

Class of 2025

# Ring Dance

May 24th, 2024

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## Schedule of Events

Take Seats

Head Table Members Enter

Posting of the Colors: USAFA Cadet Honor Guard

National Anthem: Aerodynamics

Invocation: Capt. Tamer Sayedahmed

*Introductions* 

**Toasts** 

Distribution of Rings

#### Dinner

6 oz. Prime Top Sirloin laced with Au Jus and Steak Sauce, Tortellini with Pesto Sauce, Caesar Salad, Bundtinis

Guest Speaker Remarks: Maj. Gen. (Ret.) Bentley Rayburn Unveiling of the Class Crest Ring Exchange

Superintendent Remarks: Lt. Gen. Richard M. Clark
Commandant Remarks: Brig. Gen. Gavin P. Marks
Playing of the Air Force and Space Force Song
Head Table Members Depart
Dismissal of the Mess

#### **Toasts**

Toast: To The Colors Of This Great Nation. To Her We Drink, For Her We Pray, Our Voices Silent Never, For Her We Fight - Let Come What May. The Stars And Stripes Forever!

All: To The Colors!

Toast: To the President of Guyana.

All: To the President.

Toast: To the President of the Republic of Indonesia.

All: To the President.

Toast: To the President of Kosovo.

All: To the President.

Toast: To the Supreme King of Malaysia.

All: To the Supreme King.

*Toast: To the President of the Niger.* 

All: To the President.

Toast: To the President of Panama.

All: To the President.

Toast: To the President of Peru.

All: To the President.

Toast: To the President of the Philippines.

All: To the President.

Toast: To the President of Romania.

All: To the President.

Toast: To the President of Senegal.

All: To the King.

Toast: To the President of Sri Lanka.

All: To the President.

Toast: To the President of Taiwan.

All: To the President.

Toast: To His Majesty, the King of

Thailand.

All: To the King.

Toast: To the President of the Republic of Tunisia.

All: To the President.

Toast: To our Commander-in-Chief, the

President of the United States.

All: To the President.

Toast: To the Chief of Staff of the United

Sta**tes** Army.

All: To the Chief.

Toast: To the Commandant of the Marine

Corps.

All: To the Commandant.

Toast: To the Chief of Naval Operations.

All: To the Chief.

Toast: To the Chief of Staff of the United

States Air Force.

All: To the Chief.

*Toast: To the Chief of Space Operations.* 

All: To the Chief.

*Toast: To the Superintendent.* 

All: Here, Here.

*Toast: To the Commandant of Cadets.* 

All: Here, Here.

*Toast: To the Dean of the Faculty.* 

All: Here, Here.

*Toast: To the Director of Athletics.* 

All: Here, Here.

*Toast: To the Class of 2025.* 

All: Psycho!

Please fill your glasses with water as we perform our final toast to our comrades killed in action, missing in action, or prisoners of war

# Guest Speaker



### Maj. Gen. (Ret.) Bentley Rayburn

Maj. Gen. Bentley B. Rayburn has served as the Commander, Air Force Doctrine Center, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala. He was directly responsible to the Air Force Chief of Staff for the research, development and deployment of Air Force basic and operational doctrine, as well as joint, multiservice and multinational doctrine.

General Rayburn received his commission from the U.S. Air Force Academy in 1975 where he was commander of the 4,000-man cadet wing in his senior year. He has commanded a fighter training squadron and two operational wings. The general also served on the personal staffs of the Secretary of the Air Force and of the Commander of Air Combat Command, and has held the position of Commandant for the U.S. Air Force Weapons School. General Rayburn was also Commandant, Air War College, and Vice Commander, Air University, Maxwell AFB.

General Rayburn is a command pilot with more than 3,000 hours in aircraft that include the F-4, F-16 and AT-38. In 1993, General Rayburn commanded the 4404th Operations Group, flying and leading F-16C missions over southern Iraq, enforcing U.N. sanctions on the Saddam Hussein regime. He returned to Saudi Arabia in 1997 to command the then-largest combat wing in the Air Force comprising F-16CG, F-16CJ, F-15C, F-15E, E-3, E-8C, RC-135V/W, C-130, HC-130, EC-130, EF-111, EA-6B, KC-135, KC-10, U-2 and C-21 aircraft, all involved in enforcing the no-fly zone over southern Iraq. During Operation Allied Force, General Rayburn served as a senior battle staff director for the Joint Task Force-Noble Anvil staff, directing joint operations over Serbia and Kosovo.

## Air Force Song

Off we go into the wild blue yonder,

Climbing high into the sun;

Here they come zooming to meet our thunder,

At 'em now, Give 'em the gun!

Down we dive, spouting our flame from under,

Off with one helluva roar!

We live in fame or go down in flame. Hey!

Nothing'll stop the U.S. Air Force!

# Space Force Song

We're the mighty watchful eye,
Guardians beyond the blue,
The invisible front line,
Warfighters brave and true.
Boldly reaching into space,
There's no limit to our sky.
Standing guard both night and day,
We're the Space Force from on high.



## Special Thanks

The Class of 2025 would like to extend our appreciation to everyone who put their time and effort into making our Commitment Dining In memorable:

Major General (Ret.) Bentley Rayburn, Guest Speaker
Captain Tamer Sayedahmed, Chaplain
USAFA Cadet Honor Guard
Mitchell Hall Staff
Mitchell Hall Coordinator
Mitchell Hall Food Services
USAFA Association of Graduates
USAFA Class of 2025 Parent Spirit Mission Committee
Colonel Aarti Puri, Class of 2025 OIC

#### **Commitment Dinner Committee:**

Officer in Charge: Major Mark Favinger
Noncommissioned Officers in Charge: MSgt Reyna Camille
Protocol Specialist: Mr. Don Comp
Class President: C2C Caleb Kavanaugh
CIC: C2C Mia Otero
Committee Members: C2Cs Kieran McCauley, Hailey Romas, Madison
Peterson, Rebecca Collins, Christopher Ehrenberger, Ella Benson, Felicity
Fittante

#### **Special Note:**

Congratulations to the Class of 2025 on your rings and Ring Dance! You have worked so hard to get here and we are very proud of you.

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