



## SEC-AAAE Board of Directors

Judi Olmstead, AAE  
Immediate Past President  
Myrtle Beach, SC

Greg Kelly, AAE  
President  
Savannah, GA

Toney Coleman, AAE  
President-Elect  
Fayetteville, NC

Pat Apone AAE  
Secretary/Treasurer  
Louisville, KY

Directors  
Michael Reisman AAE  
Jennifer Shearer, CM  
Patrick Wilson, AAE  
Todd Sheller, AAE  
David King, Corporate  
Representative

Broken Link on a Newsclip? Google it!

## Tampa International Airport Board Approves Next Part of Massive Expansion

Aviation authority board members voted in favor of a \$132.4 million amendment to the authority's 2017 fiscal year budget, which would set funds aside to begin the demolition of the red side parking garage and start development of a retail and office space area near the airport's new rental car facility, which is currently under construction.

The \$543 million phase two of the Tampa International Airport's master plan includes adding express curbside drop-off for passengers without checked bags and the commercial development of 17 acres of airport property. The majority of the project will be funded through the 2018 fiscal year budget.

The airport hopes to issue bonds next year as well as use passenger facility fee collections and Florida Department of Transportation grants to finance the project.

"We've been aggressively paying down our debt over the last years to afford this project," said Joe Lopano, the airport's chief executive officer. "In the last two months we've been focused on public outreach with the goal to be transparent as we consider phase two of the master plan."

Read the Full Story Here:

[Tampa International Airport board approves next part of massive expansion](#)

Times

TAMPA — The Hillsborough County Aviation Authority voted Thursday morning to move forward with the first steps of phase two of the...

## AAAE Chair Brockman Appoints Committee Leaders

[AviationNews.net](#)

Chair: Mike Hainsey, A.A.E., executive director, Golden Triangle Regional Airport; vice chairs, Ann Crook, A.A.E., manager, Martha's Vineyard Airport; ...

## Here are the 20 busiest airports in the world

[Business Insider](#)

[The Airports Council](#)

International (ACI) recently released its list of the ... innovating," said ACI World director general, Angela Gittens, in a statement.

## How FAA prevents airline pilots from flying drunk

[KPNX 12 News TV](#)

Airline captain Thomas Cloyd and his first officer, Christopher Hughes, were scheduled to fly from Miami to Phoenix, carrying 127 passengers.

## Guns & bourbon; TSA shows items most often confiscated at Lexington airport

[WKYT](#)

Mark Howell, the TSA Regional Spokesperson, said on average, agents seize 50 pounds of prohibited carry-on items per month at Blue Grass Airport.

# SUPPORT OUR SPONSORS!

# Alfonso Denson, A.A.E., Honored With AAAE Distinguished Service Award

Alexandria, VA – Alfonso Denson, A.A.E., President and CEO of the Birmingham Airport Authority, received the American Association of Airport Executives' Distinguished Service Award, which is presented to airport executives in honor of an exemplary career and contributions to the airport industry.

"Al is an invaluable colleague who has tirelessly served the nation's aviation community in a number of important roles, including widely-respected airport director and active AAAE member," said AAAE Chair Carl Newman, A.A.E., CEO of the Jackson Municipal Airport Authority. "In addition to nearly two decades as a successful airport director, Al has been so passionate about airports that he has undertaken a large number of volunteer positions, resulting in invaluable improvements throughout our industry."

The Distinguished Service Award is one of AAAE's highest levels of recognition. Men and women receive the award as a mark of accomplishments in their professional and personal lives. Respected leaders of their own communities, these men and women also contribute to other aviation organizations, serve AAAE and its chapters and participate in civic and community affairs. Distinguished Service Award winners exemplify the best in airport management by continually bringing credit to the profession and the aviation community. All DSA winners are Accredited Airport Executives (A.A.E.) and exemplify the standards accreditation seeks to inspire.

Denson received the award at a ceremony held at Birmingham-Shuttlesworth International Airport.

Denson has been active in many aspects of AAAE over the years, including service on the Board of Directors, the Policy Review Committee, the Airport Legislative Alliance Committee and the Board of Directors of the Southeast Chapter of AAAE. During his distinguished career, Denson has been honored with numerous awards, including the FAA Airport Minority Advisory Council National Award of Excellence and the Airport Minority Advisory Council Hall of Fame Award. Denson has also been an active leader in a number of community organizations, including as Chair of the UNCF Birmingham Campaign, Chairman of the Sickle Cell Foundation's annual fundraising event and a member of the Executive Committee of United Way of Central Alabama.

