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FROM THE CHAPTER PRESIDENT-ELECT

JEREMY MILLER

This month we had the 22nd annual Aviation Chapter Mini-PDI. Thank you to all of our members who joined us. It was a great networking opportunity and we also were privileged to have some great speakers. This year's Mini-PDI focused on "Teamwork - Achieving Great Things Together".

- ◆ Mr. Steve Sowers, a senior associated with Dayton Aerospace, Inc. shared some of his personal experience on teamwork and how small teams can do great things.
- ◆ Mr. James Reitzel, AFMC/FMF Division Chief, provided an overview of Financial Operations and an update on the AF Audit.
- ◆ Mr. Dave Wineberg, a senior partner with Kearney & Co. shared his thoughts on Taking Care of People.
- ◆ Steve Chambal, co-founder and CEO of The Perduco Group discussed Leading Clients from Data to Decisions.
- ◆ Ms. Pamela Franceshi, Director of DFAS Columbus presented, The Journey from Aspiration to Inspiration.
- ◆ Our very own, Brig Gen Peccia, Comptroller, HQ AFMC concluded the day by giving his thoughts on Leadership.

If you attended, I hope you were able to take something beneficial away from the event. I personally left feeling recharged and reinvigorated. It is always refreshing to hear different senior leaders' perspectives on leadership, teamwork, and success within the FM career field. I hope you left motivated and focused on striving for excellence in whatever your role within the FM community may be. It is certainly possible for individuals to achieve great things, but I want to echo the theme from this year's Mini-PDI, teamwork is powerful and can enable us to achieve great things together.



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2018 AVIATION CHAPTER MINI-PDI HOPE HOTEL



THE AVIATION CHAPTER MINI-PDI
INCLUDED GUEST SPEAKERS AND
PRESENTING THE AVIATION
CHAPTER AWARDS!



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GREAT NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES!

	Aviation Chapter Under MAJCOM	Aviation Chapter MAJCOM (Higher)	ASMC National Winner
Acquisition/Cost Analyst	Rodney Izor (AFLCMC/WIIF)		Christopher Anderson (under MAJCOM)
Auditing	Marcia Polston (AFAA/WP)	Pamela Hogan (AFAA/SEAAO)	Pamela Hogan (AFAA/SEAAO) (MAJCOM higher)
Budgeting	Dawn Holding (AFLCMC/WFF)		
Contractor Support		Christina Hatch (CTR USAF AFDW SAF/FMF)	
Intern/Trainee	Blake Wilson (AFLCMC/WWZ)		Blake Wilson (AFLCMC/WWZ) (under MAJCOM)
Resource Management		Carl Urbanas (AFMC/FMAH)	
Small Team (Tie)	AFLCMC/FZC Dev Plan Imp Team AFICA Civ Pay Trans Team	Depot Maintenance Audit	
Large Team	B-2 FM Team	AFMC Working Cap Fund Realignment Team	FZAS FMS Process Im- provement Team (under MAJCOM)



CONGRATULATIONS
TO

MS. TERESA BICKETT
NEW HQ AFMC/FM DEPUTY
AND
PROMOTION TO SES!!!

CONGRATULATIONS
TO

MR. STEPHAN THOMPSON
PROMOTION TO GS-13!!!

CONGRATULATIONS
TO

DEANNA GOLEM-IMLAY
MOVING FROM HQ AFMC/FMR
TO HQ AFMC/FMM (CAM)
AND
MR. PHIL RUTER
MOVING TO HQ AFMC/FMR

TREASURER'S REPORT

March 2018

Treasurers

Rebecca Workman

Dawn O'Connell



	WPFCU - Chapter General Funds	Fidelity - Chapter Investments	Fidelity - Augsburg Scholarship
Beginning Balance	\$13,351.85	\$79,720.56	\$95,203.13
+ Income	\$1,622.03	\$1,716.78	\$959.70
- Expenses	\$645.60	\$0.00	\$0.00
Ending Balance	\$14,328.28	\$81,437.34	\$96,162.83

Note:

The Fidelity ending balances as of 31 March 2018. The Fidelity account balances are investments and fluctuate with the market. This causes unrealized gains and losses, which are captured in the Income.

