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Golden Bear Division 13

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From the President

Greetings everyone! **T**he 2010 Division 13 Convention will be held 23-24 April 2010 at the Hap Arnold Club, March Air Reserve Base, Moreno Valley, CA.

So much has happened over the past year with AFSA, Congressional actions, and world events as a whole. Now it is time to unite as an AFSA Division which is bonded in good fellowship and empowered to move forward to the coming challenges.

We have implemented slight changes to benefit everyone this year. First, our Convention Manager, Nick Everett has arranged to secure a room for you at the awesome price of \$39 a night. If you desire a room at March ARB, BOQ, make that fact known when you sign up for convention registration. Simply mark either single ----or double ----both are \$39.00. The billeting staff confirms your room will be ready when you arrive. This change will fix the problem members had when they registered with the hotel but did not complete and return the enclosed registration form. If you are going to attend the convention, you are required to complete and return the enclosed registration form with your check to me. This form serves as a planning guide for the number of meals required, seating, etc. **PLEASE** be sure to complete and return it to me.

Included here are tickets for the Barbara Avery/Convention Fundraiser drawing. This is our way of funding the Barbara Avery Scholarship that is awarded annually and also helps defray the costs associated with the convention. Please cut the Fundraiser tickets apart, include your name, address and phone number and return them with your tax deductible donation as soon as possible. Please donate!

Our optional event this year will be a tour to the Veterans Medal of Honor Wall in the city of Riverside. We plan to dedicate an AFSA/Auxiliary plaque at the memorial site in honor of those who served.

We are truly blessed to arrange to meet for our Convention and share ideas, conduct business, and last but certainly not least, award our Division's Best of the Best!

On behalf of the Division 13 Executive Council, we are honored to serve each and every member and look forward to seeing you at convention. **Lets challenge for 10 or more attendees per Chapter!**

Steve D.

AFSA DIVISION 13 2010 CONVENTION REGISTRATION FORM

Attendee #1: Attending as (check one):

AFSA AUXILIARY COMMAND CMSGT FTA NOMINEE JNCO NOMINEE

DIVISION: President Other _____

CHAPTER: President Chief Delegate Delegate

OTHER: Non Delegate AFSA Lifetime Trustee Division Lifetime Trustee *NOTE: We will be reserving rooms at March AFB, BOQ. when you sign up for registration, mark either **Single ()** or **Double ()** both are the price **\$39.00**. Your room will be ready when you arrive.*

NAME: _____ GRADE: _____ CHAPTER: _____

ADDRESS: _____ PHONE: _____

CITY/STATE: _____ ZIP: _____ EMAIL: _____

NICKNAME: _____ SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

Attendee #2: Attending as (check one):

AFSA AUXILIARY COMMAND CMSGT FTA NOMINEE JNCO NOMINEE

DIVISION: President Other _____

CHAPTER: President Chief Delegate Delegate

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ADDRESS: _____ PHONE: _____

CITY/STATE: _____ ZIP: _____ EMAIL: _____

NICKNAME: _____ SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

CONVENTION REGISTRATION (includes four meals as noted on page 4):

- Early Bird (by 1 April 2010) - \$85.00 per attendee \$ _____
- After 1 April 2010 or On-Site - \$95.00 per attendee \$ _____

Separate Meal Costs Below

- Friday South of the Border
\$24 Before 4/1/10, \$26 After 4/1/10, _____
- Saturday Breakfast
\$12 Before 4/1/10, \$13 After 4/1/10, _____
- Saturday Awards Luncheon
\$15 Before 4/1/10, \$17, After /1/10, \$ _____
- Saturday Honors Awards Dinner
\$34 Before 1/4/10, \$39, After 1/4/10, \$ _____

PLEASE SELECT YOUR MEALS BELOW

1. Luncheon: California Club Sandwich # _____ # _____ Vegetarian Plate
2. Honors Banquet: Filet Mignon # _____ # _____ Vegetarian Plate

Optional Tour Donation to Veterans Honor Wall: \$ _____ (suggested amount \$20)
helps support upkeep for the Honor Wall