Since 2000, Denson has served as President and CEO of the Birmingham Airport Authority. Prior to that, he was Deputy Director and Director of Administration for the Airport Authority. Denson also served as Properties and Business Manager for the City of Birmingham prior to the creation of the Airport Authority.



Alfonso Denson, AAE



Carl Newman, AAE

# CONGRATULATIONS!

To

**Dr. Alvester T. Coleman, AAE**

President

Southeast Chapter - American Association of Airport Executives

2017 - 2018



MEM is a proud  
supporter of  
**SEC-AAAE!**

Visit [flymemphis.com](http://flymemphis.com)  
for our latest news!  
[@flymemphis](https://twitter.com/flymemphis)



The Lee County Port Authority welcomes  
you to Knoxville, Tennessee for the  
SEC-AAAE Annual Conference





# PROUD SPONSOR OF THE 2017 SEC-AAAE ANNUAL CONFERENCE

**SAVANNAH<sup>SM</sup>  
HILTON HEAD**  
INTERNATIONAL



[flySAV.com](http://flySAV.com)



# Experience the Revolution.

Our “build smart” approach is  
changing the ways airports  
are constructed.

See for yourself at [suffolk.com](http://suffolk.com).

build  
smart



## TSA Warns: 'No Community Immune' from Jihadi Truck Attacks

LifeZette

A new report from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) warns that truck owners and truck rental companies must be vigilant and guard ...

## Aviation Debate Heats Up as Carriers Pan 'Dysfunctional' FAA

Bloomberg

Airlines for America accused the **Federal Aviation Administration** of overstating its progress in modernizing the current flight-monitoring system and ...

## FL: Okaloosa Establishes **Airport** Advisory Board

AviationPros.com

The board's goals include providing recommendations to the county's **airports director** concerning operational issues, and the coordination of the ...

## CLT **Airport's** Dual AA Ratings from Moody's and Fitch Amongst Highest in the Nation

AviationPros.com

Fitch Ratings upgraded the credit rating of the City's General **Airport** ... the highest rated **airports** in the nation,” said Aviation **Director** Brent Cagle.

## Sparked by Amazon, cargo business growing at Tampa International **Airport**

Tampabay.com (blog)

To supply those warehouses with merchandise, Amazon is shipping goods to Tampa International **Airport** daily aboard a Boeing 767 cargo freighter ...

## After a four-year slide, South Florida trade prospects improving

Miami Herald

WorldCity brought together the **directors** of PortMiami, Port Everglades and Miami International **Airport** to discuss trade at its annual World Trade ...

## Boom! Supersonic Passenger Jet Coming by 2020

Live Science

... in an all-business-class configuration, is targeted for tests in 2020 and certification from the **Federal Aviation Administration** by 2023, ATW...

## Lakeland's newest hangar filled with firefighting bubbles

News Chief

**Airport Manager** Gene Conrad said NOAA will begin moving in May 22. He said the rapid construction schedule — “five months, four days , ...

## SC: Officials Hope for Money for Anderson Regional **Airport** Terminal

AviationPros.com

Members of the **airport's** advisory committee poke fun at the terminal's tiny conference room near the center of the building calling it a “fishbowl” that ...

## Michael Baker International Partners with Hartsfield- Jackson Atlanta International **Airport** to Solve ...

IT Business Net

As the busiest **airport** in the world for the past 18 years, ATL is also one of the ... Watkins, aviation program **manager** in Michael Baker's Norcross, Ga, office. ... The Michael Baker team is in the process of documenting the **airport's** ...



## GOING ABOVE AND BEYOND



Specializing in aviation planning  
and engineering services



Visit us at Booth #15  
800.788.2450

[www.hanson-inc.com](http://www.hanson-inc.com)

Offices nationwide including: Florida, Kentucky,  
North Carolina and Tennessee






*Signature*<sup>®</sup>  
FLIGHT SUPPORT  
*A BBA Aviation company*

Every airport  
has a story.

Let us help  
tell yours.

Signature Flight Support is a proud sponsor  
of the Southeast Chapter of AAAE.

