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On Sunday, April 25th, over 100 devoted supporters of the International Skydiving Museum & Hall of Fame gathered at the future location of the facility. With appropriate ceremony, the site near the Disney World Orlando attractions was dedicated by all in attendance. Many members of the International Skydiving Hall of Fame were joined at the event by dignitaries from both the world of skydiving and the local community. A spectacular exhibition skydive by an extraordinary team of jumpers planned for the event was postponed due to weather. (The show will now take place at the Hall of Fame Celebration in Perris in October!) Dramatic footage of the team's practice jumps was greeted with gasps and applause when it was presented at the lunch following the ceremony. Just think how amazing it will be to see it in person later this year!



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Cris Fucci grew up watching skydivers jump from his father's helicopters at military clubs throughout the 1970s and dreamed of joining them in the air. He made his first jump in 1988 and has amassed over 5000 jumps, 72-plus hours of free fall, and four FAI large formation world records. He is an active PRO demonstrator, AFF-I and tandem instructor who loves the sport more and more every day. He loves traveling to exotic skydiving locations with fellow Museum Ambassador Lisa Simpson, including unforgettable jumps into the Great Blue Hole, Kooddoo Island Maldives, and the Giza Pyramid Complex in Egypt. He is a retired Army officer and current Department of Defense civilian employee at U.S. Special Operations Command with 34-plus years of service to the Nation. He holds a bachelor's degree from the University of South Carolina and a Master of Science in Strategic Intelligence.



Chris Gay made his first jump in Georgia in 1986 and has logged more than 15,000 skydives in a 34-year career making his mark mainly as a canopy formation skydiver, coach and organizer. He has participated in and engineered numerous Fédération Aéronautique Internationale World Records including the 100-way diamond FAI World Record for Largest Canopy Formation Skydive, a record set by the Canopy Formation World Team in 2007 that still stands today. Chris picked up a staggering number of medals—58 in all—at the USPA National Collegiate Parachuting Championships, USPA National Parachuting Championships and FAI World Cups and World Championships. He shares his training techniques through camps and has inspired a legion of emerging CF fun jumpers and competitors in several countries. USPA awarded him its Gold Medal for Meritorious Service in 2007 for "innovations that have redefined the discipline of canopy formation." He also received a British medal—presented by Prince Andrew—honoring him for saving a fellow skydiver in mid-air.



Larry Stein made his first jump in 1977 and has over 5,000 jumps and is still an active jumper. Over his jumping career, Larry has been on a number of state, national, and world records. He was a static line jumpmaster, static line instructor, and an AFF jumpmaster. In the early 1980s, Larry ran a Cessna 182 DZ for two years. He graduated from Drake University with a degree in accounting, passed the CPA exam, and then went on to work as an auditor for three years. Following that he spent the next 10 years in a variety of financial management positions at a large multinational company and after that, he spent 30 years running operations and technical information organizations at another large multinational company. Larry is an advisor on the Events and Marketing Committees.



Greg Windmiller joined the Army in 1990 where he attended the Military Freefall School. During his 26-year enlistment, he worked in various free fall positions such as member of a free fall team, the Silver Wings demonstration team and accuracy and canopy piloting team leader for the U.S. Army Parachute team "The Golden Knights." Greg owns Superior Flight Solutions, which specializes in training military and civilians alike in safe canopy flight.

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Blue Skies Forever!



Jerry Bourquin
 Hall of Fame Member 2014

Golden Knights Museum Fund Drive Raised \$31,000!



The U.S. Army Parachute Team (Golden Knights) has stepped up and raised more than \$31,000 for a dedicated GK display at the Museum.

The fund drive, led by Bruce Wicks, former commander of the Golden Knights, and former demonstration team leader and current Golden Knight Alumni Association vice president, Ben Currin, challenged GK alumni, honorary GKs and current team members to make a contribution to the museum to help ensure the Golden Knights' spot in the history of skydiving. Letter-writing and social media campaigns were used to get the word out and raise the funds that will be used to showcase the history of the Golden Knights. The successful campaign far exceeded its original goal of \$25,000.

The United States Army Parachute Team, known as the Golden Knights, is a demonstration and competition parachute team of the United States Army. It consists of demonstration and competition parachute teams, drawn from all branches of the U.S. Army. Members must demonstrate excellence in soldiering and parachuting.



Ben Currin & Bruce Wicks

Museum VP Elected to FAI Executive Board

International Skydiving Museum & Hall of Fame vice-president and member of the International Skydiving Hall of Fame (2017), Graeme Windsor, has been elected to the Executive Board of the FAI for a two-year term.

Graeme, who holds an Advanced Diploma from the Australian Institute of Company Directors, served as president of the FAI Skydiving Commission from 2007 to 2016 and was also president of the Air Sport General Commission (CASI) for five years. He is currently treasurer of the Air Sport Australia Confederation, which serves as Australia's link to the FAI.

Graeme started his skydiving career in October 1968 in Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea. He remains an active jumper and has participated in many FAI Championships, winning a bronze medal in 1982 at the World Championships in Lucenec, Slovakia. He was a central part of the organization of the 2018 World Championships held on the beautiful Gold Coast, Queensland.

Graeme joins a new FAI Executive Board under the presidency of David Monks, 53, from the United Kingdom. David, who has been very active within FAI, serving as president of the FAI Rotorcraft Commission since 2009, is also chairman of the Royal Aero Club of the UK.

Reacting to his election, Graeme said: "I'm looking forward to being part of a newly elected FAI Executive Board with a united vision for a successful future for FAI, and responding positively to the current challenges facing FAI."

