



Aviano Airman and Family Readiness Center

The Air Force recruits Airmen and retains families. The intent of this newsletter is to keep the military community abreast of the ever-changing issues and build a sense of community; comments are welcome.



Think you have what it takes to win?

Year of the Air Force Family T-Shirt design competition under way

Air Force Services Agency officials are promoting a T-shirt design competition on the recently launched myairforcelife.com, now through Dec. 20, as part of the Year of the Air Force Family.

"The site will feature programs and competitions that will roll out through the year," said Ms. Debbie Karnes, an Air Force Services Agency spokeswoman. "We are focusing on the 'play' part of 'The Air Force is a great place to live, work, and play' campaign. There's something for everyone: YoAFF T-shirt design, short story, video short, original song, and photography competition. The site will also offer a place for visitors to provide comments on how the Air Force has enriched their lives," Ms. Karnes said. One winner in each category (youth and adult) will be selected to win a laptop and software valued at about \$2,000. The winner in the adult category also may have the opportunity to have his or her entry design featured on a T-shirt that will be sold in AAFES stores.

Earlier this year, Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Norton Schwartz and Secretary of the Air Force Michael Donley designated July 2009 to July 2010 as the Year of the Air Force Family. YoAFF is a year-long focus on Air Force programs highlighting the importance of, and commitment to, the entire Air Force family: all Airmen, spouses, children, Air Force civilians, extended families and retirees.

"Taking care of families is a solemn promise we make to each Airman and family member," Secretary Donley said. "Sense of community is a cultural trademark of the Air Force, and we will seek ways to nurture it as part of the larger 'Year of the Air Force Family' effort."

This is an opportunity for Airmen to express, through their T-shirt design, what living the Air Force life means to them, their family and their friends.

Eligible Airmen can find details and enter the contest at www.myairforcelife.com

Save the Date Events and Classes

- Dec 1st: Money Talk Class at 2:00 PM to 3:30 PM
- Dec 2nd: Spouse Start from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM at La Bella Vista Club
- Dec 8th & 15th: S.O.C.K.S. Orientation from 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM
- Dec 11th: Volunteer Orientation from 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM
- Dec 14th: Employment Class from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM
- Dec 15th: Basic Investing at 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM
- Dec 16th: Sponsorship Class from 3:00 to 4:00 PM
- Dec 17th: U.S. Home Buying Seminar at 1:00 PM to 4:30 PM
- Dec 25th: *Christmas Day*– A&FRC Closed
- Jan 1st: *New Year's Day*– A&FRC Closed

SOCKS

(Spouse On-line Computer, Knowledge, and Skills)



The Airman and Family Readiness Center (A&FRC) is now offering spouses of active duty military and

DoD civilians, virtual computerized training that will allow them to acquire basic thru advanced skills to enhance their career opportunities at no cost. There are currently 250+ courses to choose from, but a limited number of slots are available. Please call the A&FRC for more information.

Need to Talk?



The MFLC program is housed in the A&FRC. Every 8 weeks a new consultant arrives. Consultations and trainings are free and anonymous.

(Exceptions to confidentiality include duty to warn cases) **No records** are kept. **Helping you is their priority.** After-hours and week-end appointments are available and group or off-site meetings can be arranged. Call 349-566-6285.

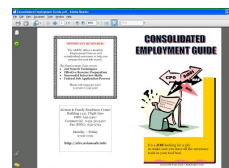
Sponsor Tip



If you are sponsoring a family with children, please remember to make a reservation at the Child Development Center. New

families are eligible for 20 free hours of child care. See more resources for sponsors at <http://afrc.avianoab.info/inbound-sponsors.html>

Employment Opportunities



We know Aviano's job search process can be challenging; however, we publish a "Consolidated Em-

ployment Guide" which covers the process for the majority of the base employers.

Additionally, the A&FRC offers a variety of employment services and tools to assist you.

- Individual employment counseling
- Assistance with the application process
- Career reference materials
- Employment workshops
- Transition assistance for military and family members
- Job listings (one stop for information or questions)
- Resume reviews
- Personal job search assistance

For more information see <http://afrc.avianoab.info/docs/Consolidated%20Employment%20Guide.pdf>

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