Glamorous facilities. The industry's most advanced  
safety and service programs. Plus the global power of  
over 200 locations worldwide. When your airport chooses  
Signature Flight Support for your FBO, your customers listen.

 [signatureflight.com](http://signatureflight.com)

It's your **Signature.**<sup>™</sup>

## 'Uber of private jets' sets up in Fargo thanks to business-friendly government, helpful local **FAA** office

INFORUM

Director of Operations Bob Klumb said the local **Federal Aviation Administration** office also made a good impression. Local officials were "proactive" ...

## St. Pete-Clearwater International Airport expansion progresses (Renderings)

Tampa Bay Business Journal

An additional security checkpoint lane has already been completed for Checkpoint A. The third lane and the introduction of **TSA PreCheck** has ...

## County To Consider Funding **Airport** Repairs

Greeneville Sun

The funds would be taken out of \$50,000 that was restricted last year toward the hiring of an **airport manager**. When that job was not filled, the money ...

## TN: **Airport** Opens New Window to City

AviationPros.com

"I've spent at least five minutes with [T.O. Cragwall, Lebanon Airport ... Lebanon **airport manager** Heather Bay said the terminal is one step in ...

## Drones Are Getting Their Own Air Traffic Control With No Need For Humans

Jalopnik

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) has been working with the **Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)** and corporations to ...



# I ♥ NON STOP

Because you shouldn't have to change planes to change cities.

## CHA

CHATTANOOGA AIRPORT

Learn more at [iHeartNonStop.com](http://iHeartNonStop.com)

BUILDING VALUE  
WITH OUR **CLIENTS**,  
OUR **PEOPLE**,  
AND THE **WORLD**

RIC

ORF



GRESHAM  
SMITH AND  
PARTNERS

[www.greshamsmith.com](http://www.greshamsmith.com)

ARCHITECTURE | ENGINEERING | INTERIORS | WAYFINDING

## Southwest GA Regional Airport runway to get re-surfaced

WALB-TV

The main runway at the Southwest Georgia Regional Airport will be getting re-surfaced. (Source: WALB). Albany Aviation Commission officials said ...

## **FAA** Awards Florida Tech Aviation Maintenance Shop With Agency's Highest Honor

SpaceCoastDaily.com

The **Federal Aviation Administration** has recognized F.I.T. Aviation LLC's maintenance shop and aviation maintenance technicians with the William ...

## Race to Prevent Airline Terror Turns to Laptops, Thin Bombs

Bloomberg

Homeland Security Secretary John Kelly is meeting with European ... the U.S. **Transportation Security Administration** who is now a security consultant.

## Investing in Tech to Tackle an Awful Annoyance: Lost Luggage

New York Times

An unclaimed bag at the Charlotte Douglas Airport in North Carolina. ... Airline and **airport management** say this increases security, since each bag is ...

## Delta to Begin Testing Facial-Recognition Technology This Summer

Condé Nast Traveler

... and a joint project with the **Transportation Security Administration** that brought automated screening lanes to Hartsfield-



# BIG CITY LITTLE ATTITUDE

Visit the big town that treats everyone like a local. Discover a sophisticated mix of culture and cuisine served up with genuine Southern hospitality.

**Knoxville will surprise you.**

visit  
**knoxville**  
TENNESSEE

{ [visitknoxville.com](http://visitknoxville.com) }







Driven to help our aviation clients  
achieve the highest value possible for the  
infrastructure they build and manage.

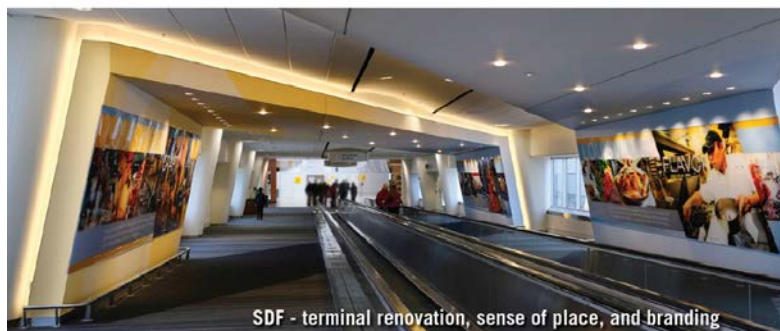


Crawford, Murphy & Tilly

Engineers and Consultants

[www.cmtengr.com](http://www.cmtengr.com)

ALLIANCE



SDF - terminal renovation, sense of place, and branding

Since 1978, Alliance has provided quality passenger-focused airport planning and design at 96 airports (21 in the SEC). We are industry leaders developing environments that are functional, attractive and sustainable, support revenue, embody appropriate sense of place and promote the airport's vision.



