



**Air University Presents**

**The International Alumni of Distinction Seminar**

**15-19 April 2024**

**Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama**



# AIR UNIVERSITY

Committed To Building Partnerships ...  
One International Leader at a Time



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# SEMINAR OVERVIEW

## **PURPOSE**

*Sponsored by the US Department of State, the International Alumni of Distinction Seminar (IADS) brings together international Air University (AU) PME Alumni to explore timely and relevant strategic topics on shared security challenges and regional stability. The 2024 IADS theme is 'Peace Through Partnership'.*

## **ATTENDEES**

- *35 international senior leader alumni from 25 countries*
- *Numerous U.S. attendees from the State Department, Marine Corps University, Combatant Commands, and Secretary of the Air Force International Affairs.*

## **SCHEDULED TOPICS AND EVENTS**

*16 guest speakers will provide holistic context on perspectives in support of solutions to shared strategic challenges. Participants have an opportunity to discuss Women, Peace & Security; Enlisted Development; Climate Effects on Military Operations; and 'Peace Through Partnership' concepts within the framework of shared strategic challenges that require interdependent solutions.*

*Participants will have the ability to socialize Monday night, engage in daily academics, and attend the Chief of Staff of the Air Force's and Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force's International Honor Roll induction ceremony on Friday.*



# ADMINISTRATIVE NOTES

## **Please note:**

All times listed in this program are U.S. Central Daylight Time

## **Uniform of the Day for the Seminar:**

15-18 April - Utility uniforms or flight suits for military; business casual for civilians (including Monday social)  
19 April – Service Dress for the CSAF International Honor Roll induction ceremony and events

## **Transportation:**

Transportation is provided to and from the Maxwell Club and the Renaissance Hotel.

All IADS events are at the Maxwell Club. Loading and unloading zones are no hat, no salute areas.

Day		Event	Time	Event	Time
Monday	15 April	Depart Hotel	0915	Depart Club	1630/1730
Tuesday	16 April	Depart Hotel	0730	Depart Club	1630/1700
Wednesday	17 April	Depart Hotel	0730	Depart Club	1700/1730
Thursday	18 April	Depart Hotel	0730	Depart Club	1630/1700
Friday	19 April	Depart Hotel	0915	Depart Flightline or BX	1530/1700

## **COVID-19 Update:**

Maxwell AFB is currently in Health Protection Condition (HPCON) Alpha. The risk of COVID-19 to the base and surrounding area is LOW. Masks are NOT required. If you are experiencing symptoms of COVID-19, please contact the 42nd Medical Group number below.

Montgomery AL COVID website: <https://www.montgomeryal.gov/live/coronavirus>

## **Important Phone Numbers:**

Unit Control Center (UCC) Cell Phone\* 24 hour Renaissance (334) 531-9422  
Hotel Montgomery (334) 481-5000  
IMSO (International Military Student Officer) (334) 953-7474  
42nd Medical Group Patient Administration for IADS Attendees (334) 207-5436  
42 ABW Security Forces (334) 953-7222  
Base Operator (334) 953-1110

**\*Please call the UCC for all support requests**

To call Montgomery, AL numbers from an international phone: +1 334 XXX-XXXX

# LIEUTENANT GENERAL ANDREA D. TULLOS

Lt Gen Andrea D. Tullos is Commander and President, Air University, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama. She provides full spectrum education, research and outreach at every level through professional military education, professional continuing education, and academic degree granting. She leads the intellectual and leadership development center of the U.S. Air Force, graduating more than 50,000 resident and 120,000 non-resident officers, enlisted and civilian personnel each year. Additionally, she is responsible for officer commissioning through Officer Training School and the Reserve Officer Training Corps.

Lt Gen Tullos entered the Air Force in 1991 and received her commission through Officer Training School as a distinguished graduate. She is a career Security Forces officer and has previously served as a staff officer at the combatant command, Joint Staff, Air Staff and major command levels and as the Director of Security Forces, Headquarters U.S. Air Force. She has completed multiple command tours at the squadron, group, wing and numbered Air Force level.



# CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT STEFAN D. BLAZIER

Chief Stefan Blazier is the Command Chief Master Sergeant for Air University, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama. Air University is the intellectual and leadership-development center for the Air Force and Space Force, providing a full-spectrum of courses that graduate more than 50,000 resident and 120,000 non-resident officers, enlisted and civilian personnel each year to achieve national security objectives. He serves as the adviser to the Air University commander on all matters affecting the quality, welfare, morale, readiness and leadership of service members assigned to more than 1,300 locations around the world.

Chief Blazier enlisted in the Air Force as an imagery analyst in the Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance community. His experience includes a wide range of operational, training and developmental roles and missions. Chief Blazier has held various senior enlisted positions at squadron, group, wing, center and headquarters levels.



# MAJOR GENERAL PARKER H. WRIGHT

Maj Gen Parker H. Wright is the Commander, Curtis E. LeMay Center for Doctrine Development and Education, and Deputy Commander, Air University, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama. The Center advances warfighting through doctrine, education and training, while Air University serves as the intellectual and leadership-development center of the Air Force.

Maj Gen Wright commissioned in 1996 as a distinguished graduate of the U.S. Air Force Academy. He is a career intelligence officer with a variety of operational assignments, including squadron, group, wing, and joint commands. Maj. Gen. Wright has deployed in support of air operations over Iraq, Afghanistan, and the Balkans. The general's staff assignments include Headquarters U.S. Air Force, U.S. Air Forces Europe, and the Joint Staff. Maj Gen Wright holds advanced degrees from the Harvard Kennedy School of Government and the School of Advanced Air and Space Studies and was a National Defense Fellow at the Center for a New American Security.



# Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary STANLEY L. BROWN

Stanley L. Brown is the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for the Bureau of Political-Military Affairs. He previously served as Acting Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Political-Military Affairs from January 1 to May 6, 2022. From January 2020 to January 2021, he served as PM's Deputy Assistant Secretary for Programs and Operations, and from July 2013 to January 2020, Mr. Brown served as the Director of the Office of Weapons Removal and Abatement in the PM Bureau.

Before joining the Department of State, he served 27 years in the U.S. Air Force as a pilot primarily in Special Operations units but also in assignments at the Department of State to include Director of the Office of International Security Operations, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs and Special Operations Chief in the Office of Counterterrorism. He has a B.A. from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill and an M.S. from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University. He is a graduate of Squadron Officer School, Air Command and Staff College, and Air War College.



# BRIGADIER GENERAL GEOFFREY F. WEISS

Brig Gen Geoffrey F. Weiss is the Director of Regional Affairs for the Deputy Under Secretary of the Air Force, International Affairs, the Pentagon, Arlington, Virginia. In this role, he manages relationships and provides oversight and guidance for international programs supporting national security objectives through politico-military affairs, security assistance, education, training and cooperative research and development. Brig Gen Weiss supervises over 3,400 foreign military sales cases valued at more than \$266 billion.



Brig Gen Weiss is a Master Air Battle Manager with more than 2,500 hours in the E-3 Sentry including 335 hours of combat and combat support. Brig Gen Weiss is also an award-winning author with articles appearing in the Joint Force Quarterly and Air and Space Power Journal; and his best-selling book, “The New Art of War: The Origins, Theory, and Future of Conflict,” was published by Cambridge University Press in 2021.

# U.S. Ambassador to Ecuador Michael Fitzpatrick

A career diplomat, Michael J. Fitzpatrick arrived in Quito in June 2019 to begin service as U.S. Ambassador to Ecuador. Prior Senior Foreign Service stints include service as Deputy Assistant Secretary for Western Hemisphere Affairs; Interim U.S. Permanent Representative to the Organization of American States and the United States Coordinator for the 2015 Summit of the Americas; Deputy Chief of Mission and Chargé d’Affaires, a.i. in Lima, Peru; and as Foreign Policy Advisor to the Chief of the National Guard Bureau, a member of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Fitzpatrick also served as Deputy Chief of Mission in Asunción, Paraguay.



Ambassador Fitzpatrick joined the U.S. Foreign Service in 1988, after first joining the State Department as a Presidential Management Fellow in 1986. He holds a Bachelor’s degree from Georgetown University and a Master’s in International Affairs (International Security Policy) from the School of Public and International Affairs at Columbia University.



