

# PLANE TALK



# AIR & SPACE FORCES ASSOCIATION

AF195 - SHOOTING STAR CHAPTER  
NEW JERSEY

September 2024

January 2024  
[www.afa195.org](http://www.afa195.org)

## HOT NEWS MEMS

Join us for our next meeting:  
**Saturday, September 28, 2024 at 1:00pm**  
**"Chuck Yeager Day"**  
**Florham Park Diner**  
Please RSVP to Howard Leach

### WELCOME

Over the summer, we had the most members (4) and 2 additional members on Zoom as well as Command Master Sgt. John "B9" Bentivegna for the State meeting.

In-person:	Zoom:
Bill Fosina	Peter Hinge
Howard Leach	Joe Sirois
Frank Cappuccio	
Ruchika Tandon	

Bill Fosina was elected as the new President. A few of our chapter members will help Bill in his new job.

All of the current State positions will remain as is.

Thanks to everyone who attended - SHOOTING STAR CONTINUES TO BE THE MOST ACTIVE CHAPTER IN NEW JERSEY.



Victoria Yeager

### State and Chapter Teacher of the Year

Congratulations to:

**Mike Gottfried, Ed.D.**

Geophysical Science, Physics, & Aviation  
Rox-THON co-Advisor, Aviation Club co-Advisor  
Roxbury High School

### OFFICERS

William Fosina, Pres. 908-803-4949  
Jim Morgan, Vice Pres. 973-425-4450  
Howard Leach, Secretary/Treasurer 973-540-1283  
Harriet Donnelly, VP Marketing 908-392-3801

### MEETING AGENDA

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Discuss the latest Air Force Association news
- Election of new President
- Ongoing luncheon schedules
- Lunch

### Victoria Yeager

Producer, Actress, and Author of

### "Chuck Yeager: What A Ride"

He was called "the greatest pilot of the Greatest Generation."

Chuck Yeager was already famous as the first pilot to break the sound barrier in 1947 and before that as a World War II flying ace. Indeed, Yeager ascended to the dazzling status of "double ace" in a single day of combat.

Mrs. Yeager is the author of a new book, "Chuck Yeager: What a Ride," by "Chuck Yeager's favorite co-pilot."

It tells the story of Victoria's "amazing life" with the General after they met when Victoria encountered him hiking in the foothills of the High Sierra. She was 41; he was 77. He took her flying the next day. She was pinching herself that she was flying "not only with a beautiful, handsome, charming man, but this man was also Chuck Yeager!!!!!"

Want to read more? Visit:

<https://www.iwf.org/people/victoria-yeager/>

For more information about the Shooting Star Chapter, please visit our site at [www.afa195.org](http://www.afa195.org)