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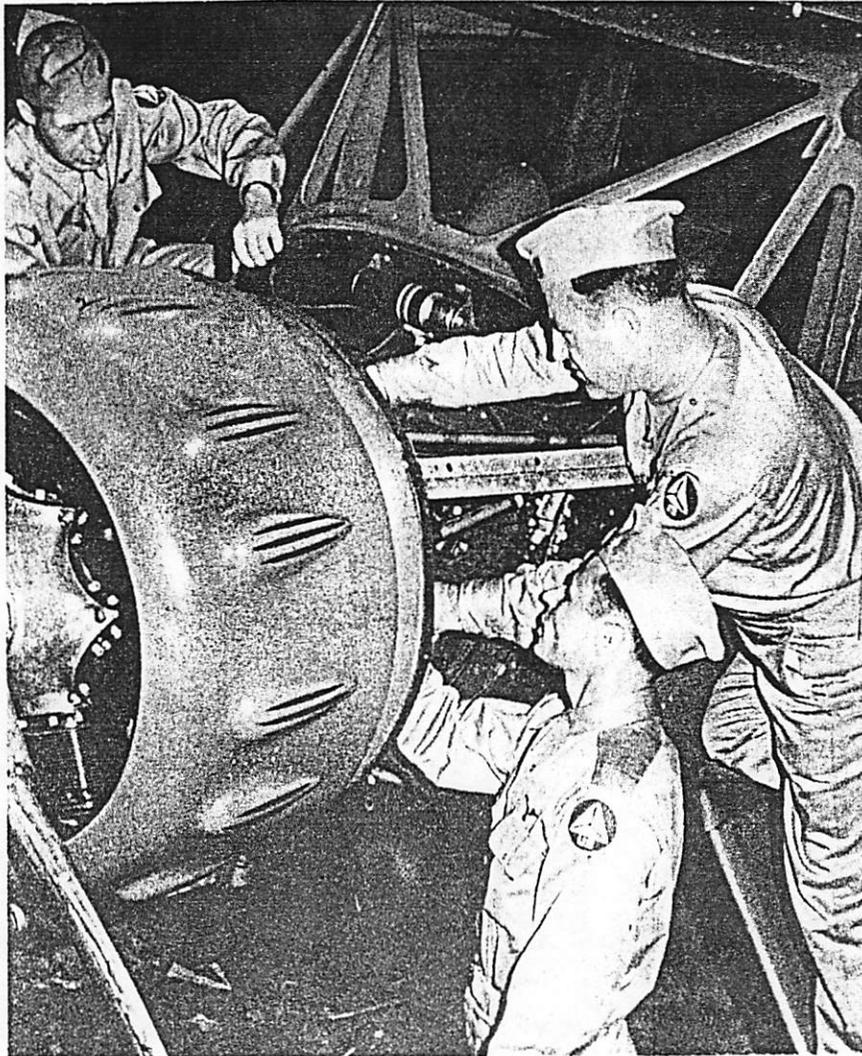
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## DEDICATED TO OUR FOUNDING MEMBERS

December 1991 marked the 50th anniversary of the Civil Air Patrol. Our organization exists today because of the work of our founding members in the early 1940's and the efforts to establish C.A.P. as a private, non-profit, corporation after all funding was eliminated after the war.

Our cadets are our future, but we must recognize the past and thank the men and women who helped start us on our first fifty years. We hope their efforts will continue to succeed.





## NATIONAL HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

### PREFACE

#### TO THE 1991 NY WING HISTORY

This official history of the New York Wing of the Civil Air Patrol for the calendar year 1991, records the activities of the wing and the accomplishments of its members. By these accomplishments they have contributed to the achievement of the nationwide mission of Civil Air Patrol.

The wing headquarters supervises the field units toward accomplishing the mission. It must establish a cooperative attitude between all the units. Each member is an unpaid, civilian, volunteer, as such, each can join or leave, whenever he or she may choose. The outstanding accomplishment of the wing personnel, is that they all work together, without the legislative or official power of military orders. In the true spirit of the militia of another time, they work together for the common good of our state and nation.

This is the fifth history of the wing since 1941. There still are many gaps. We hope that as additional information is discovered, it will be completed. Members who have historical material are asked to send it to the wing historian.

Since this marks the 50th Anniversary of the organization. We thank all who have served. We also thank the wing commander and all the staff people who help by providing information. Without that help, this record could not have been made.

LT COL ALLAN F. POGORZELSKI, CAP  
Member, NHC and NYW Historian

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# State of New York Legislative Resolution

Assembly No. 484



BY: Members of Assembly P. Sullivan, Anderson, Barraga, Bennett, Bianchi, Brown, Butler, Calhoun, Casale, Catapano, Clark, Cochrane, Colman, Conners, D'Andrea, Eannace, Faso, Frisa, Gaffney, Griffith, Hasper, Hawley, Healey, Hoyt, Kelleher, Lafayette, Lentol, Madison, McMillen, R. Miller, Nagle, O'Neil, Ortloff, O'Shea, Parola, Pataki, Pordum, Proskin, Rappleyea, Ravitz, Robach, Rosado, Seabrook, Seminerio, Singer, F. Sullivan, Sweeney, Talomie, Tedisco, Tonko, Townsend, Vitaliano, Warren and Winner

## COMMEMORATING the 50th Anniversary of the Civil Air Patrol

WHEREAS, In the course of the evolving development of this Empire State, if the ingredients of shared concern and responsive endeavor combine in the symmetry of commitment to heritage, there have emerged among the distinguished citizenry of the State of New York, certain organizations that warrant special recognition; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Assembled Body to commend organizations of such magnanimous conduct and bearing, specifically the Civil Air Patrol, upon the occasion of its 50th Anniversary; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who give positive definition to the profile and disposition of their communities, do so profoundly strengthen their commitment to the exercise of freedom; and

WHEREAS, Civil Air Patrol is a private, aviation-oriented, civilian organization of unpaid volunteers. Members perform search and rescue and disaster relief missions plus many other vital functions, including educational programs that encourage the public to learn more about air and space matters. By federal law, Civil Air Patrol is the official auxiliary of the United States Air Force; and

WHEREAS, Civil Air Patrol is organized geographically with 8 regions divided into 52 wings. There is one wing for each state, Puerto Rico and the District of Columbia. Wings are divided into groups, squadrons and sometimes flights. There are some 1,900 individual units. Civil Air Patrol National Headquarters is located at Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama; and

WHEREAS, Civil Air Patrol has more than 72,000 volunteer members. This includes 30,000 teenage cadets and 42,000 adult senior members. These members wear a uniform similar to that of the Air Force with distinctive Civil Air Patrol emblems and insignia; and

WHEREAS, More than 8,500 senior members have current Federal Aviation Administration pilot certificates. Many more are qualified observers and serve as aircrew members on various Civil Air Patrol missions; and

WHEREAS, As the official auxiliary of the Air Force, Civil Air Patrol performs 3 main mission elements: emergency services, aerospace education, and cadet training; and

WHEREAS, This is Civil Air Patrol's busiest function. It includes air search and rescue, disaster relief and civil defense. Civil Air Patrol members fly some 80 percent of the search hours expended on search and rescue missions coordinated by the Air Force Rescue Coordination Center at Scott Air Force Base, Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Civil Air Patrol members also frequently respond to requests to transport human tissue as well as blood for recipients who are in life-threatening medical situations; and

WHEREAS, Civil Air Patrol aerospace education programs inform the Civil Air Patrol cadet and senior membership and the general public about aviation and space activities. Throughout the past 35 years CAP has supported thousands of aerospace education workshops for teachers at colleges and universities around the country. Many of these teachers join CAP either as senior members or as non-uniform wearing Aerospace Education members; and

WHEREAS, Civil Air Patrol maintains a close relationship with state and local education agencies and with many other national aerospace organizations such as Federal Aviation Administration, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, and the Air Force Association to promote and expand aerospace education in our Nation's schools. CAP also plans and co-sponsors the annual National Congress on Aviation and Space Education which is the national convention for aerospace educators; and

WHEREAS, The cadet program is designed to inspire the country's youth to become leaders and good citizens. The program is open to United States citizens and persons lawfully admitted for permanent residence to the United States and its territories and possessions who are 13 years of age, or have satisfactorily completed the 6th grade through 18 years of age; and

WHEREAS, The senior member training activities identify needs and develop programs which enable members to more effectively accomplish the missions of Civil Air Patrol. To be eligible to participate in the senior member program one must be a United States citizen or an alien admitted for permanent residence and must not have a felony conviction or other than an honorable discharge from the military service; and

WHEREAS, Through its long and sustained commitment to safety, education and training the Civil Air Patrol has so demonstrably advanced the perception of its organization as caring and united in its efforts to serve the citizens of the United States; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that the Civil Air Patrol has so unselfishly advanced that spirit of united purpose which is the unalterable manifestation of our American Experience; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor the Civil Air Patrol upon the occasion of its 50th Anniversary; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Allan F. Pogorzelski.

ADOPTED IN ASSEMBLY  
March 18, 1991



By order of the Assembly,

*Francine M. Misasi*

Francine M. Misasi, Clerk

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

## SUMMARY

Colonel Herman H. Botie, CAP continued to serve as the NY Wing Commander through 26 October 1991. The colonel is a thirty eight year veteran of CAP service. He served as deputy wing commander under Colonel Paul Halstead and Colonel Roy Arroll. He had served on region, wing, group and squadron staff before being appointed deputy wing commander. During World War II, the CAP Colonel had served in the United States Army, as a combat infantryman, in the Pacific Area.

In October, Colonel Herbert P. Lavin, CAP was appointed the New York Wing Commander and promoted to his present rank. Colonel Lavin joined CAP in 1978 and served as a cadet orientation pilot, mission pilot, safety officer and operations officer at group level. HE served as Rome- Utica Group Commander from January 1981 to January 1991, when he was appointed vice commander of the New York Wing. He was selected by the Region Commander, Colonel David J. Braun, CAP from the list of group commanders and senior wing staff officers.

These two officers served as the leaders of 2,644 CAP members, who are members of the New York Wing. These members, all unpaid civilian volunteers make up the fifteen groups and seventy-four squadrons within the wing.

Through the efforts of these two men and those of the volunteers, who make up the membership the wing had a productive year.

Through the 1984 congressional amendments to the CAP supply bill, funds have become available, through the USAF budget, as well as through Customs and the Drug Enforcement Agency, to upgrade the CAP vehicle and aircraft fleet. In 1991 the wing gained one new aircraft and one new van.

Membership in the wing took a slight decline with a loss of 17 senior members and 143 cadets. The present strength is 1520 senior members and 1124 cadets . The decrease can be attributed to various reasons, among

them an increase in national dues, the fingerprinting and FBI background check required for all members as well as various changes in flying requirements and other regulations. At the end of 1991, the wing contained 15 groups and 74 squadrons.

In January 1991 the wing commanders acting as the national board of the Civil Air Patrol were polled by FAX and the National Executive Committee voted to accept the proposed memorandum Of Understanding which had been under discussion for some time. The document established responsibilities of the CAP corporation and the USAF and gave the air force the ability to more closely supervise some CAP activities. The document was to have been signed at the National Convention in Washington, D.C., but the National Commander felt it was necessary to assure cooperation from both CAP and the USAF, and signed the document in January. The operations and emergency services areas are most affected by the document which has caused the revision of various regulations and the wing members spent most of the year learning and retraining to comply with these updated procedures.

A new more distinctive uniform item was introduced in March 1991, when members were required to wear maroon shoulder insignia on their USAF style uniforms in recognition of their status as CAP members.

To protect our young cadets, senior members are required to pass an FBI background and fingerprint examination and complete the Cadet Protection Policy Training. This is now a part of CAP Basic orientation training, which is required of all members before they can be active members. Members who do not pass the background check or do not complete the training cannot continue membership. Inactive members, who might not have been fingerprinted have been reclassified as patrons. They are not permitted to be involved in any official activities or wear the uniform. Similarly, members who participate in any

customs or counter narcotics missions, must pass an additional check and complete additional training before being authorized to participate in these missions.

In addition to weekly meetings, in which cadets learn aerospace education leadership and management, NY cadets had the opportunity to attend two CAP encampments held at military bases, within the state. One special program for cadets was held at the West Point parade field on 4 July 1991, when fifty cadets from our wing participated in the "Fifty Flags" salute to the nation. Fifty CAP cadets carried the various state flags during the program, in which the entire United States Corps of Cadets stood at attention, which the Army gun crews sounding a fifty cannon salute to the states. Later that week West Point was also the location of the graduation of the Wing Emergency Services Encampment.

The New York Wing Cadet team again participated in the Northeast Cadet Competition and Placed first, becoming the region team to visit national. In December that team went on to become the winners of the National Cadet Competition for 1991.

Senior members of the wing increased their knowledge and skill through various training activities which were supervised by the wing's senior training directorate. Basic training for new members is the Level I orientation program, which includes the cadets cadet protection policy training. This is held within the various groups. Two Squadron Leadership Courses and two Corporate Learning Courses were held to help the members become more effective staff officers. Members were given the opportunity to attend the Northeast Region Staff College and the National Staff College. CAP members are also encouraged to complete the various technical and military education courses through the USAF extension course institute.

The wing aerospace education staff provided support to the units and

conducted special seminars for professional educators and aenior members.

Members of the New York Wing traveled to Washing D.C. to participate in the 50th Anniversary National Board meeting. This was the first of three CAP anniversary programs for the Year 1991, which marked fifty years of service to community state and nation.

The annual wing conference was held in Lake Placid, New York . Over 300 members attended with over 250 attending the annual wing dinner. This conference gave members the opportunity to meet wing and region personnel, as well as, exchange ideas and suggestions with the commander and staff. The wing then had the opportunity to recognize the efforts of members and units. Manhattan Squadron 4 was designated Squadron of Distinction for the Northeast Region, The Ithica Cadet Squadron was named the Wing Squadron of Merit. The Rome-Utica Group was recognized as the Group of the Year 1991. Senior Member of the Year for 1991 was LtCol Johnnie J, Pantanelli, of the North Castle Composite Squadron of the Westchester Group. Cadet Musa Johnson, of New York City was named the Cadet of the Year 1991. Captain Edwin Rabassa was named the Wing Staff Officer of the Year.

