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AMCOM brings aviation leaders together for AMCOM 101

The Aviation and Missile Command welcomed aviation Soldiers from throughout the force May 3-4 to learn about the sustainment capabilities of AMCOM, as well as discuss aviation challenges and solutions.

AMCOM 101 for Aviation is a two-day, biannual event for aviation leaders to learn more about how AMCOM can better support their Soldiers. It also provides them with the opportunity to build relationships within their branch.

During his opening comments, AMCOM Command Sgt. Maj. Bradford Smith reiterated the importance of networking during the event.

“Please do not walk away from here thinking to yourself, ‘I wish I would have asked this question; I wish I would have met this person; I wish I would have gone up and introduced myself and said, ‘I have a challenge, a problem, or an issue.’ This is your time to get familiar with and gain a better understanding of what AMCOM is and what AMCOM does.”

Day one included updates from the U.S Army Test, Measurement and Diagnostic Equipment Activity, the Army Aviation Center of Excellence and Program Executive Office-Aviation, as well as panel discussions about training opportunities, sustainment-level maintenance and field-level maintenance support. [READ MORE](#)



AMCOM members recognized for DoD, Army environmental excellence awards



Aviation and Missile Command members were recognized for their role in winning the 2023 Secretary of Defense and Secretary of the Army Environmental Excellence in Weapon Systems Acquisition, Individual/Team awards.

The Environmental Excellence in Weapon Systems Acquisition,

Individual/Team awards recognize efforts to incorporate environmental, safety and occupational health requirements into a weapon systems acquisition program's system engineering, contracting and decision-making processes.

AMCOM logistics engineers and Corpus Christi Army Depot members collaborated with civilian and military subject matter experts from nine military commands and multiple industry partners to create the Acquisition and Logistics Heavy Metals Sub-Working Group.

The working group's mission was to address specific... [READ MORE](#)

Happy 248th Birthday, U.S. Army!

This month we celebrate the Army Birthday. For 248 years, the United States Army has remained dedicated to fighting and winning the Nation's wars. We are grateful for all those who have served, whether in the active component, National Guard, or Reserve, you answered the call to defend and support America against both foreign and domestic challenges. Our Department of the Army civilians and contractors are also vital parts of the Army team who wake up each day ready to support our warfighters by any means necessary. Together we all celebrate the birth of something bigger than ourselves — our all-volunteer force. On June 14, we commemorate all who have answered the call to service since the Army's founding in 1775.



This month we also celebrate Juneteenth, which dates back to June 19, 1865, when more than 250,000 enslaved people in the state of Texas, were declared free under the terms of the 1862 Emancipation Proclamation. AMCOM is hosting the Team Redstone Juneteenth observance on June 21st at 10 a.m. in the Bob Jones Auditorium.

Don't forget to let your voice be heard by taking the Federal Employee Viewpoint Survey. Launched in May, the annual survey is your opportunity to share your perceptions in many critical areas including your work experience, your organization, and your leaders. The survey will close on June 30th, so please use your link to share your thoughts.

Finally, this is a reminder that while we had a very cold winter and a very chilly spring, the summer temps have arrived in Alabama, and with them comes an increase in outdoor activities. From Memorial Day through Labor Day, the Army's 101 Critical Days of Summer...

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...Safety campaign reminds us to focus on safety when participating in all types of summer activities. Be sure to hydrate before, during and after extended periods of time outdoors, apply sunscreen regularly and wear a life jacket when out on the water. Summer is the Army's deadliest time of year for mishaps, so playing it safe is critical to having a good time.

Thank you for who you are and what you do!

Be all You Can Be!

Maj. Gen. Tom O'Connor Jr.,
AMCOM Commanding General

AMC executive advises supervisors, 'Get to know your employees'

"You'll find I'm a storyteller," Marion Whicker told a small group of new supervisors during a leader professional development seminar at the Aviation and Missile Command headquarters on Redstone Arsenal May 11.

And story tell she did. Whicker, who serves as the Executive Deputy to the Commanding General at Army Materiel Command, used personal examples from throughout her 38-year career to underscore the importance of being a good supervisor. She said that means knowing about your employees' lives outside of work — their goals and aspirations, when babies are due, when soccer games are played, etc.

"A good supervisor should know their employees," she said. "That doesn't mean you know every little detail about them, but you should get to know them. Get to know their strengths and weaknesses, and to the extent that they want to share, get to know their family situation and dynamic, because the more we know and share with each other, the better we become as supervisors."

