

# The Aerospace & Defense Forum



Facilitating Business Communication, Collaboration, & Commerce

## Special Tour of Edwards Air Force Base including visits to:

EAFB Flight Test Museum  
Planeside to F-22 and F-35  
Lunch at NASA Armstrong  
Maintenance and Modification Facility

Wednesday, June 10, 2015  
10am-4pm Tour

[Click here to register.](#)

Registration is limited to #1 or #2 operating executives of A&D companies or plants. Tickets are limited to 15 people on a first-come first-served basis.

Attendees must be natural born citizens of the US.

The Roster must be provided to Edwards on June 3, including the Wait List. No one may be on the tour unless they are on this Roster.

A Wait List will be maintained. You must respond to a waitlist opening within 24

### The South Bay (CA) Chapter

The South Bay Chapter serves the area around Torrance, CA. The SB chapter is different in that attendance is limited to the #1 or #2 operating executives of A&D companies or plants, i.e., organizations that have a direct role in production, e.g., engineering, fabrication, coating, and testing. Meetings and tours are on the 2nd Wed of the month.

[Click here](#) to join the South Bay Chapter mailing list (free).

hours of receiving notice.

#### Registration Fees

Free - A&D Forum member (exclusive access until May 20)

\$40 - Non-member (after May 20)

Registration will require the following information:

- Full Name
- ID Number (Driver's lic, etc.)
- Full Soc Sec number
- Date of Birth
- Place of Birth (must be US)
- Country of citizenship (must be US)

During registration you will have the opportunity to say if you want to car pool.

You will receive multiple invitations, regardless of whether you have already registered. Please do not register more than once!

To be fair to those on the Wait List, if you register and fail to show without prior notification you will not be allowed to register for an A&D Forum tour for a year. Notifications may be made to [IRosenberg@AerospaceDefenseForum.org](mailto:IRosenberg@AerospaceDefenseForum.org) or 818-505-9915.

See meeting logistics information at the end of this e-mail.

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## Special Tour of Edwards Air Force Base

[The 412th Test Wing](#) is the host wing for Edwards Air Force Base, Calif. -- the 2nd largest base in the Air Force. The wing oversees base day-to-day operations and provides support for over 10,000 military, federal civilian and contract personnel assigned to a 481 square mile installation.

The 412th Test Wing plans, conducts, analyzes, and reports on all flight and ground testing of aircraft, weapons systems, software and components as well as modeling and simulation for the U.S. Air Force. There are three core components for this mission: flying operations, maintenance and engineering.

### The Tour

We will park at the Century Circle, just outside the West Gate, where a large number of legacy aircraft are on display.

An AF bus will pick us up at 10am, and then take us to the [Air Force Flight Test Museum](#) (including seeing up close a number of legacy aircraft, including a SR-71 Blackbird and a B-52, and an opportunity to purchase merchandise, such as T-shirts).

Next we will take a windshield tour of the main base, followed by a flightline tour (something the public doesn't get to do). What aircraft are on the flightline is based on operations, but there is a good chance of seeing a KC-135 tanker and B-52 bomber.

We will get off the bus to see up close an [F-35 Joint Strike](#)



## Scheduled South Bay Chapter Meetings

July 8: "What I Learned and Wish I Had Known When I Sold My Business", Panel of CEOs who have sold their A&D company.

August 12: Presentation and Tour of **Triumph Aerostructures**, Hawthorne, CA, Marty Jones, President - Hawthorne Site, Vought Commercial Division, Triumph Aerostructures

September 9: **Joel Benkie**, President & Chief Operating Officer, Ducommun Incorporated

October 14: Presentation and Tour of **Brek Manufacturing**, Marwan Hammouri, President & CEO, Brek Manufacturing

November 11: Presentation and Tour of **Aerospace Manufacturing Group** - Torrance, Terry Yeh, President, AMG - Torrance

December 9: Presentation and Tour of **Alloy Processing**, Brian Leibl, President & CEO, Alloy Processing

January 13, 2016: Presentation and Tour of **Dasco Engineering**, Ward Olson, President, Dasco Engineering

## A&D Forum Membership

The purpose of The A&D Forum is to promote communication, collaboration, and commerce among A&D industry business leaders.

Membership includes access to the resource-rich A&D Forum website (containing recordings of all chapter presentations), free attendance at any

[Fighter](#) and an [F-22 Raptor](#), including a briefing (usually by a pilot and/or flight operations) (plans subject to change based on mission requirements).