The wing has always done well in the recognition of former cadets. In 1991 some 10 former cadets were attending the various military service academies. One Former Cadet Midshipman Ist Class Julian Galina of the U.S. Naval Academy, Became the first Female cadet and the first female Midshipman to be selected as the Brigade Commander of the Brigade of Midshipmen at the Academy.

A startling discovery in October 1991 hit the New York Area Newspapers and Television stations in and gave New York Wing Members as well as all CAP an opportunity to share their pride in the WWII activities of the organization, A "Mystery" German U-Boat was discovered off the Coast of New Jersey. It was reported to have been unknown, because no Army or Navy claims existed of such a U-Boat within 100 miles of New York Harbor. The "Mystery" was no mystery to CAP members, for according to reports in "The Flying Minutemen" as well as in the official Navy War Diary, Cap members from New York, who were serving at

Coastal Patrol Base Number 1 at Atlantic City, Claimed that U-Boat Sinking in July 1941. Local University Professor, and submarine expert Herry Keatts, confirmed that the CAP account is the most reasonable account of the submarine and its location.

To say the least, this was a topic of conversation at the Notheast Region 50th Anniversary Conference at Cherry Hill, New Jersey in October. New York Wing members attended and programs were conducted by Lieutenant Herb Saxe of the Westchester-Hudson Squadron and LtCol Allan Pogorzelski of the Westchester Group.

The wing capped its activities for the 50th Anniversary, with its dinner at the Hotel<sup>s</sup> Thayer, West Point New York. Guest Speakers included Two Former CAP cadets, Rear Admiral (Retired) Andrew P. O'Rourke, the County Executive of Westchester County and Brigadier General John Fennimore, Assistant Adjutant General of the State of New York.

A note must be made of CAP participation in the national emergency during operation Desert Shield/ Desert Storm. CAP members from the wing who were also members of the various reserve and guard units were called up to active duty. Other wing members took up the task of supporting the troops sending thousands of cards, letters and packages to the various units. The wing members volunteered to assist working with the National Defense Emergency Medical Service to transport anticipated wounded by air or serving as volunteer litter carriers for various designated medical facilities. Plans were developed to support the various Red Cross and Salvation Army emergency programs. Negotiations were started to fly air patrols of the New York City water supply systems extending from New York City to the water supplies in northern New York. The quick ending of the war brought an end to most of these activities, but once again the wing showed that in an emergency, there was much CAP could do.

In review the New York Wing had a very successful year in 1991 and can claim it accomplished its mission. The year was most productive because of the efforts of its members, as well as the support received from many agencies.

The wing appreciates the support of the state and local governments, in addition to the on going aid received from the CAP national corporate officials, the United States Air Force Liaison staff and the members of the wing Air Force Assistance program.



Juliane Galina

1991

marked the first time a female member of the Brigade  
of midshipmen was selected as Brigade Commander  
( Former CAP Cadet Juliane Galina, New York Wing)

**CHAPTER I**

**NY WING IN WORLD WAR II**

No. 47-2)

PUBLIC RELATIONSTHE NEW YORK WING OF CAP IN WORLD WAR II

1. The following history of the activities of the New York Wing is for the general information of all personnel and for the guidance of Unit Public Relations Officers:

The New York Wing of Civil Air Patrol was activated in December 1941, under the command of Beckwith Havens of New York, later Lieutenant Commander U.S.N.R. Under Commander Havens, seven groups were established, based upon geographical and population distribution factors, with headquarters in New York City, Middletown, Albany, Syracuse, Rochester, Buffalo and Jamestown. A commander was appointed for each group, who in turn organized his territory into squadrons and flights, appointing commanders and leaders for each unit thus formed.

It will be recalled that at the outset, Civil Air Patrol was operating under the Office of Civilian Defense. From the start, however, a thorough F.B.I. check of all enrollments was made, and, in connection with applications for enrollment, all members were required to submit fingerprints, photographs, and to fill out a very complete questionnaire concerning their personal and business or professional activities, which was carefully scrutinized by National CAP Headquarters, then in Washington D.C., before acceptance. This system, which has remained unchanged, has in effect guaranteed the loyalty and trustworthiness of all Civil Air Patrol personnel in whatever assignments they received. It is a matter of record that in no case has this confidence been misplaced.

Early in 1942, Commander Havens resigned his leadership in order to join the Navy, and Garnet N. Hughes of New York, then Executive Officer, became Wing Commander. In July 1942, he joined the Army Air Forces with the rank of Major, and Stuart C. Welch, of Buffalo, was appointed Wing Commander, the position he now holds.

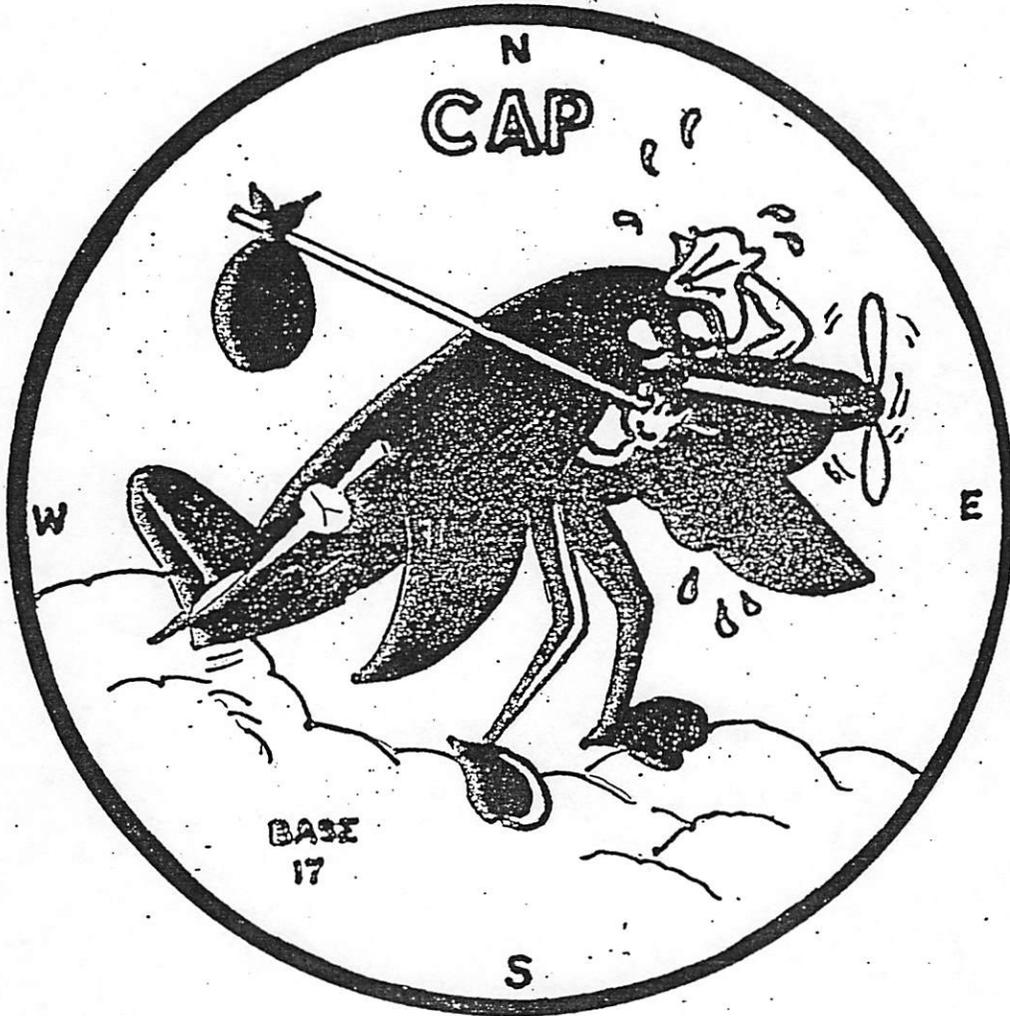
Under his command, an extensive program of military and technical training was undertaken in order to perfect the discipline and skill which were to characterize Civil Air Patrol operations throughout the United States and, which in April 1943, resulted in Civil Air Patrol being made an auxiliary of the Army Air Forces.

On 2 June 1943, the New York Wing of Civil Air Patrol became a member of the State War Council by which it was officially commended 25 July 1945.

Following is a brief account of the major activities of the New York Wing during the emergency period.

ANTI-SUBMARINE PATROL

Early in 1942, the menace of German submarines along the Atlantic Coast reached such proportions that the then available Army and Navy facilities were unable to cope with it, due to the necessity of their, at that time, slender resources being deployed in other theatres of war.



BASE 17  
SUFFOLK, NEW YORK

Early in March 1942, under the command of Major Wynant Farr, of New York, an experimental base was established at Atlantic City, N. J., known as Coastal Patrol Base No. 1, at which CAP pilots, observers, mechanics, etc, using their own light airplanes, undertook to patrol the coastal waters from New York Harbor to below Cape May. The unqualified success of this seeming unorthodox operation quickly led to the establishment of numerous other bases, so that within a few months, all shipping along the entire coast line of the United States from Canada to Mexico was protected by Civil Air Patrol pilots and planes bearing the familiar, and to sailors, welcome insignia of the white triangle in a blue circle.

On 1 July 1942, authority was granted to establish Coastal Air Patrol Base No. 17 at the Suffolk Airport, near West Hampton, L. I. This base, commanded by Major Ralph Earle of Pennsylvania, was staffed by personnel from the New York and Pennsylvania Wings of CAP. This unit functioned with exemplary efficiency, patrolling the approaches to New York Harbor until deactivated on 31 August 1943.

In July 1942, approval was given to arm the planes with bombs. This step, plus a perfected communications system, accounted for the destruction of a number of enemy submarines by bombing and the sinking of many more by Naval vessels led to the quarry by CAP airplanes.

In addition to submarines sunk, disabled, or driven off, many hundreds of seamen, while adrift after their ships had been sunk, were spotted and saved by surface vessels summoned to their assistance.

In the history of the war, there is no finer example of self-sacrifice, devotion of duty, and ability to hang on under adverse and discouraging circumstances than that set by the men of the Anti-Submarine Patrol. Over thirty lost their lives in this effort and many more were seriously injured.

While exact figures are not available, it is safe to assume the New York State Wing supplied as many, if not more, pilots, observers, mechanics, and technicians to this service as any other State. The citizens of New York have good reason to be proud of this contribution by their fellow citizens.

Anti-Submarine Patrol was carried on without interruption until August 1943, when the Anti-Submarine Command of the AAF was deactivated and the Navy took over.

#### INDUSTRIAL COURIER SERVICE

At the same time that Coastal Patrol was in service, another phase of CAP was organized, that of the Courier Service, which was to be a "first" with the New York Wing. This service which was to be known in New York State as the "First Courier Comman" was for the flying of key men and vitally needed materials between war production plants and their branches as well as with subcontractors.

Its home base was at the Aviation Country Club Airport, Hicksville, Long Island, under the command of J. Gordon Gibbs, with Paul Nāglē, Acting Commander; Robert Rickson, Jr., Executive Officer; Beldon Bartlett, Operations Officer; and Robert Lehman, Finance Officer.

Pilots and planes were on duty from dawn till dusk and the command had flights under way on 10 minutes notice.

On July 10, 1943, CAP Courier Bases were set up in Albany, Utica Syracuse, Binghamton, Rochester, Buffalo and Jamestown.

At a time when the commercial airlines were greatly overburdened, due to vastly increased travel in the face of greatly curtailed equipment and facilities, CAP Courier Service, while in no sense competing with the airlines, was of positive assistance in keeping the production lines of our factories moving. Almost every major war industry in the State availed itself of this emergency service.

#### TOW TARGET AND TRACKING BASE

Immediately after the Anti-Submarine Bases were relieved, Army Authorities requested Civil Air Patrol to organize a number of bases throughout the country for the purpose of towing sleeve targets at which AAF pilots and gunners in service aircraft could fire under conditions more closely approximating those of actual combat and also to fly at stipulated heights over anti-aircraft artillery units, for the purpose of training them in accuracy in picking up moving targets, using such aids as searchlights, radar, etc.

One such base was established at the Flushing Airport, Flushing, L.I. where an outstanding record of day and night was made. This Base was manned almost entirely by New York State Personnel, one of whom, Captain Gordon McAlpine Pyle, of 216 East 64th St., New York City, lost his life on 18 September 1943, while on a night flying mission under extremely hazardous weather conditions. Lost with him at this time was Lt. R. A. Hammer of the U. S. Coast Artillery. Previous to this assignment, Capt. Pyle had served constantly on active duty with the Anti-Submarine Patrol.

Mention should also be made of excellent work performed at this Base by Captain Lyman S. Frasier of Amterdam, N. Y., and of Lieutenant Rick-liffe Decker of Staten Island.

#### FOREST PATROL

The first official forest patrol by CAP in New York State was flown on 3 October 1943, when pilot Johnson Stewart and observer Phyllis K. Ingram inaugurated this vital State service. Arrangements for the patrol with the Conservation Commission had been made by Major Leslie A. Bryan of Syracuse, based on an exhaustive study and report made by Captains E. R. Vadeboncoeur and R. V. Green of the same city.

The test plane was in continuous radio-phone communication with the fire tower observers along the routes, and as a result of this test, an enlarged patrol was formed, which cooperated effectively with the Conservation Commission and the Department of Forest Fire Control during the balance of the season.

MILITARY INLAND SEARCH MISSIONS

Each of the local units throughout the New York Wing is set up to furnish a detail of airplanes at short notice to take off in search of missing aircraft and boats, and to render assistance in other emergencies or disasters.

In case of a missing military aircraft, a Civil Air Patrol Search Service was established under AAF Regulation No. 20-18. This service was available to the Commanding General of any Air Force or independent or subordinate AAF Command within the continental United States or to the Commanding Officer of any AAF Base within the continental United States.

This service was performed by the various CAP State Wings and was under the operational control of the AAF agency requesting the service. Reimbursement schedules were set up for the payment of per diem allowances to personnel engaged, and hourly rates for the use of aircraft assigned to such operations.

A number of such missions were performed, the latest of which in August 1945, covered the entire Adirondack area and succeeded, although not its primary object, in locating a large army transport, missing since the previous year.