# SENIOR MENTOR

The senior mentor will be available throughout the seminar, and will offer viewpoints, advice and perspectives for all the topics discussed.

## LIEUTENANT GENERAL (ret) ALLEN G. PECK

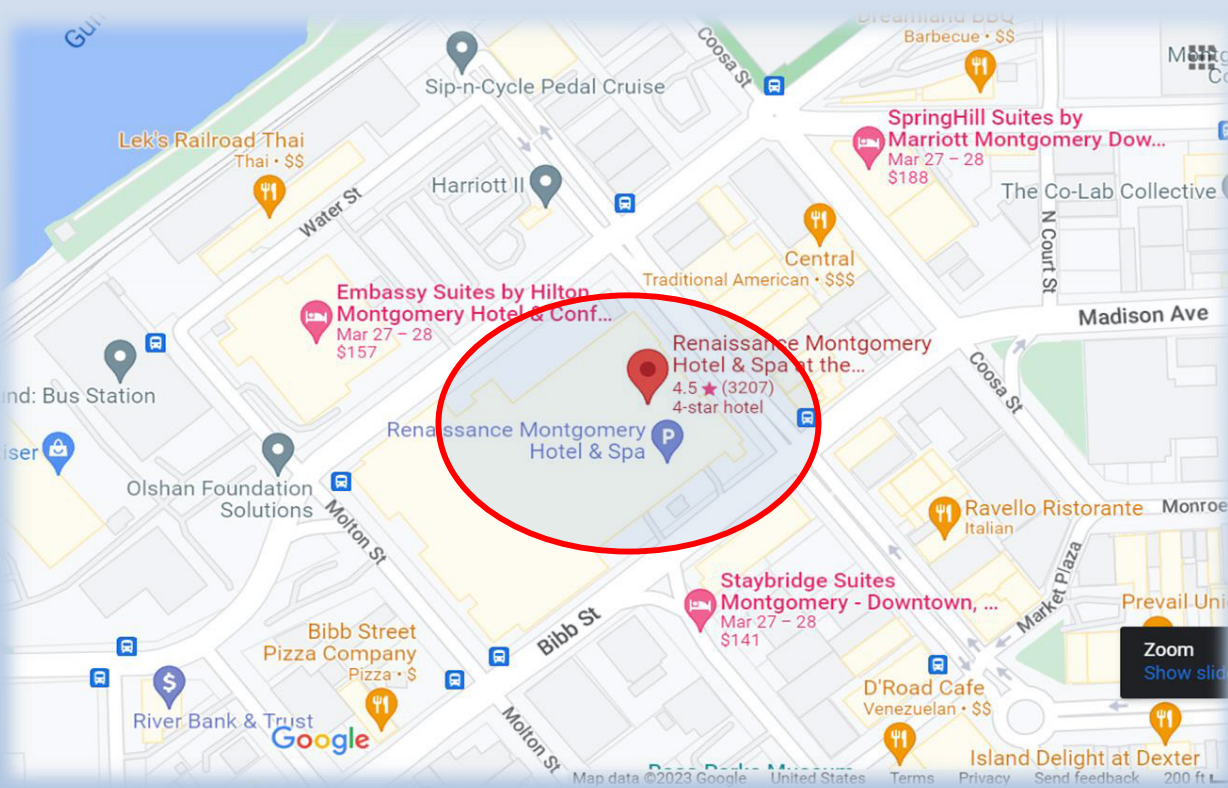
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Following retirement from active duty in 2011, he spent 3 years as the Director of the Air Force Research Institute (2013-2016) and as a faculty member at the Air Command and Staff College.



