

The **TWINING TWX**



January 2008 AFA Message

Joint Meeting with the AFA chapters of Central West Florida

Guest Speaker

Chief Master Sergeant James A. Cody is the Command Chief Master Sergeant of the 6th Air Mobility Wing, MacDill Air Force Base, Florida.

Come meet and dine with CMSGT James Cody, Command Chief, 6AMW, and other CMSGT's from the Wing and top junior NCOs.



WHERE: MacDill Officers Club **WHEN:** Thursday, Jan. 17th, 11:30 AM

MENU: Country Buffet: Fried Chicken, Ribs, Corn Potatoes, Salad, Rolls, Beverage

COST: You are paying for yourself and a member of the Air Force as your guest: \$24. **Show your support for our heroes**

Reservations must be made by mail using the form below . Send the form along with your check to: Twining Chapter AFA, P.O. Box 5466, Clearwater, FL 33764 Reservations must be received by Monday, January, 14, '08. **If no base pass, use Bayshore Gate for ID check of driver and passengers.**

SPOUSES AND GUESTS INVITED

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Yes, we will attend: My full name- as on Drivers License- is (PRINT):

I will bring the following guests: _____

Do you have a Base Pass ? If not, Drivers License Number and state: _____

Here is my check to "TWINING CHAPTER AFA" for \$24 X _____ = \$ _____



AFA Central West Florida Vice President's Message

It has been a very busy 1st Quarter . I have represented AFA at numerous Changes of Command and Retirements at all commands at MacDill and attended many events both on and off the base to numerous to mention. Worthy of mention are the dedication of the new JOINT ROTC building at USF, reception for the new Commander of Air Mobility Command- General Arthur Lichte, Tampa and Pinellas County Veterans' Day ceremonies, and "Helping Hands" Thanksgiving Dinner for the trauma wounded and their families of the Middle East Conflict at the Haley VA Hospital. I have met with the commanders and staff members of all commands at MacDill and the regional Coast Guard. All support our AFA programs. I promise you an unusual experience at our luncheon on January 17th. You will hear from CMSGT Jim Cody, Command Chief of the 6th AMW and meet with the other CMSGT's of the Wing and junior NCO's that the Chiefs have picked as future leaders. We ask you to buy a reservation that will pay for you and one of these Airmen. It is a perfect way to show your support for those who serve our country.

Bob Cutler, Central West Florida Vice President

Twining Chapter President's Message

For the past several months I have asked our membership for support in the operation of our chapter. Bob Cutler is still functioning as the Chapter Secretary. The few of us who are carrying the leadership load are in the "burn out" phase. Unless we can get someone to help as our chapter secretary I will recommend to our national headquarters that this chapter be deactivated at the end of our present association year. This would mean that all of the programs we conduct in support of the men and women stationed at MacDill would end.

Hank Marois, Twining Chapter President

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Your comments and suggestions on this newsletter and your chapter operations are cordially invited. Feel free to contact any of the above listed chapter officers with your ideas.

about our guest speaker.....

CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT JAMES A. CODY

Chief Master Sergeant James A. Cody is the Command Chief Master Sergeant of the 6th Air Mobility Wing, MacDill Air Force Base, Florida. He provides leadership and direction for 3,355 enlisted technicians and operators executing the worldwide air refueling and airlift support of the Air Force's Global Reach, Global Power mission, and to provide support to the men and women of U.S. Central Command, to include 52 mission partners who call MacDill home.

As the command chief master sergeant, he serves as the liaison between the wing commander and the enlisted force assigned to the 6th Air Mobility Wing. Chief Cody advises the commander and staff on matters influencing the health, welfare, morale, training, and effective utilization of assigned enlisted personnel.

Chief Cody was born June 19, 1965 in Boston, Massachusetts and graduated from Norton High School in May 1984.

TWINING CHAPTER AWARDS

Honors at MacDill

Airman 3rd Quarter 2007 6AMW: **A1C Franz J. Enriquez**, 6th Security Squadron

Due to heavy deployment of personnel and the key commanders visiting the troops in the Iraq and Afghanistan War on Terror and in the Horn of Africa for the holiday season, USSOCOM has delayed its third quarter awards ceremony until January of 2008 when they will combine the 3rd and 4th quarter awards. We will attend and present the Twining Chapter Awards at that time.

Listen Up, here are some important tips about flying:

(My thanks to the AFA member who sent these to us.)

1. Never fly in the same cockpit with someone braver than you.
2. Never trade luck for skill.
3. The three most common expressions in aviation are: "Why is it doing that?", "Where are we?" and "OH, NO!!!"
4. Weather forecasts are horoscopes with numbers.
5. Just remember, if you crash because of weather, your funeral will be held on a sunny day.
6. Airspeed, altitude and brains: two are always needed to successfully complete a mission.
7. If the wings are traveling faster than the fuselage, it is probably a helicopter and is basically unsafe!
8. Flashlights are tubular metal containers kept in a flight bag for the purpose of storing dead batteries.
9. Flying the airplane is more important than radioing your plight to an Air Traffic Controller who is incapable of understanding it.
10. Never fly the "A" model of anything.
11. When a crash is inevitable, endeavor to strike the softest, cheapest object in the area, as slowly and as gently as possible.
12. In flight, try to stay in the middle of the air. Do not go near the edges of it. The edges can be recognized by the appearance of ground, trees, buildings and interstellar space.

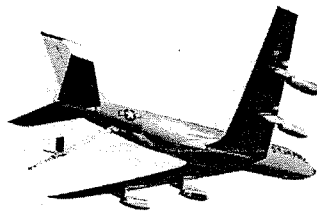
**Mark your calendar: Thursday, January 17, 2008, Lunch
with CMSGT James Cody**

**Thank you for your support: Our new AFA year started October 1st
and the following have already made donations to the Twining
Chapter Awards Program. Let us add your name to the Donor List.
These awards are deeply appreciated by the honorees and their
commanders and supervisors in both the military and civilian
communities:**

**Betty I. Bragg
Charles F. Curtis
Robert F. Cutler**

**Donald R. Edwards
Laurie T. Lanier
Albert R. Neville, Jr.**

**Michael P. Pagone
Cedio S. Saltarelli
Richard G. Twining**



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Keep 'em Flying!

Here is my check for \$ _____ in support of my Air Force Association Chapter

Signed: _____

Please print name: _____

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