In connection with other work done for the Army, mention should be made of a very large number of flights carried out for the U.S. Engineers to inspect from the air various factories, plants, and military installations in and around New York City in order to check on camouflage. All of these flights, carried out in spite of frequent adverse weather conditions, were flown most successfully by women pilots.

RECRUITING

In June 1943, Civil Air Patrol was requested by the Commanding General of the Army Air Forces to undertake an intensive campaign to recruit young men for the AAF. This important duty was carried out with conspicuous success. Meetings were held in every city and town, all school principals were contacted and arrangements made for speakers and interviewers, while the campaign was backed up by excellent local publicity through the cooperation of newspapers and radio station.

At a time when all available Air Corps personnel were badly needed overseas, the use of CAP personnel and facilities for recruiting purposes proved to be a valuable and satisfactory substitute. So much so, in fact, that in May 1944, CAP alone was authorized to administer the Aviation Cadet Qualifying Examinations to young men in high school. The giving of these mental screening tests imposed a heavy responsibility on all CAP officers assigned to this task, and it is gratifying to record that there is not a single instance of complaint or irregularity in the way this was handled in New York State. Liaison was maintained at all times with all Aviation Cadet Examining Boards and United States Army Recruiting Stations throughout the State, with whom the closest and most enthusiastic cooperation existed. The results of this recruiting activity are now history.

In May 1944, while recruiting and screening for the Air Corps was occupying much of the time of our personnel, by request of the War Department, Lieutenant General Barney M. Giles, Chief of Air Staff, directed CAP to undertake on a national basis the recruiting of applicants for the Woman's Army Corp.

In order not to impair the other important work then going on, this was set up as a separate operation under an officer known as CAP Director of WAC Recruiting. In New York State, Captain Mabel G. Clemson of Clemson Park, Middletown, a member of the Stewart Squadron, was appointed to that position.

As a further mark of confidence, Civil Air Patrol, was at this time granted a unique privilege by the War Department. Authorization was given for the recruitment of an entire WAC Company from CAP membership or from within its particular sphere of influence.

Captain Clemson immediately made a tour throughout the State, visiting all CAP units and organizing WAC recruiting committees of civilian and CAP membership. This WAC recruitment campaign was entirely successful and officially commended by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces.

#### MISCELLANEOUS AND EMERGENCY MISSIONS

A constantly increasing number of flying hours is being chalked up in connection with civilian missions of an emergency nature.

Over 600 hours alone were flown on observing practice blackouts throughout the State. Boats caught in the ice in Lake Erie without food have been supplied by CAP pilots. Other similar errands have been the flying of food and medical supplies to isolated farms and communities when snowbound, the flying of plasma to scenes of disaster as at the Wayland train wreck, and searches for escaped German prisoners. These, and many others, are typical of the service which CAP personnel offer to the citizens of the State.

In every War Bond Drive conducted throughout the emergency period, each CAP unit in the State assisted their local committee in every way possible. By taking part in parades, by giving air shows, and by giving free rides to bond purchasers in airplanes owned and maintained by CAP members, public interest was maintained and stimulated, and a large volume of bond purchases has been directly attributed and credited to their efforts.

#### COOPERATION WITH N.Y. STATE GUARD UNITS

It has been an honor and pleasure for many CAP units to cooperate with units of the State Guard on Field Maneuvers and in other ways. The use of CAP planes equipped with Plane-to-Ground communications has been a valuable addition to the training; schedules during the summer encampments and on many other occasions, according to the testimony of many N. Y. State Guard Officers.

In this connection, mention must be made of the splendid spirit of cooperation which the N.Y. Wing has received from the State Guard. This

has shown itself on innumerable occasions in the fine spirit displayed by so many N.Y.S.G. Officers in volunteering their services and advice to CAP units throughout the State.

It is believed that this mutual cooperation should be continued and strengthened in the future, not only as an exemplary form of teamwork, but as a source of added security to the citizens of the State.

#### TRAINING

One of the least understood, least publicized, and for that reason, least appreciated functions of Civil Air Patrol has been the training it has given to its members. This training, however, is very probably Civil Air Patrol's most important contribution.

When first established, it was believed that the personnel of CAP would consist almost exclusively of pilots; however, it soon became apparent that interest in the organization was not confined to one technically trained group, since it attracted to its ranks many persons of varied skills, and abilities who sincerely felt that in CAP they would find a means of putting their talents to the service of their country. Accordingly, training directives were devised to provide courses of study for all members on a large number of subjects allied to aviation, military and civilian. Such subjects as: Theory of Flight, Navigation, Meteorology, Airplane Engines, Radio Communication Systems, etc., were taught by volunteer authorities in each subject. Text books and other material were supplied by the AAF.

It must be borne in mind that courses in these and other subjects were required of all personnel in addition to military training in its various phases, attendance at which was compulsory to all desirous of maintaining membership in the organization, and, of course, essential to all seeking commissioned rank. The improvement of skills and the acquiring of new ones was a continuous process. The amount of highly technical training that has thus been given to a large section of the public is incalculable as is the value to the Nation as a whole of the improved ability of these people.

It soon became evident that this training program, however, excellent, was not wide enough in scope, so on 1 October 1942, the grade of Civil Air Patrol Cadets was authorized. Embracing boys and girls from the ages of 15 to 18, it was hoped that a sufficient number of cadets would be attracted to justify an extensive training program, implemented by training aids, manuals, etc., from the Army Air Forces. It was further hoped that this training would supply the AAF with a constant backlog of desirable young man ready to enlist in the Air Corps when they reached 18. These hopes were more than realized.

The excellent training which is now being given to all CAP cadets is based on a Preflight Study Manual devised by the AAF and other educational experts. It covers all phases of preflight training—military—physical—technical. Testimony as to the value of this training has been received from educational authorities throughout the State in volume. It is gratifying to know that our Cadets are being given this training at no cost to themselves by CAP, and that the skills and aptitudes they are obtaining will in many cases fit them for a useful and profitable career in aviation.

A record of CAP Cadet activities would be incomplete without reference to the excellent work done in this field by the Greater New York Cadet Training Group, commanded by Major Thomas F. Cooke, of New York. This Group was organized to enlist and train cadets exclusively in the Greater New York area. It has succeeded amazingly well in handling a difficult problem and has been able to establish a cadet unit in almost every school in this area. The services of a number of outstanding authorities in the aviation field were secured and these men have enthusiastically devoted many hours of their already busy lives to conducting classes and generally supervising training in the New York Schools.

Through cooperation of the AAF, a considerable number of cadets are sent each summer to Mitchell Field, and to the Rome Army Air Base. There they receive a week's indoctrination into Army life and are shown all the facilities these installations afford. The success of these camps in stimulating interest among the cadets is such that it is hoped that in the future all of the 7,000 cadets now enrolled in the New York Wing may have the privilege of attending.

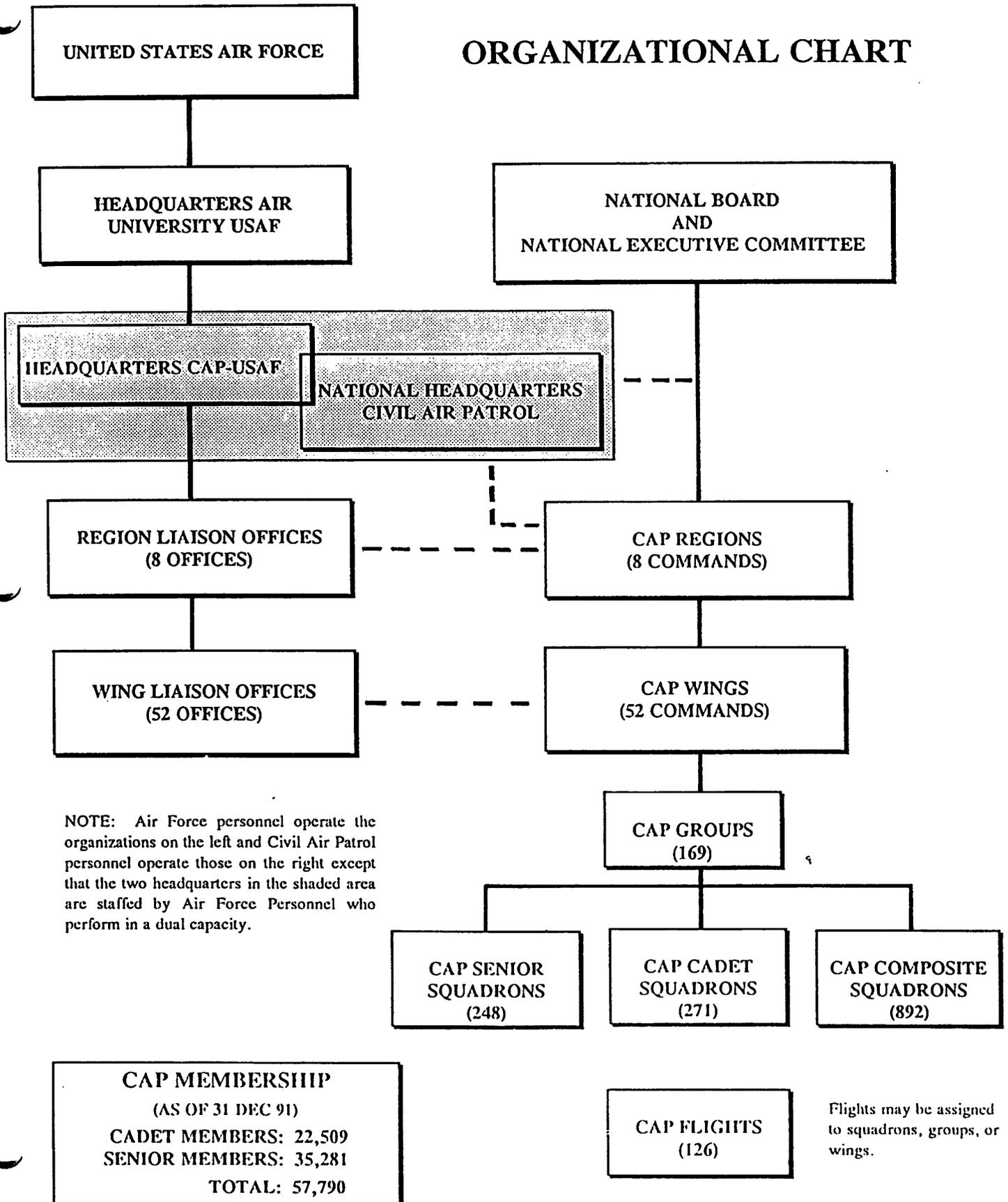
It may be appreciated from the foregoing summary of Civil Air Patrol activities in New York State during the war period that the membership of the New York Wing has not been idle and that their contribution to the war effort has not been inconsiderable. Space does not permit the mention by name of the many hundreds of individuals who deserve the thanks of their fellow citizens for outstanding performance of their duties, but it should be clearly realized that whatever the record of this group has been, it is due very largely to the magnificent spirit of friendly cooperation and a willingness to forego selfish aims for the common good which animated and held together the entire membership.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL WELCH:

JOHN T. FOSTER,  
Major, CAP  
Executive Officer,  
New York Wing

**CHAPTER II**  
**NY WING IN ACTION**

# ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



## THE MISSION OF CAP

The mission of Civil Air Patrol can be simply stated as three fold; emergency services, the cadet program and aerospace education. The success of any CAP wing can be evaluated by a review of how well the wing contributes to the three parts of the mission of the whole organization. \*

This history deals with one wing during a one year period. As such the writer believes the information presented is an outstanding example of the way the CAP mission is being accomplished.

There are over 3,000 members in the New York Wing. All members can be proud of the accomplishments of the wing and the member contributions which brought about these accomplishments.

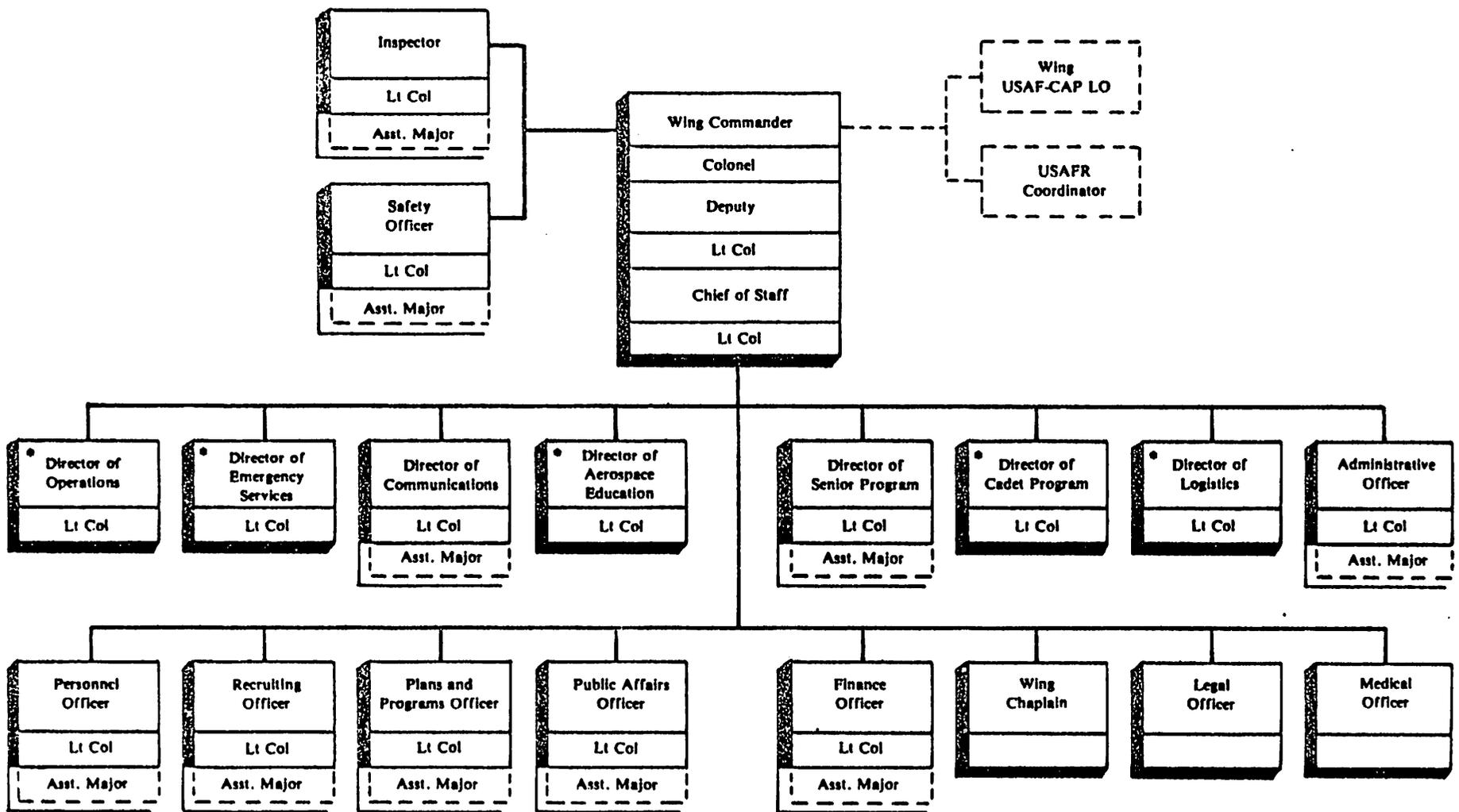
The wing and the entire CAP organization is a team. Team wide effort has made it the organization it is today. The member who on a SAR mission answers the telephone or makes the coffee, contributes to the success of the whole mission, as do the pilots who must search for that downed aircraft or that sketchy ELT signal.