# Hotel: Renaissance

201 Tallapoosa St, Montgomery, AL 36104



Buses leave the hotel at  
**0915 Monday,**  
**0730 T, W, Thurs,**  
**0915 Friday**



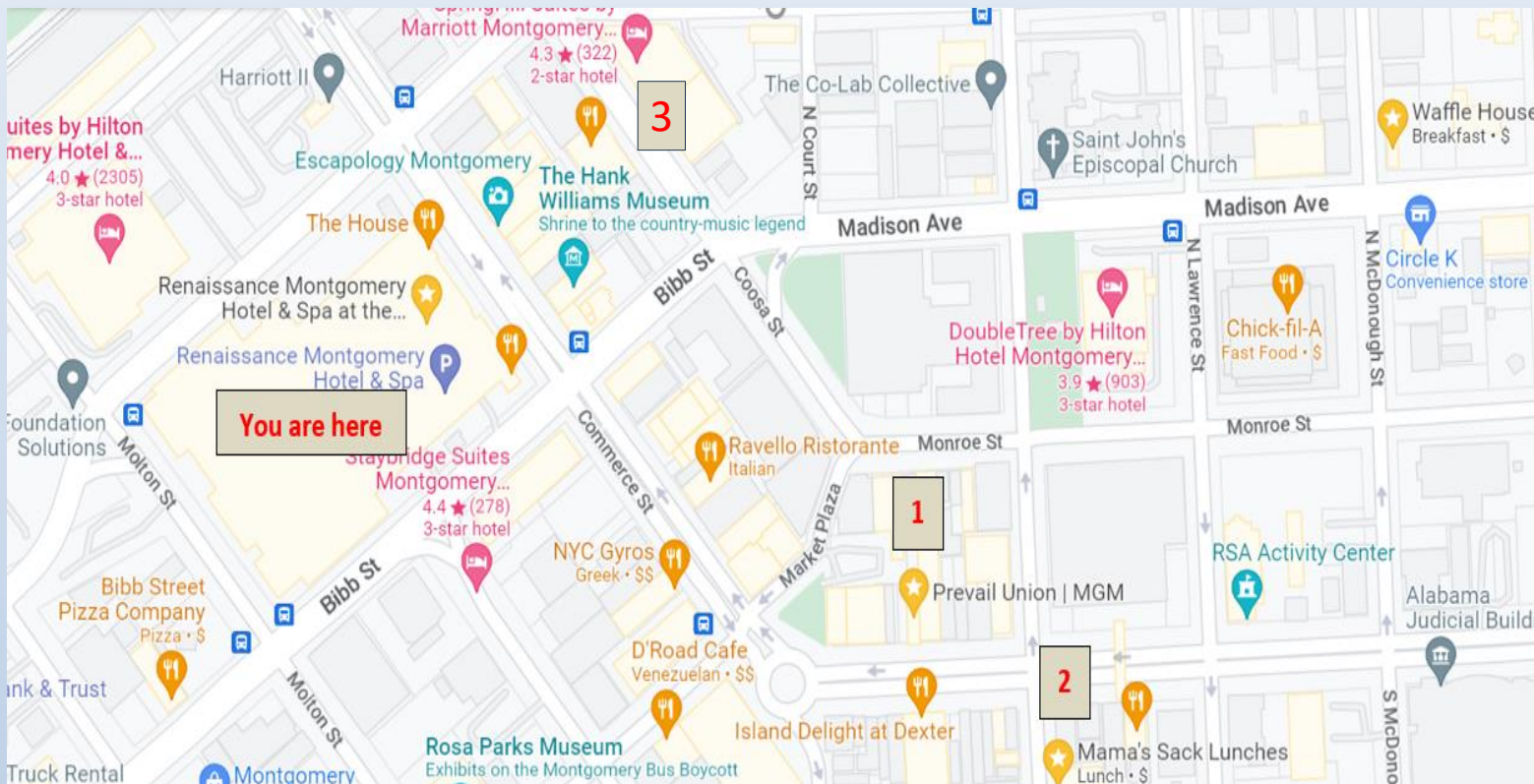


# Dining Options: Breakfast

## Local Dining Options Within Walking Distance of the Hotel

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### BREAKFAST