Aviation Chapter Calendar

May 17	Don Kendrick, AFMC/FM—Hope Hotel
May 30—1 Jun	National PDI—Denver, CO



FERS Facts 21

This is the 22nd article in the series dealing with retirement under the Federal Employee's Retirement System (FERS). I call this one the "Dooms Day Prophets". Last night my wife and I enjoyed dinner with some close friends. They had just returned from visiting family. During their visit they had sat through an investment program run by someone I would call a "Dooms Day Prophet". The gist of the presentation was that the stock markets, will collapse this fall, our currency will become worthless, the government will fail, and everything will degenerate into chaos. Their advice was to cash in your retirement savings now to invest with them to, buy gold, guns, food and water. I agree we live in some pretty scary times and yes there is amount of uncertainty to the future. However, we as a nation have gone through some pretty awful stuff and came out the other end stronger for the struggle. Let's look at this argument a little closer. Is there risk in the stock market, yes of course there is. There are no guarantees but over the last 75 years it has averaged 12% growth even with including the great depression and many recessions, riots, wars....

Is it practical to put all your investments in "gold" or some other precious metal? Historically, gold has not been a good investment, it does appreciate but over the long haul the average growth has been low (~1%) and very volatile. Lots of people have lost a lot of money trading in gold or other precious metals. Gold is heavy, impractical to use as currency. In bad times you cannot eat it. Cashing in your retirement funds brings with it severe tax penalties that would be an outright loss to your investments. Once you own the gold, what do you do with it? If you store it in the bank and everything fails is it really safe? Keeping it with you is not safe either, especially if the nation fails. Ask this question if everything is in chaos who would want gold? I would rather have food to eat and a safe place to live.

Assuming the worst case and the market does falter and our currency fails your investments will probably not be your prime concern at that point. Everyone will be in trouble. As for buying guns/weapons, that is a personal choice, if you go that route take safety classes and store them properly so children cannot get a hold of an active weapon. State laws vary greatly on what is legal to own and transport across state lines and when you can legally use one even in self-defense. Ammunition is bulky and dangerous to store. A lot of thought and reflection should go into this decision before just buying a weapon as a knee jerk reaction to fear.

As for buying up lots of food and water. Believe it or not both these items are perishable. They take up a lot of space and must be managed. Do I think having some food storage is a good idea for disruptions and disasters? Yes I do but it is not as simple as buying a lot of food and filling up the garage with it. The most likely scenarios will involve having to leave home due to a natural/manmade disaster, chemical spill or power failure. All of these would probably be with little warning and fairly short in duration. In teaching Emergency Preparedness at Scouts and church we would recommend a "72 hour or bug out kit". It would consist of a small bag/pack that would have what each person would need for 72 hours, some food, water, snacks, medicine, a little cash, space blanket, toiletries, sweater, socks...you get the idea. If you want a comprehensive list I can provide one or you can buy readymade kits commercially. These kits are not comprehensive but they contain enough to aid in providing comfort until help is available. Long term if you are expecting the apocalypse there is lots of information out there on storing food and water. It must be something you will eat, have a long shelf life and can be rotated as part of your regular diet. Do I think it is wise to decimate your retirement accounts to do this? Absolutely not! Like the emergency ac-

count or your self-insurance account you can build these up slowly starting with the 72 hour kit. Having some stored water and food may give you peace of mind if disruptions do come you are prepared for it.

There are hundreds of people giving out retirement advice; you just read about one of them. You have a sizeable investment in your retirement accounts and there are people who want to get a hold of your money. Make sure those you deal with have your best interest at heart. It truly is the “Wild West” when dealing with retirement advisors. Be careful.

Till the next time,

Richard

Richard Strobe (HQ AFMC/A5/8OB) writes informative articles like this one for his two adult daughters (Stacey and Krista). He enjoys taking the time to explain how different things work or to provide guidance on a variety of everyday topics. Like any Dad, he wants to ensure they are prepared as they venture out into this world. We hope you enjoy his article(s) as well.



More Computer Tips to Make Daily Computer Usage Easier!

