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# Women's History Month

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Director of the Joint Staff, Arkansas National Guard

The origins of Women's History Month started in 1981 as Women's History week. It became known as Women's History Month in 1987 through additional congressional action. Its purpose is to recognize and reflect on women's contributions in history and contemporary society. In keeping with our State's Militia Heritage, this article will focus on the women in our State's history who are worthy of praise and recognition.

Women's professional equality, acceptance and treatment in the work place and military has come a very long way. It is important to know the brave women in our state's history who had the internal fortitude to knock down barriers and shatter glass ceilings which benefitted not only women, but also all society. Some of Arkansas' outstanding women, who broke down barriers, improved the American way for all of society, and made history along the way.

Daisy Gaston Bates (1914-1999), born in Huttig, this African-American activist is known for her role as a mentor to the Little Rock Nine during the 1957 Little Rock Central High School Desegregation crisis. During this time her home, which is now designated a National Historic Landmark, became the official pick-up and drop-off site for the student's trips to and from school. Daisy continued to press for civil rights for African-Americans and later, along with her husband L.C. Bates, published an African-American oriented Little Rock newspaper, the Arkansas State

Press. Sonora Louise Smart Dodd (1882-1978), a Jenny Lind native is credited with creating Father's Day, which was first observed in Spokane, Washington, in 1910 where she and her family then lived. Dodd wanted a special day to honor her father, William Smart, an Arkansas farmer and widower, who raised six children by himself. He was a member of the First Arkansas Light Artillery, which organized at Fort Smith and fought in the battle of Pea Ridge in 1862. It wasn't until 1966, when President Lyndon Johnson signed a presidential proclamation declaring the third Sunday of June as Father's Day. In 1972, President Richard Nixon established the permanent national observance of the holiday.

Hattie Caraway (1878 - 1950) was the first woman elected to serve a full term as a United States Senator. Senator Caraway represented Arkansas. She served from 1932 to 1945 and was a strong supporter of President Franklin D. Roosevelt's economic recovery legislation during the Great Depression.

Dr. Edith Irby Jones (1927-) from Hot Springs was the first African American to attend and to graduate from the University of Arkansas Medical School, now the University of Arkansas



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# R-E-S-P-E-C-T

**Chaplain (Maj.) Ron Pierce**  
189th Airlift Wing Chaplain

**R**aise your hand if you like to be taken advantage of...what? No hands!

Well, I agree. I don't like to be taken advantage of either. I don't like people to butter me up only to hit me with what they really want. I don't like people to say one thing to get me on board and then do something else. I don't like it when people always want to take from me but never want to give. I don't like someone to pressure me to buy something I don't need simply because they want to make a sale. I could go on and on with a list of things that none of us like. Unfortunately, those things happen to a lot of us on a regular basis. We need to step back and think for a moment about how we

treat people. Just putting some thought into this before taking action in general could change the world!

One way to help gauge how ethical we are being with someone else is to turn the situation around. In other words, would we want that person doing that to us? There are several wise sayings that encapsulate this method of checking yourself, such as "Do to others what you would have them do to you" or "Do not do to others what you would not have them do to you." We all want to be treated justly and with respect. Therefore, we should also offer the same treatment to others.

Now, up to this point, you may be in complete agreement. But, have you ever stopped to realize that any time you try to manipulate a situation

to gain a personal goal, you are violating this principle? For example: if someone tries to manipulate a situation (alcohol, place, time, pressure, etc.) in order to attain a sexual goal, then this principle is being violated. You know what I mean. Even the idea of trying to hit a home run on a date can move into this category if you are not careful. Remember – your target is a human being and deserves all the respect and dignity you would want for yourself (by the way, if you think of your date as a target then you are already heading down the wrong path!).

Sexual Assault is a big deal and at its core is a selfish desire at someone else's expense. Not ok! This is true for any topic, but especially true when it comes to treatment

of others physically. Also, remember that just because someone says yes or does not say no, does not mean things are ok. People can be pressured or afraid or tricked or misled or immature or naive...you get the point (I hope). Take a stand against sexual assault or any other kind of abuse. We need to evaluate ourselves and our motives, and we need to defend others when we see someone on the prowl – either by personally intervening or getting some help from others. We all deserve treatment from others that corresponds to the intrinsic value we have as humans. I know you want to be treated with respect, right? So does everyone else...