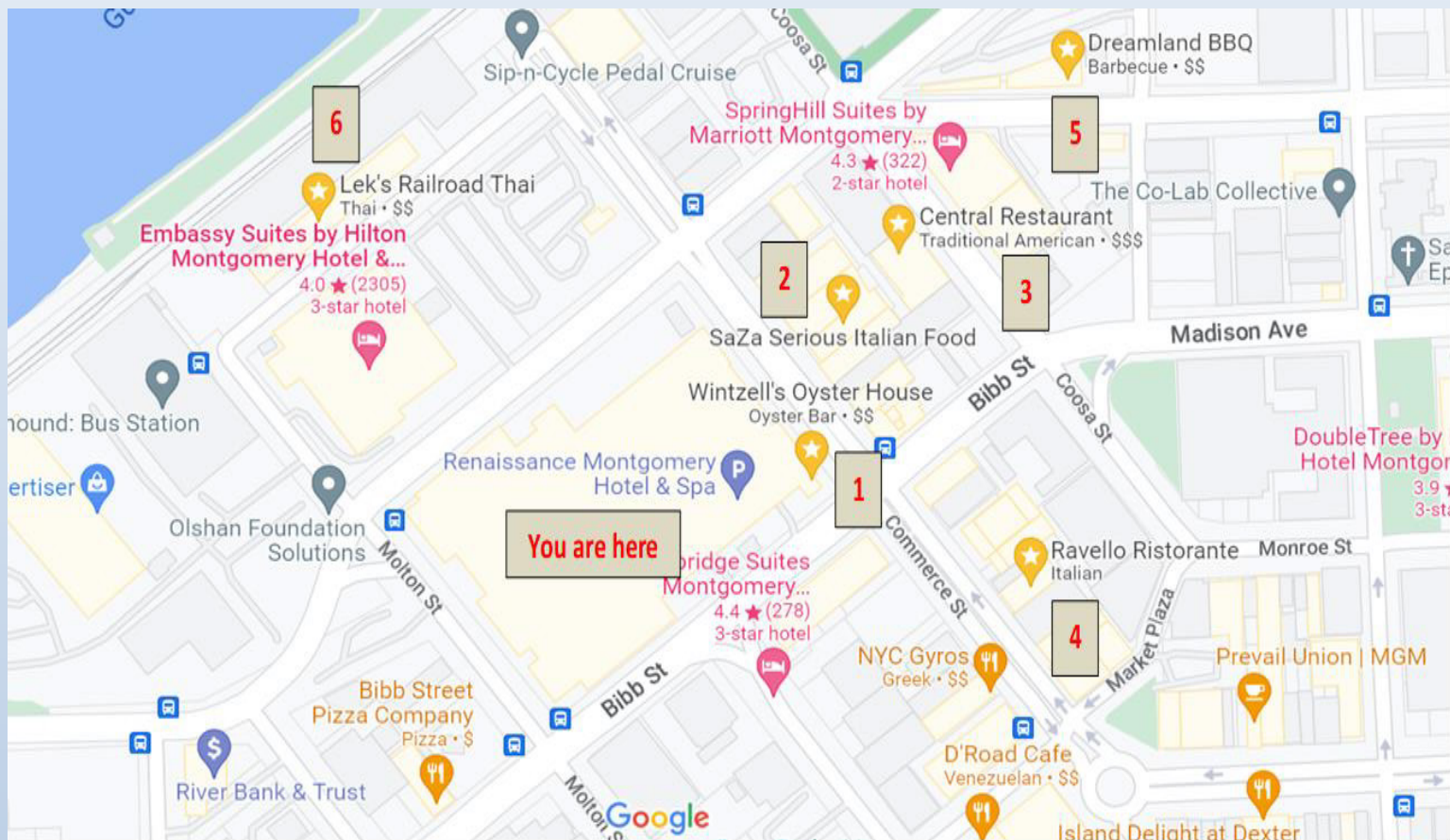
*	The House Restaurant <b>Located inside The Renaissance hotel</b>	Hours of operation: 0630-2200
1	Prevail Union Café & Coffee Shop	Hours of operation: 0700-1800
2	Mama's Sack Lunches	Hours of operation: 0500-1000
3	Starbucks Coffee	0600-1900 M-F, 0800-1600 Saturday/Sunday



