



# Wright Flyer

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Chapter President

Amie Satterfield



Happy 2024, Aviation Chapter!

I hope everyone's new year is off to a good start. If your January was anything like mine, 2024 looks like a year of new challenges and lots of change! With change comes opportunity though.

The Chapter is busy blazing a path for volunteering and has already had a successful visit to the local food bank where volunteers packed backpacks for kids who were identified as at risk for not having food on the weekend. We also supported another Crayons to Classroom where our volunteers cut out items for teacher's boards for two hours.

We have speakers lined up for our lunch & learns through June already! We've gotten off to a great start on planning our Mini PDI on Thursday, May 2nd at the Officers Club. We are super excited to host this event!

Calling all golfers - we are bringing back a golf tournament in May – more details to follow. Our AFAA VP Jonathan Pepples will be heading up this event. If you know Jon and want to help out – I'm sure he will gladly accept it! Proceeds from the tournament will go towards the Augsburg Scholarship fund!



## January Member Meeting

On 18 Jan 2024 the ASMC Early Careerist committee hosted a Lunch and Learn with Ms Amie Schell, Director of Finance, ISR & SOF Directorate, AFLCMC/WIF, on "Mastering a Job Transition." The presentation focused on the Early Careerist and job transition/how you can learn your job. Ms Schell stated, "as a early careerist right now are probably just overwhelmed with all of the different things you're trying to learn." Ms Schell pointed out in order to develop technical depth and breadth you should change jobs consistently as it is important to have different experiences. Ms Schell also provided tools on building a framework and strategies to build an action/transition plan. Doing this up front work helps you to focus on learning the job and letting you know when it's the right time for change. Ms Schell stated at some point your supervisor can guide you, but at some point you have to take accountability for knowing where some of those resources are and helping yourself and thinking through the things that you need to know to do your job. You also need to be deliberate in building your network; you need to know who you connect with and how to prioritize them. Ms Schell stated, "You need to approach your network, not necessarily as a professional development tool you'll use later in your career, but one you need for a job performance like today, someone who is gonna help you. Someone who is going to help you close your notch knowledge gaps." Ms Schell closed with using these tools will show how you can close the learning curve and exceed everyone's expectations.

The presentation and slides can be found at <https://www.asmc-aviation.org/luncheon/chapter-luncheons/>



### Upcoming Member Meetings:

12 Mar 2024:

Speaker: Ms Kathy Watern, SES, HQ AFMC/A1

Topic: Early Careerist - TBD

TBD Apr 2024:

Speaker: Frank Donnelly, Deputy Director, AFRL/FM

Topic: TBD



## Congratulations:

Anita Kerns, 711th HPW/FMAO, retired after 33 years of Air Force service. Ms Kerns also served as Advertising/Publicity as part of the Communications Committee for the ASMC Aviation chapter.

## Dayton Food Bank Volunteers

On 23 Jan 2024 eight of our ASMC Aviation Chapter members volunteered at the Dayton Food bank. The volunteers packed 156 boxes, inside each box was four bags worth of food, equaling 624 bags of food. The Dayton Food bank sends out about 1,200 backpack bags in a week to kids identified by their teachers as potentially not getting enough food at home over the weekend. These are also kids that are already on the free and reduced meal program within the school, in which the kids can get breakfast and lunch. The schools then discreetly tuck these bags into the kids backpacks on Friday's to go home.



## Volunteer Opportunities

Easter Egg Hunt at St. Vincent DePaul, 23 Mar 2024, 9-11am. To sign up go to: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094FA8AA2AABF4C16-47471595-egghunt>

Feed the Creek, 12 Apr 2024, 12-1:30 pm. Feed the Creek, <https://feedthecreek.org/>, mission is to provide food for children in order to reduce childhood hunger and promote healthier bodies, minds, relationships and grades. Sign up information will be coming out soon.

Memorial Day Flag Placement at Dayton VA, 25 May, Time TBD, Sign up information will be coming out soon.



## **Excelling in Financial Management: Unlocking Opportunities through Defense Financial Management Courses at Maxwell Air Force Base**

Financial management plays a critical role in the defense sector, ensuring the efficient allocation of resources, budgetary compliance, and strategic decision-making. To excel in this field, professionals require specialized knowledge and skills. Maxwell Air Force Base, located in Montgomery, Alabama, offers a range of defense financial management courses designed to equip individuals with the necessary expertise to navigate the complexities of financial management within the armed forces. This article explores the benefits of these courses and how they contribute to the success of defense financial management professionals.

Maxwell Air Force Base provides a robust curriculum covering various aspects of defense financial management. These courses offer a comprehensive understanding of budgeting, accounting, cost analysis, resource management, and financial reporting within the military context. The curriculum is designed to meet the unique challenges faced by financial managers in the defense sector, ensuring they possess the knowledge and skills to make informed decisions and optimize financial resources.

Defense financial management courses at Maxwell Air Force Base focus on developing technical skills vital for success in this field. Participants gain expertise in financial analysis, forecasting, auditing, and compliance with government regulations. These technical skills enable financial managers to effectively manage budgets, evaluate financial performance, and ensure the proper utilization of resources within their respective units.