Whicker said she tries to visit AMC major subordinate enough." [READ MORE](#)



USATA awards highlight excellence in calibration support



Over the past couple of years, employees have learned to work, train and interact with co-workers from all over the globe remotely. While somewhat convenient for

those involved, there is potentially something missing. multitude of topics that included property accountability, facility management, workplace safety and talent management. The result was an opportunity for learning as much it was for collaboration on best practices between supervisors.

Supervisors from the U.S. Army Test, Measurement, and Diagnostic Equipment Activity found that something during a three-day, in-person training event held May 16-18 at Toftoy Hall on Redstone Arsenal, Alabama.

For some supervisors, this was their first time meeting face-to-face in over five years. With such a large organization and mission, it's often most convenient to utilize email and the virtual environment to get work done. However, it was evident throughout the week that attendees gained a level of connection to the command that cannot be achieved solely through virtual communication.

Approximately 50 USATA supervisors met to discuss a

With more than 500 employees at over 40 locations around the world, including Germany, South Korea, and Japan, USATA's primary organizational responsibility is performing the test, measurement, and... [READ MORE](#)

P2P Performance-to-Promise is a measurement of how an organization holds itself accountable to the commitment to meet worldwide customer-required delivery dates.

Letterkenny Army Depot
99.4% 2.7%

Corpus Christi Army Depot
94.9% 1.5%

Missile SA
77.39% 4.4%
Second pass

Aviation SA
82.69% 2.7%
Second pass

SA Supply Availability is defined as the percentage of demands placed on the wholesale echelon of supply that are not backordered, excluding future material obligations.
May 2023

Aviation Center Logistics Command
Mission-capable aircraft
62.4%
8.6%
Non mission-capable supply
Apr. 17 - May 17

AMCOM implements high velocity training at depots

The Aviation and Missile Command is implementing a training initiative aimed at providing developmental and training opportunities, as well as improving the readiness of the Army’s Organic Industrial Base workforce.

The High Velocity Training Center is designed to provide employees with swift skill mastery, adaptability to job changes, and training opportunities at the point of need. The approach aims to create a clear career path for employees, which is attractive for recruiting and retaining the best talent.

“This project is for the depots by the depots,” said Tanya Allbritten, AMCOM assistant deputy chief of staff for human resources. “We are enhancing what they already have and allowing the artisans to guide us every step of the... [READ MORE](#)



Juneteenth
Emancipation Day

**Team Redstone
Celebration**
June 21
10 a.m.
Bob Jones Auditorium

This month in history



June 3, 1916: Enacted in the summer of 1916, the National Defense Act of 1916 updated the Militia Act of 1903. This act would be related to the organization of the military, particularly the National Guard. The introduction of the U.S. National Defense Act authorized an expanded Army of 175,000 and increased the strength of the National Guard to 450,000.



June 6, 1944: Initially named Operation Overlord, troops from the Allied Expeditionary Force stormed the beaches of Normandy, France during the D-Day invasion. At the time, the D-Day invasion was the largest naval, air and land operation in history. Originally planned for June 5 the operation was pushed a day due to weather. As dawn broke on June the 6 156,000 allied paratroopers landed behind enemy lines and fiercely defended the beaches in northern France in an operation that proved to be a critical turning point in World War II.



June 20, 1782: The U.S. Congress approved the Great Seal of the United States. Hours after the Declaration of Independence was adopted by the Continental Congress in 1776, the first committee to design the seal was appointed. The seal, which displays the American bald eagle holding an olive branch, a bundle of 13 arrows in its feet and a banner reading E Pluribus Unum (Out of many, one) in its beak. The Great Seal of the United States would be seen as a symbol of our sovereignty as a nation.



June 26, 1917: Under the command of Gen. John J. Pershing, the first American troops arrived in France to aid the allies in World War I. Labelled “Doughboys” by their British counterparts, the first 14,000 U.S. troops were ill-equipped, untrained, and far from ready for combat along the Western Front. Pershing setup training camps in France and the first U.S. division entered combat on Oct. 21. By the end of the war in November of 1918, more than two million U.S. Soldiers had served in World War I.



June 2022: In early June 2022, the U.S. announced it would be supplying the M142 High Mobility Artillery Rocket System to Ukraine. The system would allow for the launching of multiple, precision-guided rockets allowing Ukrainian forces to strike far from the front. On June 23, the first HIMARS systems arrived in Ukraine. By late June, the HIMARS was deployed in combat and successfully destroyed a Russian base in Izyum, in the eastern Donbas region of Ukraine.



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