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**On Sat., Oct 29<sup>th</sup>, at 12:30 PM**, at Charlie Brown's, Chatham Township, Douglas Davis, of Morris Township, NJ, will give us a talk about his WWII experiences as a crew and line chief within the 5<sup>th</sup> Air Force, 378<sup>th</sup> Troop Carrier, 55<sup>th</sup> Support Group providing fuel and bombs for B-25's in the Southwest Pacific. Also, please come out and celebrate his recent 91<sup>st</sup> birthday!

Amanda Galante, the NJ State Teacher of the Year and coach of the CyberPatriot III Open Division champion team along with three members of her team and others will be featured within the National Report section of the November issue of the AFA Magazine. For addition pictures related to the item, go to: [afa.org](http://afa.org), click first on 'AFA Magazine' and then on 'AFA National Report' and scroll down.

The registration for CyberPatriot IV closed on Oct 8<sup>th</sup>. Within NJ, we had a total of 26 teams registered: 12 Open Div, 5 CAP, and 9 JrROTC. We have notified public high schools about CyberPatriot in Morris and Union counties. We are pleased to report that four teams have entered from Union County: Roselle (2), Elizabeth, and New Providence where we paid the \$350.00 registration fee. To see the teams, go to: [www.uscyberpatriot.org](http://www.uscyberpatriot.org)

The Shooting Star is always looking for volunteers to help with Chapter operations in the areas of aerospace education, membership, and veteran affairs. We were fortunate to have Susan Loricchio volunteer to be our new VP of Government Relations. She has been active in writing a letters to our Federal Senators in support of the F-35. She is also an active member of the 99's and arranged for the following presentation on the F-35.

On Thursday, Nov10th, the 99's will be sponsoring a talk on the F-35 LIGHTNING II - UPDATES by Joel "Bugsy" Malone, retired Pacific Commander, former F16 pilot, and now

with Lockheed Martin, Fort Worth, TX, where the F35 is being tested and manufactured. The presentation begins at 7:00 PM at C&W Aero Services Hangar, Essex County Airport (CDW), 19 Wright Way, Suite 3, Fairfield, NJ. Gourmet hot dogs and chili will be available at 5:30 PM. For more info, contact: Len Levy [leonardlevy@sprintmail.com](mailto:leonardlevy@sprintmail.com)

Our next NJ State meeting will be held at Pavinci's Italian Grill, Hopatcong, NJ, on Nov 12<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM. Every AFA member is welcome to attend. However, please let us know if attending for planning purposes. For directions, see: [www.pavinci.com](http://www.pavinci.com)

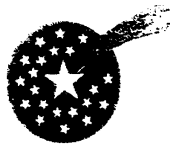
For more about what the State and other chapters are doing, go to the AFA NJ State web site at: <http://www.njairforceassoc.org/> .

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Doc Ball, President, Highpoint Chapter, has arranged with the State of NJ to get AFA license plates if we can get 175 members to sign up for them at \$15.00 each. If you are interested, contact him for info and registration at: [afadocball@gmail.com](mailto:afadocball@gmail.com) or 973 580 8091.

November 1st is Raymond A. Brooks birthday. Please give a donation in remembrance of him. Send your tax-exempt gift to Amos at 712 Harrison St, Frenchtown, NJ 08825-1121.

Please come out on, **Saturday, Oct 29<sup>th</sup>, 12:30 PM**, at Charlie Brown's, \$20 pp. Let's have a big turnout for Douglas Davis. For reservations, contact Amos at 201- 274 3773, or [colonelamos@gmail.com](mailto:colonelamos@gmail.com)



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