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Former Air Force One Pilot to Speak at Chamber Dinner

Bremen, IN - The Bremen Chamber of Commerce will hold their 2009 Annual Dinner and Youth Service Awards on September 17, 2009 at the Bremen VFW. Entertainment for the evening will feature keynote speaker Todd Beer, former Air Force One pilot under President George W. Bush. The banquet is open to the public with a cost of \$25 per ticket covering dinner catered by the Bremen American Legion and VFW.

This year one Bremen Middle School (BMS) eighth grader and one Bremen High School (BHS) senior will receive the Youth Service Award. This distinction is given to students who have demonstrated exceptional qualities contributing to a better quality of life for our community and those who live in it. In addition, three Bremen adults will be awarded the Lifetime Achievement Award given to Bremen citizens and businesspeople who have contributed to a richer economy and quality of life in Bremen.

The evening will begin at 6:00 p.m. with dinner and awards recognition at 6:30 p.m. Guest speaker Todd Beer will follow with his unique perspective of the 9/11 terrorist attacks and effort to hide President Bush during this time of national upheaval. "This is both a great opportunity for the community to acknowledge the efforts of these unique students and hear a once in a lifetime account of an event that changed our nation forever", said Bill Davis, Chamber President.

Recruited in 1982 by the United States Air Force Academy to play basketball, Todd Beer entered the Armed Forces for what turned into a 24 year career. He overcame his fear of flying while at the Academy and went on to become a pilot for Air Force One. He flew Air Force One for President Clinton and President George W. Bush and has flown each former president since Jimmy Carter.

The Bremen Chamber of Commerce was founded in 1964. Their mission is to "Unite local businesses in an effort to advocate and support economic vitality while cultivating community prosperity and quality of life in Bremen, A Good Town."