## Coming in the next issue!

Sexual Assault Prevention  
and Response Awareness  
Month -- "Not Just April."





# Air Guard celebrates new NCO leaders

~Senior Noncommissioned Officer induction ceremony



The 189th Airlift Wing held a special Senior Noncommissioned Officer induction ceremony filled with tradition, good food, an exceptional key note speech and fellowship. Twenty-six new master sergeants from the 189th and the 188th Wing took the oath of the Senior NCO. **Top row from left:** Nathan Howell; Jeff Sharpmack; Monica Murray; Brian Swanson; Thomas cossey; Matthew Hardin; Alex Ford; Mitchell Holland; Jacob Lambert; Kente Reed; Jeremy Monds; Jonathan Darnall. **Front row from left:** Command Chief Master Sgt. Asa Carter, Arkansas state command chief master sergeant; Paul Dobbs; Kenneth Dahl; Eric Martin; Robert Stephens; Sen. John Boozman; Avery Adkins; Maj. Gen. Mark H. Berry, the adjutant general of Arkansas; Matthew Hunter; Donald Dodson; Aleta Posey; Amber Brown; Shana Cobbs; Command Chief Master Sergeant Ricky Sowell, 189th Airlift Wing command chief master sergeant.

Command Sgt. Maj. Steven Veezey, the Arkansas National Guard senior enlisted leader, spoke passionately on what it means to be a leader.

Each new inductee recieved a medalion and a bueatiful plaque after entering through a saber arch formed by senior NCO members of the Arkansas Air National Guard.