The courses offered at Maxwell Air Force Base emphasize the intricacies of financial management within the defense sector. Participants gain insights into defense organizations' unique challenges, such as defense procurement, cost estimation for military operations, and compliance with stringent financial regulations. Understanding the defense economic environment equips professionals to make sound financial decisions that align with the armed forces' mission and objectives.

Another significant benefit of defense financial management courses at Maxwell Air Force Base is the opportunity to network with professionals from various military branches. Collaborating with peers and instructors allows participants to share experiences, exchange knowledge, and broaden their perspectives. Building a solid professional network within the defense financial management community can provide valuable support and open doors to future career opportunities.

Completing defense financial management courses at Maxwell Air Force Base can significantly enhance career prospects within the armed forces. The specialized knowledge and skills acquired through these courses demonstrate a commitment to professional development and financial stewardship. Graduates are better positioned to assume leadership roles in financial management, contribute to strategic decision-making, and play a vital role in ensuring military operations' financial stability and success.

Defense financial management courses at Maxwell Air Force Base offer a unique opportunity for professionals in the armed forces to excel in their financial management roles. The comprehensive curriculum, technical skill development, understanding of the defense financial environment, networking opportunities, and potential for career advancement make these courses invaluable for aspiring and experienced defense financial managers. By equipping individuals with the knowledge and skills necessary to navigate the complexities of defense financial management, Maxwell Air Force Base plays a crucial role in strengthening financial stewardship within the military and ensuring the effective allocation of resources for national defense.





# TREASURER'S REPORT

**December 2023 Treasurer:**

**Charmaine Powell**



	WPFCU - Chapter General Funds	Fidelity - Chapter Investments	Fidelity - Augsburg Scholarship
Beginning Balance	\$22,570.40	\$158,396.25	\$135,593.95
+ Income	(\$1,039.24)	\$5,455.43	\$4,949.84
+ deposits	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Ending Balance	\$21,531.16	\$163,851.68	\$140,543.79

Note: The Fidelity ending balances are 31 December 2023. 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

21 Feb 2024	Topic: TBD Lt Col Justus, 88 CPTS
12 Mar 2024	Topic: Early Careerists Ms Kathy <u>Watern</u> , SES, HQ AFMC/A1
TBD Apr 2024	Topic: FM Process Optimization and Automation Frank Donnelly, Deputy Director, FM, Air Force Research Laboratory
2 May 2024	Topic: ASMC Aviation Chapter Mini-PDI



**People Search Sites**

Many People Search Sites are available to search for information on individuals. The information on these sites come from a variety of sources such as public records and your online or shopping activity that is aggregated and sold by data brokers. This article supplies information on People Search Sites as well as some ways to protect your information and have it removed.

**Teams Ringtones and Secondary Ringer**

Some users may not be a fan of the default ringtone in Teams or find themselves in a full office and want a ringtone that is different from everybody's. The Teams Ringtone can be changed just like changing the ringer on a phone. To change the ringtone for Teams calls, click the Settings and More (...) button. This button is found to the left of the profile name and icon in the upper-right corner of the window and selecting Settings. Alternatively, pressing Ctrl+, will open the settings. Go to the Calls section of the settings window to find the Ringtones dropdown. A play button is available beside the dropdown to preview the ringtone.

By default, the Teams ringer would play through whichever device their Teams audio was set to. However, this can lead to missed calls in some situations. For example, a user may use their headset for all their Teams' audio. If they receive a Teams call while not wearing their headset, then they may not realize they are receiving a call. Teams now has a Secondary Ringer that enables the user to make the teams ringer play through a second device. In the example above, the user could set their computer speakers as the Secondary Ringer. This would allow make the ringtone play through their headset and their speakers. To set the Secondary Ringer, open the Teams' Settings window as described above and go to the Devices section. The Audio Devices section is where the primary device is set. Scroll down to the bottom of the Devices settings to find the Secondary Ringer dropdown.

**Random Excel Shortcuts**

**Shift+Enter** will insert a soft return while typing in the formula bar

**Ctrl+Shift+U** will expand and collapse the formula bar

The shortcuts below can be used to rapidly hide the columns or rows of the selected range.

**Ctrl+9** to hide current row(s)

**Ctrl+0** to hide current column(s)



**ASMC – Aviation Chapter  
Executive Board Meeting Minutes  
17 Jan 2024 (1200-1255 hrs)**

I. **Call to Order:** Amie Satterfield at 1200 hrs

II. Attendance/Reports

**Treasurers:** Charmaine Powell (A), Rebecca Wilkins (A)

**Secretary:** Shawn Kain (A)

**President-Elect:** Vacant

**Vice-Presidents**

**AFAA:** Jonathan Pepples (A)

**AFLCMC:** Julie Louthain (A)

**AFMC:** JoAnne Hutchison (A)

**AFRL:** Vacant (President starting 1 Jul 2024)

**At Large:** Edward Jackson (A)

**Contractors:** Patrice Solorzano

**88th CPTS:** SSgt David Hunter

**Committee Chairs:**

**Audit:** Stephanie Burd (A), Michelle Bahan (A)

**Augsburg Scholarship:** JoAnne Wills

**Awards and Recognition:** Sheena Fast (A)

**Chapter Competition:** Heather Brodess (A)

**Communications:** Colleen Robinson

**Community Activities:** Jennifer Caplinger (A), Jessica Pauley (A)

**Health & Wellness:** Fernando Mason (A)

**Membership:** Jaime laquinta (A)

**Professional Development:** Trent Harpest (A), Sarah Gwaltney (A)

**Early Careerist:** Sandra Moncree (A)

**Programs:** Tammy Pendergast (A), Shawn Coil (A)

**Tickets:** Vacant

**Ways & Means:** Vacant

**Historian:** Vacant

Other Attendees: Webmaster: Jonathan Paden (A), Photographer:

Tracy Hearn (A)

(A) = In Attendance

III. **General Business**

A. OLD:

i. None



## B. NEW:

- i. Congratulations to Sarah Gwaltney for completing all three modules for CDFM - way to go!
- ii. Welcome – Julie Louthain AFLCMC VP, Rebecca Wilkins Co-Treasurer & Shawn Coil Interim Program Chair.
- iii. AFAA VP update – Jonathan Pepples discussed moving forward with arranging a golf tournament for the spring. Several dates were discussed. More to come on this topic.
- iv. AFRL VP nominations update – as of January 17th we have one person interested. Need to send email out to AFRL, giving one final opportunity for others to nominate and then we can make it official.
- v. Chapter Competition: Heather walked us through each of the sections that the Chapter competition covers and stated that we are sitting great as far as the 5-Star rating and doing really well in the volunteering area.
- vi. Community Activities: Jennifer Caplinger.
  - a. Dayton Food Bank – Building backpack boxes for kids who are identified as at risk for food on the weekends; February 26th 2024 from 1-3pm.
  - b. Easter Egg Hunt at St. Vincent DePaul – March 23rd 2024 from 9-11am. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094FA8AA2AABF4C16-47471595-egghunt>
  - c. Feed the Creek – April 12th 2024 from 12-1:30pm.
  - d. Memorial Day Flag Placement at Dayton VA May 25th 2024 Time TBD.
- vii. Mini PDI: Theme not decided yet; meeting with Ms. Keck to determine program agenda. Venue/Date - Officers Club, May 2nd 2024.
- viii. Upcoming Lunch & Learns:

Jan-24	01/18/2024	Ms. Amie Schell – topic TBD *Early Careerist Committee hosting
Feb-24	02/21/2024	Lt Col Justus 88 CPTS – Topic “Lessons Learned”
Mar-24	3/12/2024	Ms. Watern – Early Careerist – hybrid meeting at AFIT Kenney Hall
Apr-24	4/11/2024	Mr. Frank Donnelly – topic TBD
May-24	5/02/2024	Mini PDI – Officer’s Club
Jun-24	06/26/2024	Mr. David Arvin - NASIC

## IV. Meeting Adjourned: 1255





## Program/Budget Summit 2024 Explored Driving Forces in Defense FM Today

Now that the dust has settled on the American Society of Military Comptrollers (ASMC) Program/Budget Summit (PBS) 2024, we want to thank all of the speakers, sponsors, and members for their participation and insights. Over 200 defense financial management professionals attended the PBS and heard the latest on PPBE Reform, Defense Reform, Digital Transformation, Talent Management, and Auditability. ASMC is indebted to our speakers who shared their expertise and engaged in frank and transparent discussion.

- PPBE Reform: Lara Sayer, Hon. Robert Hale, and Arun Seraphin
- Digital Transformation: Krystyna Kolesar, David Magjuka, Lily Zeleke, Thomas Sasala
- Defense Reform: Hon. Peter Levine, Elizabeth Field, Silvana Rubino-Hallman, Ph.D, Hon. John Whitley
- Talent Management: Brynt Parmeter, Michael Beaupre, Scott Blackburn, Barb Carson, Andrea Smith
- Auditability: Tom Steffens, Steve Morani, Carol Assi, Jonathan Witter CPA (Maryland)

And, we are extremely grateful to our corporate sponsors. Events like P/BS 2024 would not be possible without their support:

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ASMC CEO Rich Brady summed it up best, “As we concluded P/BS 2024, I was filled with a profound sense of accomplishment and optimism. The substantive discussions allowed us to explore the driving forces in defense financial management today, tackle the most pressing challenges, and develop innovative solutions.” See you again next year!

## Save the Date - PDI 2024

The PDI is ASMC’s premier training event and will take place on May 29 – 31 in Phoenix, Arizona at the Phoenix Convention Center. Registration will open on March 1, 2024.

Join ASMC for this fantastic opportunity to learn and interact with participants from Service HQs and major commands, and to collaborate with leadership and peers. This event also showcases individuals and teams recognized by ASMC for their excellent contributions to the field of defense financial management in 2024. The PDI 2024 program will include general and Community Day sessions, mini-courses, and sessions focused on multiple defense financial management competency areas.

Visit the PDI website - <https://pdi2024.org/>



## 2023-2024 Executive Board

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Webmaster	Mr. Jonathan Paden
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