

**AFA's 2014 National Convention, Air & Space Conference and Technology
Exposition**
September 11-17, 2014
Gaylord National Resort & Convention Center National Harbor, MD

The 2014 AFA National Convention, will be held in National Harbor, MD, at the Gaylord National Resort & Convention Center from September 13-14. Please click [here](#) to see the current delegate agenda.

Our Air & Space Conference and Technology Exposition will begin on Monday, September 15, and runs through Wednesday, September 17. This is truly a one-of-a-kind event where the Air Force Association brings together Air Force leadership, industry experts, and academia from around the world to discuss the issues and challenges facing America, the aerospace community, and our US Air Force today. Please see our agenda for a full list of speakers and topics which can be found [here](#).

Important Reminders Regarding Potential Delegates

Who can be a Delegate? Any voting member affiliated with a chapter can be a Delegate for their state if duly selected as a Delegate by the State President. (Cadets may not serve as Delegates.) All individuals who plan to represent their chapter on the state delegation must coordinate with the State President since the State President is responsible for selecting Delegates in accordance with the AFA National Constitution. The State President must provide a preliminary delegate roster to AFA Headquarters, c/o the Field Operations Department by August 15. The official roster of selected Delegates must be presented to the Credentials Committee on Saturday, September 13.

What is a Delegate required to attend during the Convention? Delegates must attend the business session on Saturday, the Region Caucus held on Saturday night and the business session on Sunday.

To ensure you have the accommodations and tickets you want to have, you must do two separate things:

FIRST – Register for the Convention and/or the Air & Space Conference

If you will be serving as a delegate to the National Convention, you MUST register and pay your delegate fee. AFA Delegates should use the on-line registration process to register. Please visit our main [convention webpage](#) for information and registration. NOTE: Convention delegates are selected by the state president for each state. Delegates must have a current AFA membership and be affiliated with a chapter within the state they represent. (Cadets may not serve as Delegates.)

Please note we will be adding Delegate Spouse Activities to the registration options once the plans have been finalized.

SECOND – Make your hotel reservation

The Air Force Association worked tirelessly again with the Gaylord to get a further discounted rate for our delegates. We need your support in booking this rate so we can negotiate a similar deal for future years. For Friday, Saturday, and Sunday nights, the hotel has agreed to a \$159 rate plus tax (roughly \$185 with tax). The hotel is only offering us a limited number at this rate so don't delay in making your arrangements. On nights other than Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, the AFA is again able to extend the government per diem rate of \$219 plus tax (roughly \$255 with tax). Included in both rates is the resort fee, which covers high speed internet in your room, 2 bottles of water in your room each day, fitness center access, newspaper, and local/toll free telephone calls.

Please make your reservations now to ensure you get these rates. Reservations will be accepted on a first-in basis until the block is full or until **Friday, August 22, 2014 by noon**, whichever comes first. To reserve your hotel room, you must first register for the Convention/Conference. At the end of the registration process, your Internet browser will display a registration confirmation page. Click the button 'Make Hotel Reservation' and then input the appropriate information. **NOTE: Do not call the hotel directly; this is the only avenue available for you to make your hotel reservation at this rate. Please also note that this rate will only be extended to convention delegates.**

If you have any questions about your hotel reservations, please contact Meghan McClelland at mmcclelland@afa.org.