



## Waterman-Twining AFA Chapter #316



We are introducing a new Waterman-Twining Chapter Website, which will provide improved communications for all Chapter members. I want to give a special thanks to Falar Fatmi, of the Exceed Corporation, for helping us update and enhance our Website. Falar is a Chapter member who recently moved to the Tampa area after being the head of AFA IT at the national office for several years. I also want to thank Mike Lezaun, our Chapter Secretary, for volunteering to manage the Website. I want to start by explaining the recent changes to AFA.

On April 7, 2022, the AFA officially changed its name to the Air and Space Forces Association, with a new logo (shown above) but keeping the “AFA” identifying initials. Just as the Air Force and Space Force together come under the umbrella of the Department of the Air Force, the advocacy for Air and Space Forces comes together under the unified banner of this singular association. As you well know, AFA has always been fully committed to supporting air and space power as the most indispensable elements of our joint force and national defense. AFA’s new Star-Delta Logo embraces both the heritage and heraldry of the Air Force and the innovation and originality of the new Space Force. The Star is derived from the original “Hap Arnold” Army Air Corps Star and Roundel logo, elements that have been part of the AFA logo since our association’s inception in 1946. The combination of a stylized Hap Arnold star with Space Force’s distinctive Delta and Polaris, drawn from the Space Force Logo, is unique, reflecting the Space Force’s critical role in guiding the whole of the joint force.

The Waterman-Twining Chapter activities are meant to support the AFA mission at the local level. We provide support for airmen and guardians at MacDill AFB, the USF AFROTC unit, especially Arnold Air Society cadets, local AFJROTC and CAP units, Stewart Middle School, and AFA Education programs, such as StellarXplorers, Cyber Patriot, and Teacher of the Year. You will find details about each on the Website.

My hope is Chapter members will find one activity that interests them and would be willing to help support. My promise is that I will only ask for you to do one thing and not overwhelm you with additional requests.

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