

CALIFORNIA AIR FORCE ASSOCIATION

DESCRIPTION OF 2008 CAFA AWARDS

INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

Member of the Year Award (1)

CAFA's highest award for superior overall service to CAFA at the chapter and/or state level.

Golden Bear Award (1)

Presented to the person who most exemplifies the AFA tradition and has been an AFA member in long standing.

Edward A. Stearn Award (1)

Presented to a deserving person who has devoted significant time energy to the mission of the AFA. This highly prestigious award is not given lightly, and is not necessarily presented every year.

President's Award

For special contributions to CAFA performance during the current operating year. Awarded at the discretion of the CAFA President, although CAFA members and chapters are invited to suggest potential candidates for the President's consideration.

Sustained Outstanding Performance Award (10)

For sustained contributions of an outstanding nature to CAFA at the chapter and/or state level. Awarded for sustained outstanding accomplishments in one or more categories of activity during the current operating year or for accumulated accomplishments over a period of several years. Typically (but not necessarily), recipients of the award have received CAFA's Exceptional Service Award in previous years.

Exceptional Service Award (15)

For exceptional service to CAFA at the chapter and/or state level, commensurate with the performance characteristic of CAFA's most active leaders. Awarded for exceptional accomplishments in one or more categories of activity during the current operating year or for accumulated accomplishments over a period of several years. Typically (but not necessarily), recipients of this award have received CAFA's Meritorious Service Award in previous years.

Meritorious Service Award (25)

For important service at the chapter level that merits CAFA recognition. Awarded for accomplishments during the current operating year or for accumulated accomplishments over a period of several years.

Citation for Immediate Past President

Presented in appreciation to immediate past chapter presidents upon successful completion of one of more terms in office. Awarded based on an overall review of performance based on quarterly activity and financial reports, as well as other criteria deemed appropriate by the CAFA Awards Committee; not awarded automatically.

ORGANIZATIONAL AWARDS – CAFA CHAPTERS

Chapter of the Year Award

CAFA's highest award. For overall service to the CAFA in all categories of the AFA mission: aerospace education, communications, community relations, membership (new/retained), and overall chapter programming. Awarded for accomplishments in the current operating year, or for accumulated accomplishments over several years.

Distinguished Achievement Awards

For outstanding service to the CAFA in the various categories of the AFA mission. Awarded for accomplishments in the current operating year, or for accumulated accomplishments over several years. One awarded annually in each of the following categories:

Aerospace Education

Communications

Community Relations

Community Partners

Membership (New/Retained)

Overall Programming

Best Single Program

SPECIAL CONSIDERATION AWARDS

Special consideration awards, with appropriate titles, are authorized when incidents or circumstances occur in which an individual or organization merits recognition not included other award categories. For example, acts of bravery or heroism, humanitarian service, record-setting events, or remarkable contributions to the missions of the USAF or the AFA.