



Awards Banquet Spring 2025

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Purpose of Awards Banquet



- Boost morale across the wing
- Highlight the importance of ceremony and tradition in Air Force culture
- Unite the wing before the semester concludes
- Recognize outstanding achievements through awards





Date/Location



- **Date:**
 - Saturday, 3 May 2025
- **Time:**
 - 1100-1500
- **Check-in:**
 - **1030-1045**
- **Location:**
 - Gateway Club at Lackland
 - 1650 Kenly Ave, Lackland AFB, TX 78236





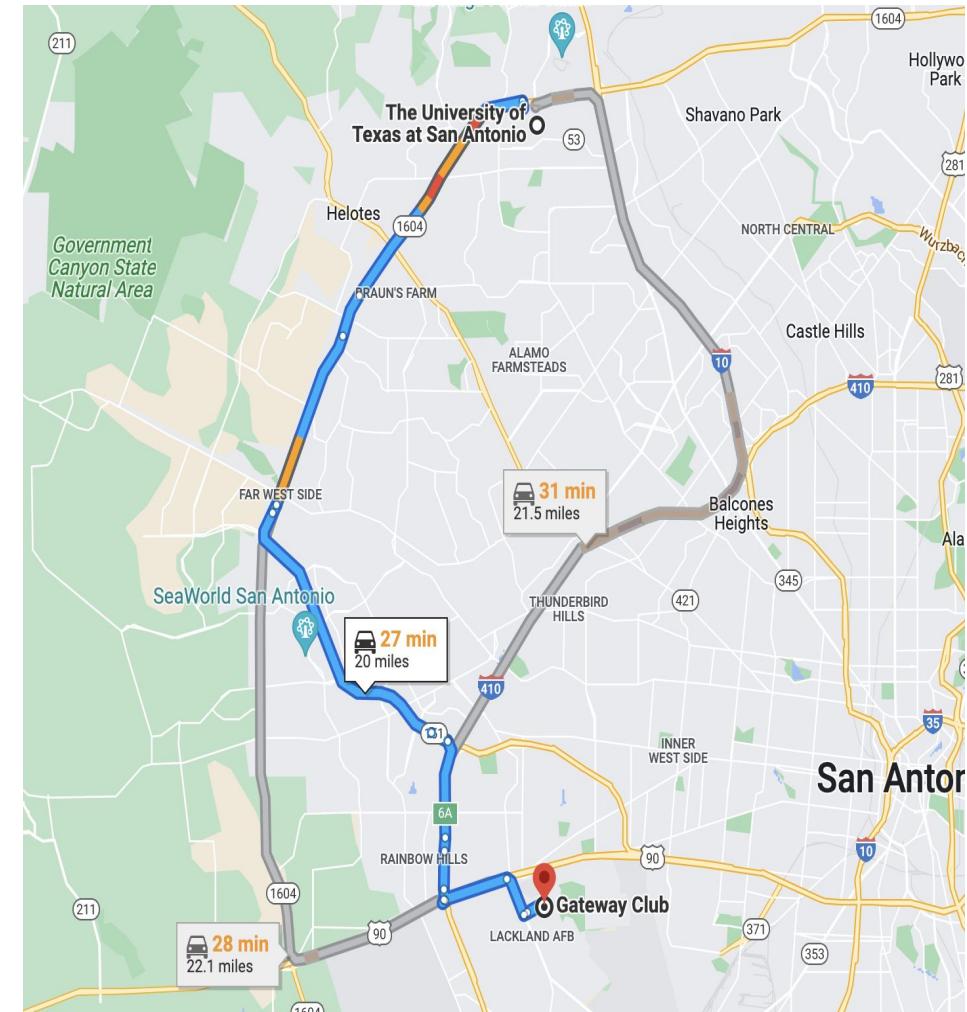
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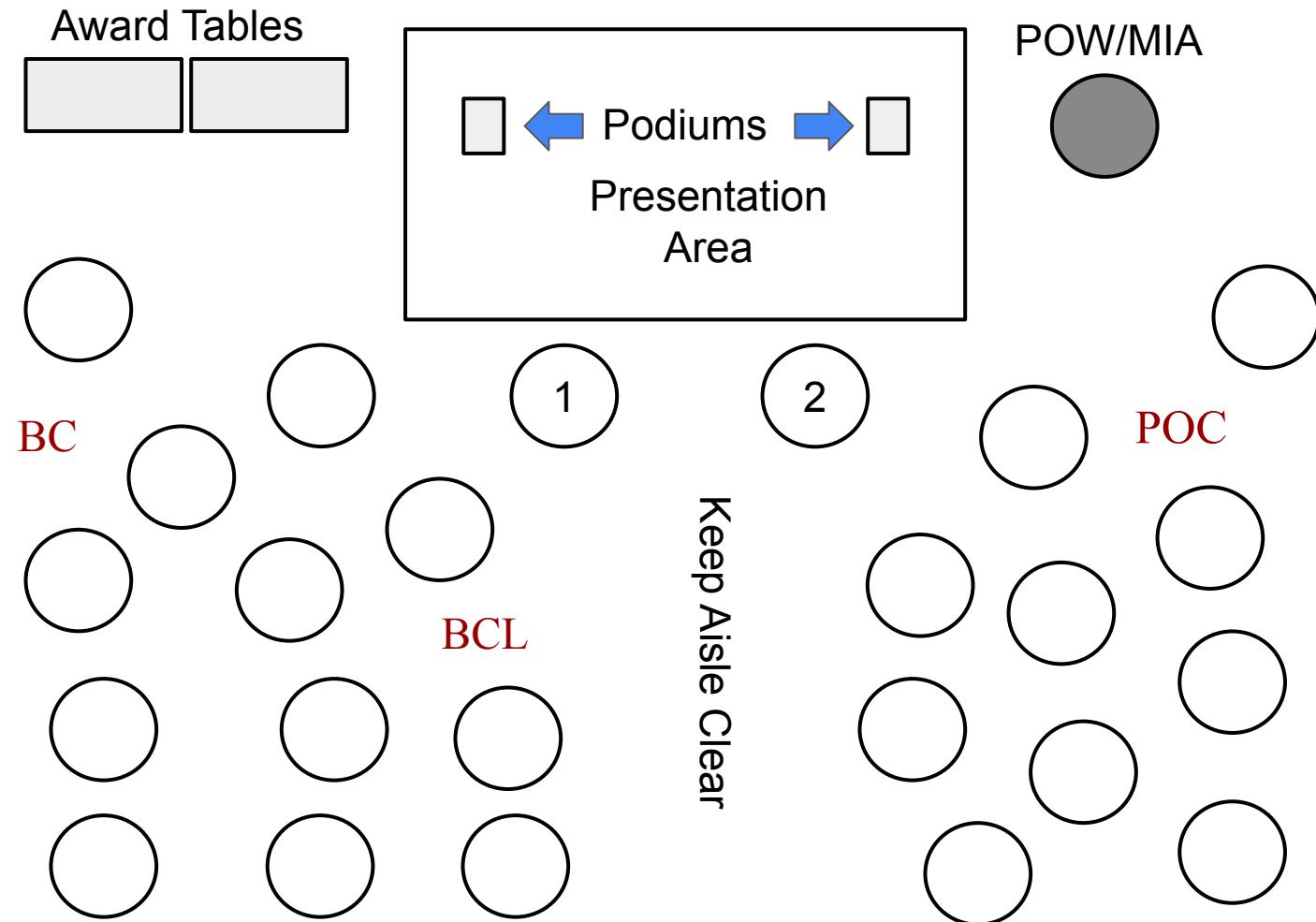
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Seating

