



# Logistics Officer Association

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## LOA Vision

**“A Professional organization devoted to promoting quality logistics, professional development of logistics officers, and an open forum for leadership, management, and technical interchange.”**

**Senior Leader Quote:** “This year’s LOA provides us a great venue for interaction in San Antonio. I’m pleased to kick off and wrap-up a series of three presentations by AFMC Wing Commanders representing newly-formed wings from our Air Logistics Centers: Maintenance, Aircraft Sustainment, and Combat Sustainment. They will discuss how they support you, the warfighter, from their perspective from an up front and personal view on how they are *Supporting Today’s Weapon Systems with Tomorrow’s Airmen*. I look forward to seeing you in October!”

~Lt Gen Terry Gabreski, Vice Commander, Air Force Materiel Command

**A Message from the LOA President:** “We have some very important work to accomplish over the next few months. Your LOA National Team and the Alamo Chapter are working hard to put together a first class conference in San Antonio this year. We look forward to hearing from our many speakers as we learn more about how we are *Supporting Today’s Weapon Systems with Tomorrow’s Airmen*. Be sure to keep an eye out for conference registration, as we plan to announce open registration next month.”

“It’s that time again where we start the process to identify, nominate and elect our next LOA National Executive Council. This is your opportunity to get involved and take a senior leadership position in a national-level organization that’s dedicated to the professional growth of our logisticians. I’ve taken the first step in this process by identifying our nominating committee. The President of the nominating committee is Col Art Cameron and the committee members are Col (ret) Rick Dugan and Lt Col Marilyn Peppers-Citizen. So, if you’re looking for a rewarding position as President, Vice-President, Treasurer or Information Officer of the Logistics Officer Association, contact Col Art Cameron, 309 MXG/CC, at art.cameron@hill.af.mil or phone Comm: 801-777-5076. Specific information on the process can be found on the LOA website at <http://www.loanational.org/guidance.asp>.”

~Colonel Phil Waring, LOA National President

**LOA Members in the News:** The Air Mobility Warfare Center is proud to announce the graduation of Class 06A from the Advanced Logistics Readiness Officers Course (ALROC). These 13 students, listed in alphabetical order, are now among the best trained Logistics Readiness Officers in the Air Force:

Captain Richard L. Apple (Hurlburt Field, FL); Major Jeffrey L. Babinski (Elmendorf AFB, AK); Major Jason L. Campbell (Langley AFB, VA); Major Kevin E. Cubstead (Langley AFB, VA); Captain Reynaldo Gonzalez, Jr. (Lackland AFB, TX); Captain Cassie M. Gorr (Davis-Monthan AFB, AZ); Major Kenneth J. Hunt (Langley AFB, VA); Major Keith A. Justice (Whiteman AFB, MO); Major Kieran F. Keely (Luke AFB, AZ); Major Christina P. Krag (Ramstein AB, Germany); Major Barbara D. Manouse (Beale AFB, CA); Captain Melvin E. Maxwell, Jr. (Ramstein AB, Germany); Major Adam J. Shirriff (Kadena AB, Japan)

**Loggie Announcements:** 2006 LOA Scholarship Program: The LOA scholarship program is targeted toward the professional logistician seeking a commission or further advancement in a logistics related career. It is not too early to start considering which of your outstanding troops you will want to nominate for a scholarship. Nominations must be emailed to the Scholarship Committee Chairman NLT 1 Aug 2006. Please point your browser to <http://www.loanational.org/guidance.asp> for the most current guidance and scholarship nomination procedures.

The LOA scholarship program is intended to assist the most deserving Air Force, Army, Navy, Marine, Coast Guard, National Guard, or Reserve enlisted or DoD civilian (grade GS-1 through GS-8 and WG-1 through WG-9) in a logistics specialty, with college expenses towards an associate or bachelor degree. The program is sustained entirely by donations from LOA members and supporters. Winners are presented their scholarship award at the annual conference banquet. Individuals and industry endowments of \$500 or more will also be recognized at the banquet. To make a donation, please point your browser to: <http://www.loanational.org/scholarship/donations.asp>.

