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Message from the Chapter President

Dear Gabriel Chapter and AFA Members and Friends,

The General Charles A. Gabriel Chapter of the Air Force Association had a very good quarter to report to the membership. Most of our focus this quarter was in the Educational Area. We awarded the certificate and a check to each of our Teachers of Year award winners. We also worked with Chantilly High School and Battlefield High School to help them sign up team for Cyber Patriot 2011-12. Chantilly has recruited about 85 students to participate on two AFJROTC and 3-4 Open Division teams. We encourage our members to volunteer to help as mentors for these students.

I would like to thank our corporate sponsors – Boeing, Booz Allen Hamilton, Integrity Application Inc, Lockheed Martin, Orbital, USIS, SAIC, and Photonics Center. These corporate sponsors provided funds that the chapter used to host Salutes and honor the achievements of our outstanding Air Force people.

There are still lots of activities remaining for the Gabriel AFA Chapter in 2011. We participated in the Air Force Association's Annual Air & Space Symposium and Membership meeting at the Gaylord Hotel and Conference Center. This is a key year for the Air Force Association and the Virginia Chapters. I encourage all our members to find some time in their busy schedules to volunteer to support one of the Chapter's activities to spread the AFA message. Our chapter goals for 2011 are to support our military constituency, grow our partnership with our industry colleagues, and reach out to the young people who will form the next generation of aerospace professionals. These activities depend on our dedicated volunteers to provide the planning and execution support to make them successful. We appreciate your AFA membership and your active involvement to make these goals a reality. Our contact data is posted on the Chapter's website. Please find an area of interest and get involved. Together we can make a difference in 2011 for our Gabriel Chapter and the United States Air Force.

I hope you are reading this message on the Gabriel Chapter website at <http://www.afa-gabriel.org/>. Our Communications Team has produced an outstanding source of relevant and useful information. Our Chapter site is one of the best in the Air Force Association and should be one of your bookmark sources for Air Force and Air Force Association information. Please send your comments and ideas to Nancy Cribb and Filip daSilva on our Communication Team.

Ken Spencer

President
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Air Force Association

Chapter Activities

Watch your email for announcements on upcoming AFA Gabriel Chapter luncheons!

AFA Gabriel Chapter Continues Strong Support to Chantilly High School...and There Are Plenty of Opportunities to Volunteer!

Cyber Patriot--Chantilly Academy and Battlefield HS: Cyber Patriot is off to a great start with 88 students at Chantilly Academy signed up to play. Joan Ozdogan accepted a gift from AFA for her extraordinary leadership and expanded participation. Joan is the Coordinator and Counselor for Science,



Technology, Engineering and Math for Chantilly Academy. She was one of two winners of AFA Gabriel Chapter Teacher of the Year for 2011. Northrup Grumman provided communications engineers again this year to work with the teams. Joan plans to have 2 JROTC teams and may have up to 5 Open teams. Battlefield HS will participate with a JROTC team. Deadline for registration is October 8, 2011. Please contact Gabriel Chapter VP for Education & Teacher of the Year, Gina Giles for information and materials at (703) 902-5104.

Chantilly High School Science Fair: Chantilly High School's Science Fair is planned for January 19, 2012 and Karen Molloy (2-years as Gabriel Chapter Teacher of Year) needs



volunteers to judge the events. Reminders will be sent to all of the loyal participants from the last 3 years. Please contact Gina Giles for information if you would like to participate in this one-half day event. (703-902-5104)

Chantilly High School Chemistry and Metrics Project: Karen Molloy will work with AFA and AFCEA on a student project to measure stress using heart monitors. If you are interested in supporting this project, please contact Gina Giles for information. (703-902-5104) See attached photo of Karen Molloy accepting an AFA gift for her leadership in STEM.