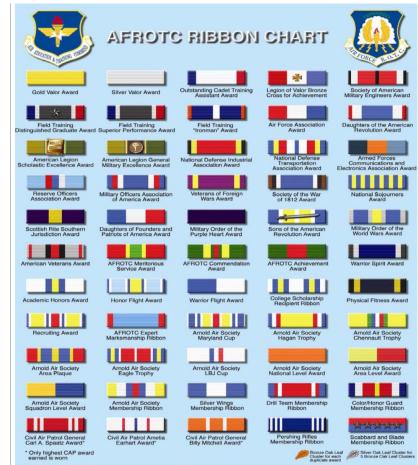




Customs and Courtesies



- Shake, Take, Smile, Salute
 - Salute for officers only
- Coining
- Awards
- Certificates





Dining Etiquette



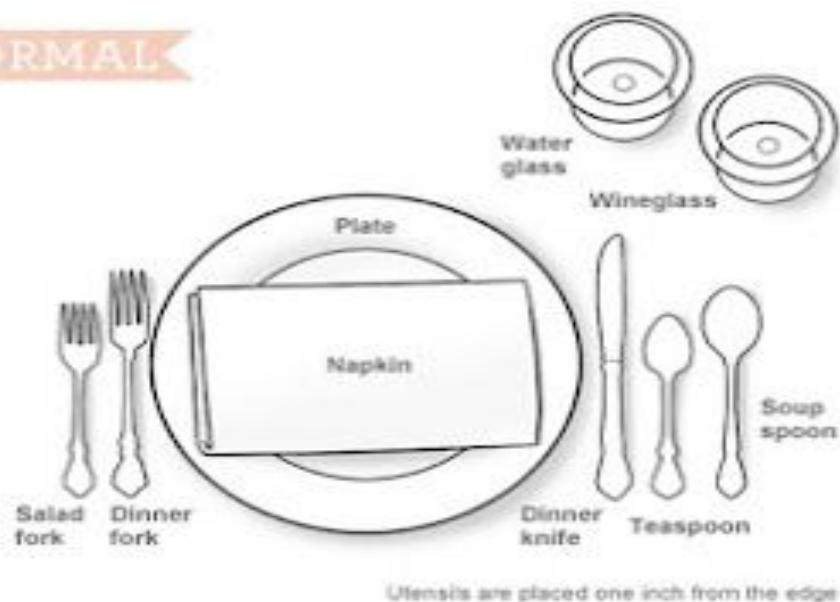
- Wait to eat until the head table has begun
- Take small bites—avoid overfilling your mouth
- Refrain from slurping or smacking noises
- Cut only one or two bites at a time
- Scoop food away from your body