We will have lunch (pay yourself) at the cafeteria at [NASA Armstrong](#) (more flight vehicles to see).

Last, but certainly not least, we will spend the afternoon at the Maintenance Facility, where the aircraft are maintained, modified, and reviewed after a test. They have just about every type of manufacturing capability, and we will get to see the inside of many planes.

The bus will return us to the parking lot by 4pm.

## June 10, 2015 Meeting

- We will meet at the Century Circle parking lot, just before the West Gate. **The EAFB bus will depart at 10am, and you MUST be on the bus for the tour.**
- Directions to parking:
  - Most people coming from Los Angeles approach from S.R. 14, also known as the Antelope Valley Freeway. If you are using this route, continue on the 14 Freeway, past Palmdale and Lancaster, to the town of Rosamond.
  - Exit the 14 Freeway at Rosamond Blvd. (Exit 55) and turn right (east). Continue on Rosamond Blvd. through the town of Rosamond for approximately 15 miles to the main base West Gate.
  - The Century Circle parking lot is on your right just before the West Gate. Rest rooms are located inside the building.
- [Click here](#) for map of directions to West Gate.
- Please check-in with Ivan on arrival. Everyone must have a picture id.
- Attire is casual. No high heels or open-toed shoes.
- No photography is permitted except at the museum. Cell phones and anything with a camera must be left on the bus during the F-22, F-35, and Maintenance stops.
- Bring a business card - they will be duplicated and everyone will get a copy of all attendee's cards.
- There will not be any opportunity to distribute marketing material.
- Introductions will be minimal - your name, company industry and a 5 word "elevator

chapter meeting, facilitated introductions to members at any chapter and the A&D Forum monthly Newsletter. Members are first in line for tours and to be invited to the Peer C-level Roundtables.

One-year individual memberships are currently \$300. You can become a member or renew your membership through the A&D Forum website:

[AerospaceDefenseForum.org](http://AerospaceDefenseForum.org).

### Other A&D Forum Chapter Meetings

Times shown are local time.

**"Developing the 21st Century Space Infrastructure"**, Lt. Col USMC (Ret) Paul E. Damphousse, Principal and Founder, General Astronautics, May 15, Los Angeles Chapter, (webstreamed)

**"DoD - New Rules for Acquisition"**, Woody Spring, Professor of Systems Engineering, Defense Acquisition University, San Diego Chapter, May 19

**"Radically Reducing the Cost of Assembled Products"**, Art Weiss, formerly at Aerojet Rocketdyne, Orange County Chapter, June 4 (webstreamed)

Blaine Kriebel, Director of Program Management - Aerospace Integrated Solutions, Electronic Systems Group, Ducommun Incorporated, Arizona Chapter, June 9

### Recently Posted Presentation Recordings on the A&D Forum Website

**"Maximizing Enterprise Value: It's Never too Soon to Start!"**, Larry O'Toole, CEO, Sanders Industries Holdings, Inc., Orange County Chapter, April 2

**"How to Avoid Being a Casualty of a Raw Materials Shortage"** Bill Leavelle

speech". We encourage you to be creative

**Feel free to pass this invitation on to others you think would be interested.**

#### Event Info

**Wednesday, June 10, 2015  
10:00am-4:00pm: Tour  
Edwards Air Force Base  
Edwards, California**

### South Bay Chapter Steering Committee

- **Marwan Hammouri**, President & CEO, Brek Manufacturing (Chapter Chair)
- **Terry Yeh**, President, AMG Torrance (Chapter Vice-Chair)
- **Brian Leibl**, President & CEO, Alloy Processing
- **Marty Jones**, President - Hawthorne Site, Triumph Aerostructures
- **Ward Olson**, President, Dasco Engineering Corporation
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**The Aerospace & Defense Forum Website**

[AerospaceDefenseForum.org](http://AerospaceDefenseForum.org)

General Manager, Castle Metals  
Aerospace, South Bay Chapter, April 8

**"Integrated Design - Changing the Way  
We Think"**, Art Weiss, Executive Director,  
Aerojet Rocketdyne, Los Angeles  
Chapter, April 17

**"Gain a Competitive Advantage using  
ASURE"**, Fran Zenzen, Ph.D. - Chief  
Operating Officer, The Arizona State  
University Research Enterprise (ASURE),  
Arizona Chapter, May 12

**"Is Lack of EQ Hurting Your Enterprise  
Value?"**, Larry O'Toole, CEO, Sanders  
Industries Holdings, Inc./Rubbercraft,  
South Bay Chapter, May 13