## Greg Kolligian Earns AOG Honorary Membership

Air Force and Academy dignitaries gathered at Doolittle Hall on the morning of Graduation Day, May 28, to honor Gregory S. Kolligian, who on that day became the Association of Graduates' 14th living Honorary Member. Kolligian was cited for "his long-standing, continuous and dedicated service to the United States Air Force, the Air Force Academy, and the Association of Graduates."



Jim Ulm, '61, then-chairman of the AOG Board of Directors, presents Greg Kolligian with his AOG Honorary Membership plaque. There are currently 14 living Honorary Members.

Officials attending the ceremony included Air Force Chief of Staff General Ronald R. Fogleman, '63; Academy Superintendent Lt. Gen. Paul E. Stein, '66; and retired Brig. Gen. James P. Ulm, '61, chairman of the AOG Board of Directors. Many others

## Springs Scholarship Honors Superintendent Stein, Spouse

By Tech. Sgt. Ken Carter Academy Spirit Staff

The Academy's superintendent and his spouse were recognized in mid-July when the Colorado Springs Front Range Institute established a scholarship in their names for post high school education.

According to the institute's Youth Action Program coordinator Bill Glenn, Lt. Gen. Paul E. Stein and his wife, Carol, have been long-time key players in the collaborative project among the Academy, the Front Range Institute and the Colorado Springs School Systems.

"The Youth Action Program's success is largely due to General Stein's vision in the program's development and implementation," Glenn said. "Carol Stein's insight of the military family was key in the advancement and modification of the program. Carol provided guidance in directing the Youth Action Program Advisory Board in evaluating the program components to add continual improvements to best serve the community.

"The Steins have given their time and energy in support of the program and the Carol and Paul Stein Scholarship Fund will continue to give to the children of our military community."

"You're giving us a lot of credit, but you're the ones who have done the work," Carol said.

The purpose of this pilot project is to provide services that will enhance academic performance, social skills and family functioning. The program includes four basic components: tutoring; social skills; parent support; and, experimental and recreational activities.

"We've enjoyed this experience," Stein said when presented with the award. "You've done a terrific job and it's the right thing to do." (Additional information provided by S.S. Hampton Sr. Story courtesy the Academy Spirit.)



Congratulating Greg Kolligian after the Honorary Membership induction ceremony, from left are Mrs. Fogleman, Mrs. Stein, Air Force Chief of Staff General Fogleman, Dean of the Faculty Brig. Gen. Randy Cubero, '61; Greg Kolligian, retired Brig. Gen. Jim Ulm, chairman of the AOG Board of Directors, and retired Gen. Ron Yates, '60, and Mrs. Yates.

also came to recognize Kolligian's myriad contributions to Air Force-related organizations.

Kolligian was instrumental in conceptualizing the Sabre Society and establishing its identity, becoming one of the society's original members. According to the Honorary Membership citation, "Greg served as a Marine pilot in the 1950s and continues to share his deep love of flight with all. In 1958, Greg established the Kolligian Trophy, the most prestigious Air Force safety award given to an individual aviator.

"For several decades, Greg has also supported the Air Force Thunderbirds and has been recognized as an honorary member. For over 20 years, Greg has taken the time to help innumerable Air Force people on a personal basis. Since his first visit to the Academy, Greg has embraced the institution, its graduates and cadets...Since then, he has worked diligently to provide support to the Association of Graduates and the Sabre Society."

An honorary membership is the highest honor the graduate community bestows upon supporters of the institution. Honorary memberships are awarded only to those individuals who "...have rendered outstanding and conspicuous service to the Air Force and/or the Air Force Academy." Memberships, which are awarded for life, are limited to 20 living persons and are highly selective. Each requires a nomination by a board member and a unanimous vote by the sitting board.

Current living Honorary Members by date of induction include Sen. Barry M. Goldwater, Mrs. Freida B. Weber, James I. Conboy, Harold U. Littrell, Maj. Gen. (Ret) William Lyon, Brig. Gen. (Ret) Robert F. McDermott and Norma Nottingham. Also, James N. Bowman, Donald J. Barrett, Lt. Gen. (Ret) Benjamin N. Bellis, the Honorable Harold C. Stuart, Brig. Gen. (Ret) Malham M. Wakin and Dorothy Donnelley Moller.

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