# Dining Options: Lunch/Dinner

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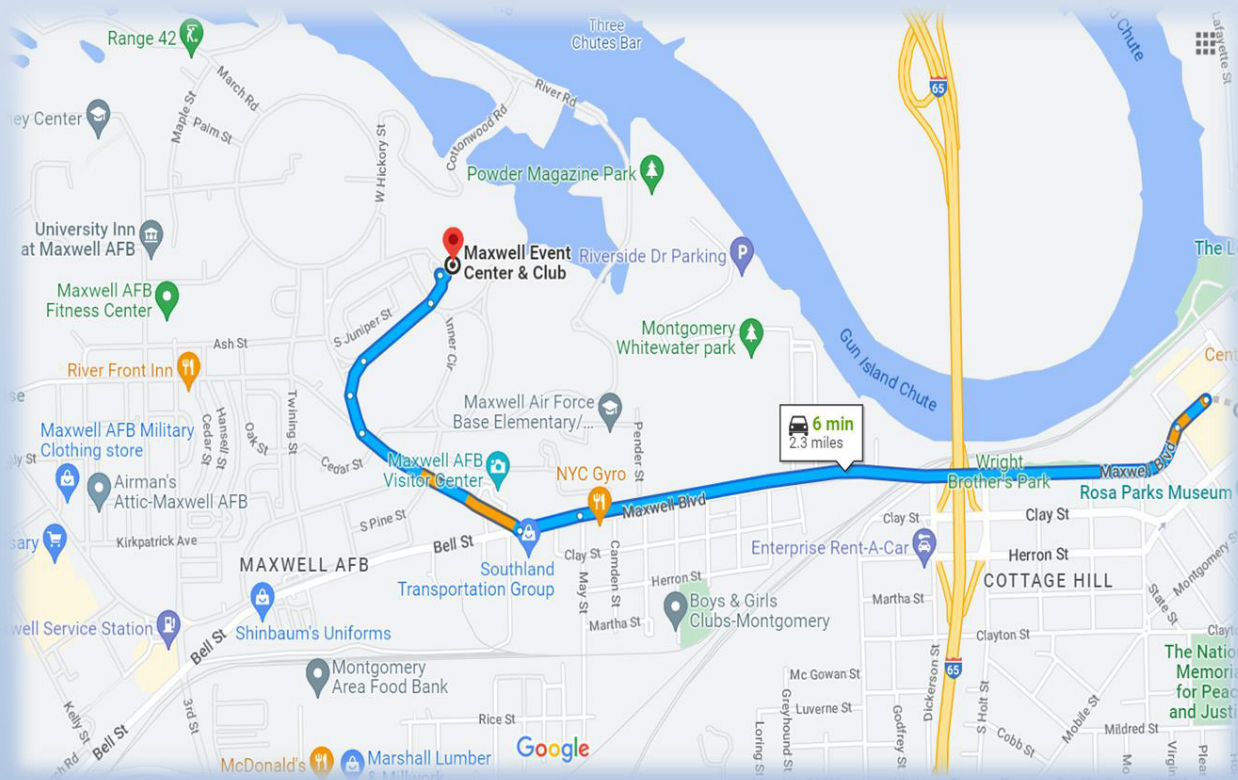
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### LUNCH & DINNER

*	The House Restaurant Located inside The Renaissance hotel	Hours of operation: 0630-2200
1	Wintzell's Oyster House	Hours of operation: 1100-2100
2	SaZa Serious Italian	Hours of operation: 1100-1400 / 1700-2100
3	Central Restaurant	Hours of operation: 1730-2100
4	Ravello Ristorante	Hours of operation: 1630-2200
5	Dreamland BBQ	Hours of operation: 1100-2000
6	Railroad Thai Restaurant	Hours of operation: 1100-1430 / 1700-2100