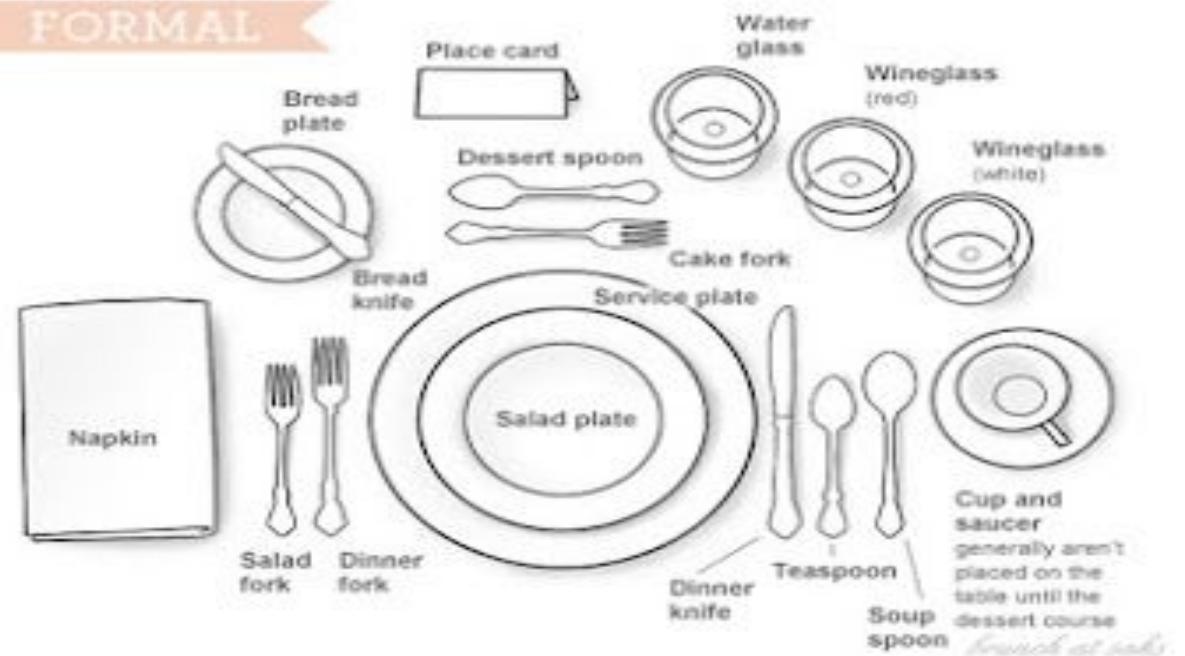


Dining Etiquette

INFORMAL



FORMAL





Toasts & Responses



- Proposals and responses follow this format:
 - “To the Commander in Chief, the President of the United States”
→ **Response:** “To the President”
 - “To the Chief of Staff of the United States Air Force”
→ **Response:** “To the Chief”
 - After the Chief of Staff toast, all further responses: **“Hear, Hear”**
 - A final toast will honor all brothers- and sisters-in-arms who have paid the ultimate sacrifice.
 - Once toasts conclude, the President of the Mess will seat the mess

TOASTS	
Toast: To the colors	Response: “To the colors!”
Toast: To the Commander in Chief, the President of the United States	Response: “To the President!”
Toast: To the Chief of Staff of the United States Air Force	Response: “To the Chief!”
Toast: To the Chief Master Sergeant of the United States Air Force	Response: “Hear, hear!”
Toast: To the Commander of Air Education and Training Command	Response: “Hear, hear!”
Toast: To the Commander of Air Force ROTC	Response: “Hear, hear!”
Toast: To our Award Sponsors	Response: “Hear, hear!”
Toast: To our Fallen Comrades	<i>Moment of Silence</i>



POW/MIA Table



The POW/MIA Missing Man Table ceremony is a dignified and solemn moment in many formal dinners and other occasions in honor of fallen, missing, or imprisoned military service members





UOD



- Active Military
 - Officer
 - Mess dress
 - Enlisted
 - “Semi-formal” Service Dress
 - OR Mess dress



- Retired Military
 - Same as active military
 - OR professional business attire





UOD



- GMC (AS100 & AS200)
 - Blues
 - Tie/Tie tabs
 - Ranks
 - Nameplate
 - Low quarters



- POC
 - “Semi-formal” Service Dress/Mess Dress
 - Tie/Tie tabs
 - Ranks
 - **White button up**
 - No cover
 - No nameplate





UOD



- GMC - Semi Formal (**Without Blues**)
 - Button up shirt with **tie**
 - Slacks and belt
 - Optional: Semi-formal dress or blouse with skirt/slacks
 - Dresses must be at least fingertip-length
 - Avoid low-cut, backless, or excessively tight-fitting attire
- Guests
 - Button-up shirts, blouses, slacks, skirts, or dresses
 - Ties and jackets are optional but encouraged for a more polished appearance
 - Please avoid jeans, shorts, or casual footwear (e.g., sneakers, flip-flops)





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