A wing history can only reflect some of the story. It is the hope of the writer that this history reflects the tradition, of the wing, as well as its accomplishments and its overall success.

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\* Public Law 476, Seventy-ninth Congress, 1 July 1946

Wing Headquarters Organizational Chart



\* The above staff officers may find it desirable to delegate certain responsibilities to subordinate personnel. If any of these functions are expanded, the organization charts on the following page are recommended. NOTE: The Operations and Emergency Services functions may be combined at the option of the wing.

## CADET PROGRAMS

The Civil Air Patrol Cadet Program had an excellent year in 1991. Sixty four cadets received the General "Billy" Mitchell Award exceeding the goal of sixty. Seventeen cadets earned the Amelia Earhart Award going one over the goal of sixteen.\*

Three Cadets earned the General Carl Spaatz Award exceeding the goal of one per wing.

Two hundred seventy six New York Wing cadets were given the opportunity of attending encampments, held at military bases within the state.

The New York Wing conducted two encampments in 1991. The first at Camp Smith, the State Military Reservation in Peekskill, NY, stressed search and rescue (SAR) skills and helped cadets earn their basic qualifications for CAP and USAF missions within emergency services. The second, conducted at the Plattsburg Air Force Base in Plattsburg, NY stressed leadership training.

The emergency services encampment, under the command of LtCol Janet Schatner, graduated 124 cadets in basic emergency services, first aid, C.P.R. and communications. There were 40 senior members who gave their own time to serve as staff members. The leadership encampment, under the command of Major Robert Kantor, graduated 151 cadets in basic leadership skills, and was served by 31 senior members.

The International Air Cadet Exchange again came to the New York Wing with cadets from Turkey visiting and being hosted for one week in Suffolk group and NY City.

The year closed with the New York Cadet Competition Team from the NY City Area competing at the Region and National CAP competitions and winning both events. This marked the fourteenth time in seventeen years that the New York team had won. \*\*

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\* CAP Cadets who have earned the Mitchell Award and choose to join the USAF, enter with the grade of Airman First Class.

\*\* Information for this section was provided by the NY Wing Vice Commander, LtCol Joy Nelson, who served as Director of Cadet Programs during 1991.

# Expecting the worst

## Civil Air Patrol cadets prepare for possible disasters

**By Tawanda Williams**

Staff Writer

In Cortlandt woods, young cadets administer first aid to a woman hiker.

The rescue workers tend to her injuries, while her boyfriend — with more serious injuries — lies yards away awaiting help.

Assisting the injured when they are in remote places is just one of several exercises the young cadets perform. These exercises are part of a 10-day emergency training services program run by the Civil Air Patrol — an auxiliary with the U.S. Air Force.

The 128 cadets, ages 13 to 21, learn how to perform search and rescue work for the Air Force and natural-disaster relief work for New York state. A volunteer staff of senior cadets runs the camp, with the guidance of adult air patrol officers.

The program, which has been offered at Camp Smith in Cortlandt for three years, began June 24 and ends tomorrow with a graduation ceremony at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point. The program recruits candidates from malls, schools and air shows.

The cadets learn field navigation, first aid, cardiopulmonary resuscitation and radio communications. They also learn how to locate distress signals, missing persons and aircraft.

The cadets, male and female, are divided into six groups called flights. Each flight is led by a flight commander, a flight sergeant and two evaluators. The overall responsibility of the flight is with the flight commander, said Capt. Jody Loveridge, an air patrol public affairs officer.

Martin Allen, 17, of Brooklyn is the flight commander of the



Staff photo/Joe Larese

**Cadet Sgt. Matt Harger prepares his pack in the barracks that is home to more than 100 Civil Air Patrol cadets training at Camp Smith.**

Charlie Chaplains group. He is proud of his group.

"I like teaching them and seeing them grow. They are really pulling together as a team," he said.

Suzanne Smith, 15, of Port Washington is a cadet in the Chaplains flight.

"Two weeks ago, I probably would not have known what to do in an emergency," she said. "I am confident now that I know I can help others."

Smith's fellow flight member, Jerry Mayes, 15, of Endicott, said he plans to go on flight missions with his squadron in Binghamton when he finishes the camp.

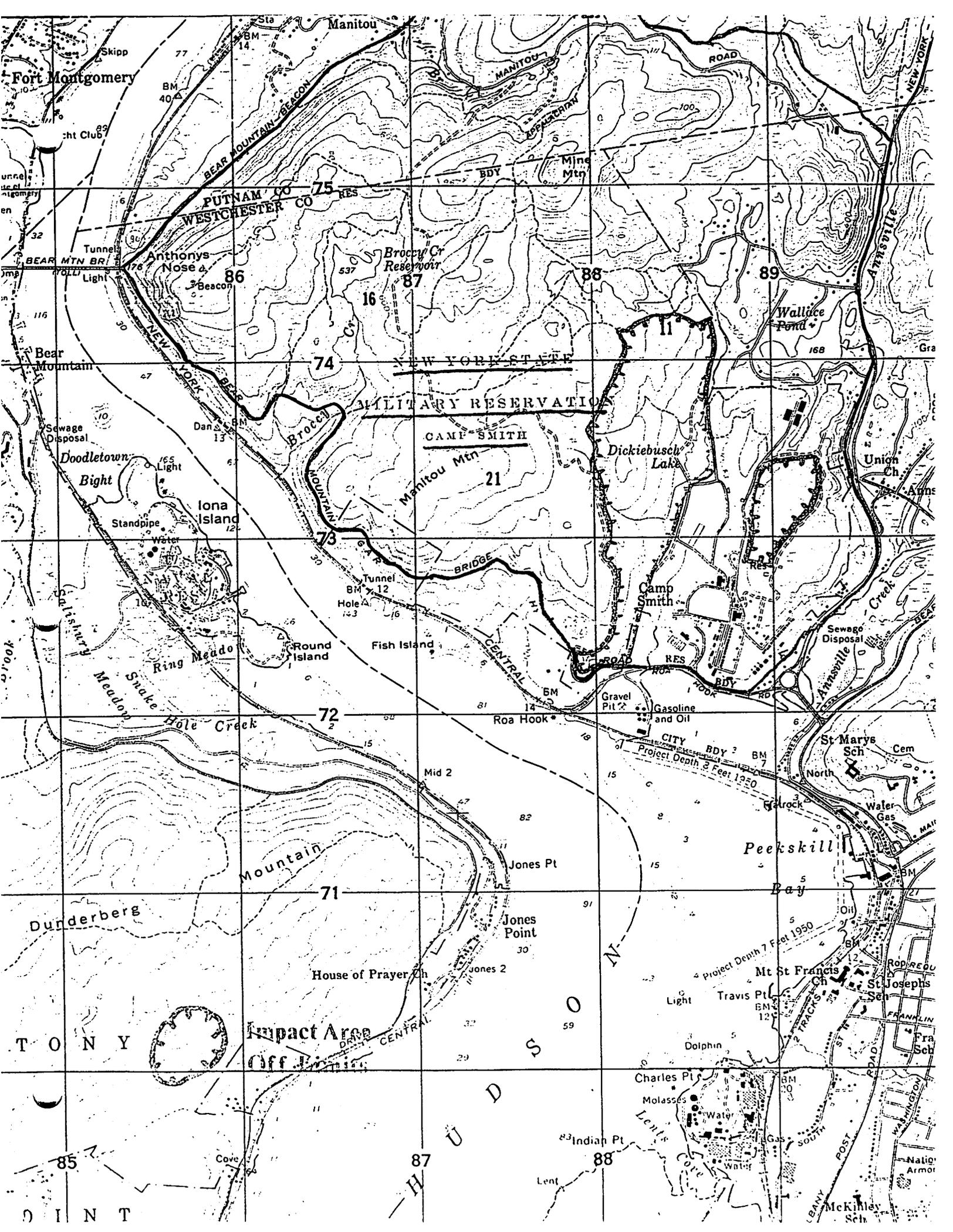
The cadets, who pay \$100 for meals and purchase the equipment needed for camp, stay on the base.

If a cadet does not pass the training, Loveridge said "we help tutor them until they pass." Last year, the program had a 100 percent success rate, she said.



Staff photo/Joe Larese

**Cadet Lt. Col. John Clear, 18, of Scarsdale, and Lt. Scott Egan, 18, of Long Island, take part in a briefing during a training exercise simulating the search for an air crash survivor.**



## EMERGENCY SERVICES

The year 1991 was a busy one for the members of the New York Wing, who were involved in emergency services. Four Staff sections help oversee the training and actual participation of members in these missions. They are operations, emergency services, communications and the disaster relief/civil defence directors. All members are encouraged to become qualified and participate in emergency services activities. The training may be at the squadron, group or wing level. The key to the success of any mission is the member who is ready to go out at any hour to accomplish the mission which has been assigned.

In addition to local training and proficiency flying, wing members participated in 79 USAF requested missions and flew 323 sorties on these missions. That came out to 665 flying ours. If USAF crews and aircraft had had to have been used, this would have been a large expense to the taxpayer. \*

The wing maintained its fleet of 17 Cessna aircraft, Two are the 182 series and the remainder are 172 series. Their vintage ranges from 1970 to 1986. Five vans are maintained for use in transportation and search, rescue and disaster relief activities. \*\*

The drug interdiction program continued with selected wing and unit personnel attending orientation and training activities. The wing appointed a director of special missions and activities are being prepared for the future.

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\* CY91 ES information from the Report to Congress by NHQCAP page 11.

\*\* Operations statistics from LTCOL A.F.Larmann, JR 26 June 1992

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26 June 1992

Headquarters-New York Wing CAP  
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Attention: LTC Allan Pogorzelski, CAP

Subject: Operations Overview

This information is supplied for your use in preparing the consolidated report for the period July 1991-June 1992 for New York Wing in total. I appreciate your efforts and apologize for the relatively late submission.

Equipment roster:

Aircraft: 17 total, with one new addition this year. N98288. Two are C-182 aircraft. with the balance C-172 aircraft ranging in vintage from 1970 to 1986. Distribution within New York is based on mission needs and pilot populations.

Vehicles: Five vans suitable for both transportation and communications support. One was delivered to NYW this year.

Major Upgrading:

C-172 aircraft. N229NY-180HP Penn Yan conversion in Fall 1991; Also, N220NY, a new engine installation in Fall 1991.

C-182 aircraft. N9816E--major engine overhaul in Fall 1991; Engine mount replacement in May 1992.

Avionics--Complete Bendix/King installation in N276NY in 1992. Also, significant upgrading of N238NY, N204NY, and N227NY via installation of new 720 channel VHF transceivers.

Computerization:

Centralized data base for all NYW pilots--linkage established to mission capabilities on a total Wing basis. Established in April 1992.

Aircraft maintenance--enhanced data base now operational--all equipment and maintenance information now cross-linked.

Communications:

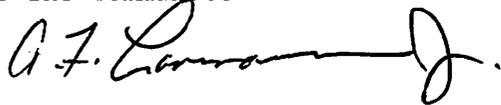
Major effort under direction of Maj. Hinkel to update procedures for licensing and operating our communications network. A computerized data base for licensing information was included. Work completed in Spring 92.

Complement of stations is everchanging--representative data are:

Fixed land stations	195
Ground mobile stations	345
Air mobile stations	63
Repeater stations	11
SAR stations	45
ELT test stations (121.6MHz)	11
Corporate aircraft stations	17

Training efforts continue to qualify CAP radio operators. Particular emphasis is being placed on developing capabilities within our Cadet ranks. Two Cadets now are NYW HF-SSB net control station operators.

For The Commander



LTC A. F. Larmann, Jr., CAP  
Director of Operations

Distribution: Col. H. P. Lavin, CAP NYW/CC  
Operations Staff



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REPLY TO DC  
ATTN. OF:

1 January, 1992

SUBJECT: Communications Section Report for 1991

TO: Col. Herbert P. Lavin, CAP NYCC

Sir,

Attached is the report of the accomplishments for the Communications section of the New York Wing, Civil Air Patrol for the year 1991.

This report culminates the major achievements that have benefitted the entire wing. Professionalism is always the key to success and it must be remembered never to compromise the whole purpose of communications which is sending information to and from units in the field.

Effective communications starts at the top where the wing commander and the staff must make effective use of the radio to make themselves an asset and to always be available for subordinate commanders and staff to pass information.

In 1992, staff sections will be better represented to best serve the needs of all groups and to strive for better representation. There is no easy fix and will take time and effort by everyone to improve.

Teamwork plus cooperation will equal a most successful business. It is that pledge that the Communications section has and will continue to make in order to best serve the needs of all members of the wing. Any questions may be directed to this office.

Thanking you in advance for your cooperation.

