

The **TWINING TWX**



June 2009 AFA Message

Joint Meeting with the AFA chapters of Central West Florida



Guest Speaker

Colonel Lawrence M. Martin, Jr.
Commander, 6th Air Mobility Wing and MacDill AFB)

WHERE: Bayshore Club (Formerly the "O" Club) Ballroom
"A"

WHEN: Tuesday, June 9th, 11:30 AM

MENU: All you can eat buffet: soup, salad, 3 entrees,
veggies, beverages, dessert

COST: \$13. inclusive

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 Friday, June 5, '09. 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 \$13 X _____ = \$ _____



AFA Central West Florida Vice President's Message

I hope that you will join us for the June 9th luncheon meeting. Our guest speaker, Colonel Lawrence M. Martin, Jr., is not only the Commander of the 6th Air Mobility Wing but he is also the Commander and Landlord of McDill Air Force Base. All other commands at MacDill are tenants. With all of the star officers at USCENTCOM and USSOCOM, Col. Martin is also a firm diplomat earning the respect of the tenants' personnel and the many noted visitors from our country and our coalition partners.

The serve yourself buffet lunch was so well received at our March meeting that we are repeating the experience. Most important: spouses and guest are invited.

Bob Cutler, Central West Florida Vice President

Twining Chapter President's Message

Another great speaker for our June meeting. Colonel Martin wears two hats- this is different. I wonder if he could help me by widening two of the fairways on the North Golf Course? This is the type of question he copes with on a daily basis.

It was my pleasure to present the Science Teacher of the Year and Science Student of the Year awards last month. We have some very dedicated teachers and some bright students out there. Our country is in good hands.

You chapter still needs help with the electronic reports we submit every quarter. Can someone please come to our assistance?



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 officers with your ideas.

Our guest speaker.....

BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

COLONEL LAWRENCE M. MARTIN JR

Colonel Lawrence M. Martin, Jr., is Commander, 6th Air Mobility Wing, MacDill Air Force Base, Fla. The wing's overall mission is to provide worldwide air refueling and combatant commander airlift in support of the Air Force's Global Reach, Global Power mission and to provide support to Headquarters U.S. Central Command, Headquarters U.S. Special Operations Command and 51 other mission partners that call MacDill home. As the Commander, he is responsible for more than \$2.8 billion in base property and capital assets, and controls an annual budget exceeding \$249 million. MacDill AFB represents a major economic influence within the Tampa Bay community, with a total economic impact of over \$5 billion annually.

Colonel Martin hails from Minnetonka, Minnesota, where he graduated from Hopkins Lindbergh H.S. and entered the Air Force in 1985 as a distinguished graduate of the United States Air Force Academy. He was also a distinguished graduate of both the U.S. Air Force Squadron Officer School and the U.S. Marine Corps Command and Staff College, and graduated from the U.S. Air War College with highest academic distinction

During his Air Force career, Colonel Martin has held command positions at the squadron level and is a command pilot with over 3,700 hours in the C-130, KC-135 R/T, RC-135, E-8 and UV-18B. In addition to his command experience, Colonel Martin taught at the United States Air Force Academy and has held headquarters-level assignments at Headquarters, Air Mobility Command and US Pacific Command.

TWINING CHAPTER AWARDS

Chapter Teacher of the Year: **Valerie Norwood**, 7th Grade, Bay Point Middle School, St. Petersburg. Received a tote bag with "AFA TEACHER OF THE YEAR" on it, a certificate and a check for \$250.

Chapter STEM Student of the Year: **Samuel Dolson**, Ms Norwood's student. His exhibit was, "HOW DOES THE TYPE OF ENVIRONMENT AFFECT HOW MUCH OXYGEN IS PRESENT". Samuel also received a certificate from the American Meteorological Society.

AFJROTC State Drill Meet:: Regulation Drill Trophy

1st Place: **Hialeah H.S.**, 2nd Place: **West Orange H.S.** 3rd Place: **Sandalwood H.S.**

Airman of the Year-2008 USSOCOM: **TSgt Holly Brackens**

Air Force Reservist of the Year USSOCOM: **SSgt Larry Tedders**

Airman of the Year 2008 6th AMW: **SSgt Samantha Love**

Junior Service Member of the Year 2008 USCENTCOM: **SSgt Brittinee N. Dunn, USAF**

Airman of the Year 2008 USCENTCOM: **SSgt Blake Sikes**

A.F. NCO of the Year 2008 USCENTCOM: **TSgt Aarons Lawhorne**

Airman 1st Quarter 2009 6th AMW: **A1C Erin Story**

Service Member 1st Qtr 2009 USSOCOM: **SSgt Kaitlyn Longoria, USA**

NJROTC Dunedin H.S.: **Cadet LTJG Estefania Garcia**

**Mark your calendar: Tuesady, June 9th, Lunch
with Colonel. Lawrence M. Martin, Jr.**

Thank you for your support:

Thank you for your continued support of our Awards Program. There is plenty of room to add your name to the list. These awards are greatly appreciated by the honorees and their commanders. **From Command Sergeant Major Thomas H. Smith, USA, USSOCOM, "On behalf of myself and the enlisted men and women of USSOCOC, please accept our most sincere appreciation for your continuing support. We consider you a member of the Team of Teams - United States Special Operations Command."**

Kenneth N. Beckman
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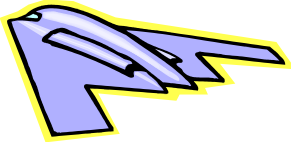
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Keep 'em Flying!

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

Signed:_____



Please print name:_____

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