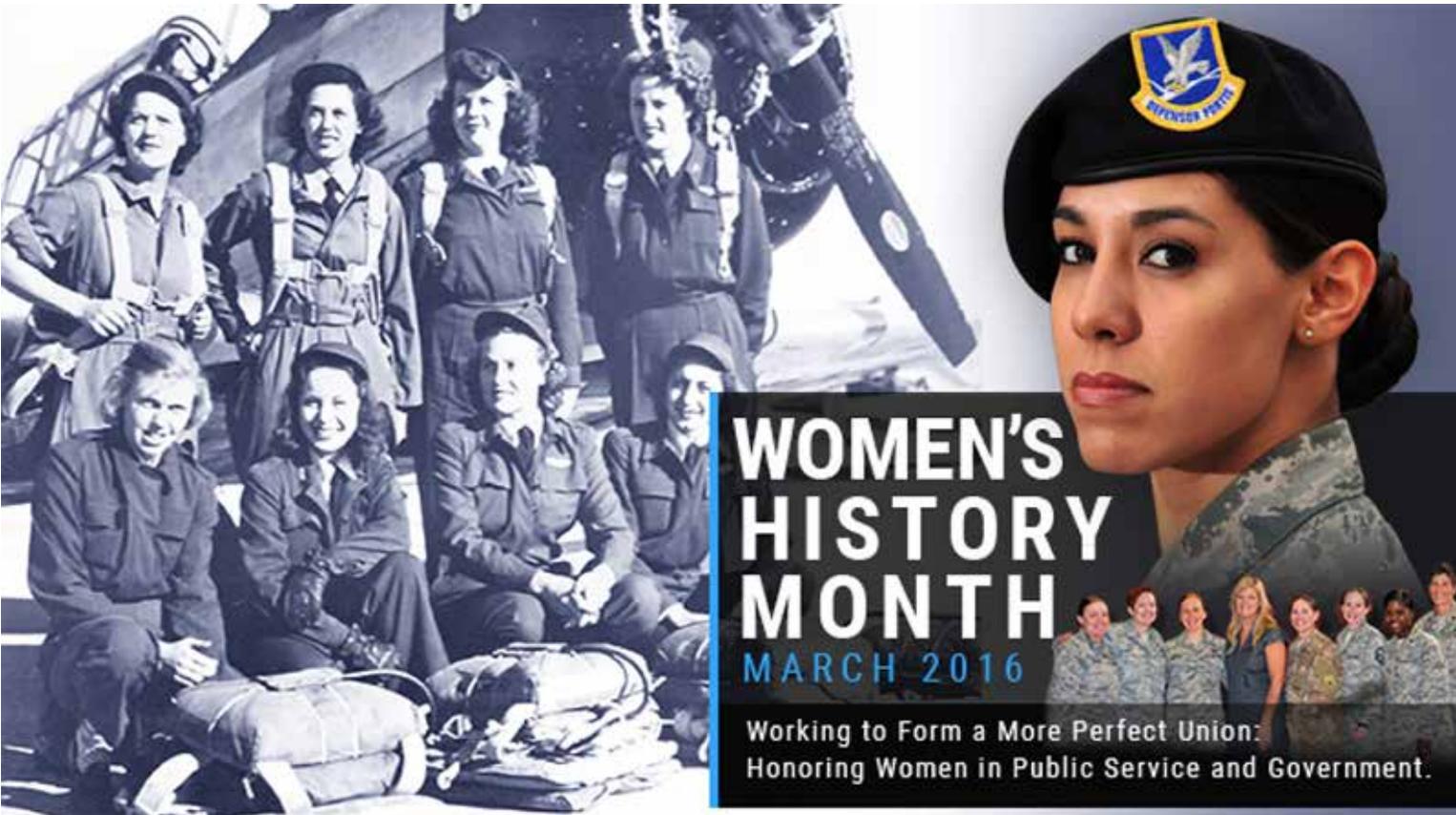


Command Sgt. Maj. Steven Veezey, the state senior enlisted leader, and keynote speaker, accepts a token of gratitude from Command Chief Master Sgt. Asa Carter, Arkansas Air Guard senior enlisted leader.



Above: members of the Arkansas Air National Guard Honor Guard carry in hats from each of the military branches during an MIA/POW ceremony. Below: Master Sgt. Kente Reed and his wife Tina step through the saber arch during the Senior NCO induction ceremony.





- [National Women's History Project](#)
- [Presidential Proclamation](#)
- [Trailblazers in National Guard History](#)
- [Women's History Month web site](#)
- [Experiencing War - Women of Four Wars](#)
- [WASPs were pioneers for female pilots of today, tomorrow](#)

March is Women's History Month, which started as a national celebration in 1981 when Congress authorized the president to proclaim the week beginning March 7, 1982, as Women's History Week.

In 1987, Congress designated the month of March 1987 as Women's History Month. Since 1995, Presidents Bill Clinton, George W. Bush and Barack Obama have issued a series of annual proclamations designating the month of March as Women's History Month.

"Throughout history, women have driven humanity forward on the path to a more equal and just society, contributing in innumerable ways to our character and progress as a people," reads this year's presidential proclamation.

This year, the Women's Airforce Service Pilots (WASPs) of World War II have been in the news. Legislation was introduced in January to allow the burial of WASPs at Arlington National Cemetery following the revelation that burial had been barred due to a rule change by the Army.

"Female members of the Air National Guard and the 189th continue to make exceptional contributions to our state and nation," said Col. Robert Ator II, commander of the 189th Airlift Wing. "We celebrate our female Airmen and what they bring to the table every day of the year, not just in March."

For more, check out the links in the left column.





# NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS

## BE SMART, TAKE PART, PREPARE

America's PrepareAthon is your chance to "Be Smart, Take Part and Prepare." At the direction of the President, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) will launch the America's PrepareAthon six-week campaign mid-April -- mid May.

Twice a year, a national day of action called National PrepareAthon Day, focuses attention on the importance of creating a more resilient nation by bringing together stakeholders, communities and individuals to ready themselves for any crisis they may face.

For 2016, the PrepareAthon will kick off with a "call to action" message on April 30.

- April 10-16 -- Flood preparedness.
- April 17-23 -- Tornado preparedness.
- April 24-30 -- Lead-up to National PrepareAthon Day on April 30.
- May 1-7 -- Wildfire & lead-up to National Wildfire Community preparedness Day on May 7.
- May 15-21 -- Hurricane Awareness Week.
- May 22-28 -- Extreme Heat Awareness.
- The next "call to action" will be on September 30, 2016.

## AMERICA'S PrepareAthon!

BE SMART. TAKE PART. PREPARE.



**KNOW YOUR HAZARDS**



**TAKE ACTION**



**BE COUNTED**



**SPREAD THE WORD**



**STORIES**



**RESOURCES**

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- **Air Force Be Ready web site**
- **DoD National Preparedness**
- **Ready.gov**
- **LRAFB launches 1st PrepreAthon into flight**

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**Above:** Master Sgt. Rose Marie Sauvage is sworn into the Inspector General corps by Col. Robert Ator II, commander of the 189th Airlift Wing.

