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What's New, FSS?



The first official Tornado Forecast happened in Oklahoma City, OK on March 25, 1948. Air Force Captain Robert C. Miller and Major Ernest J. Fawbush correctly predicted that atmospheric conditions were preferable to spawn tornadoes in the vicinity of Tinker Air Force Base, located on the southeast side of Oklahoma City. That evening, an F3 Tornado tore through the base, causing an estimated \$6 million in damage.

While analyzing surface and upper-air data recorded prior to other severe weather outbreaks, including a tornado that hit just a few days previous, Miller and Fawbush began to notice patterns common to each event. When they detected similar patterns forming in the morning hours of March 25, they began monitoring them closely. Fearing damage to public confidence with a false alarm, they finally issued a Tornado Forecast, the forerunner of today's Tornado Watch, for the base at 3 pm that afternoon. As a result, the base prepared by moving personnel and aircraft to hangers, preventing more extensive loss of aircraft and probably lives.

The method Miller and Fawbush used to create the first ever tornado alert would go on to be used to great effect. Their success spawned the National Weather Service to establish a Severe Weather Unit in 1952. Today called the Storm Prediction Center, this office began issuing severe weather alerts in 1953.

<https://weather.com/storms/tornado/news/2018-03-19-first-us-tornado-forecast-tinker->

Please Don't Forget

Emily still needs your help. She is asking for everyone who reports borrower credit to the Credit Bureaus to **please** email emily@fssusa.com, and **tell us which agencies you report to** (Equifax, Experian, TransUnion). This will aid us in addressing issues and help streamline our reporting process so that we may provide you with the best service possible.

Please list ALL agencies, if you report to more than one. Also, please include your **Subscriber Code**. The Subscriber Code is assigned by the credit bureaus and is normally located on your bill. If you have questions, call Emily and she will be happy to help. Thank you!

Instant Funding Reminder

Don't forget, we have been working closely with our Debit Card processing service provider to add new functionality to our software, and we are happy to announce the newest version of LoanPro will allow you to provide your borrowers with **Instant Funding** of loan proceeds. Instant Funding allows you to transfer funds directly to your borrower's Debit card account.

This innovative way of providing loan proceeds to borrowers takes security and convenience to a whole new level. Instant Funding will help you provide a better, more customer-friendly funding process that removes the friction and processing delays associated with traditional fund disbursements. Call for details.

Saturday Hours Reminder

Don't forget, we have technical support available every Saturday from 8:30 to 3:30. Our Saturday "on-call" staff are the same support technicians that help you throughout the week. They have the same resources and access to remote connectivity that they do during normal business hours to help you with whatever issues you might experience.

Just because it's the weekend doesn't mean you're on your own. The phone number is the same, just give us a call if you need help.

Buy Your Servers and Workstations from Us!

We've been selling quality DELL servers and workstations at competitive prices for decades. Each of our DELL computers are configured by the manufacturer according to our specifications, so we sell servers and clients that are built designed to meet the needs of our customers. When you buy a DELL server or client from FSS, you are buying a computer built to do what you want it to, and nothing you don't. And all servers and clients come with a choice of DELL extended service warranties.

We configure and test the software settings of all the computers we sell right here in our offices before we ship them, making them a true "plug-and-play" option for you. If you are considering replacing any of the computers in your loan offices, take a few minutes to talk to Jim, and find out what we can do for you!

Your Mom was Right (so listen to her)

According to Livescience, the basic recipe for soap hasn't changed for thousands of years. It's still a combination of fat or oils with an alkali — basic ionic salt — and water. When those ingredients combine in the proper proportions, they go through a chemical process called saponification, which results in soap. When you wash your hands with soap, the soap molecules act as a mediator between the water and oil molecules, and bind with both of them at the same time. Then when you rinse everything off, the soap carries away the germs with the water.

And according to WebMD, **Coronaviruses**, like this year's version that has left 100,000 people worldwide infected with COVID-19, are encased in a lipid envelope -- basically, a layer of fat. Soap can break that fat apart and make the virus unable to infect you. The second thing soap does is mechanical. It makes skin slippery so that with enough rubbing, we can pry germs off and rinse them away. Here is how you do it:

1. Wet **your hands** with clean, running water (warm or cold), turn off the tap, and apply soap.
2. Lather **your hands** by rubbing them together with the soap.
3. Scrub **your hands** for at least 20 seconds.
4. Rinse **your hands** well under clean, running water.