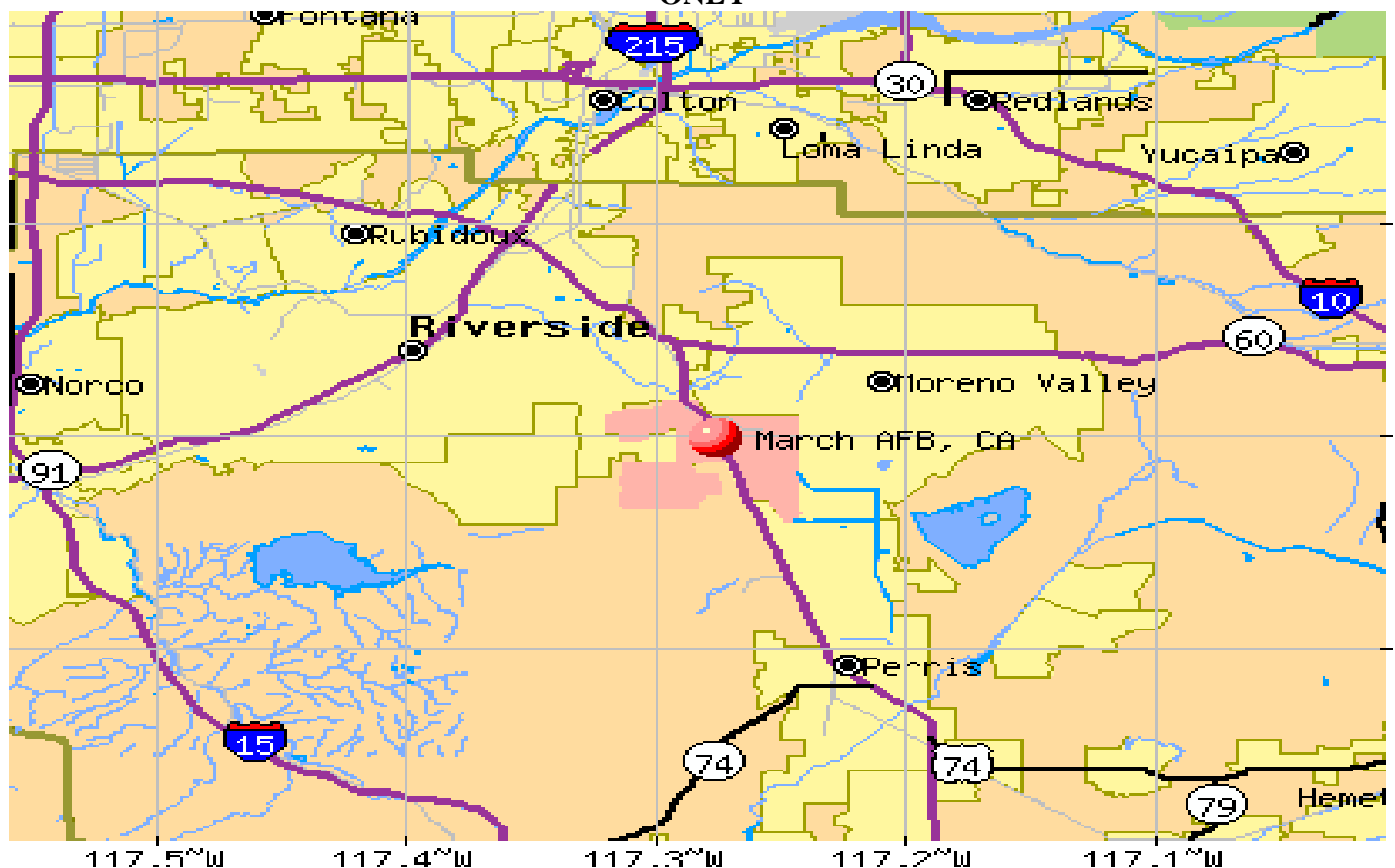
TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$ _____ (combine registration amounts)

Make check payable to: AFSA Division 13 and mail it with this completed form to:
Steve Diamond, President, AFSA Division 13, 8660 Fobes Drive Antelope, CA 95843

HOTEL: If you desire a room at March ARB, BOQ. when you sign up for registration, mark either **Single ()** or **Double ()** both are the price **\$39.00 per day**. Your room will be ready when you arrive. **The deadline for hotel reservations at this rate is 1 April 2010.** Note: You will be billed for your room at check out time.

REMEMBER, CHECK IN TIME IS 3:00 PM OR LATER

**MAP BELOW IS FOR REFERENCE
ONLY**



CHAPTER AND AUXILIARY PRESIDENTS AND/OR CHIEF DELEGATES

AFSA International will email each Chapter/Auxiliary President instructions for your credential report/card which indicates current membership and voting strength. This information is required at the Convention to verify your voting strength. Please contact the Division 13 President if you have issues obtaining the reports.

**Please be sure you bring this information to the Convention and turn it in to the
Registration/Credentials Desk.**

KEY FACTS ON DIVISION 13 2010 CONVENTION

The 2010 AFSA Division 13 Convention will be held 23-24 April, 2010 at the Hap Arnold Club March Air Reserve Base, Moreno Valley, CA. The 2010 Convention will be the Division's 33rd Annual Convention.