FOR THE COMMANDER

  
Duane K. Hinkel  
Major CAP  
Director of Communications

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NYWG HQ STAFF SECTIONS  
NYWG COMM STAFF  
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NEW YORK WING COMMUNICATIONS SECTION CIVIL AIR PATROL-USAFA  
ANNUAL REPORT TO THE WING OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS FOR YEAR 1991.

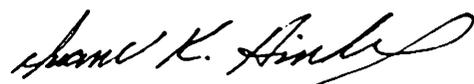
- 198 new radio station licenses issued within the wing.
- 195 out of 200 points obtained under the CAF-MAP program.
- 258 Radio Operator Permit cards issued. 164 were issued to cadets. This accounts for 64% of the total issued.
- Computerized directory published and distributed semi-annually.
- Packet radio links are continuing to emerge within the wing.
- Two (2) wing high frequency net control stations are operated by cadets. They are Cadet Todd Cameron of the Rochester Group, Empire 763, and Cadet Peter Vasilion, Empire 837 of the Niagara Frontier Group.
- NYS Capital, Rome-Utica, Rochester, and Niagara Frontier have cadet operated high frequency stations. In 1992, each group will have one (1) cadet operated station.
- All wing net control stations and the alternates are SHARES registered.
- Net time has been expanded and overall operation has improved.
- USAFA-CAF NYLO LTC. Mcneill is operational on the wing nets. Call sign is Empire 962.
- Standardized wing Communications Training Syllabus distributed to all units within the wing.
- License applications received and processed within 48 hours of receipt.
- Two (2) new General Electric Mastr II repeaters operational within seven (7) days of receipt. All NYWG groups are serviced by repeater coverage.
- New VHF frequency of 148.125 obtained by National Headquarters.
- Future repeater site being explored on Whiteface Mountain in the Adirondack region for the alternate repeater pair, 143.75/148.125 MHZ.
- All NYWG repeaters registered with USAFA Frequency Management Agency (FMA) in accordance with national directives.
- Rome-Utica and NYS Capital groups have submitted requests for new repeaters to replace older systems currently in use.
- Radio Operator Certificate of Proficiency Award presented to Captain David R. Hunter, CAF, of the Rochester Group for CAF-MAP credit.

Concerns for 1992 will include the following:

- 1. Safety of equipment and personnel needs to be enforced at all levels.
- 2. Daily reporting of operational readiness of all aircraft and radio systems. This will include mission base readiness.
- 3. Operating procedures need to be more strongly enforced. No amateur or CB type operation is permitted.
- 4. Packet operation throughout the wing needs to be increased.
- 5. Communications Training Officer and Repeater chairman needed for the staff.
- 6. CAF FEST 92 to be organized for the entire wing.

Teamwork + Cooperation = A successful business. The Communications section looks forward to serving you with pride and distinction in 1992.

Respectfully,



Duane K. Hinkel  
Major CAF  
Director of Communications



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29 June, 1992

REPLY TO  
ATTN OF: DC  
  
SUBJECT: Quarterly H-1 Report

to: SMSGT. R. Bravo, USAF National HQ/ DOK

Sir,

In accordance with National Headquarters directives for CAP-MAP requirements regarding the quarterly H-1 report, the following data is hereby provided from the New York Wing:

A. FIXED LAND STATIONS.....	<u>194</u>
B. GROUND MOBILE STATIONS.....	<u>339</u>
C. AIR MOBILE STATIONS.....	<u>62</u>
D. REPEATER STATIONS.....	<u>11</u>
E. SEARCH AND RESCUE (SAR) STATIONS.....	<u>44</u>
F. ELT TEST STATIONS.....	<u>11</u>
G. CORPORATE AIRCRAFT STATIONS.....	<u>17</u>
H. TOTAL NUMBER OF CAPF 76 RADIO OPERATORS.....	<u>698</u>

If you have any questions regarding the above information, please contact this office. Thanking you in advance for your cooperation.

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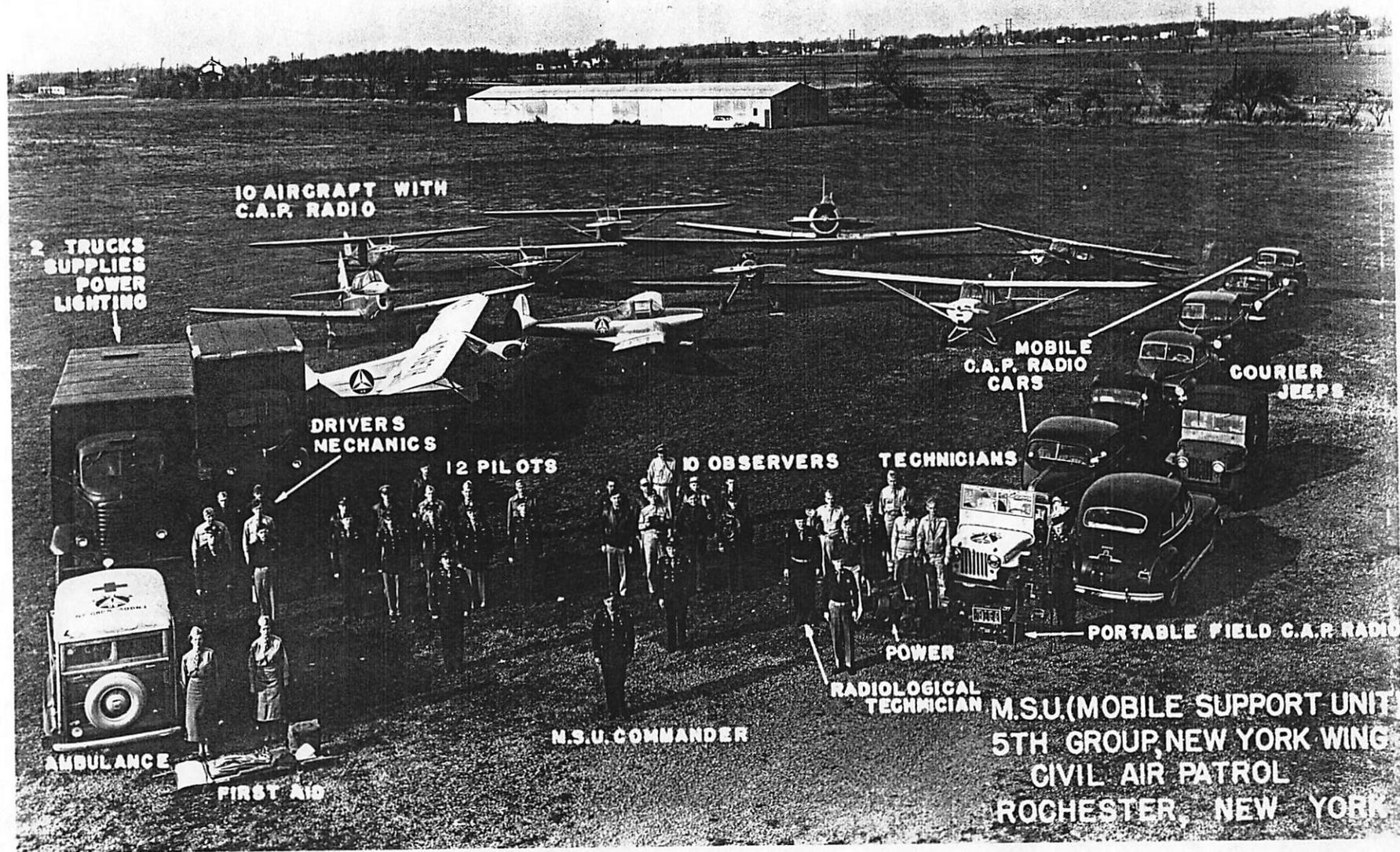
  
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## CY91 - WING PARTICIPATION IN EMERGENCY SERVICES

The following data indicates CAP participation in USAF-assigned search and rescue, disaster relief, and other emergency services missions. Thousands of additional hours are devoted to state and local support activities that are not reported.

<u>WING</u>	<u>MISSIONS</u>	<u>SORTIES</u>	<u>HOURS</u>	<u>SAVES</u>
Alabama	66	129	374	5
Alaska	206	362	853	28
Arizona	57	405	1,233	2
Arkansas	25	37	50	0
California	325	2,172	2,586	0
Colorado	47	459	902	5
Connecticut	29	106	185	0
Delaware	13	37	96	0
Florida	244	861	1,616	1
Georgia	73	200	451	0
Hawaii	3	21	53	0
Idaho	26	317	676	1
Illinois	45	25	64	0
Indiana	38	49	90	0
Iowa	11	6	15	0
Kansas	22	18	36	0
Kentucky	11	6	16	0
Louisiana	86	76	132	0
Maine	41	41	77	4
Maryland	45	386	964	0
Massachusetts	55	49	89	0
Michigan	60	62	104	6
Minnesota	36	61	113	1
Mississippi	26	45	49	0
Missouri	30	20	49	0
Montana	18	24	40	3
National Capital	5	41	141	0
Nebraska	17	17	31	0
Nevada	17	208	484	7
New Hampshire	14	10	25	0
New Jersey	60	44	80	0
New Mexico	58	308	708	9
New York	79	323	665	0
North Carolina	79	144	344	0
North Dakota	19	19	42	0
Ohio	53	139	238	0
Oklahoma	39	62	146	0
Oregon	15	130	255	0
Pennsylvania	65	119	221	0
Puerto Rico	7	8	10	0
Rhode Island	14	22	43	0
South Carolina	42	40	82	0
South Dakota	10	28	56	0
Tennessee	44	48	89	4
Texas	153	309	803	1
Utah	33	445	1,561	3
Vermont	12	62	110	2
Virginia	65	171	393	0
Washington	113	112	206	0
West Virginia	12	15	35	0
Wisconsin	36	121	159	0
Wyoming	1	1	3	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,700</b>	<b>8,920</b>	<b>17,876</b>	<b>82</b>



10 AIRCRAFT WITH  
C.A.P. RADIO

2 TRUCKS  
SUPPLIES  
POWER  
LIGHTING

DRIVERS  
MECHANICS

12 PILOTS

10 OBSERVERS

TECHNICIANS

MOBILE  
C.A.P. RADIO  
CARS

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PORTABLE FIELD C.A.P. RADIO

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M.S.U. (MOBILE SUPPORT UNIT)  
5TH GROUP, NEW YORK WING  
CIVIL AIR PATROL  
ROCHESTER, NEW YORK

AMBULANCE

FIRST AID

## AEROSPACE EDUCATION

The aerospace education staff of the New York Wing had a very productive year in 1991. This staff is divided into two sub sections, internal and external aerospace education. The former deals with aerospace education for CAP members, while the latter extends our help to any outside organization.

This past year the aerospace education staff continued to help squadrons and groups with training aids and guest speakers. Aerospace education was included in both NY cadet encampments and senior members were extended special training through the "wake up American" program, which was praised by NASA and was first developed by the NY aerospace education staff in 1988. The staff has also placed a priority on helping each unit select and appoint an aerospace education officer as a goal.

The external education program hosted an aerospace education symposium for the NY City area, under the guidance of CAP Member and Adelphi University Professor Julian Wilder. Professional educators from the area attended the program which included guest speakers from aviation areas as well as field trips.

Members were encouraged to attend the 24th National Congress on Aviation and Space Education, with wing members getting more involved in aerospace education activities. These professional educators have contributed to the success of the wing. Without their help the aerospace education mission would not be accomplished.

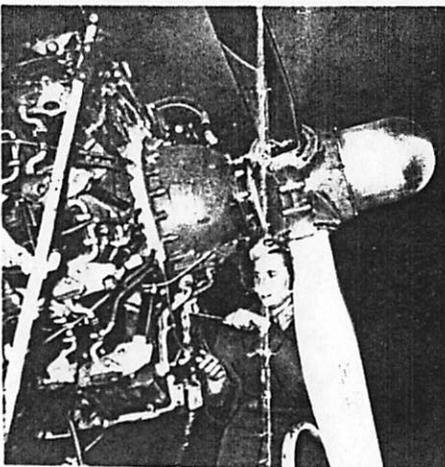


Part of training for a CAP Cadet may include flights as an observer. Lucky result getting her briefing before take-off from N. Y. Wing Commander Col. J. Crowley is Diane Walt.

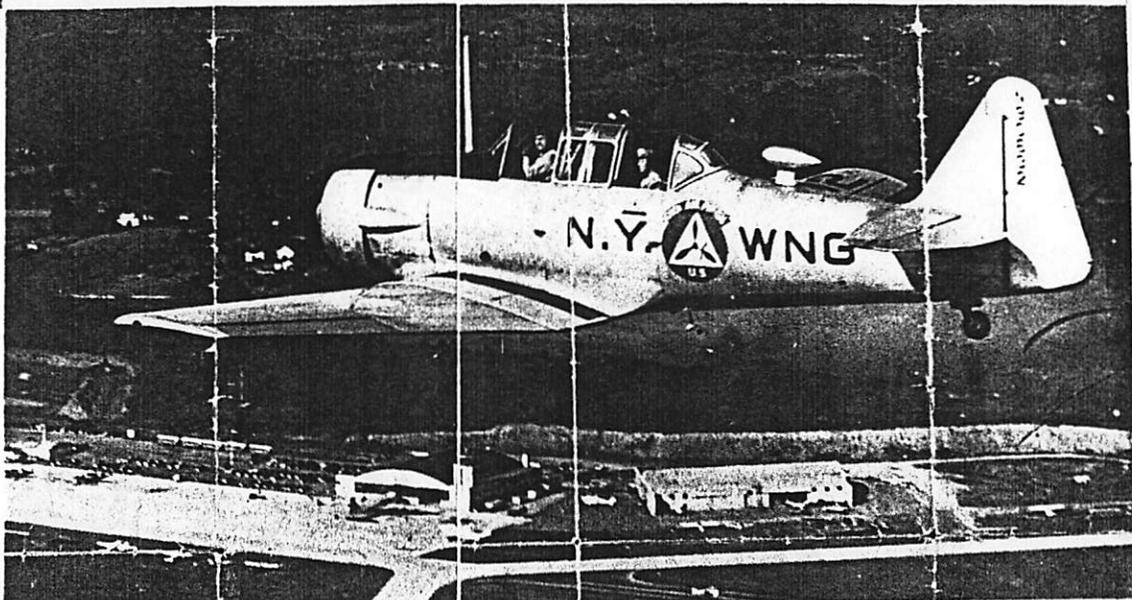


Cooperation is the keynote of the CAP. Girl members of the Cadets query Cadet Capt. Small Cordero in power of attack-bomber motor. Girls are familiarized with all types of planes.