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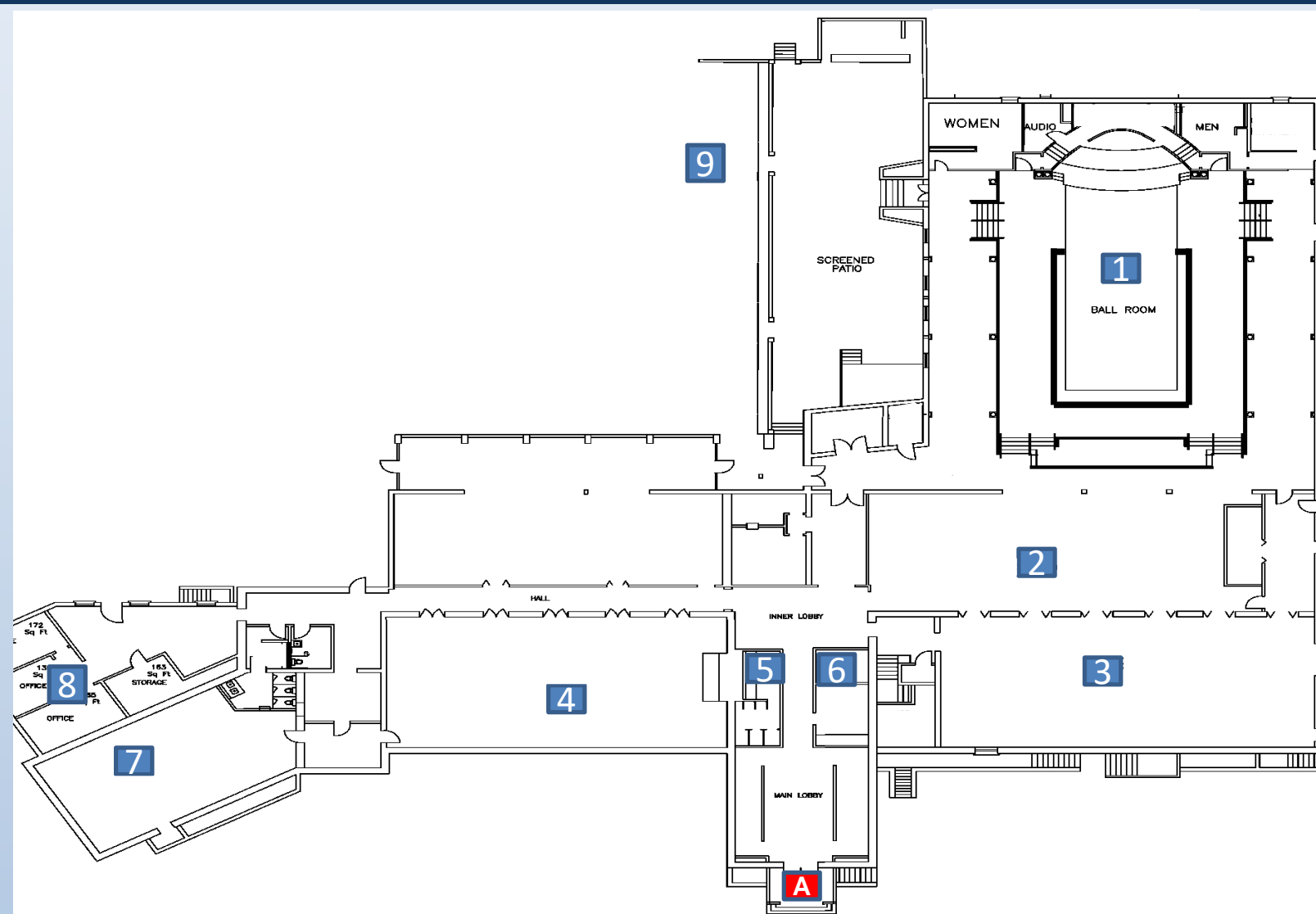
## Parking For Attendees With Their Own Transportation



The yellow highlights indicate the parking areas for attendees with their own transportation. Look for your name on a stanchion. If your name is not posted on a stanchion park in any of the spaces that are posted **“IADS DV”**



# Maxwell AFB Club Layout



Club Layout	
<b>A</b>	Entrance
<b>1</b>	Ballroom
<b>2</b>	Gold Room
<b>3</b>	International Airman Room
<b>4</b>	Daedalian Room
<b>5</b>	Men's Bathroom
<b>6</b>	Women's Bathroom
<b>7</b>	Tuskegee Room
<b>8</b>	Prayer Room
<b>9</b>	Designated Smoking Area

