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Legacy Class Schedule of Events

**ASSOCIATION OF GRADUATES  
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE ACADEMY  
*Class of 1973, Legacy Class for Class of 2023***

***Congratulations and Welcome to the Air Force Academy 50-year Legacy Class Program***

As a 1973 graduate, you are invited to support members of the Class of 2023 through their four years at the Academy and participate in their milestone celebrations. A 40-year program started before the Class of 1959 reached its 50th year post graduation. Once 1959 reached that milestone, the AOG and USAFA began to honor them with involvement in graduation and other events. The program was changed and the 50-year class is now the official Legacy Class. The first Legacy Classes stressed the shared responsibility of both classes in making the Academy what we all expect it to be - "recognized as the premier developer of aerospace leaders ... leaders with impeccable character and essential knowledge ... prepared and motivated to lead our Air Force and nation.

• Below are the opportunities for the Class of 1973 to interact with the Class of 2023 over the next four years:

**January 2019 -Welcome**

- The 1973 Legacy Class forms a legacy committee and nominates a classmate to write the contrails dedication
- The 1973 Legacy Class can decide if the class will fundraise \$7000-\$10,000 for the Class of 2023 2Lt bars.(Optional)

**June 2019- Swearing-In Ceremony (Graduates and guests)**

- Sit in the parade field stand and watch as the basics are sworn-in.

**July 2019 - Coin Ceremony (Graduates Only)**

- Sit on the Terrazzo and watch as the basics complete the march-back from Jack's Valley. The Commandant presents challenge coins and recognizes outstanding basics.

**August 2019-Acceptance Day Parade (Graduates and guests)**

- View the parade as the basics are "accepted" as fourth class cadets. Eight 1973 representatives will present Contrails to the outstanding Basic Cadet from each of the eight summer squadrons.
- A representative from the 1973 Legacy Class can give a short speech at the parade. If available, the 1973 class flag will be positioned at the podium.

**January 2020 - Forged in Blue**

- The 1973 Legacy Class has the opportunity to reach out for class ring donations. The donated rings will be used to create the Class of 2023 rings. A tangible connection between the two classes and the 'Long Blue Line' is formed.

**October 2020 - Exemplar Dinner (Graduates Only)**

- Sit and dine with the Class of 2023 as they celebrate the selection of their Class Exemplar.

**August 2021 - Forged in Blue and Commitment Dinner (Graduates Only)**

- Attend the *Forged in Blue* ring melt of donated USAF A graduate rings.
- Sit and dine with the Class of 2023 as they celebrate their "Commitment" to the Air Force.

- The 1973 Legacy Class presents the *Forged in Blue* ingot.

**May 2022 - Ring Dining Out and Dance (Graduates and guests)**

- Sit and dine with the Class of 2023 as they receive their class rings 'forged' with rings of USAFA alumni. The 1973 Legacy Class and guests may also attend the Ring Dance.

**February 2023 - 100th Night (Graduates Only)**

- Sit and dine with the Class of 2023 as they celebrate 100th Night.

**June 2023 (Graduates and guests)**

- The 1973 Legacy Class is invited to attend commissioning ceremonies for the Class of 2023. Your Association of Graduates and the Long Blue Line are counting on the Class of 1973 to guide the Class of 2023, instilling a sense of pride and heritage as they go forth as cadets and officers.