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2017 Year In Review, WINGA, Inc.

Sponsored Events and Activities

1. Conducted a Joint Officer/Enlisted State Conference at the Osthoff Resort in Elkhart Lake hosted by the 157th Maneuver Enhanced Brigade and attended by 180 members and guests, plus 17 corporate sponsors.
2. The NGAUS Conference in Louisville, KY was attended by 57 delegates and spouses.
3. Mike Hinman, WINGA Board member and Chairman of Corporate Relations Committee, attended the NGAUS Industry Day in December in Washington DC.
4. Jackie Guthrie, WINGA Legislative Co-Chair, attended the NGAUS Legislative Day in DC.
5. Two Company Grade Officers attended NGAUS OPD in Washington, DC to include Capt Jacob Kummrow (Air) and CPT Jeremiah Hellenbrand (Army).
6. Seven Company Grade Officers attended the NGAUS Conference in Louisville and participated in Officer Professional Development (OPD). This group of officers included two officers funded by WINGA.
7. WINGA facilitated corporate sponsorship for Governor Walkers "Salute to Service" event at the Executive Residence.

Funding Support

1. Presented Outstanding Company Grade Officer Awards to Capt Kalen Stoddard, CPT Jeremiah Hellenbrand and WO1 Joseph Rasmussen.
2. The Shooting Challenge was conducted in conjunction with the State Conference. \$2,170 was raised and donated to WINGA. The Board decided to use these funds in support of the 2018 NGAUS Life Membership Incentive Program and NGAUS 2017 OPD.
3. Financially supported the Northern Lightning Exercise at Volk Field for \$2,000.
4. WINGA Board approved \$50,000 to support the community engagement initiative for the fielding of the F-35 at the 115th Fighter Wing.
5. Awarded \$765 in MSC/Wing Grants to Volk Field CRTC and the 115th FW.

Awards and Recognition

1. Presented the WINGA Distinguished Service Award to Mr. Zach Brandon, President of the Greater Madison Chamber of Commerce, in recognition of his support to get the F35 staged at Truax Field.
2. The WINGA Awards, Gifts and Grants Committee awarded twelve Baccalaureate Educational Grants of \$500 each or \$6,000 total.
3. Awarded two Presidential Education Grants of \$500 to: 1Lt Brad Kelley and Capt Shannon Meddaugh.
4. WINGA sponsored awardee plaques for the Army Hall of Fame and the Air Hall of Honor in the amount of \$2,035.

Membership/Program Initiatives

1. New Directors appointed to the WINGA Board of Directors include: LTC Myron Davis, MAJ Paul Cusick, WO1 Joe Rasmussen and Col (Ret) Mike Hinman.
2. WINGA achieved 111% membership in NGAUS. This accomplishment represents 37 consecutive years of +100% membership in NGAUS.
3. WINGA offered a NGAUS Life Membership Incentive Program providing 50% or \$500 grant to Company Grade Officers and a 25% or \$250 grant to Field Grade Officers. 50 Officers took advantage of this new program in 2017.
4. Our WINGA Resolution Chairs, Maj Dan Statz (Air and Joint) and LTC Myron Davis (Army) endorsed 31 Air Resolutions, 29 Joint Resolutions and 6 Army Resolutions at the NGAUS Conference.
5. WINGA received \$1,407 from NGAUS for the 5% "Early Bird Rebate" which was redistributed to the following Commands with +100% membership: HQ ANG, 54th CST, 732nd Maint Bn, 2-127 Inf Bn, 1-128th Inf Bn, 1-120 FA Bn, 105th Cav, 173rd BEB, HHD 426th, and 257th BSB.
6. WINGA received a 25% rebate from NGAUS of \$22,411 which will be used to fund the 2018 NGAUS Life Membership Incentive Program.
7. The WINGA Board of Directors approved funding to continue the NGAUS Life Membership Incentive Program in 2018.