**Left:** Mr. Edward (Ed) Nelson retires February 26 after 38 years as a state employee with the 189th Civil Engineering Squadron.

**Below right:** Maj. Gen. Mark H. Berry, the adjutant general of Arkansas, talks with Master Sgt. Christopher Blair in the 189th Maintenance Group's Fabrication Shop.

**Bottom Left:** Members of the 189th Airlift Wing showed their strength and resolve by running in either the half or full Little Rock Marathon Sunday, March 6. Redo Reed, Sheila Reed, Jennifer Poindexter, Bradley Coen and James Johnson still have the strength to show off their marathon medals. Other members running include Debra Edwards (half); Maquel McRae; Anthony Huntley; Alissa Miller (half); Garry Nolan (half); Scott Freeman; Phylinthia Givens (half); Chris Wald (half); Mel Prowse; Jackqueline Taylor; Steven Baxter (half).





# Cyber readiness keeps you, wing safe

**Lt. Col. Erik Polta**

189th Communications Flight Commander

In this day and age, we all have to be cyber experts just to function in modern society. Almost everything we do revolves around computers and the “internet of things”. So how do we protect ourselves with ever evolving threats to steal our identities and gain access to our vital information? I wish I could tell you it was a simple task, but at the rate technology and the threats are changing, that would be misleading. There is no way possible to ensure we are 100% secure, but there are several things we can do to mitigate the threat, and make ourselves less of a target.

Some security tips are obvious, like never clicking on hyperlinks from unknown sources, and making sure you have anti-virus/anti-spyware software installed and updated with the latest threat definitions. Avoid public Wi-Fi hotspots when conducting banking or other business transactions requiring personal data, information or passwords. Additionally, no matter what operating system you use at home (Windows/Mac/Linux), ensure it is patched to ensure all known vulnerabilities are addressed and secured to the maximum extent possible. The best way to do this is to let your computer do “automatic updates” which should ensure it is patched periodically as software vendors push out constant updates as vulnerabilities are detected and addressed.

If you want to up your game, and “geek out” a bit, look at your operating system firewall settings. These can often be configured to add additional layers of security. Consider logging into your computer with a non-admin password for day-to-day use. That way if you do make a mistake or expose yourself to a

vulnerability, you won’t be operating as a system administrator, reducing the threat of making system level changes. If you are using a wireless router, be sure to change the default admin password, and consider using WPA2/PSK or

WPA/TKIP encryption.

Avoid using the older “WEP” encryption, and this is outdated and easier for a cyber-criminal to defeat.

Another way to protect your wireless (Wi-Fi) connection is to disable the SSID broadcast. This will prevent a possible eavesdropper from seeing your wireless network name, providing an additional layer of

protection. On mobile devices, consider using biometric locks, like fingerprint and facial recognition. If you want to ensure the utmost security, use two-factor authentication like combining a fingerprint with a PIN code.

Finally, when selecting answers for security questions, make sure you use information that is not easily obtained through a public records search or effortlessly determined through social engineering. According to a Wired magazine article, Vice Presidential candidate Sarah Palin’s yahoo email account was hacked by guessing answers to her security questions. The hacker was able to use online sources to research information to determine information like where Palin met her spouse. Armed with this information, the hacker was able to reset her password and gain access to her account. In this day and age, it is virtually impossible to protect yourself 100%. However, if you follow some of the steps outlined above, you can limit your exposure and make yourself less of a target.





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for Medical Sciences (UAMS), in Little Rock (Pulaski County). After receiving her M.D. in 1952 (5 years before Central High School Desegregation). Not only was she a pioneer in the desegregation of higher education in Arkansas and the South, but she also has served as a highly successful doctor, educator, and philanthropist in Arkansas, Texas, and overseas. Dr. Irby Jones was the first woman to be elected president of the National Medical Association.

Louise McPhetridge Thaden (1905–1979) from Bentonville, received her pilot's license aviation pioneer and holder of numerous flight records. In 1928, Thaden set the women's altitude record with a mark of 20,260 feet. In 1929, set the women's endurance record with a flight of 22 hours, 3 minutes, 2 seconds. From 1930 to 1935, women were barred from air

racing due to sexism. At one point, she was the most famous female American aviator, with the exception only of Amelia Earhart.

In closing, I offer you a list of our own Arkansas Air National Guard Women Pioneers and their accomplishments.