Sheila O'Sullivan works as motor of a C-47. The girl "grease-monkeys" get a full course in mechanics.



# Hearts in the Air



CAP pilot Capt. Selma Cronan instructs navigation cadets Arlene Jacques, Elizabeth Gribby and Louise Greene how to chart flight.

Thrill of a lifetime Sgt. Walt get her aerial baptism while cruising along in the rear cockpit of a AT-6, piloted by Col. Crowley Diane, who is 17, was taken on flight from Mitchell Field to the Westchester County Airport where she is pictured over the field flying at 225 miles an hour. When she landed she said: "That for me... I want to be a pilot."

Air Force Sgt. Alice Ashton check operation for lin. trainer with CA Capt. Demini So star. The trainee proved a great asset in production finished in 1942. She served in War II. The students learn flight coordination required for today's precision instrument flight.

By DAN BRIGHAM

WHEN it comes to getting it out the line in an air emergency, some 600 above-average schoolgirl CAPCadets, 15 to 18 years old, from the Greater New York area, will yield to no one in the air age.

Months of intensive ground-school training under competent Air Force and civilian instructors have taught them subjects ranging from motor and airframe maintenance, to navigation and ground control. They're ready to carry their share of the load in any type of emergency.

And emergency is the rule rather than the exception, in Civil Air Patrol operations.

This official auxiliary of the Air Force is often called upon to carry out what is described as "the toughest kind of flying this side of combat."

None of the cadets themselves are called upon to fly in any type of operation. Many of them do get up in the air, however, both as pilots and observers on practice and other less strenuous-type missions.

Their principal function is to carry off efficiently those ground operations that make for peak performance in an aerial mission, be it Search and Rescue, blood plasma transport, or simple aerial reconnaissance. It is to their credit that never have they let their pilots down.

Their grueling training routine at Air Force centers throughout the state includes stripping motors for maintenance and repair under watchful eyes of U.S. Air Force mechanics, rigging new ships and repairing old, under the direction of masters of their craft.

These youngsters, "graduate," with such first-hand knowledge of aviation subjects that they rate certain priorities when, as many of them do, they go on to join the Air Force.

There are about 1,200 girl CAPCadets in the New York Wing, which numbers a total of nearly 5,000 cadets.



Capt. Cronan, finding Diane an eager candidate after her first flight, points out to the art student the action of the rudder assembly as she moves controls in the cockpit.



## **CAP-MAP**

Every organization needs some guide by which it can judge how well it is doing. For the Civil Air Patrol wings, this guide is the Civil Air Patrol - Management Analysis Program, (CAP-MAP.)

The results of the CAP-MAP for 1991 indicate a success rate for the New York Wing ranking 26th place out of the 52 Civil Air Patrol Wings.

The wing plans and programs section prepares goals and checks during the year to help the members contribute toward these goals.

## **FUNDING**

As with any non-profit organization, Civil Air Patrol must budget its resources. Major items of expense such as aircraft or vehicles are now purchased by National Headquarters through the USAF funding authorized by the Congress.

All wing projects are planned to pay for themselves, that is, the members participating pay for the activities. As a semi-public service the CAP wings have been included in the emergency budgets within various states.

New York State was one of the first to include CAP in its state budget, since the 1960s the state and CAP wing have had a written agreement for support. Individual members receive no funding except for authorized reimbursement of fuel and maintenance costs, when participating in authorized missions. In addition each member contributes annual dues.

Unit dues and wing dues, as well as national dues help defray the operating and administrative costs of the units and wing. CAP is eligible to accept donations as a non-profit corporation. Such donations are tax deductible.

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REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF: CC

15 MAY 1991

SUBJECT: CASH ON HAND AMOUNTS JULY 1990

TO: ALL GROUPS N Y WING

IN ORDER TO FACILITATE YOUR TIMELY SUBMISSION OF YOUR  
YEAR END FINANCIAL REPORT WE GIVE YOU BELOW THE CASH IN BANK  
AMOUNTS BY GROUPS AS OF 30 JUNE 1990.

THIS IS THE OPENING FIGURE FOR YOUR FINANCE RREPORT WICH  
IS DUE NOT LATER THAN 30 JULY 1991.

NASSAU GROUP		\$ 5,187.00
SUFFOLK GROUP		\$ 4,413.00
MANHATTAN BROOKLYN GROUP		\$ 10,578.00
BRONX QUEENS GROUP		\$ 5,557.00
X WESTCHESTER GROUP		\$ 5,223.00 -
HUDSON VALLEY GROUP		\$ 1,391.00
ORANGE COUNTY GROUP	1,522.00	
ROCKLAND COUNTY GROUP	2,019.00	\$ 3,541.00
N Y STATE CAPITAL GROUP		\$ 11,581.00
ADIRONDACK MOUNTAIN GROUP		\$ 3,343.00
BINGHAMTON GROUP		\$ 2,310.00
ROME UTICA GROUP		\$ 2,359.00
SYRACUSE EAST ONTARIO GROUP		\$ 4,449.00
ROCHESTER GROUP		\$ 6,584.00
NIGARA FRONTIER GROUP		\$ 6,792.00
SOUTHERN TIER GROUP		\$ 978.00
DUNKIRK GROUP		\$ 534.00

ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CALL.

HERMAN H BOTIE COL/CAP  
COMMANDER

*N.D.  
\* combine Sept.*

**FY91 - APPROPRIATION**

<u>WING</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Alabama	\$ 50,000
Alaska	480,250
Arizona	78,100
Arkansas	70,500
California	115,000
Colorado	89,980
Connecticut	39,076
Delaware	15,000
Florida	55,000
Georgia	40,000
Hawaii	320,600
Illinois	167,000
Kansas	16,637
Kentucky	30,600
Louisiana	75,000
Maine	24,500
Maryland	40,000
Massachusetts	22,500
Minnesota	65,000
Mississippi	20,000
Nebraska	33,810
Nevada	85,000
New Hampshire	70,715
New Mexico	97,100
New York	38,000
North Carolina	155,750
North Dakota	45,500
Ohio	680
Oklahoma	33,500
Oregon	16,300
Pennsylvania	200,000
Puerto Rico	20,000
South Carolina	86,777
South Dakota	28,709
Tennessee	83,260
Utah	50,000
Vermont	12,000
Virginia	70,958
West Virginia	82,500
<u>Wisconsin</u>	<u>19,000</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,044,302</b>

1992 WING-MAP  
New York Wing  
Program for Groups  
Summary

Prepared By:  
CPT Barbara Cardell, CAP  
New York Wing Plans & Programs

5 May, 1992

# National Database as of 31 Dec 91 for Groups of New York Wing

(Goals for 1992 are established from these numbers.)

	# of Srs	# of Cdts	# of Sqdas	# of Cdts w/o Bacmpmt	# of Inc Cadet Flights	Mitchells in 1991	Earharts in 1991	Spatz in 1991	Active Pilots	W/O SLS	-NYW Data-		
											W/O CLC	# of Acrft	101 Cards
Adirondack Mountain Group	78	68	5	48	274	4	0	0	14	52	4	1	38
Binghamton Group	41	25	2	21	104	0	0	0	8	26	8	1	23
NY State Capital Group	146	137	9	79	483	10	2	2	50	82	24	3	77
Catskill Mt Group	91	61	4	40	267	2	1	0	20	70	8	1	39
Dunkirk Group	54	16	3	13	60	0	0	0	18	45	5	1	30
Hudson Valley Group	47	25	3	16	100	2	0	0	13	40	5	1	20
Nassau County Group	76	62	4	35	197	7	2	0	22	47	16	1	16
Niagara Frontier Group	128	121	7	71	429	7	0	0	26	81	27	1	48
New York City Group	168	147	11	94	608	11	7	0	48	102	41	2	20
Rochester Group	85	48	3	34	170	2	0	0	22	55	18	1	40
Rome Utica Group	56	35	3	24	136	1	0	0	20	33	6	1	31
Southern Tier Group	26	32	3	17	124	2	1	0	3	13	4	0	12
Suffolk County Group	111	191	6	135	709	6	1	1	24	75	20	1	21
Syracuse Group	80	85	6	58	326	6	2	0	20	60	7	1	32
Westchester Group	115	67	4	43	242	4	1	0	26	89	16	1	36
New York Wing Hdqt	218	4	1	2	15	0	0	0	36	156	15	0	20
<b>WING TOTAL</b>	<b>1520</b>	<b>1124</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>730</b>	<b>4244</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>370</b>	<b>1026</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>503</b>

# New York Wing – Group Goals by 31 Dec 92

	-1-	-2-		-3-			-4-	-5-		-6-		-7-	
	# of Srs	# of Cdt	Cdt Encmpmat	Mitchells in 1992	Earharts in 1992	Spaatz in 1992	Cadet Flights	Level I	SLS	CLC	RSC	NSC	Flight Clinic
Adirondack Mountain Group	86	75	16	4	1	1	90	100%	10	1	3	1	3
Binghamton Group	45	28	7	1	1	1	34	100%	5	2	1	1	2
NY State Capital Group	161	151	26	11	2	2	159	100%	16	5	5	1	10
Catskill Mt Group	100	67	13	2	1	1	88	100%	14	2	2	1	4
Dunkirk Group	59	18	4	1	1	1	20	100%	9	1	2	1	4
Hudson Valley Group	52	28	5	2	1	1	33	100%	8	1	2	1	3
Nassau County Group	84	68	12	8	2	1	65	100%	9	3	2	1	4
Niagara Frontier Group	141	133	23	8	1	1	142	100%	16	5	4	1	5
New York City Group	185	162	31	12	8	1	201	100%	20	8	6	1	10
Rochester Group	94	53	11	2	1	1	56	100%	11	4	2	1	4
Rome Utica Group	62	39	8	1	1	1	45	100%	7	1	2	1	4
Southern Tier Group	29	35	6	2	1	1	41	100%	3	1	2	1	1
Suffolk County Group	122	210	45	6	1	1	234	100%	15	4	3	1	5
Syracuse Group	88	94	19	6	2	1	108	100%	12	1	3	1	4
Westchester Group	127	74	14	4	1	1	80	100%	18	3	2	1	5
New York Wing Hdqt	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	100%	5	1	1	1	3
<b>Maximum # of Points</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>300</b>

# New York Wing – Group Goals by 31 Dec 92

	--8-- Mission Communicator	-9- -10- Ground Flight Safety Safety	---11--- Mission 101 Pilot Cards	-12- Chaplains Assigned	--13-- Mission External PAO News	-14- Financial Report	-----15----- AE Staff	Brewer Award
Adirondack Mountain Group	1		5 42	3	1 1			
Binghamton Group	1		5 25	2	1 1			
NY State Capital Group	1		15 85	5	1 1			
Catskill Mt Group	1		5 43	3	1 1			
Dunkirk Group	1		5 33	2	1 1			
Hudson Valley Group	1	No Accidents	5 22	2	1 1	On Time	Submit to Wing AEO	
Nassau County Group	1		5 18	3	1 1			
Niagara Frontier Group	1		5 53	4	1 1			
New York City Group	1		10 22	6	1 1			
Rochester Group	1		5 44	2	1 1			
Rome Utica Group	1		5 34	2	1 1			
Southern Tier Group	1		5 13	2	1 1			
Suffolk County Group	1		5 23	4	1 1			
Syracuse Group	1		5 35	4	1 1			
Westchester Group	1		5 40	3	1 1			
New York Wing HQ Staff	1		5 22	1	1 1			
<b>Maximum # of Points</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>150 150</b>	<b>100 100</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>100 100</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>100 100</b>	

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**CHAPTER III**

**NY WING IN THE NEWS**

Army 1st Lt. Maurice P. Heisig, former cadet commander of New York Wing's Niagara Falls Composite Squadron, is serving in Saudi Arabia in support of Operation Desert Shield. His parents, Chaplain (Capt.) L. Paul Heisig and Capt. Leonor G. Heisig, recently received a letter from their son's commander praising his "outstanding duty performance."

The letter from Army Maj. Gen. James H. Johnson, Jr., commander, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, N.C., reads in part, "Maurice has shown all the qualities of professionalism and leadership which the Army seeks in its junior officers. As an Executive Officer, he has made a significant contribu-

tion to the combat readiness and overall effectiveness of the 82nd Airborne Division. Your son has a tremendous future in the United States Army and I hope you will encourage him to continue his outstanding service."

Westchester Group members, New York Wing, participated in a recent disaster drill, supporting Westchester County Office of Disaster Preparedness and Indian Point Nuclear Power Plant officials.

Coordinated by Capt. Stan Rothman, the drills gave Civil Air Patrol volunteers an opportunity for hands-on experience in underground emergency operations center activities, air crew operations, and administrative and communications duties.

# New York Wing members make 'foggy' find

LIVERPOOL, N.Y. -- Air Force officials recently called on members of Civil Air Patrol's Lt. Col. Robert S. Vankeuren Cadet Squadron to form a search team when a satellite picked up a distress signal. This Emergency Locator Transmitter search created a challenge for the team because conditions in the area included dense fog.

Syracuse area Civil Air Patrol members responded immediately. Information passed to searchers from Air Force Rescue Coordination Center, Scott AFB, Ill., placed the signal near Lake Ontario between Syracuse and Rochester, N.Y.

A New York Wing aircraft equipped with radio direction finding gear flew out of Hancock International Airport in search of the signal. Aircrew members traced it to Wolcott, N.Y. However, increasingly heavy fog forced

them to return to Hancock for the night.

While this search aircraft was homing-in on the signal, a ground team was driving to the area. Once there, using their own hand-held direction finding equipment, they followed the signal north to Port Bay, N.Y.

Taking readings from their equipment and plotting results on maps, team members tracked the signal to the south end of the bay. There, local residents told of seeing a seaplane flying low over the bay.

