



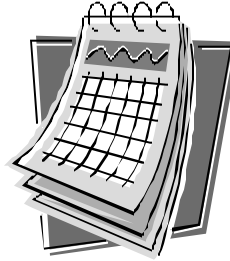
# LEIGH WADE AFA CHAPTER 169 NEWSLETTER

4TH QUARTER

OCTOBER 2005

## CALENDAR

Annual Awards Dinner, October 29th, at the Colonial Italian Restaurant. The Colonial Italian Restaurant is located in the Food Lion shopping center in Colonial Heights. The address is: 1 Dunlop Village. Social hour begins at 6:30pm. Dinner at 7:30pm. Please fill out your dinner choices below and mail back to George Aguirre, 1205 Duke of Gloucester, Colonial Heights, VA 23834. If you have any questions, you can call Julie at 520-7702 or George at 526-3951. We need your forms back with dinner choices and check for meal(s) by **OCTOBER 21, 2005**



On February 18th, we will be sponsoring the State AFA Quarterly meeting. Tentative plans are for us to have it at the Hilton Gardens Inn in Colonial Heights. We will have the meeting in the morning followed with a buffet lunch. There will be a dinner and presentation that evening around 7pm. You are all invited to attend. There will be more information at the meeting in October and in the January Newsletter. If you have any questions about this upcoming event or would like to help us plan it, PLEASE let Julie Bowles, 520-7702, know.

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Please cut off and send this portion to George Aguirre, 1205 Duke of Gloucester, Colonial Heights, VA 23834 by **OCTOBER 21, 2005**. Dinners include items listed and dessert choices of cheesecake or key lime pie. Please write in your dessert choice. Drinks and tips are not included in the price of the meal.

Item	Number of dinners	Total \$
1. Lasagna, bread, salad, dessert (\$12.50) Dessert choice _____	_____	\$ _____
2. Chicken Parmesan, Bread, salad, dessert (\$14.00) Dessert choice _____	_____	\$ _____
3. Steak Sub, french fries, dessert (\$12.50) Dessert choice _____	_____	\$ _____

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### REMINDER:

?? We need at least 2 new members for this quarter—October—December. We can receive a 25% bonus added to our support payments from National if we achieve our required goal of 1% of current membership each quarter. If you know someone who might be interested in joining, please see George or Julie for an application. Applications can also be found online at: <http://afa.org/members/memapp.pdf> Please remember to put the Leigh Wade AFA Chapter 169 as the AFA Chapter Choice.

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## CHAPTER AWARDED COMMUNITY PARTNER GOLD AWARD

Mr. Aguirre received the Community Partner Gold Award at the Annual State AFA Convention on September 9th, 2005. The award was presented by Mr. Condon and Mr. Largent. This makes the 8th consecutive year that the chapter has been bestowed with this honor. Mr. Aguirre also received a flag. The flag was presented because our chapter has community partners totaling 6% of the membership. Hats off to Mr. Aguirre! He is the reason we do so well with community partners. Some say that when he goes into a business to recruit a community partner, he doesn't leave until the check is in his hand! Thank you Mr. Aguirre for all your hard work to make this such a successful component of this chapter.



From left, Mr. Condon, National Chairman of the Board, AFA, Mr. Aguirre, and Mr. Largent, National President, AFA

## AWARDS GIVEN AT THE QUARTERLY STATE MEETING, JUNE 18TH, 2005



Mr. Barker receiving a certificate for Outstanding Service to the Virginia AFA. Mr. Barker also received a Jefferson Cup. Mr. Barker stepped up to the plate and has been a tremendous asset to the Leigh Wade Chapter.

Mr. Barker is left and Mr. Laducci, President of VA AFA, is on the right.

The Virginia State Teacher of the Year was renamed for Mr. Glen Thompson. Two teachers this year received the award. They are: A. Robert Kreck and Sandra A. Sampson from The Leonard A. Gereau Center for Applied Technology and Career Exploration. This award also included a check for \$1000 (\$500 each), an AEF jackets and tote bags. These teachers were submitted for the award by the Roanoke Chapter.