Brigadier General Patricia Anslow, Arkansas National Guard's first female general; Colonel Alice Sanders, Arkansas Air National Guard's first female Colonel, Group and Wing Vice Commander; Colonel Bobbi Doorenbos, Arkansas National Guard's first female wing commander, Captain Kristin Bass, was Arkansas Air National Guards' first female fighter pilot; Command Sergeant Major Deborah Collins was the Arkansas National Guards' first Command Sergeant Major and Senior Enlisted Advisor; Chief Master Sergeant Glenda Edwards was the first Chief Master Sergeant in the 188th Fighter Wing.



The National Guard Bureau has named the 189th Airlift Wing's Safety Office as the Safety Office of the Year for 2015. "I am very proud of our entire safety office. Without a doubt they set the standard, but what sets us apart is the culture that we all adhere to. This is an entire team win!" said Col. Robert Ator II, 189th Airlift Wing commander. The members of the Safety Office are Lt. Col. Jim Gourde, Senior Master Sgt. J.D. Crawford, Master Sgt. Brian Mortier, and Tech. Sgt. Tiffany Sherrill.



## Warrior of the Month: Senior Master Sgt. J.D. Crawford



**Rank and Name:** Senior Master Sgt. J.D. Crawford.

**Unit:** 189th Safety.

**Job Title:** Occupational Safety Manager..

**Status:** Technician.

**Hometown:** Brinkley, Arkansas.

**Civilian Employment:** Safety Office.

**Family:** Carrie L. Crawford.

**Why I joined the Guard:** After serving on active duty in the U.S. Marine Corps, I wanted to continue to serve my state and nation.

**Most rewarding part of my job:** Being able to work with the best men and women in the Air National Guard.

**Hobbies:** Hunting, fishing and anything outdoors.

**My favorite movie is:** *True Grit*, the John Wayne version.

**My favorite TV Show(s):** *NCIS*, *Gold Rush*, *American Pickers* and *Fast & Loud*.

**My favorite book:** Patton.

**A perfect day would be:** Floating down the White river and catching fish with my wife and family.

**I admire:** My wife for putting up with me, and the sacrifices she makes being a military spouse.

**Something no one knows about me:** I play the guitar and like to sing old country and bluegrass music.



# Promotions



**To Maj.**  
Jeremy W. Stevens



**To Senior Master Sgt.**  
Gary L. Hendrickson, 154 TRS



**To Tech Sgt.**  
Brandon A. Lee  
Steven J. Schochler  
Jason V. Rog



**To Staff Sgt.**  
Johathan D. Whealey  
Jessica L. McGilton  
David J.D. Fairley III  
Arthur H. Eschenburg III  
Robert C. Gordon



**To Senior Airman**  
Christine A. Norman  
Joshua O. Samons  
Austin J. Appleby  
Logan P. Vickery



# PME Graduations

## Senior NCO Academy

Master Sgt. Joshua Atkins, 189 OG

## NCO Academy

Staff Sgt. Nicholas Watson, 189 MXG

## Airman Leadership School

- Senior Airman Robert Gordon, 189 AMXS
- Senior Airman Jennifer Williams, 189 LRS
- Senior Airman Jessica McGilton, 189 AMXS
- Senior Airman Kyle Flannigan, 189 AMXS
- Senior Airman Joshua Denius, 189 AMXS

# Deployment

# DRC

## Readiness Corner

### *Did You Know?*

Your Unit Deployment Manager (UDM) is your primary contact for all deployments. They must be consulted before, during, and after your deployment. Your UDM will work with LGRDX, IDRC, and the Functional Area Manager (FAM) for your career field at NGB to ensure that your deployment goes smoothly. The FAM is the one that can determine if, when, and where you deploy and also let your UDM know if pre-deployment training is needed. This is valuable information for the UDM, as many deployments are short suspense and need coordination between all IDRC entities for your deployment to be a success.

UDM Listing	Ext.
154TRS Maj Laura Moore	6233
154WF MSgt Paul Wilkerson	7627
189AW Capt Jeff Porter	3280
189CPTF TSgt Damion Lee	6230
189CES MSgt Brandon Stewart	6469
189CF MSgt Matthew Lovell	5186
189FSS SSgt Stephanie Cummiford	7645
189LRS MSgt Darren McGuirk	7985
189MDG LTC Paul Sherman	5224
189MXG SMSgt Connie Laughlin	3702
189SFS MSgt Bill Caravello	8121