Tel +1 612-874-4102

[epeterson@alliance.us](mailto:epeterson@alliance.us)

[www.alliance.us](http://www.alliance.us)

# In Today's Business Environment Every Cent Counts



- ▲ Airline & Tenant Negotiations
- ▲ Airport Legal Issues
- ▲ Benefit Cost Analysis
- ▲ Capital Improvement Program Development
- ▲ Concessions Planning
- ▲ Expert Testimony
- ▲ Feasibility Studies
- ▲ General Aviation & FBO's
- ▲ Financial & Management Consulting
- ▲ Leases and Contracts
- ▲ Passenger Facility Charge Applications
- ▲ Rates & Charges Analysis
- ▲ Request for Proposals
- ▲ Strategic Planning

1806 ROCKY RIVER ROAD  
CHARLOTTE, NC 28213

704-597-4384

FAX: 704-597-4385

E-Mail: [naiclr@newtonandassociates.com](mailto:naiclr@newtonandassociates.com)

**Newton & Associates, Inc.**

AVIATION INDUSTRY CONSULTANTS



**DELTA AIRPORT  
CONSULTANTS, INC.**

[www.deltaairport.com](http://www.deltaairport.com)



Planning  
Environmental  
Engineering  
Construction Administration  
Program Management  
Business & Financial Planning



# Responsibly Improving The World We Live In

**Exceptional planning  
& design expertise**

**Airside/Landside/Facilities**

**Mike DeVoy**  
**317.780.7232**  
**mdevoy@chacompanies.com**

**Paul Puckli**  
**703.625.4889**  
**ppuckli@chacompanies.com**

[chacompanies.com](http://chacompanies.com)







The Southeast Chapter of the American Association of Airport  
Executives

Proudly Congratulates

**Scott A. Brockman, AAE**

Chairman of the American Association of Airport Executives

2017-2018



**FOR WHEREVER  
YOUR ADVENTURE  
TAKES YOU**

**#FLY  
TRI**



Book your trip today  
at [TRIflight.com](http://TRIflight.com)

**HUB**  
[www.hubparking.com](http://www.hubparking.com)

Digital Seamless Mobile Smart

Smart solutions to face  
today's challenges and  
support your growth

HUB Parking Technology products and solutions are developed around the world and designed for long term performance, bringing together knowledge and expertise from each market. Our local experts can help you streamline your operations and tailor your installation to satisfy all your requirements in a cost efficient way. We handle everything: from project consultancy, to after sales service to grant you a stress free experience. Improve your efficiency, uncover new revenues and elevate your customers' experience through our smart, secure and innovative solutions.



**2018 CONFERENCE: MAY 6-8**

# **WE'VE GOT SPACE FOR YOU**

**IN HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA**



## **ENTER TO WIN A FAMILY 4-PACK TO SPACE CAMP!**

**AT THE  
U.S. SPACE & ROCKET CENTER  
HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA**

- Space Camp Experience for Four
- Accommodations at Four Points by Sheraton

**STOP BY OUR BOOTH TO REGISTER AND TO  
SNAG A BAG OF ASTRONAUT ICE CREAM**

**[WWW.HUNTSVILLE2018.COM](http://WWW.HUNTSVILLE2018.COM)**

No purchase necessary. Purchase will not increase chance of winning. Void where prohibited by law. Open to SEC AAAE members only. Must be at least 25 years of age to enter. Promotion begins April 23 and ends at 5:00 PM on April 24, 2017. Expires May 31, 2018.



