

Commander's Call Topics



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"Taking care of our people is priority number one. We have an obligation to ensure that we support the evolving needs of wounded, ill and injured service members."

Deborah Lee James
Secretary of the Air Force



November is Warrior Care Month

We must continue to tailor resources, programs and resource execution to those activities and programs that adequately and accurately address shifting societal needs and support both Airman and family resiliency. One of the many programs we have is the Air Force Wounded Warrior Program (AFW2). AFW2 coordinates the care and transition support of seriously wounded, ill and injured Airmen and provides resources and support to their families.

Putting our people first ensures that they are able to meet the unique challenges inherent



in serving in the profession of arms. We honor the sacrifices of our Airmen by providing the best medical and non-medical professional support possible throughout the recovery process.

Assisting wounded warriors in recovery requires a team that operates in concert to provide the best quality of care and support to our injured Airmen, their families, and caregivers.

Wounded warriors, their families and caregivers are supported throughout the recovery, rehabilitation and reintegration process.

We work with each AFW2 Airman, their family and caregivers to provide a thorough analysis of opportunities and ensure that they receive the entitlements and benefits that are available based on their individual circumstances. For more information about the AFW2 program go to <http://www.woundedwarrior.af.mil/>.

Warrior Care Month
Showing Warriors We CARE through a
Show of Strength
November 2015

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► THIS WEEK IN AIR FORCE HISTORY

Nov. 12, 1921 – Wesley May, with a 5-gallon can of gasoline strapped to his back, stepped from the wing of a Lincoln Standard, a bi-plane, to the wing skid of a Curtiss JN-4, also a bi-plane, and climbed to the engine to pour gas into the tank. Frank Hawks piloted the Lincoln, and Earl S. Daugherty piloted the JN-4. This was the first known air-to-air refueling.

Nov. 13, 1964 – The solid propellant rocket for Titan II Space Booster's first stage was test-fired at the United Technology Center in Sunnyvale, California, producing more than a million pounds of thrust.

Nov. 14, 1974 – McDonnell-Douglas delivered the first F-15 Eagle to the Tactical Air Command at Luke Air Force Base, Arizona.

Nov. 15, 1942 – The first women entered U.S. Army Air Force flight training. The Army designated the Women's Flying Training Detachment at the Houston Municipal Airport as the 319th Army Air Force Flying Training Detachment.

Nov. 16, 1944 – In the largest air and ground cooperation to date, over 4,000 allied planes, with 750 fighter escorts, dropped more than 10,000 tons of bombs in front of the 1st and 9th Armies to prepare for a ground attack.

Nov. 17, 1961 – The Air Force launched the first Minuteman missile from an underground silo at Cape Canaveral, Florida, on a 3,000-mile flight down the Atlantic Missile Range.

Nov. 18, 1949 – An Air Force C-74 Globemaster, "The Champ," flew from Mobile, Alabama, to Marham, England, in 23 hours. Carrying a record 103 passengers, it was the first transatlantic flight to carry more than 100 passengers.



The OPM data breach, massive in its identity theft implications, gives rise to other crimes, and often one crime can result in two more. For example, phishing scams can morph into credit card fraud and social security abuse. Learn how to protect yourself [here](#).

To learn more about the Office of Personnel Management data breach, legitimate assistance being provided to impacted individuals, and to understand cybersecurity as it is grounded in the Air Force tradition, please go to the specially created [Air Force Cybersecurity](#) web page.



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The first-ever virtual education fair, designed to enable participation from anywhere in the world, will help higher education more accessible for all service members.

► FAMILY HEALTH AND SAFETY

[What TRICARE beneficiaries need to know about open enrollment, marketplace](#)

This is a good starting place to understand health care options, both inside and outside TRICARE.

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