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Current Issues

ARFC praises total force — The Air Force Reserve Command's highest ranking officer discussed the virtues of total force integration in remarks at the 2012 Air Force Association Air and Space Conference and Technology Exposition. [Get the whole story here.](#)

Outstanding Airmen of the Year — The Air Force recognized the 2012 Outstanding Airmen of the Year September 17. [Get the list of great Airmen here.](#)

New DOD safe helpline mobile app — The Department of Defense announced its new DOD Safe Helpline Mobile Application. With this new app, service members transitioning to civilian life will have access to critical resources that assist in managing the short- and long-term effects of sexual assault. The app contains self-care plans that include suggested resources and exercises, and can be stored for future reference. [Read more here.](#)

AFLINK mobile app — Staying connected and keeping up with the latest news and information has never been easier for Airmen. The AFLINK mobile app is designed to keep Airmen, retirees, recruits and the public informed about the latest happenings around the force. [Get all the info here.](#)



September 17—22 is National Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve Week.

[ESGR website](#)

- [How ESGR can help](#)
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"Aw, you guys..." Col. Archie Frye, Jr., and Chief Brian Bischoff were surprised during a Commander's Call that turned out to really be a birthday celebration in their honor during the unit's recent UTA. Far right is Senior Master Sgt. Ralph Babcock of the maintenance section.

Eight Learning Steps (from your Training section)

1. Complete all assignments
2. Participate
3. Take notes
4. Study with a group
5. Formative exercises
6. Additional study
7. Practice all of the time
8. Pay attention

Successful learning means you:

- Manage your time wisely
- Review lesson objectives and samples of behavior
- Seek out various teaching methods that appeal to your learning style
- Create effective study habits
- Engage in critical thinking
- Make effective use of your Enlisted Professional Military Education structured thinking process
- Call or visit the training office: 987-5273

Scholarship aid available for reservists, families

The Total Force Top 3/USAA scholarships are available to eligible applicants, providing funds to further college education for military members or family members at a minimum of \$500.00.

- Rank of E-9 or below, or immediate family member of E-9 and below. Military member must be a current member of the Air Force Reserve, Air Force Reserve Command or a family member.
- Applicant must be currently enrolled in an associates, bachelor or masters degree program at a regionally accredited college or university during the upcoming semester, or have a letter of acceptance from the registrar's office. Students with an earned masters degree are not eligible.
- Applicant must have a grade point average of 3.0 or above, within the last six months. If applicant is a new student, he or she must have their last high school transcript.
- Applicant must not have been a Total Force Top 3/USAA scholarship recipient in the last 12 months.
- All application packages must be postmarked no later than Oct. 31, 2012.
- The Total Force Top 3/USAA scholarship committee determines appropriate qualifications and the distribution of money, and will be the final determining body for awarded scholarships. Funds shall be applied to tuition, books and/or academic fees at a regionally accredited college or university for the 2012-2013 academic year.

For more information, contact Master Sgt. Ray Kelly at (478) 327-2190

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It's time for the annual Combined Federal Campaign. Your CFC representative will be visiting with you shortly to help you help make a difference in the world.

[What is the CFC? Check it out here.](#)

MILITARY RETIREE APPRECIATION DAY

September 22, 2012

8:00 AM - 1:00 PM

at the

Thomas Community Activity Center
(Across from the old BX)

Exhibitors & vendors from around the state

For more information call the Retiree Activities Office at 501-987-6095 or email John.Heffernan.2@us.af.mil