# THE CONNICO WAY

COST ESTIMATING → SCHEDULING  
PROGRAM AND PROJECT MANAGEMENT

Constructability Reviews  
Contract Compliance  
DBE Plans  
Independent Fee Reviews  
Document Control  
Wage Rate Monitoring

*Connico is a DBE/WBE certified in  
45 states and Puerto Rico*

**CONNICO**  
INCORPORATED

[www.connico.com](http://www.connico.com)

615.758.7474

A special thank you to TYS for hosting this years'  
SEC-AAAE 2017 Conference



- Gate Equipment
- Ground Support Equipment
- Maintenance / Baggage Systems
- Apron Management Technologies and Software Systems

**JBT: "Single Source Convenience"**



[www.jbtaerotech.com](http://www.jbtaerotech.com)

+1 407 851 3377 - Orlando, FL U.S.A.

+44 208 587 0666 - United Kingdom

+1 801 627 6600 - Ogden, Utah U.S.A.

+852 3966 1360 - Hong Kong

+355 16 3301 2000 - Brazil

+65 6542 9255 - Singapore

+34 91 877 5889 - Madrid, Spain

***A full service firm with over 100 years of experience!***



**Allen & Hoshall**  
[www.allenhoshall.com](http://www.allenhoshall.com)

Memphis TN • Nashville TN • Chattanooga TN • Knoxville TN • Tupelo MS • Jackson MS • Fort Collins CO



# CONGRATULATIONS

2017  
SEC AAAE  
AWARDS

## AIRPORT PROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR



**Lew Bleiweis, A.A.E.**

*Executive Director, Asheville Regional Airport*

- Served as the Director of Properties for the Louisville Regional Airport Authority, Louisville, KY
- Served as the President of the SEC - AAAE in 2007 - 2008.
- Recently completed a term as chair of the ACI-North America U.S. Policy Board and is now a board member of the ACI World Governing Board.
- Is an Accredited Airport Executive (A.A.E) by the American Association of Airport Executives.
- Involved in the State level and is part of a consortium of airport directors who are working to unify the airport's legislative advocacy in partnership with the North Carolina Airports Association.
- Lew "is a dedicated airport professional who has devoted his entire career to the airport industry. Through his accomplishments and daily example, he continuously promotes the airport industry in order to sustain its strength and enhance its future." Tina Kinsey, AAE, Director of Marketing, PR & Air Service Development, Asheville Regional Airport

## COMMERCIAL AIRPORT PROJECT OF THE YEAR AIRFIELD



**Charlotte - Douglas  
International Airport**  
*Rehabilitate Taxiway C*



## COMMERCIAL AIRPORT PROJECT OF THE YEAR ARCHITECTURAL



**Charleston  
International Airport**  
*Terminal Redevelopment and  
Improvement Program (TRIP)*







Lee County Port  
Authority - Page Field  
FMY RaceTrac Gas Station &  
Convenience Store



---

CORPORATE MEMBER OF THE YEAR



Mark Manning

*Kimley-Horn & Associates*

Mark has been practicing airfield design for 33 years. He has worked on 22 taxiway projects, 18 full runway reconstruction projects (14 of which were air carrier), and 10 terminal and/or cargo apron projects. Experience also encompasses design of hangars, fueling systems, heliports, an ARFF facility, and electrical vaults, as well as pavement management and analysis. Mark is a former program manager at Memphis International overseeing a \$211 million program that included a new runway and taxiway system, road relocations, creek relocations, runway and taxiway overpass structures, a new electrical vault, and expansion of two other electrical vaults. Mark has coordinated and managed numerous large, complex multiphase projects that required uninterrupted airport operations.



**WE'RE NOT JUST AN AIRPORT.  
WE'RE AN AIRPORT WITH A VISION.**



Charlotte Douglas International Airport  
is an integrated transportation center;  
a multimodal hub connecting air,  
rail and truck to create economic opportunities -  
the Gateway to the Carolinas.



## Asheville Regional Airport passenger traffic keeps climbing

WSOC Charlotte

The Asheville Citizen-Times reports (<http://avlne.ws/2rok0iA>) that **airport** spokeswoman Tina Kinsey said Tuesday that the number of people flying via ...

## Greenbrier Valley Airport reboots restaurant project

Beckley Register-Herald

The **airport manager** is already getting a jump on the restaurant's decor, persuading the authority to agree to his selection of reclaimed barn wood oak ...

## Blue Grass Airport changes parking designations, prices

Lexington Herald Leader

Parking options are changing at Blue Grass **Airport** starting Monday, with long-term parking moving into the former economy parking lot behind the ...