## Meeting Minutes From the Last Chapter Meeting

July 22, 2005

Members were shown a print out of our Chapter web site. All were impressed by the work that Mr. Thibodeau put into it. All present liked the layout. Members were asked to provide any input on ideas for other links, additions, etc. Mr. Barker passed out cards with our Chapter web address on it. The address is: <http://www.geocities.com/mgwade169/index.htm>.

Mr. Barker and Mr. Aguirre attended the state meeting on June 18th. Mr. Barker gave a brief report on items mentioned at this meeting. One item mentioned was about Chapters being asked to get their congressmen to sign up for AFA memberships. Mr. Aguirre took care of getting Randy Forbes' office signed up. That also meant that we made our membership goal of 2 new members per quarter for this last quarter.

The first Glen Thompson Teacher of the Year award was presented at the awards luncheon. The award was for two winners this year. Our nominee, Mr. Hughes, was not selected but his application was so strong that he was forwarded to national level. Mr. Aguirre is going ahead with plans to purchase the Doolittle Fellowship for Mr. Thompson. We hope to be able to present it to the family at the State Quarterly Meeting, February, 2006.

Members were reminded to please send in e-mail addresses to try and improve communication among members and to save postage for the newsletter mailing.

Our next membership meeting will be our annual awards dinner in October. Date and location will be announced in the newsletter and on the website. There was some discussion on where we could hold this meeting.

Members present were also given information on how to subscribe to an electronic newsletter from the Director of the Retiree Assistance Office. This newsletter comes out every month and is filled with information of interest to military retirees. If you would like to subscribe, just send an e-mail to: [ra-oemo@mozcom.com](mailto:ra-oemo@mozcom.com). Please provide your full name plus either the post/branch/chapter number of the fraternal military/government organization you are currently affiliated with (if any) "AND/OR" the city and state/country you reside in so your address can be properly positioned in the directory for future recovery. \*Note: AOL subscribers are reporting problems with receiving the bulletin as it has been marked as Spam and going into the Spam folder. Check your Spam folder if you have not received your latest bulletin.

### CHAPTER OFFICERS

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George Aguirre	Treasurer	526-3951	
Position Open	Secretary	<b>Will you volunteer to help?</b>	



**DID YOU KNOW THAT OUR  
CHAPTER HAS IT'S OWN  
WEBSITE?**

Check it out: [http://  
www.geocities.com/  
mgwade169/](http://www.geocities.com/mgwade169/)

**Many thanks to Mr. Pete  
Thibodeau for putting this  
website together!**

**Virginia AFA also as their own  
website. That address is:**  
[www.virginiaafa.org/VAAFA/](http://www.virginiaafa.org/VAAFA/)

PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU HAVE AN E-MAIL ADDRESS.

We would like to start saving some postage on mailing our newsletters and be able to contact members more efficiently and quickly. We will be sending the newsletter electronically to those members who have e-mail addresses. The less money we spend on postage the more money we have to do other chapter activities such as chapter matching funds for educators. If you have an e-mail address PLEASE let us know by e-mailing Jim Barker at [barkerjm2@adelphia.net](mailto:barkerjm2@adelphia.net) or Julie Bowles at [gdane51@msn.com](mailto:gdane51@msn.com).

**AEF EDUCATOR GRANT APPLICATIONS NOW BEING ACCEPTED**

AEF is now accepting applications for its 2006 Educator Grant. The Educator Grant program is designed to promote aerospace education activities in classrooms from kindergarten through twelfth grades. The program encourages development of innovative aerospace activities within the prescribed curriculum. The program also encourages establishing an active relationship between the school and the local Air Force Association organization. Teachers can receive up to \$250 per academic year. If you know of a teacher who may benefit from this program, please get their name to Mr. Jim Barker, Vice President, so that we can help them fill out all paperwork. The deadline for these applications to be in is fast approaching! Winners will be announced no later than January 30, 2006.



