Commander's Call Topics

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28 February—3 March 2017

New Associate Degree Program for Civilian Airmen

PRIORITY TOPIC OF THE WEEK

- Air University will award graduates an Associate of Applied Science degree in AF Leadership/Management studies
- The program is a two-year, 60 credit hour, online program and the first term begins in March 2018.
- Applicants must submit their package via MyPers between March 1 to May 1, 2017
- Full-time civilian employees—who do not possess a degree—may be eligible to apply for the program.
- For more information on the program and the eligibility requirements, read the <u>AFPC</u> <u>article</u>, visit <u>Air University's site</u> or <u>myPers</u> (CAC-required).
- 27 February—4 March is "Military Saves Week" (MSW).
- MSW is an annual opportunity for organizations to promote good savings behavior and a chance for Total Force Airmen (military and civil service) and their families to assess their saving status—for both near and long term savings requirements.
- MSW's Daily Themes:

MILITARY SAVES WEEK

- Monday—Save Automatically
- * Tuesday—Family Savings Day
- * Wednesday—Save for Retirement...ask your Airmen if they have taken their Blended Retirement System training
- * Thursday—Saving at Tax Time
- * Friday—Pay Off High Interest Debt
- Saturday—Saving for Emergencies and Life's Challenges
- For more information on MSW via , click <u>here</u>.
- For additional MSW talking points, visit the <u>Tell the AF Story site</u> (CAC-required).

OTHER TOPICS OF INTEREST

- FY17 Selective Reenlistment Bonus details and specialty list released. For more information, read the <u>AFPC article</u> or visit <u>myPers</u> (CAC-required).
- Thrift Savings Plan Training Webinar via Military One Source on Tuesday, 28 Feb at 1500 (EST). Register <u>here</u>.
- Enlisted Voluntary Assignment Application Schedule Announced (AFPC)

MARCH OBSERVANCE

March is Women's History Month. Talking points stressing the importance of diversity and inclusion along with Airmen Breaking Barriers since 1947 are available on the <u>Tell</u> the Air Force Story site. All Public Affairs Offices also have access to a Communication Toolkit.

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