving directions or <u>click here</u> for SuperShuttle discount information.
- Multiple dining options from full service restaurants to a 24-hour deli and market place. Please check out all of their options <u>here</u>.
- Discounted golf available just mention you are with AFA.
- Four pools and a spa.
- Check-in time is 3:00 pm. Check-out time is 11:00 am.
- Self parking is \$18 per day, however, <u>if you mention you are with AFA, you will receive 50% off.</u>
 Valet parking is \$26 for the day and \$27 overnight.