Windows 10 Lifecycle

The primary impact the loss of support/service has is the loss of security updates. Once a version no longer receives support/service, it will no longer receive any patches or fixes to protect it from newly discovered vulnerabilities and malware. When Windows 10 was released, Microsoft changed the model for Windows and began supporting it as a service rather than a one-time software purchase. In general, Windows 10 receives two major build updates a year. Each of these major builds have their own “End of Service” date. Updates to Windows 10 can only be deferred for a short period of time, Windows 10 Home (i.e., the version most users have on their personal devices) is not able to defer, and no official method to disable Windows 10 updates exists. This means that most users will only need to worry about the end of support/service if they are running Windows 7 (ends Jan 14, 2020) or 8.1 (ends Jan 10, 2023). Here is website address to the Windows Lifecycle factsheet—

<https://support.microsoft.com/en-us/help/13853/windows-lifecycle-fact-sheet>

Outlook AutoArchive

To deal with limited inbox capacities, most Outlook users make use of archives (i.e., .pst file) to move mail items from their inbox on the server to a file on their hard drive. The AutoArchive feature in Outlook provides an option to automate moving some items from your inbox to an archive. To access the AutoArchive settings, click on the “File” button in the ribbon and select “Options” on the left-hand side of the window. When the “Outlook Options” window opens, go to the “Advanced” section and click the “AutoArchive Settings...” button. In the options that appear, you can set the frequency and behavior of the AutoArchive feature. If you are not regularly moving files from your inbox to an archive already, this feature may help you prevent your inbox from becoming bloated. Here is the website address to an article that contains detailed, step-by-step instructions and descriptions for using this feature.—<https://support.microsoft.com/en-us/help/830119/description-of-the-autoarchive-feature-in-outlook>

Excel Formatting Shortcuts

Ctrl+Shift+7 applies a border to the selected range

Ctrl+Shift+- removes borders from the selected range

Ctrl+1 opens the formatting options for the selected cell/object

Happy Computing



ASMC National Information:

Chapter Award Winners

Tuesday, May 1st, 2018

Congratulations to all the winning chapters shown below! Chapter Awards for 2018 will be presented at the PDI in Denver, Colorado. *

Overall Chapter Competition

A-1 Category

- Distinguished – Indianapolis
- Meritorious – Hampton Roads

A Category

- Distinguished – Buckeye
- Meritorious – Land of Lincoln

B Category

- Distinguished – Utah
- Meritorious – Central NY Leatherstocking

C Category

- Distinguished – Great River
- Meritorious – High Desert

Chapter Communications

A-1 Category

- Distinguished – San Diego
- Meritorious – Alamo City

A Category

- Distinguished – Buckeye
- Meritorious – Gulf Coast

B Category

- Distinguished – Utah
- Meritorious – Central NY Leatherstocking



C Category

- Distinguished – Great River
- Meritorious – Greater Omaha

Five Star Recognition*

- Alamo City
- Aloha
- Buckeye
- Central NY Leatherstocking
- Cleveland
- Fort Knox
- Great River
- Greater Jacksonville
- Greater Omaha
- Greater Stuttgart
- Gulf Coast
- Hampton Roads
- Indianapolis
- Land of Lincoln
- Middle Georgia
- Montgomery
- Pikes Peak
- Redstone – Huntsville
- San Diego
- Sandhills
- Sequoyah
- Southside Virginia
- Thunderbird
- Utah
- Washington
- Yankee

Community Service

The following chapters have demonstrated exceptional community service and have met the required number of hours in their chapter size category in the 2017 – 2018. (75, 100, 125, or 150 hours)

- Alamo City
- Aloha
- Buckeye
- Central NY Leatherstocking
- Charlestowne



- Cleveland
- Crown of Maine
- Great River
- Greater Jacksonville
- Greater Omaha
- Gulf Coast
- Hampton Roads
- Indianapolis
- Land of Lincoln
- Pikes Peak
- Redstone – Huntsville
- San Diego
- Southside Virginia
- Thunderbird
- Washington
- Yankee

Membership Growth

Absolute Growth – Yankee

Percentage Growth – Yokosuka

***If a chapter president believes their chapter should be listed, please contact awards@asmconline.org to review the points and documents submitted by 12 May.**

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