With assistance from New York State Police, team members followed the signal through dense fog until they entered a swampy area. Unable to see more than a few feet, they waited for morning before continuing.

After the fog had lifted, team mem-

bers saw the source of the signal 20 feet away in the bay. The seaplane's distress signal had apparently been activated by a hard landing on the water. After contacting the aircraft's owner, team members returned home.

Team members making the foggy find were Lt. Col. William Slack, Lt. Col. Mark R. Caiello, Capt. Bernard Horack, 1st Lt. James Emmerson, and Cadets Richard Shannon and Jeffrey Thrall.

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March 1991



**HIGHEST AWARD** -- New York Wing Cadet John Risio, left, listens proudly as Retired Air Force Brig. Gen. William C. Rapp reads the citation to accompany Civil Air Patrol's Gen. Carl A. Spaatz Award being presented to Cadet Risio. General Rapp presented Civil Air Patrol's highest cadet award to Cadet Risio during recent ceremonies in Buffalo, N.Y. (Civil Air Patrol Photo courtesy New York Wing)



**MUSEUM DISPLAY --** At a recent reception at Westchester County Airport's Tower Museum, White Plains, N.Y., Westchester Group Commander, Lt. Col. Allan Pogorzelski, left, wearing a WWII Civil Air Patrol uniform, explains insignia worn with the uniform to cadets, from left, Tom McNalley, Ben Wild, and Tim Murphy. This scene took place during Memorabilia Day at the museum. Residents in this New York area donated several items for exhibit to the museum and Civil Air Patrol was well represented. Colonel Pogorzelski donated a painting of Civil Air Patrol's WWII Coastal Patrol and pledged three historic uniforms from his personal collection. Colonel Pogorzelski also explained to visitors some of Civil Air Patrol's 50-year history including its WWII missions against German U-boats and its current missions in search and rescue, aerospace education and cadet oriented activities of today. (Civil Air Patrol Photo by Anthony Vitulli, New York Wing's Westchester Group)

Ten Westchester Group members, New York Wing, recently completed a Basic Emergency First Aid program conducted at Group Headquarters, White Plains, N.Y. Instructors included Maj. (Dr.) Witold Turkel, certified in cardiopulmonary resuscitation and emergency medicine, and Capt. Donna Polinger, registered nurse.



**AIR FORCE ACADEMY CADET** — Cadet Christopher Michals, a graduate of Pioneer Central High School, Arcade, N.Y., and the Air Force Academy Preparatory School, Colorado Springs, Colo., accepted an appointment to the Air Force Academy Class of 1995. Preparatory school training includes 10 months of academic and military studies, including physical fitness training. As a member of Civil Air Patrol, Cadet Michals served with New York Wing's Condor Composite Squadron. (Civil Air Patrol Photo courtesy Robert L. Michals)

Cadet Kristen Zimpfer, former member of **Southtowns Cadet Squadron**, now of **Niagara Frontier Group, New York Wing**, recently accepted an appointment to the Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colo. Cadet Zimpfer was nominated by Sen. Daniel P. Moynihan (D-N.Y.), Maj. Bernard Bansinski and Cadet Jennifer Pietrowski, **Southtowns Cadet Squadron**, report that Cadet Zimpfer, who joined Civil Air Patrol in 1987, said she learned to be a leader, a critical thinker, and to take responsibilities as a member of Civil Air Patrol—all of which she attributes to being selected to attend the Academy.

**New York Wing's Rome-Utica Group** recently conducted an awards banquet at Griffiss AFB, N.Y., which celebrated Civil Air Patrol's 50th anniversary and the return of squadron members from Operation Desert Storm. New York Wing Commander, Col. Herman Botie, and Rome-Utica Group Commander, Lt. Col. Steven Perta, presented plaques honoring contributions to Civil Air Patrol to former Rome-Utica Group Commander, Lt. Col. Herb Lavin, and former Rome Composite Squadron and Prospect Cadet Squadron Commander, Capt. John Griffith. Utica Composite Squadron Commander, Capt.

Maryrose DiBernardo, received the Fred F. Sampson Memorial Award, which recognizes the Group's outstanding senior member. Cadet of the Year Award went to Cadet William Forster, who serves as Utica Composite Squadron cadet commander. Rome-Utica Group Public Affairs Officer, Maj. Kay Brown, reports that Cadet Forster has been nominated to attend the Air Force Academy.

# General's letter says thanks



STATE OF NEW YORK  
DIVISION OF MILITARY AND NAVAL AFFAIRS  
330 OLD NISKAYUNA ROAD  
LATHAM, NEW YORK 12110-2224

MARIO M. CUOMO  
GOVERNOR  
COMMANDER IN CHIEF

LAWRENCE P. FLYNN  
MAJOR GENERAL  
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

MNAG-TAG (672)

MEMORANDUM FOR Commander, Headquarters, Civil Air Patrol, Maxwell  
Air Force Base, Alabama 36112-5572

SUBJECT: Letter of Appreciation

1. Many thanks for the copy of your Annual Report documenting another banner year for a world-class organization. The education and training you provide our young citizens, the emergency services you give on a voluntary basis, and the enormous savings to America when you conduct search and rescue operations, mandate our continued and enthusiastic support of the CAP.
2. Our Air National Guard units in New York have a long history of working closely with local CAP squadrons, and you can expect that cooperation to continue in the foreseeable future. I commend you on another year of exemplary service to the Nation and I am confident that the bond between our organizations will remain strong.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lawrence P. Flynn".

LAWRENCE P. FLYNN  
Major General, NYARNG  
The Adjutant General

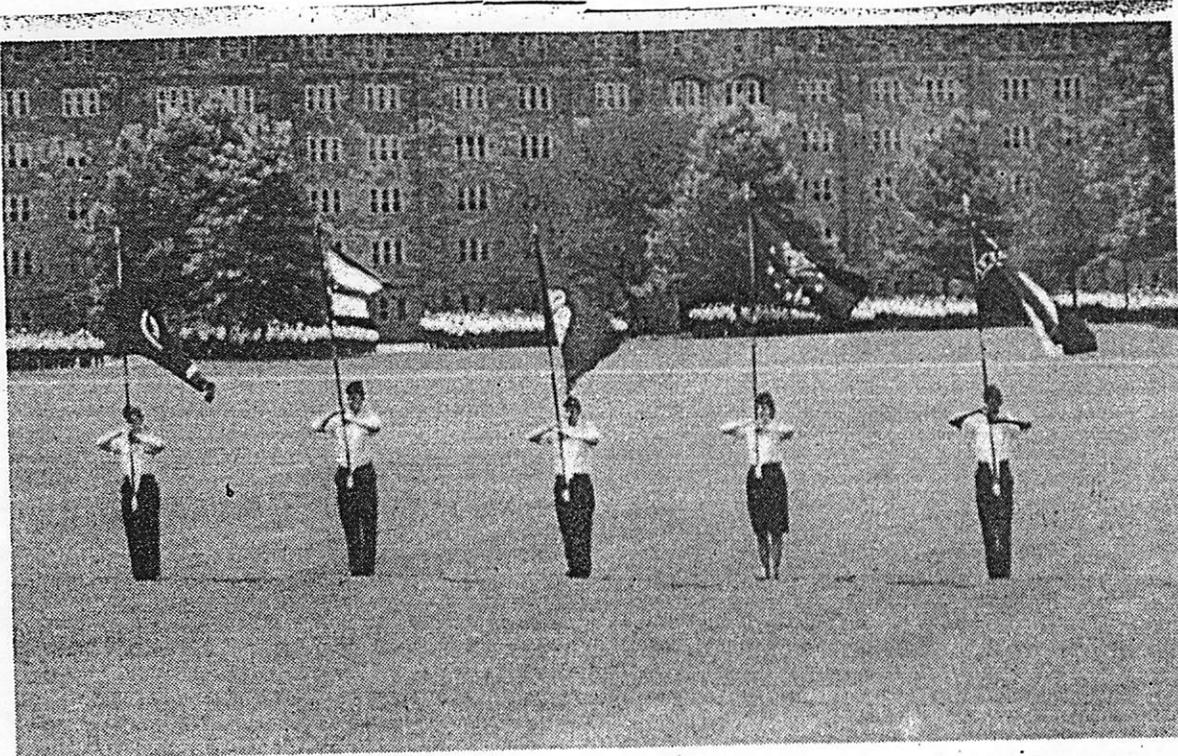


**ON SCENE** — Westchester Group's recent annual inspection proved to be anything but dull, as shown by this photo of Cadet Robert Rovida. Cadet Rovida and other members of this New York Wing unit reacted quickly after a tornado touched down at the airport destroying 10 aircraft. The two aircraft behind Cadet Rovida were thrown more than 100 yards from where they were parked. Westchester County Parkway's police chief requested help in protecting damaged aircraft at the scene and reportedly was impressed by the immediate response of Civil Air Patrol volunteers. (Civil Air Patrol Photo by Anthony Vitulli, Westchester Group, New York Wing)

CIVIL AIR PATROL SEPTEMBER 1991

Alfred H. Treiber, Jr., Group Operations officer, and Lt. Col. Solomon Berkowitz, Group deputy commander. Among the many individuals recognized for their contributions during the year were New York Wing Cadet Programs Director, Lt. Col. Joy Nelson, and former Westchester Group Public Affairs Officer, Maj. David H. Polinger, now commander of the Manhattan, Brooklyn Group. Lt. Col. Johnnie Pantanelli, North Castle Squadron, received the Captain Simon Memorial Communications Award, and Cadet Thomas McNally, North Castle Squadron, received the Lt. Col.

Vermann Cadet Officer of the Year Award. Amelia Earhart Composite Squadron was selected to receive the Lt. Col. Nevins Squadron of the Year Award. 1st Lt. Herbert Saxe, Westchester Hudson Composite Squadron, received the Lt. Col. Shaw Senior Member of the Year Award, and Capt. James Mullarkey, Westchester Cadet Squadron, was presented a Civil Air Patrol Life Saving Medal.



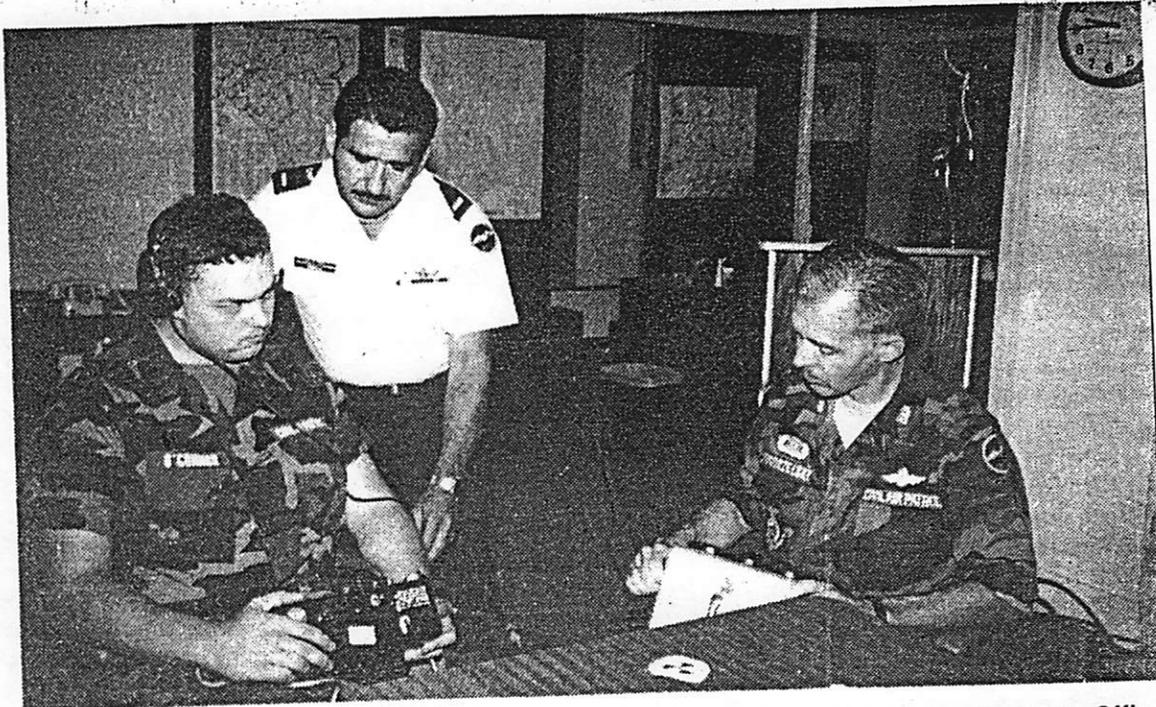
**SPECIAL FLAG CEREMONY** — Cadets from the New York Wing participate in a recent special flag ceremony on the grounds of U.S. Military Academy, West Point, N.Y. The Plebe Class of 1,400 West Point cadets stands in formation in the background. Fifty Civil Air Patrol cadets carried flags from each state in the ceremony. As each state's name and date of admission into the Union was called over a public address system, the flag bearer dipped the colors and a cannon fired a salute. Dignitaries attending these ceremonies included New York Wing Commander, Col. Herman Botie, and Superintendent of West Point, Army Gen. David Palmer. (Civil Air Patrol Photo courtesy Orange County Group, New York Wing)

Chaplain (Capt.) L. Paul Heisig, **Niagara Frontier Group, New York Wing**, recently returned from a visit to the American Catholic Military Parish in Berlin. While there, he assisted during religious and social events. Chaplain Heisig was presented the Berlin U.S. Army Chaplains Commemorative Medal and a citation in recognition of his contributions during his visit in Berlin.

During **New York Wing Westchester Group's** recent awards program in White Plains, N.Y., a homecoming welcome was given to guest speaker, Retired Army Col. George H. Chase of Alexandria, Va. Colonel Chase was a Civil Air Patrol cadet

in Westchester in 1943. He spoke of his early Civil Air Patrol days as a cadet member of the original **Westchester Squadron** and **Yonkers Squadron**, and of his attendance at two summer encampments at Mitchell Army Air Field.

More than 100 **Westchester Group** members and representatives from four other squadrons of **New York Wing** attended a recent awards ceremony at **Westchester Group Headquarters** in White Plains, N.Y. Three Civil Air Patrol members were recognized by a special Group award, "Order of the Golden Eagle," for their continued Group support and services: Lt. Col. Leonard Blascovich, **North-east Region** staff; Lt. Col.