**Chapter Highlights:** What is the latest event in your chapter? Take a look at what is going on at Incirlik in this month's crosstalk <http://www.loanational.org/chaptersupport/incirlik-apr06.asp>! It isn't ever boring in Washington D.C., the local LOA chapter is no exception, click on the National Capital Chapter link for their latest professional outing <http://www.loanational.org/chaptersupport/DC-Apr06.asp>.

**National Conference:** 2006 Conference – SAN ANTONIO! Exhibit booth reservations are open. Sales are brisk and we are

over 75% full already! If you are interested in a booth—contact me today. All exhibit info is on the website.  
<http://www.loanational.org/conference/>.

Sponsorships are also open—we almost sold out of sponsorship opportunities last year. This year we have added several new ones—its first come first served so again—contact me soon.

San Antonio is shaping up to be the best venue yet — The Ice Breaker on the banks of the River Walk at festive LaVallita! You will not want to miss this one. Great food and drink (free nonalcoholic drinks, 3 free drink tix, reasonably priced drinks afterwards), Mariachi band, Spanish guitarists and plenty of Old Mexico! The Golf tournament will be at the Quarry Golf Course—it's always a popular event and sells out each year. You can register to play when you register for the conference.

We are shooting to open registration in late May- we'll keep you posted. Hotel reservations are open—make your reservations early to ensure the great conference rate we have negotiated. Keep in mind that we will run a shuttle bus from the hotels to the conference center for your convenience. To make Hotel reservations just go to:  
<http://www.loanational.org/conference/hotel2006.asp>.

**ER:** By now you should have received your Spring ER. The theme was “Joint and Combined Logistics” –LOA’s own webmaster – Major JD DuVall -- graces the cover!

Summer ER is the “Technology” issue; its in the works now, and we have a load of stories for our 100<sup>th</sup> Issue. Fall ER theme is “Sustaining Today’s Weapon Systems with Tomorrow’s Airmen” (same as the conference theme). Deadline for submissions is 15 July 06. Submissions are piling up so if you have a submission—send it to [editor@loanational.org](mailto:editor@loanational.org) for consideration.

**LOA History:** MOA & LOA National Presidents Series: LtCol Luke Gill, 1983 – 1984: Lt Col Luke Gill was the Maintenance Officer Association’s second national president. He was a core munitions officer with broad aircraft maintenance experience—including two tours as an aircraft generation squadron commander. He had also been a Palace Log team member in the late 1970s. At the time of his selection as MOA President, he was assigned to the Missiles and Nuclear Branch at HQ USAF/LEYW, and the Exceptional Release Editor. During his tenure Lt Col Gill championed the addition of Regional Representatives, pushed for more expedient cross-flow of information between chapters and improved recruiting. Lt Col Luke Gill - another icon in the MOA & LOA archive of leadership.

**Franchises:** May 1<sup>st</sup> marks the open season for franchise submissions; deadline for submissions is 30 June 06. All current merchandise, as displayed on the website at <http://www.loanational.org/merchandise.asp> must re-compete for the right to sell merchandise with the LOA National emblem. Additionally, all chapters have the right to propose new merchandise for LOA National sales following the guidelines found in the LOA G-7 <http://www.loanational.org/guidance.asp>. If interested in competing/recompeting merchandise, please contact the Information Officer for an e-copy of the application forms [infoofficer@loanational.org](mailto:infoofficer@loanational.org).

**The Bottom Line:** As always, remember our organization is all about the troops. Our focus will continue to be on training our replacements, and sharing ideas. If you have any announcements you would like to be considered for inclusion in our monthly newsletter, please send in your completed inputs nlt the 5th day of the month to [infoofficer@loanational.org](mailto:infoofficer@loanational.org).  
*Keep our deployed troops and families in your thoughts.*

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