Convention Registration:

Early Bird registration fee is \$85.00 until 1 April 2010. *After 1 April and on-site* registration fee is **\$95.00.**

All registrations must be mailed to the address on the form and **postmarked no later than 1 April 2010** to receive the early bird discount. On-site registration will be severely limited so please let us know that you will be attending by sending your completed registration as soon as possible.

REMINDER: You need to: (1.) Complete and return the registration form to the Division President with meal choices and (2.) check the form to reserve your room.

This year's Convention Registration includes four meals, functions, training sessions and special presentations. If you or your guests plan to attend one or all of the meal functions and do not have a full registration, separate tickets are available at prices listed in this fact sheet and on the Registration Form.

Please complete the **Registration Form** and mail it, with your total payment, to the address shown on the form.

Optional Event:

Join us for a tour of the Veterans Medal of Honor Wall to pay respect to those brave members we call "Hero." The cost of the tour is a per person donation (*helps support upkeep for the Honor Wall*) and includes transportation to/from the Convention.

Note:

Chapter Presidents are advised to make advance hotel reservations for themselves and their ***First Term Airman of the Year and Junior NCO of the Year Nominees, (even before the names of the nominees are known)***, and before 1 April 2010.

Hotel Information:

Room rates for the convention are \$39.00. For hotel reservations simply request a BAQ room on your registration. The Convention Manager has made arrangements with the billeting staff to ensure your room will be ready using this method. Lets support our USAF Billeting as they support us with accommodations at these great rates!

Convention Meals:

Your convention registration includes the following four meals:

Friday, 23 April,
Night Opening Ceremonies Buffet South of the Border

Saturday, 24 April, 0700-0800 hours Breakfast

Saturday, 24 April, 1200 hours, Awards Luncheon

Saturday, 24 April, 1900 hours, Honors Banquet

Separate Meal Costs:

Friday Night Opening Ceremonies
Buffet South of the Border

---\$24.00 Before 4/1/10 - After 4/1/10 \$26.00

Saturday Morning Breakfast

---\$12.00 Before 4/1/10 - After 4/1/10 \$13.00

Saturday Awards Luncheon

---\$15.00 Before 4/1/10 - After 4/1/10 \$17.00

Saturday Night Honors Banquet

---\$ 34.00 Before 4/1/10 - After 4/1/10 \$39.00



Treasurer's Time, Parade of Checks:

Charles J.K. Hall Jr. MSgt (Ret)

Please bring your personal and Chapter checks (donations) for the AFSA "Four Worthy Charities". Your donations can be made to all or an individual charity. The four charities are:

- 1) Airmen Memorial Building Fund (maintenance of AFSA building);
- 2) AFSA Scholarship Fund (grants to AFSA member dependents);
- 3) Auxiliary Furthering Educational Grant (grants to auxiliary members);
- 4) Airmen Memorial Foundation Fund (grants to AF enlisted).

DIVISION 13 2010 CONVENTION

Tentative Convention Schedule:

Thursday, 22 April 10:

1500 – 1800 Registration/Credentials Desk Open
 1500 – 1800 Host Chapter Desk Open
 1700 – 1930 Division 13 Executive Council Meeting
Attire: Standard AFSA blazer/tie
 2000 – 2400 Hospitality Suite Open

Friday, 23 April 10:

0700 – 1600 Registration/Credentials Desk Open
 0700 – 1600 Host Chapter Desk Open
 0715 – 0745 First Term Airmen Nominee Orientation
 1200 – 1300 Lunch
 1000 – 1600 FTA Board
 NCO of the Year Board
 1500 – 1600 **Division President meeting with
 Chapter Presidents only**

TBD Assemble for tour
 TBD Bus leaves for tour
 TBD – TBD Tour
 TBD - TBD Bus returns from tour

1630 – 1645 POW/MIA Ceremony, (M/c, CMSgt Marous, (Ret)
 1730-1830 Opening Ceremony
 - Awards
 1900 – 2000 South of the Border Dinner

Saturday, 24 April 10:

0800 – 1400 Registration/Credentials Desk Open
 0800 – 1400 Host Chapter Desk Open
 0900 – 1030 Joint AFSA/Auxiliary Business Meeting
 1030 – 1200 AFSA Chapter Training
 1200 – 1430 Awards Luncheon (M/c SMSgt Higgins (Ret)
 Parade of Checks
 Avery Scholarship Reward Drawings
 1500 – 1700 AFSA Meeting/Election of Officers
 1800 – 1900 Social Hour
 1900 – 2200 Honors Banquet (M/c MSgt Walden, MSgt (Ret)
 2200 – 2400 Hospitality Suite Open

Sunday, 25 April 10:

0800 – 1000 Executive Council Meeting
 0800 – 1000 Breakfast (on you own) and farewells

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 the Enlisted men and women of the USAF!*

Scheduled Speakers:

Opening Ceremony: TBA
 Honors Banquet: TBA



Division 13 Past President, Tony Rollis MSgt (Ret)

Election of Officers:

Officiated by Senior Advisor:-----

AFSA Division Vice President: 2 Year Term---



(Incumbent) Larry Higgins, SMSgt (Ret)

AFSA Division 13, 2nd Trustee, 2 Year Term



(Incumbent) Christian "Spiff" Sepulveda MSgt (Ret)

Dress Recommendations:

Saturday tour: Casual attire or uniform of the day

South of the Border Event: Casual or traditional "South of the Border" type attire reflecting good taste.

