



AUSA Sunshine Chapter Newsletter – Summer 2023 (Jul - Sep)

Things are busy, moving along for the sake of the US Army. You need to know and get involved. Here is some news and more upcoming events!

The Chapter President wants You to Know:

Greetings to all our Sunshine Chapter members and partners. As we start a new fiscal year, let us acknowledge the great accomplishments that closed out our 2023 year. The Army Birthday ball was again a rousing success, coming over the hill at the end like COL Roosevelt and his Rough Riders! With our focus on the Army family, from Soldiers and veterans to parents and spouses, to civilians and community partners, we expressed our gratitude and respect for that indomitable spirit which has made us a stronger and more resolved advocate for the Army and the nation it serves.

To recap for our membership, our mission is to:

- Educate those we serve with programs, products, resources, and events,
- Inform our members, Congress and the American public about issues affecting America's Army, and
- Connect America's Total Army, its industry partners, like-minded associations, and other supporters.

Our chapter serves as the Army's private organization for three General Officer-level Commands, five Field Grade-level Commands, University of Central Florida ROTC, the Orlando Recruiting Company, and twelve Junior ROTC detachments. Within this area of operations, we also partner with our sister service



organizations, veteran organizations, defense trade organizations, and a robust industrial base delivering capability to the Army.



The second Monday of each month will continue to be our primary chapter networking social. This event will be in complement to the Army Procurement Acquisition Lead Time or PALT meeting held

each month,
and our Navy
League
partners that



host a Tuesday evening social on Navy PALT months. We thank our friends at Island Wing Company on Alafaya Trail for supporting these monthly events.

According to AUSA National's information, you can visit the website at <https://www.ausa.org/2023-annual-meeting-chapter-information> to access the latest chapter information about this year's annual meeting. Find this page in the chapter leader portal (CLP) after you login and visit "My Chapter." Under the LEADER LINKS box at the right of the page, click on "2023 Annual Meeting - Chapter Information". Registration and chapter ticket sales will be open on-line on 11 July 2023 for the 9 to 11 October meeting this year.



We will honor our Gold Star Mothers and Families in solemn tribute of the sacrifice of their Soldiers in partnership with Orange County Veterans, and the Veteran's Administration. More information on this ceremony will be forthcoming.

The Chapter will again participate in multiple local county, city, and town Veterans' Day events this year. Join in and celebrate with your neighbors.

The chapter is always appreciative of our community partners. Your membership and sponsorship of our events enable us to fulfill our mission. If you would like to sponsor, volunteer, or host any of our events, please contact me anytime. If you have a favorite speaker that you would like us to invite, please take a look at the

AUSA Speakers' Bureau on the website. It provides our Chapters, our Premium Members, and our Community and National Partners with access to a group of men and women with diverse backgrounds in military history, ongoing national security concerns and anything in between. The Bureau operates to arrange speakers for chapters and other AUSA stakeholders who need conference facilitators or keynote speakers. We would love to have your input. We cannot do it without you.

Again, for this year, our Chapter President is Harry Buhl. You can reach out directly to him at President.Sunshine@ausa.org.

Save the Date - The 249th Army Birthday Ball, 15 June 2024

Golf

Look to our website for updates on the SPC BRENDEN N. SALAZAR MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT. Robert Biggers has it in hand and has been talking with a Pro to oversee our “long drive” for this year. SPC Salazar grew up in Chuluota, FL as a proud “military brat,” was a dedicated son and brother, and a decorated Army Infantryman who made the ultimate sacrifice in Afghanistan in 2012. This tournament honors his memory and aids in our mission of supporting the future leaders of our community by funding our scholarship programs. This year it is on 18 September, at the Eagle Creek Golf Club, 10350 Emerson Lake Blvd, Orlando, FL 32832

SUNSHINE CHAPTER AUSA
SPC BRENDEN N. SALAZAR
MEMORIAL GOLF
TOURNAMENT
SEPT 18, 2023 • 8:30 AM
www.ausa.org/sunshine-chapter/events/golf
ROBERT BIGGERS • 407-607-4416 • RBIGGERS@SUNSHINE2.COM

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Sponsorship levels
Tournament: \$5,000
Goodie Bag: \$4,000
Drink Cart: \$3,000
Putting/Driving: \$3,000
Par 3: \$3,000
Platinum: \$2,000
Gold: \$1,500
Silver: \$750
Bronze: \$300
SEE EVENT SITE FOR FULL DETAILS & REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Eagle Creek Golf Club
Scramble Tournament
Lunch provided
Player Fees
Single • \$150
Foursome • \$300
Includes
Lunch • Prizes • Swag • Goodie Bag
Super Tickets
+\$25 per Player
Add
Prizes to Play • Lunch & Drive • Putting Contest
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Scholarships

As a reminder, Scholarship applications will be due in March of next year. SFC (Ret) Ken Johnson will again be leading our Scholarship Program in the 2024 Operational year. He will be in touch. Keep on the look-out! We really hope to have more scholarships this year, with a higher value. <https://www.ausa.org/sunshine-chapter/blog/sunshine-chapter-2024-educational-scholarship-program>

Membership

Active Life Members 190	Individual Members 432
Association Members 4,806	Community Partners 92
Total Members 5,657	

Do not forget, if you are not a Life Member, your membership expires someday. Keep checking to keep up to date.

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