

CONVENTION AWARD RECIPIENTS

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DIRECT FROM THE 2018 AFSA INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION &
PROFESSIONAL AIRMEN'S CONFERENCE

The 2018 AFSA International Convention & Professional Airmen's Conference brought together AFSA Members with Senior Air Force and Congressional leaders for professional development, the sharing of ideas and information, and to conduct Association business. A major highlight of the event is the Award and Recognition Ceremonies, which recognize specific members and supporters who have accomplished great things in support of our Airmen, Veterans, and their families. We are proud to recognize the names of the following International Award Recipients.

WILLIAM H. PITSENBARGER HEROISM AWARD



Staff Sgt. Jared R. Isenhardt

2017 AFSA EXCELLENCE IN MILITARY LEADERSHIP



Gen. David L. Goldfein

2017 L. MENDEL RIVERS AWARD OF EXCELLENCE



**Representative William "Mac"
Thornberry (R-TX)**

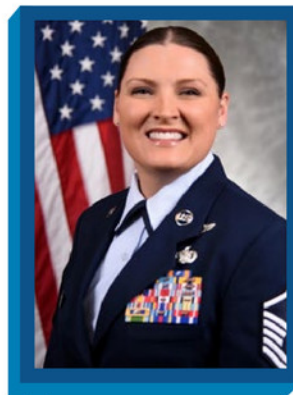
AFSA MEMBER OF THE YEAR



Division 5
MSgt Alexander J. Rosales
Chapter 1473
Elmendorf AFB, AK



Division 1
MSgt Jennifer A. Marrott
Chapter 161
Hanscom AFB, MA



Division 2
MSgt Sarah A. Mrak
Chapter 371
Seymour Johnson AFB, NC



Division 3
MSgt Richard P. Jenkins
Chapter 881
Whiteman AFB, MO



Division 4
TSgt Meshanda S. Lopez
Chapter 652
Keesler AFB, MS



Division 6
MSgt Christopher D. Dodd
Chapter 1260
Luke AFB, AZ

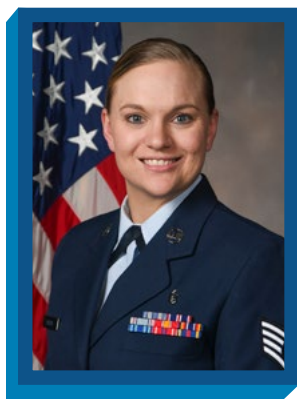


Division 7
MSgt David C. Hamilton
Chapter 1674
Ramstein AB, Germany

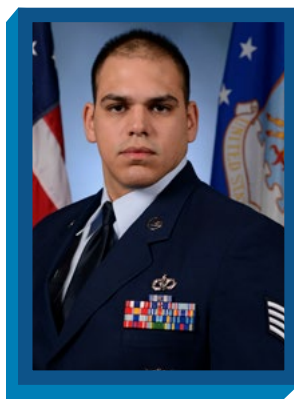
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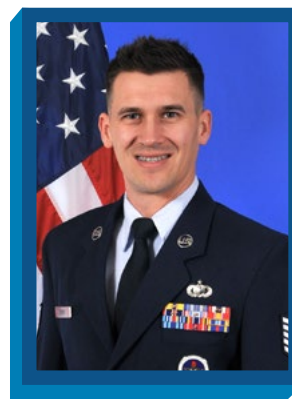
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MSgt Ruben J. Zamora
Chapter 964
Grand Forks AFB, ND



Division 1
SSgt Katrina L. Larson
Chapter 751
Wright-Patterson AFB, OH



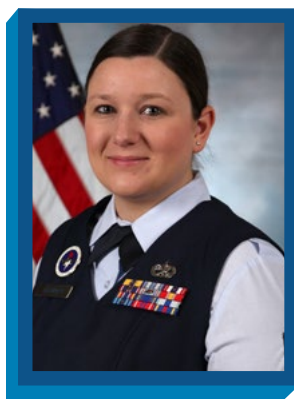
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SSgt Christian A. Arvelo
Chapter 377
Shaw AFB, SC



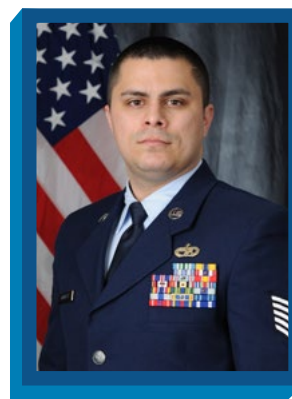
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TSgt Kevin M. Seney
Chapter 652
Keesler AFB, MS