EXPO & Engineering College Fair: Both Chantilly Academy and Chantilly High School will host their 3rd Engineering EXPO & Engineering College Fair on Saturday, October 22, 2011. The Gabriel Chapter has been invited to serve as members of the Leadership Planning Committee for this event. This year's program will keynote on CyberSecurity (Computer/Software and applied IT emphasis) and our speaker is coming from Northrop Grumman's expert Cyber Team. Contact Gina Giles (703 902-5104) if you are available to assist with additional corporate and engineering school outreach for:

- Engineering Workshops (students grades 7-12)
- Engineering Career Exhibits (industry and government)
- Engineering School Exhibitors (Virginia Tech and JMU are confirmed)
- Event Sponsorships

Other Items in the News

AFA Continues Campaign for U.S. Air Force Specialty License Plates



The Air Force Association Virginia Branch is proudly continuing its campaign for a U.S. Air Force Specialty

License Plate! This plate will display the modern emblem of the Air Force and be available for all past and present members of the Regular Air Force, Air Force Reserve, Air National Guard or Civil Air Patrol. Delegate Richard Anderson of Prince William County (retired USAF colonel and lifetime member of

the AFA) has agreed to sponsor a bill along with twenty other delegates who have signed on as co-sponsors.

Currently, there are plates for the Army, Marines, and Coast Guard, but not Air Force or Navy. With this plate, we can increase public awareness of the Air Force and display our camaraderie and pride of service. AFA Richmond Chapter 243 will administer the campaign by receiving applications and payments, working with Delegate Anderson and his staff, working with the DMV, and providing project updates.

We STILL need your support! While we fell short of submitting the required 350 minimum applications by December 2010, there is still opportunity to reach our goal this year! If you are interested, please send in your application. For those who have already sent in theirs, thank you! Your application will be kept on file and be counted towards the number of applications required.

For more information on how to apply, please visit:
<http://www.virginiaafa.org/VAAFA/AF%20License%20Plate.htm>

Apply for yours today!

Have You Considered Being a Mentor?

Have you considered being a mentor to someone in need of support and guidance? Consider participating in the Opportunities, Alternative, and Resources (OAR) of Fairfax County, Inc. Mentoring Program.

The mission of OAR is to rebuild lives and break the cycle of crime with opportunities, alternatives and resources for inmates and their families for a safer community.

The objective of the OAR Mentoring program is for a volunteer to establish and maintain a mentoring relationship with an inmate. This mentoring relationship should help the inmate prepare to successfully return to society, to avoid criminal behavior, and support efforts to find employment.

Many inmates have not had the opportunity to build supportive, productive relationships with someone who listens to them, accepts them as

a citizen, and challenge them to do the right thing

Mentoring will expose inmates to a new type of relationship, new perspectives, and broadened understandings. These opportunities can have a dramatic influence on an inmate's decision making and a positive influence in their lives.

You can find more information on our website.

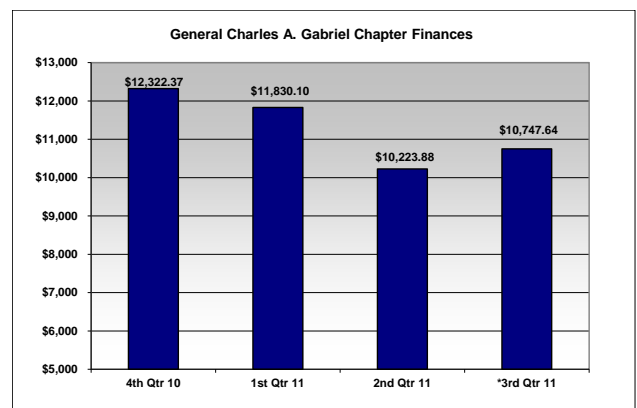
- [Mentoring 101 Information](#)
- [Mentor Flyer](#)
- [Program Services Brochure](#)

If you have any questions, please call Allyson at (703) 246-3139.

Chapter Finances

Gabriel Chapter Treasurer, Fred Knowles, reports on the Chapter's Finances:

Chapter Financial Activity



Current values are as of date of newsletter publication

Inflow:

- AFA Quarterly Rebate

Update Your Information

Please visit the Chapter web site at <http://www.afa-gabriel.org/> to update your contact information and gain access to additional information on the Gabriel Chapter's history, meetings, and events.

Suggestions?

Do you have a suggestion for the newsletter or a Chapter initiative? Please feel free to contact us at afa_gabriel_chapter@afa-gabriel.org.

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