



COMMANDER'S CALL TOPICS

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29 May—2 June 2017

Priority Topic of the Week

Revitalizing the Squadron Idea Website

"The squadron is the beating heart of the United States Air Force; our most essential team."

Gen. David L. Goldfein
Air Force Chief of Staff

- Air Force leaders are looking to Airmen, to you, to provide ideas for revitalizing our squadrons.
- The crowdsourcing/idea website where Airmen may offer their knowledge and expertise opened May 15.
- The CAC-enabled website allows any Airman to offer ideas on topics presented in the form of challenges and to identify the best ideas by voting.
- Ideas and comments are not just limited to the topics posted. Airmen also may offer comments on other topics in the Open Forum.
- Airmen are encouraged to check the site often because the content is ever evolving with new challenges.
- The ideas with the most votes will be presented to Brig. Gen. Stephen L. Davis, the Revitalizing Air Force Squadrons team lead, and then to other senior leaders.
- This effort directly supports Gen. Goldfein's Focus Area number one – Revitalizing Air Force Squadrons. The squadron revitalization team has visited 13 bases and interviewed more than 2,000 Airmen.
- Davis said ideas from Airmen already are driving important initiatives.
- As the squadron is the organizational foundation of the Air Force, it stands to reason they are the basic, building block organizations in the Air Force providing a specific operational or support capability.
 - ◊ "To do this right, we need direct input from Airmen in the field. Our team will interview thousands of Airmen across the Air Force, but we cannot visit every base. This website allows every Airmen to participate in and shape the outcome of the squadron revitalization effort," Davis said.
- Access the Idea Site at <https://www.milsuite.mil/revitalize>.
- Full story ([AF.MIL](#))

Personnel Topics of Interest

- Enlisted Airmen selected for 2017 nursing program ([AFPC](#))
- Test Pilot School applications due NLT June 16 ([AFPC](#))
- Nominations for the 2017 National Public Service Award due NLT Aug. 4 ([AFPC](#))
- Coalition assignment calls for AFPAC Hands ([AFPC](#))
- AF proposes 1,600 personnel increase to CSSs ([AF.MIL](#))

Other Topics of Interest

- AF to Congress: Readiness depends on strong, resilient force ([AF.MIL](#))
- Don't suffer alone – mental health disorders have effective treatments ([AF.MIL](#))
- AF presents fiscal year 2018 budget ([AF.MIL](#))

May and June Observances

- May
- Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month Talking Points ([SAF/PA](#))
 - Memorial Day Talking Points ([SAF/PA](#))
- June
- LGBT Pride Month

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Submissions should include:

- 1) 1-2 sentence synopsis of the issue
- 2) hyperlink to further details
- 3) a POC name and contact information.

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