## Americans no longer have to register non-commercial drones with the FAA

Recode

The court ruled that the **FAA's** drone registration rules, which have been in place since 2015, were in violation of a law passed by Congress in 2012.

## Record number of passengers at Tampa International Airport

WWSB ABC 7

Nearly 4 million passengers flew in and out of Tampa International **Airport** during the months of March and April. That's a new record for the **airport**, ...

## Chattanooga Metropolitan (CHA) Airport Regulations

Lyft Help

Lyft is available at Chattanooga Metropolitan (CHA) **Airport**. As long as you follow a few simple ground rules, you're in the clear for both pickups and ...

## Birmingham-Shuttlesworth Airport terminal awarded LEED Gold certification

AL.com

The certification, from the U.S. Green Building Council, honors the environmentally responsible design, construction and operation of high ...

## Punta Gorda Airport Pumps \$353.2 Million Into SW Florida Economy

Alliance for Aviation Across America

Punta Gorda **Airport** has more than cheap flights. It's a proven player in Southwest Florida's economy, pumping more than \$353 million into the area ...

## Passenger numbers soar at Savannah airport as officials target Florida market

Savannah Morning News

Greg Kelly, **airport** executive **director**, attributed the continued passenger growth to the addition of flight options from seven airlines —

## In the Know: RSW airport cleared for takeoffs

Naples Daily News

It's up to the **Federal Aviation Administration** to determine when another runway will be needed to prevent flight delays at RSW. The additional runway ...

PROUDLY  
SERVING  
AIRPORT  
CLIENTS  
FOR

70

YEARS





### McFarland Johnson

MAXIMUM VALUE THROUGH PROVEN  
INNOVATION & INDUSTRY LEADING EXPERTISE

**John Mafera**, Aviation Operations Manager  
[jmafera@mjinc.com](mailto:jmafera@mjinc.com) | (321) 431-7029

FUTURE-PROOF YOUR MASTER PLAN | [WWW.DYNAMIC-PLANNING.COM](http://WWW.DYNAMIC-PLANNING.COM)

PLANNING  
ENVIRONMENTAL  
ENGINEERING  
CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATION



# **SUPPORT OUR SPONSORS!**

## **THEY MAKE THE SOUTHEAST CHAPTER**

### **GREAT!**

The information contained in this newsletter is for general information purposes only. The information is provided by the Southeast Chapter of the American Association of Airport Executives and while we endeavor to keep the information up to date and correct, we make no representations or warranties of any kind, express or implied, about the completeness, accuracy, reliability, suitability or availability with respect to the website(s) noted herein or the information, products, services, or related graphics contained in the newsletter or on the website(s) noted for any purpose. Any reliance you place on such information is, therefore, strictly at your own risk.

In no event will the Southeast Chapter of the American Association of Airport Executives be liable for any loss or damage including without limitation, indirect or consequential loss or damage, or any loss or damage whatsoever arising from loss of data or profits arising out of, or in connection with, the use of this newsletter.

Through this newsletter you are able to link to other websites which are not under the control of the Southeast Chapter of the American Association of Airport Executives. We have no control over the nature, content, comments, language, photos, graphics, and/or availability of those sites. The inclusion of any links does not imply a recommendation or endorsement of the views expressed within those or any other links.

The Southeast Chapter of the American Association of Airport Executives is confident every effort is made to keep the website(s) noted herein up and running smoothly; however, The Southeast Chapter of the American Association of Airport Executives takes no responsibility for, and shall not be liable for, the website(s) being temporarily or permanently unavailable due to technical issues beyond our control or links that have expired, are disabled or misdirected.

Where broken links occur, the reader may Google the headline for additional information.

Linked headlines for the Southeast Chapter—AAAE Journal provided by Google News at [www.news.google.com](http://www.news.google.com) unless otherwise noted.

#### **Contact Us:**

##### **Where are we next?**

**AAAE National Airports  
Conference (NAC)**

**October 1-3, 2017**

**Las Vegas, NV**

**Robert C. Brammer  
Executive Secretary  
8712 Caspiana Lane  
North Charleston, SC 29420  
(843) 425-3878  
[admin@secaaae.org](mailto:admin@secaaae.org)  
[www.secaaae.org](http://www.secaaae.org)**

***The Work Hard,  
Play Hard  
Chapter of  
AAAE!***