(Opening Ceremony and Joint Business Meeting) and Luncheons: Business casual attire for those members who are not Chapter or Division officers. Appropriate blazers for Chapter and Division officers.

Saturday Honors Banquet: Semi-Formal

Military: Mess Dress or Semi-Formal Service Dress

Civilian: Gentlemen: Coat and Tie

Ladies: Cocktail Dress or Pant Suit

All Other Sessions – Business Casual:

Military: Service Uniform (if on TDY orders)

Division/Chapter Officers: AFSA Blazers

Civilian Personnel: Business Casual Attire

Convention Manager's Corner:



Hi Division 13! If you have any questions regarding the convention, please contact me, Division 13, Convention Manager, Nick Everett, prior to 15 April 2010 at: (916) 331-8570 or nickeverett@sbcglobal.net. I will be on site during the convention and assisted by Div 13 Secretary, Nancy Wheeler, if you need to contact us for any reason. Please send mail or leave phone messages prior to 20 April as we will be traveling. I would like your information to be addressed in a timely manner. Thanks and see you at Convention!

Host Chapter:

**Chapter 1360
 March Air Reserve Base , CA**

**Chapter 1360 President:
 SMSgt Terri Higgins PH: (909) 238-3449**

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*AFSA Division 13 Convention and Barbara Avery
Scholarship Fundraiser*

REWARDS ARE LISTED BELOW

Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____
Phone: _____

DONATION: \$2.00 EACH OR 6 FOR \$10.00
Make checks payable to AFSA Division 13 and mail to:
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Winner need not be present. Purchase not necessary.

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IMPORTANT MESSAGE TO ALL MEMBERS

Please cut and paste the label below on your envelope and return your fundraiser tickets with your donation. Please accept our thanks in advance for your support. Make all checks payable to AFSA Division 13 and mail to: ▼▼▼▼

**First Reward: \$500.00; Second Reward: \$300.00;
Third Reward: \$100.00; Fourth Reward: \$50.00**

**Steve Diamond, President
AFSA Division 13
8660 Fobes Drive
Antelope, CA 95843**

If you are unable to join us but would like to support the fundraiser, please complete the information on the tickets above and return them with your donation.

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2010 AFSA Division 13

Convention Details Enclosed

Time Value Material

Application Type	
<input type="checkbox"/> New Membership	
<input type="checkbox"/> Membership Renewal	
Membership Term	
<input type="checkbox"/> One Year	\$25
<input type="checkbox"/> Two Year	\$44
<input type="checkbox"/> Three Year	\$64
<input type="checkbox"/> E-1 - E-4 (18 mos.)	\$18
<input type="checkbox"/> (First Time, One Time Only)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Life Membership	\$350
Membership Type	
<input type="checkbox"/> AFSA	<input type="checkbox"/> Associate
Component	Status
<input type="checkbox"/> AFAD	<input type="checkbox"/> Active
<input type="checkbox"/> ANG	<input type="checkbox"/> Retired
<input type="checkbox"/> AFRC	<input type="checkbox"/> Veteran
<input type="checkbox"/> Other	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
*Choose most recent component/status	
Chapter Assignment	
<input type="checkbox"/> Assign to closest AFSA chapter	
<input type="checkbox"/> Assign to chapter _____	

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AFSA Membership Application

Name _____ Rank _____

Address _____ City _____

State/Zip _____ E-mail Address _____

I prefer to be contacted via e-mail. **FEB10: All previous editions of AFSA applications are obsolete**

I am a War Veteran Dates _____

Date of Birth _____ Telephone No _____

Member's ID 1332687 Cell Phone No _____

Payment Method: (Do not send checks drawn on foreign banks, or send cash by mail) Overpayments may be applied to the Airmen Memorial Building Fund. Note: Membership is subject to check/credit card approval

Membership Dues are Non-Refundable

Check/Money Order AmEx VISA MasterCard Discover

Credit Card No.

Exp. Date

FWAPP

Cardholder's Signature _____

Recruiter's Name _____

Recruiter's Member ID # _____ Recruiter's Chapter _____

Return to AFSA Division 13, 8660 Fobes Drive, Antelope, CA 95843