**AFA MEMBER BENEFITS**

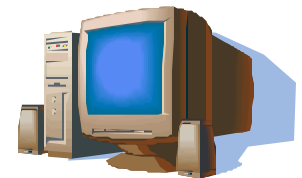


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I.D. They can visit the attractions at no cost, while their spouse, children, siblings, or parents may enter at a discounted rate of \$7 at Inside CNN Atlanta and \$12 at Inside CNN New York. To receive the discount, family members must be accompanied by the military member. Groups depart several times each hour at both attractions. For hours and reservations at Inside CNN New York, visitors can call 1-866-4CNNNYC or visit [www.cnn.com/insidecnn](http://www.cnn.com/insidecnn). For reservations to Inside CNN Atlanta, visitors can call 1-877-4CNNTOUR or visit [www.cnn.com/StudioTour](http://www.cnn.com/StudioTour).

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## COMMUNITY PARTNERS



Wilson Abernathy; Battlefield Park Body Shop, Inc.; Phone 526-7004

Bradley Barnes; Barnes Heating & Cooling, Inc; Phone 526-5131

Thomas P. Cheeley; Attorney At Law; Phone 526-2323

Robert Conner; Conner Small Engine; Phone 526-7108

Kenneth L. Cortright; Cortright Company; Phone 504-0000

Cruisers Collision & Recreation; 208 East Bank Street; Phone 733-1144

David Davis; Mac Tools; Phone 731-7595

Dr. Gary L Farley; Pediatric & Family Practice Optometry; Phone 526-3676 & 748-8611

Larry Forehand; Proline Transmission; 526-1086

James V. Hall; Hall Brothers Electrical Contractors, Inc.; Phone 526-0911

Mark A. Henry; C. H. Auto Works; Phone 520-7672

Johnny S. Ingargiola; ROSA's, Inc; Phone 458-8744

Riley Ingram; Ingram & Associates Real Estate Company; Phone 458-9873

Mark Landa; Boulevard Flowers; Phone 526-4000

A. Wright Pond, D.D. S.; Orthodontics; Phone 526-1241

Richard R. Roadcap, D.D.S.; General Dentistry; Phone 520-4770

John Shorten; Ameritax; Inc.; Phone 524-0829

Delmer J. Shumate; Shumate Automotive; Phone 520-1511

Mike Thompson; Director of Government Affairs; VA/NC Power; Phone 748-2537

Lori Thibault; Over the Edge Carpet; 3635 Boulevard, C. H.; Phone 520-2793

Donald E. Turner; CMT Auto Racing; Phone 861-2743

Linda White; Suburban Shopper, Inc.; Phone 526-6000

W.S. Willis; The Appliance Place, Inc.; Phone 526-4967

Van Woodell; Weathers Auto Supply, Inc.; Phone 861-1076

**Please support them! When you visit their establishment tell them how much you appreciate them being an AFA Community Partner.**

Julie Bowles  
1309 Duke of Gloucester  
Colonial Heights, VA 23834



Leigh Wade  
AFA Chapter 169

## TIDBITS

### IMMUNIZATIONS

Do you know the current routine adult immunization schedule? Go to this link to the CDC for the latest vaccine schedule for adults. <http://www.cdc.gov/nip/recs/adult-schedule-2page.pdf>



**VA SURVIVING SPOUSE WEB-SITE:** The Department of Veterans Affairs recently activated a new web-site aimed directly at surviving spouses of military members who died on active duty and surviving spouses of veterans who died after serving their country. The site, at <http://www.vba.va.gov/survivors>, not only has links to the VA pages describing survivor benefits but also to other government sites that may offer valuable information and assistance. These include service relief societies, support organizations, and military service casualty assis-

tance offices. There is also a link to Frequently Asked Questions that answers most questions. For more specific questions, the site tells how to contact the VA directly. The main VA web site is at <http://www.va.gov/>.

**Any suggestions for future content in the newsletter? Please let us know! Email Julie Bowles at [gdane51@msn.com](mailto:gdane51@msn.com).**