Division 5
TSgt Antonio D. Haynie
Chapter 1473
Elmendorf AFB, AK

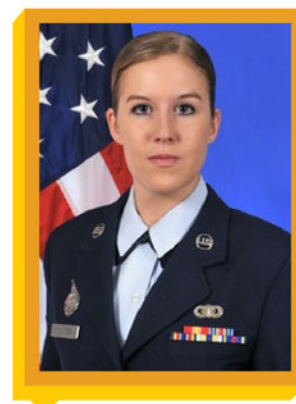


Division 6
TSgt Alexandria N. Salminen
Chapter 1201
Kirtland AFB, NM



Division 7
TSgt Jonathan M. Garrett
Chapter 1674
Ramstein AB, Germany

AFSA AIRMAN OF THE YEAR AWARD



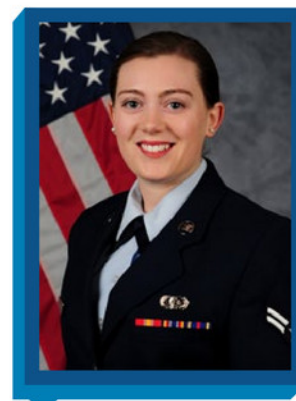
Division 4
A1C Rebecca L. Fentress
Chapter 652
Keesler AFB, MS



Division 1
SrA Alix C. Grassl
Chapter 751
Wright-Patterson AFB, OH



Division 2
SrA Adrian E. Roybal
Chapter 377
Shaw AFB, SC



Division 3
A1C Megan A. Moll
Chapter 881
Whiteman AFB, MO



Division 5
SrA Steven A. Nodine
Chapter 1550
Hickam AFB, HI

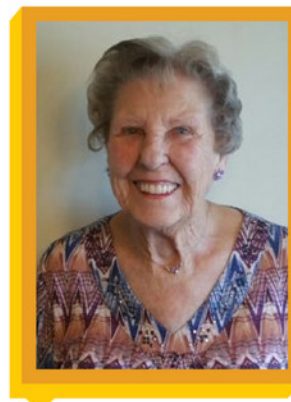


Division 6
SrA Samantha L. Lallave
Chapter 1320
Travis AFB, CA



Division 7
SrA David L. Dillon
Chapter 1674
Ramstein AB, GE

AFSA FAMILY MEMBER OF THE YEAR AWARD



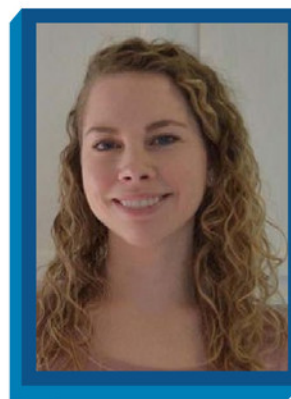
Division 3
Ms. Barbara L. Veach
Chapter 804
Kansas City, MO



Division 1
Mrs. Karin A. Staats
Chapter 779
Fort Wayne, IN



Division 4
Mrs. Stephanie Markin
Chapter 615
Barksdale AFB, LA



Division 5
Mrs. Amber L. Rosales
Chapter 1473
Elmendorf AFB, AK



Division 6
Ms. Jasheila Y. Collado Toro
Chapter 1328
Edwards AFB, CA



AFSA AWARD NOMINEES AND RECIPIENTS— RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION

AFSA CHAPTER OF THE YEAR OVER 500 MEMBERS

Division 1: Ch 751, Wright-Patterson AFB, OH

Division 2: Ch 358, Langley AFB, VA

Division 3: **Ch 985, Tinker AFB, OK**

Division 4: Ch 652, Keesler AFB, MS

Division 5: Ch 1473, Elmendorf AFB, AK

Division 6: Ch 1252, Nellis AFB, NV

Division 7: Ch 1674, Ramstein AB, Germany

AFSA CHAPTER OF THE YEAR UNDER 500 MEMBERS

Division 1: Ch 779, Fort Wayne, IN

Division 3: **Ch 964, Grand Forks AFB, ND**

Division 4: Ch 1066, Goodfellow AFB, TX

Division 5: Ch 1551, Yokota AB, Japan

Division 6: Ch 1253, Creech AFB, NV

AFSA CMSGT RICHARD L. ETCHBERGER CHAPTER COMMUNICATION AWARD

Division 1: Ch 751, Wright-Patterson AFB, OH

Division 2: Ch 358, Langley AFB, VA

Division 3: Ch 985, Tinker AFB, OK

Division 4: **Ch 1075, Randolph AFB, TX**

Division 5: Ch 1473, Elmendorf AFB, AK

Division 6: Ch 1181, Peterson AFB, CO

Division 7: Ch 1674, Ramstein AB, Germany

AFSA CMSGT RICHARD L. ETCHBERGER DIVISION COMMUNICATION AWARD

Division 3: Mascoutah, IL

Division 4: San Antonio, TX

Division 6: **Aurora, CO**

Division 7: APO, AE

AFSA VETERAN ADMINISTRATION VOLUNTEER SERVICE (VAVS) AWARD

Division 1: Mrs. Karol M. Worm, Ch 751, Wright-Patterson AFB, OH

Division 3: **CMSgt (Ret.) Hershell Spurlock**, Ch 804, Kansas City, MO

Division 4: Mrs. Irene Heffern, Ch 615, Barksdale AFB, LA

Division 6: MSgt Jeremy J. Keely, Ch 1328, Edwards AFB, CA

AFSA HUMANITARIAN SERVICE AWARD

Division 1: **Ch 161, Hanscom AFB, MA**

Division 4: Ch 1075, Randolph AFB, TX

Division 5: Ch 1551, Yokota AB, Japan

Division 6: Ch 1181, Peterson AFB, CO

AFSA INTERNATIONAL LEGISLATIVE AWARD (CHAPTER)

Division 3: **Ch 985, Tinker AFB, OK**

Division 4: Ch 652, Keesler AFB, MS

Division 5: Ch 1551, Yokota AB, Japan

AFSA INTERNATIONAL LEGISLATIVE AWARD (INDIVIDUAL)

Division 1: CMSgt (Ret.) William C. McMullen, Ch 201, Dover AFB, DE

Division 3: CMSgt (Ret.) Kevin M. Ott, Ch 951, Ellsworth AFB, SD

Division 4: **MSgt (Ret.) Johnny C. Byrd**, Ch 615, Barksdale AFB, LA

Division 5: SSgt Roxanne C. Berg, Ch 1556, Osan AB, Korea

Division 6: TSgt Justin N. McCullough, Ch 1328, Edwards AFB, CA

AFSA INTERNATIONAL MEMBERSHIP ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Division 6: **MSgt Christopher D. Dodd**, Ch 1260, Luke AFB, AZ

AFSA VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARD (VSA) (CHAPTER)

Division 3: **Ch 804, Kansas City, MO**

Division 4: Ch 652, Keesler AFB, MS

Division 5: Ch 1551, Yokota AB, Japan

Division 6: Ch 1328, Edwards AFB, CA

AFSA VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARD (VSA) (INDIVIDUAL)

Division 1: **MSgt NaTosha M. Nordquist**, Ch 161, Hanscom AFB, MA

Division 2: SMSgt Tommy Tipton, Ch 358, Langley AFB, VA

Division 3: SSgt Joshua J. Philbrick, Ch 951, Ellsworth AFB, SD

Division 4: Mrs. Irene Heffern, Ch 615, Barksdale AFB, LA

Division 6: MSgt Rene R. Colon-Mestey, Ch 1328, Edwards AFB, CA

REWARDING EXCELLENCE

CONGRATULATIONS TO THIS YEAR'S SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

AFSA and the Airmen Memorial Foundation (AMF) joined together to conduct a scholarship program to financially assist the undergraduate studies of eligible, dependent children of the enlisted Total Air Force members. AFSA, AMF (including the CMSAF Scholarship Program), and AFSA International Auxiliary award scholarships valued from \$500 to \$3,000 to students attending an accredited academic institution. The grant amount and total number of scholarships awarded are dependent upon funds available. To date, over \$2 million in scholarships have been awarded to Air Force dependent children.

AFSA SCHOLARS

The 2018 AFSA Scholarship Program awarded eight scholarships totaling \$17,500. AFSA's top scholarship went to Natalie Catan Ebreo, who will be continuing her education at Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, Virginia.

\$2,500 Fini Scholarship
Natalie Catan Ebreo

\$2,500 Abbott Scholarship
Jarrell Martin Cooper

\$2,500 Klobus Scholarship
John Phillip Hendershott

\$2,500 Staton Scholarship
Kyle Thomas Henry

\$2,000 Garner Scholarship
Scott Kang-Hee Meyers

\$2,000 Rousher Scholarship
Brandon Michael Lundmark

\$2,000 Page Scholarship
Miranda Isabelle Pavey

\$1,500 AFSA Excellence in Military Leadership Scholarship IHO General Mark A. Welsh III
Collin Marshall Profitia

AMF SCHOLARS

The 2018 AMF Scholarship Program awarded 25 scholarships totaling \$37,500. Without the support of the gracious donors and sponsors, the AMF would be unable to grant the number of scholarships provided to deserving recipients each year.

