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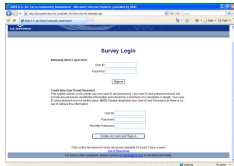
Aviano Spouses Newsletter



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

Spouse Opinion Counts



It's still not too late to participate the AF Community Assessment

(CA); it runs until June 30th. The CA surveys the spouses of military members on issues that are important to your quality of life and well being at Aviano. **TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD!** In the past, AF communities have used the results of the Community Assessment to make improvements, such as:

Start babysitting co-ops to meet the needs of working parents and shift workers

Expand youth services and outreach to adolescents

Build new playgrounds

Expand service facility hours and services to meet the needs of busy families

<http://spouseafcasurvey.com/>

Access code is SpouseAFCA

The survey should take approximately 20-30 minutes of your time, but can be stopped and started again at another time. Please remember the survey is completely anonymous; your answers will not be linked to you in any way.

Have a Perfect Relationship?

When it comes to relationships, most people would say that there is room for improvement. To provide couples an opportunity to get out of the house and focus on their relationship, the wing helping agencies are facilitating a number of free workshops. The workshops, "Couples Connection", will be at the La Bella Vista on **July 18th and August 14th at 6:30PM**. The meal is FREE and childcare is provided by the CDC. Call the A&FRC to register.

Save the Date Events and Classes

- June 9th and 23rd: Money Talk Class at 2:00 PM at the A&FRC
- June 15th: Sponsorship Class from 2:00 to 3:00 PM at the A&FRC
- June 16th: Employment Class from 08:00 AM to noon in the A&FRC
- June 18th: Spouse it Up at 10:30 in Area D
- June 24th: Time Management at noon in Building 186 (Brown Bag Lunch)
- Benvenuti Class and Field Trip each Thursday and Friday (Space A)

Student Online Achievement Resource (SOAR)

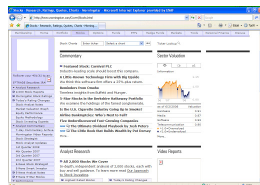


Are you concerned about your child's academic transition into the new school? SOAR (Student Online Achievement Resources) is a program

for military families which aims to address the unique challenges facing military children who frequently relocate. Students take an assessment aligned to state standards, and SOAR directs them to individualized tutorials to improve skills where needed. Parents can monitor their children's progress from anywhere, and are provided with resource materials.

For more information see www.soarathome.com

Invest Like an Expert

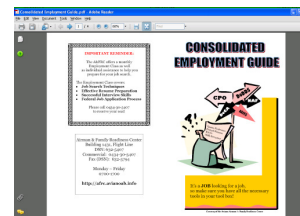


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stocks and mutual funds. Being assigned to USAFE, you have access to Morningstar Premium Version. This would normally cost \$369 for a 3 year subscription; however, with your electronic library account from the Aviano Library you can access over 65 "premium features" for FREE. Visit the base library to register and then review Morningstar Premium Edition and other investment websites at

<http://afrc.avianoab.info/programs-finance.html>

Employment & Volunteer Corner



We know Aviano's job search process can be challenging; however, we publish a "Consolidated Employment Guide". This recently updated guide 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 available for check out
- Employment workshops
- Transition assistance for military and family members
- Active job book (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>

Improving Spouse Employment Search Tools

A headquarters working group has been established to develop avenues to improve the job search for NAF and Appropriated funded positions. Attached is a survey to find out how you search for employment. Once you have saved your completed survey, please send it as an attachment to the following e-mail address. XTRM@sembach.af.mil. The working group would like to have this information by June 15th.