\$4,000 Clyde V. Prince Memorial Scholarship
Tristan Wyatt Boling

\$3,000 Veterans United Home Loans Academic Excellence Scholarship
Deborah Kay James

\$2,500 Academic Excellence Scholarships
Sarah Nicole Richardson

\$2,000 Richard Howard Scholarship
Allysa N. Temple

\$2,000 Julene Howard Memorial Scholarship
Ashley Dane Reynolds

\$2,000 Sharon Piccoli Memorial Scholarship
Donovan Walker Wright

\$2,000 Sgt. James R. Seal Memorial Scholarship
Megan Ashley Valliere

\$2,000 Academic Excellence Scholarships
Mary Leanne Brannon

\$1,500 Academic Excellence Scholarships
1. Alesia Nicole Booth
2. Chad Michael Gallego

\$1,000 USAA Scholarship Academic Excellence Scholarships

1. Grace Margaret Tristan
2. Charles Joseph Gallego
3. Jordan Rene Maxwell
4. Ericka L. Hewes
5. Alexander Jeriel Minzler

\$1,000 GEICO Scholarship Academic Excellence Scholarships

1. Alexander J. Molina
2. Kamryn Taylor Alward
3. Kayla Rose Scott
4. Emma Mae McCurdy
5. Megan Marie Liguori

\$1,000 First Federal Bank of Kansas City Academic Excellence Scholarships

1. Elizabeth Kirstin Strasko
2. Garrett P. Walters
3. Skye Michelle McCall
4. Brandi A. Walker
5. Corinne Mackenzie Ebner

CMSAF SCHOLARS

The 2018 Chief Master Sergeants of the Air Force Scholarship Program awarded 11 scholarships totaling \$16,500. The top scholarship—The CMSAF Paul W. Airey Memorial Scholarship—goes to Kianna Evette Flowers. She will continue her education at the University of Maryland, Baltimore County, Baltimore, Maryland.

\$3,500 CMSAF Paul W. Airey Memorial Scholarship Sponsored by GEICO®
Kianna Evette Flowers

\$2,500 CMSAF Scholarship
Hunter C. Henry

\$2,000 CMSAF Scholarship
Heath M. Henry

\$1,500 CMSAF Scholarship
Carson Brooke Ratley

\$1,000 CMSAF Scholarship
Katelyn Taylor Shibilski

\$1,000 CMSAF Scholarship
Sean Patrick McGinley

\$1,000 CMSAF Scholarship
Denise Marie Castle

\$1,000 CMSAF Scholarship
Amy Elizabeth Riggs

\$1,000 CMSAF Scholarship
Jordan Alyssa Dubose

\$1,000 CMSAF Scholarship
Mya M. Vigil

\$1,000 CMSAF Scholarship
Isabelle Rose Pellot

MISSION PARTNER SCHOLARS

NCO of the Year
MSgt Ruben J. Zamora
2-Year Scholarship from
Columbia Southern University

AFSA Airmen of the Year
AIC Rebecca L. Fentress
2-year Scholarship from
Waldorf University

William H. Pitsenbarger Heroism
SSgt Jared R. Isenhardt
Full 4-Year Scholarship from
American Military University

RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION TOP PERFORMERS

SKYHIGHERS

(recruited 100 or more members):

* Denotes Repeat SKYHIGH (from the last two consecutive years)

MEMBER NAME	CHAPTER	RECRUITED
*Kazumura, Daniel	F0652	305
Michaca, Rodolfo	F1077	284
White, Deontre	F1077	234
Elliott, Stephen	F1056	145
Lease, Adam	F1669	143
Tolley, Bethany	F1054	119
Hall, Steven	F1077	110
*Seney, Kevin	F0652	102
*Lopez, Meshanda	F0652	101
Cliborn, Jacob	F0652	101
McCoy, Christopher	F0652	100
*Kirby, Aaron	F0652	100
*Patterson, Tiffany	F0652	100
Freshwater, Jasmine	F0652	100
Dodd, Christopher	F1260	100
*Stevenson, Soledad	F0652	100
*Bartlett, Zachary	F0652	100

HIGHFLIERS

(retained 100 or more members):

* Denotes Repeat HighFLIER (from the last two consecutive years)

MEMBER NAME	CHAPTER	RETAINED
*Gates, Colin	FO479	424
*Kolwitz, Roland	FO851	142
Kolwitz, Jean	FO851	103

TWINFLIERS

(recruited/retained a combined total of at least 100 or more members (75/25)):

* Denotes Repeat TwinFLIER (from the last two consecutive years)

MEMBER NAME	CHAPTER	RECRUITS	RETENTIONS	TOTAL
Shelley, Michael	F1674	48	64	112
Zalesky, Steven	F872	35	67	102
Gallup, Gregory	F1076	49	51	100

AFSA TOP RECRUITER

***Daniel Kazumura**
Division 4 Chapter 652
305 Recruits

AFSA TOP RETAINER

***Colin Gates**
Division 2 Chapter 479
424 Retentions

AFSA TOP RECRUITING CHAPTER

Division 4 Chapter 652
Keesler AFB, MS
1,325 Recruits

AFSA TOP RETAINING CHAPTER

Division 2 Chapter 479
McGhee-Tyson ANGB, TN
424 Retentions