**RADIOLOGICAL MONITORS** — 2nd Lt. Santelli Antonio, standing, looks on while Flight Officer John O'Connor, left, listens to a monitoring unit. Instructor, Lt. Col. Allan F. Pogorzelski, explains the use of this aerial radiological monitoring unit during a course sponsored recently by New York State Emergency Management Office and Westchester Office of Emergency Services in conjunction with Westchester Group, Civil Air Patrol. Twenty-five graduates attended this course which was conducted at Westchester County Emergency Operation Center, White Plains, N.Y. (Civil Air Patrol Photo courtesy 1st Lt. Bruce Hutchison, Westchester Group, New York Wing)

Two former cadet commanders of **Buffalo Cadet Squadron, New York Wing**, recently received awards for their participation in Operation Desert Storm. Capt. David Albanese, **Buffalo Cadet Squadron** public affairs officer, reports that Army 1st Lt. Wesley Hedges, a helicopter pilot with the 1st Cavalry Division, was awarded the Bronze Star, and Air Force SSgt. Bosario Aiello, an intelligence specialist with the 2nd Bomber Wing, received the Joint Service Achievement Medal from Army Gen. Norman Schwarzkopf, who is now retired.

Members of **New York Wing's Rome-Utica Group** recently participated in a local parade. Lt. Col. Steve Perta, **Rome-Utica Group** commander, states this parade paid tribute to troops of Operation Desert Shield and Desert Storm, many of whom were from nearby Griffiss AFB, N.Y. Civil Air Patrol's parade section consisted of cadets carrying a Civil Air Patrol banner, a color guard, separate cadet and senior member sections, and a corporate communications vehicle.

Several members of **Schenectady Composite Squadron** attended **New York Wing's** recent Emergency Services Encampment at Camp Smith, near Peekskill, N.Y. 2nd Lt. Steve

Dempsey, public affairs officer, reports that **Schenectady Composite Squadron** Commander, Capt. Randall Stein, served as a senior encampment staff member. Schenectady attendees included Cadets Adam Dempsey, Gus Heusner, Darren Kent, Richard Rueda, and Amanda Swiderek.

**New York Wing's Ni-  
agara Falls Composite  
Squadron** provided a color  
guard for a festival recently  
in Lewiston, N.Y. This year  
the unit's color guard, di-  
rected by 2nd Lt. Frank  
Chiarella, was judged with  
all participating military  
units and was awarded sec-  
ond prize which included a  
monetary award. Color guard  
members were Cadets Trisha  
Mahon, Robert Zimmerman,  
Arthur Igras, and Tim  
Mauk. Air Force Col. Paul  
R. Cooper, 914th Tactical Air  
Group commander, reviewed  
the two-hour parade, along  
with Civil Air Patrol Chap-  
lain (Capt.) Paul L. Heisig  
and Capt. Leonor G. Heisig.

**New York Wing's Rome-Utica Group members and Civil Air Patrol supporters recently created a new squadron organizational parade and display banner.**

The banner design was created by Rome-Utica Group's Chaplain (1st Lt.) Terry Sheldon. This design incorporates Civil Air Patrol's seal and New York Wing Patch in full color on either side of the words "Civil Air Patrol, Rome-Utica, United States Air Force Auxiliary." The banner was hand painted by Christopher Radziewicz, a Civil Air Patrol patron. All materials and services for this banner were donated by local Civil Air Patrol supporters. This banner will be used to identify Civil Air Patrol activities during community events.

# WWII's Minutemen took to the skies

★ CIVILIAN AIR PATROL ★

By Elaine A. Ellis  
Staff Writer

**J**ust as the Minutemen of the Revolutionary War took up arms to defend their homes, a group of private aviators took to the skies during World War II to defend the East Coast from German attack.

The Civil Air Patrol, established just a week before the attack on Pearl Harbor, had an enthusiastic group of several hundred aviators in Westchester, Putnam and Dutchess counties.

"It seems to be the American tradition," said Lt. Col. Allan F. Pogorzelski of the present Westchester County Group of the Civil Air Patrol and a member of the National Historical Committee. "There's still that sense of pride and obligation."

The seeds of the patrol were planted in 1938, when aviation writer Gill Robb Wilson, on a trip to Europe, was appalled by the illegal buildup of German planes. He devised a plan to use civilian pilots as a homefront defense force if the United States were attacked.

Early in 1941, Fiorello H. LaGuardia, then director of the United States Office of Civil Defense, backed the idea of such a volunteer flying force. On Dec. 1, 1941, just a week before America was drawn into the war with the attack on Pearl Harbor and civilian pilots were grounded, the CAP became official.

Members of the Westchester CAP participated in coastal "anti-submarine" patrols, a courier service and as a forest-fire patrol.

These civilian flyers used the airport in Armonk as their base. This 67-acre field along Route 22 west of the hamlet of Armonk was the focal point for much of the civilian flying before the war.

CAP volunteers signed up to spot submarines lurking off the Atlantic Coast.

"Hitler's U-boat packs launched a vicious campaign against American shipping along the entire length of America's Eastern and Gulf Coasts," said Lt. Herbert K. Saxe, public affairs officer for the Westchester CAP.

Based out of Atlantic City, N.J., and Rehoboth, Del., CAP volunteers observed not only German U-boats from their small private planes, but also sailors clinging to debris from merchant ships that had been sunk by the Germans.

"They were flying 60 to 75 miles out over the Atlantic," Saxe said. "It was



File photo

Fiorello H. LaGuardia, director of the U.S. Office of Civil Defense and future mayor of New York City, backed the idea of a volunteer flying force in 1941. On Dec. 1, 1941, the CAP was officially born.

spooky" for pilots not used to flying over large expanses of water.

Nationwide, the CAP logged more than 86,000 missions and reported 173 German U-boats, Saxe said. The CAP also radioed for help for 353 sailors stranded in the frigid Atlantic after their ships were attacked by Nazi subs, he said. German U-boats sank more than 140,000 tons of American shipping off the coast in one month, Saxe said.

The volunteers, who had civilian jobs, received a per-diem fee of about \$5, according to Saxe.

Later the CAP fliers were allowed to carry bombs and they sunk two German submarines, according to Saxe. The recent discovery of a sunken U-boat within 100 miles of New York Harbor fits the description of a sub sunk by CAP flyers.

The U.S. government did not want to publicize the fact that civilian aviators had to help the armed forces guard the American coast and their activities were kept "hush-hush" during the war years, Saxe said.

"This is an example, like the Minutemen, where civilians had to come out and defend their homes," Pogorzelski said. ■

( CHAPTER ABSTRACTS )

CHAPTER I - NY WING IN WW II

This chapter provides the early history of the New York Wing and its personnel during World War II. It also outlines the activities of the only coastal patrol base in the state. f

CHAPTER II - NY WING IN ACTION IN 1991

The chapter outlines the activities of wing members during the calendar year 1991. Three areas of the CAP mission are used to show the wing activities helped the threefold CAP national mission of emergency services, cadet activities and aerospace education.

CHAPTER III - NY WING IN THE NEWS 1991

The last chapter outlines the activities of the wing personnel, which were reported in the CAP national newspaper. The stories were submitted to the newspaper by the units within the wing and were selected by the editor for nationwide news value. The variety and number, show the real world activity of the wing and all its members.



## NEW YORK WING HONORS

- 1946 29 April - Commendation by National Commander for exemplary planning and execution of the CAP exhibit at the First National Air Show in New York City, 5-13 April 1946
- 1947 11 December - Commendation by National Commander for excellent roof marking system for NHQ and the NY State Aviation Commission June - November 1947.
- 1948 May - National Drill Competition Winners  
August - Represented the United States in the First International Air Cadet Drill Competition in Canada.
- 1950 Northeast Region Drill Competition Winners
- 1951 Northeast Region Drill Competition Winners  
National Drill Competition Winners  
Represented the United States in the IAC Drill Competition
- 1952 Northeast Region Drill Competition Winners
- 1953 Northeast Region Drill Competition Winners  
National Drill Competition Winners  
Represented the United States in the IAC Drill Competition
- 1954 Northeast Region Drill Competition Winners
- 1955 Northeast Region Drill Competition Winners
- 1956 Northeast Region Drill Competition Winners
- 1957 Northeast Region Drill Competition Winners
- 1958 North East Region Drill Competition Winners  
National Drill Competition Winners
- 1959 Northeast Region Drill Competition Winners
- 1961 Northeast Region Drill Competition
- 1975 Northeast Region Cadet Competition Winners
- 1978 Northeast Region Cadet Competition Winners
- 1979 Northeast Region Cadet Competition Winners
- 1980 National Cadet Competition Winners
- 1981 Northeast Region Cadet Competition Winners
- 1982 National Cadet Competition Winners
- 1983 Northeast Region Cadet Competition Winners
- 1984 National Cadet Competition Winners
- 1985 National Cadet Competition Winners

**NEW YORK WING HONORS  
continued**

1986 Northeast Region Cadet Competition Winners  
1987 Northeast Region Cadet Competition Winners  
1988 National Cadet Competition Winners  
1989 Northeast Region Cadet Competition Winners  
1991 National Cadet Competition Winners

**NOTE**

In 1966 Mr. Jack Sorenson, National Cadet Programs Director decided that drill no longer played an important part with the new USAF training program and so the national cadet drill competition was discontinued.

In 1973 at the urging of CAP members a new Cadet Competition was established including drill, uniform wear, aerospace education and physical fitness competition between the top cadets in the eight CAP regions.

**UNIT CITATION AWARDS**

1967 17 July - for search and rescue activities 1 January 1966 through 31 December 1966  
21 August - for continual search and rescue missions 12 May through 16 July 1967 (First Bronze Clasp)

1980 10 April- for maintaining an active duty search and rescue base during the winter olympics. 5-28 February (Second Bronze Clasp)

**NEW YORK WING COMMANDERS*****From the beginning***

1 Dec 41	Wing Commander Beckwith Havens
15 Jun 42	Maj. Garnet M. Hughes
15 Sep 42	Col. Stuart C. Welch
24 Sep 49	Col. Cord M. Meyer
1 Jan 52	Col. Joseph F. Crowley
28 Jun 57	Col. Alfred Sutter
27 Jul 58	Col. William K. Allan
14 Feb 59	Col. Jess Strauss
2 Dec 72	Col. Paul C. Halstead
1 Dec 78	Col. Roy I. Arroll
20 Aug 88	LTC Lloyd L. Lininger
6 Nov 88	Col. Herman H. Botie
26 Oct 91	Col. Herbert P. Lavin

## THE NEW YORK WING PATCH

The purpose of a unit insignia is to identify the unit and help build its morale and esprit de corps.

In 1948 CAP members, who till then had worn just the CAP patch on the left shoulder of their uniforms, were authorized to wear patches identifying their Wings on the right shoulders of their olive drab army type uniforms.



New York Wing held a competition to select its patch, and in 1949 commander Col. Cord Meyer selected, from entries submitted by members from throughout the state, one designed by Warrant Officer Anthony Peters of the Brooklyn Detached Squadron.

The patch is a two-and-a-half inch circle containing elements of the CAP, the USAF, and New York State. Its blue and gold are the colors of New York State, and parallel the USAF colors of ultramarine blue and golden yellow. The letters NY and state outline represent our state. The droopy silver wings, designed by LTC C. B. Colby of New York Wing staff and adopted by National, incorporate CAP's wartime colors of red and silver.

Today the patch, over 40 years old, clearly identifies Wing members while they perform vital missions within the state, or attend activities anywhere in our country.

APPENDIX V

Original drawing of the  
CAP Silver "droopy" Wings



no other U.S. or  
any other

all have basic  
design in center

no wreath pilot  
wreath sounds pilot  
star around pilot

Observed no wing

On basic design with ©



**NEW YORK WING HEADQUARTERS  
CIVIL AIR PATROL  
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE AUXILIARY**

Personnel Authorization 94-1

1 January 1991

1. Under the provisions of section 6 of the bylaws of the Civil Air Patrol New York Wing Charter, Auxiliary of the United States Air Force, commanded by Col Herman Botie CAPSN 002114171, maintains Headquarters at 817 Stewart Avenue (Rear), Garden City, New York, 11530, telephone number (516) 222-9140.

Wing Headquarters Staff meets at this location every Tuesday at 1900 Hours.

2. Under the provisions of section 6 of the bylaws, New York State, the areas controlled and within the jurisdiction of New York Wing, Civil Air Patrol, is divided into geographical areas of responsibilities composed of Groups. Each Group encompassing one or more adjacent counties.

The areas pertaining thereto are indicated below:

CHARTER	NAME	AREA	CHARTER	NAME	AREA
31015	Manhattan/Brooklyn	Grp Kings Manhattan	31024	Niagara Frontier	Grp Erie Genesee Niagara Orleans
31035	Orange	Grp Columbia Orange Rockland Sullivan Ulster	31043	New York Capital	Grp Albany Delaware Fulton Greene Hamilton Montgomery Otsego Rensselaer Saratoga Schenectady Schoharie Warren Washington
31091	Bronx	Grp Bronx Queens	31084	Binghamton	Grp Delaware Broome
31118	Westchester	Grp Putnam Westchester	31109	Rochester	Grp Livingston Monroe Ontario Wayne Wyoming
31156	Rome-Utica	Grp Chenango Herkimer Madison Oneida Oswego	31134	Syracuse	Grp Cayuga Jefferson Lewis Onondaga Oswego Seneca St Lawrence
31214	Nassau	Grp Nassau	31201	Adirondack Mnt	Grp Clinton Essex Franklin
31282	Hudson Valley	Grp Dutchess			
31285	Southern Tier	Grp Allegheny Chemung Cortland Schuyler Steuben Tioga Tompkins			
31352	Dunkirk	Grp Cattara Chautaugua			
31215	Suffolk	Grp Suffolk			

3. Under the provisions of section 20 of the bylaws, all personnel of this command are relieved from previous assignments. Announcement is made of the appointment of Wing Headquarters Staff Personnel as indicated (Auth: CAPM 20-1).  
 Others will report to the Commander for assignment.

APPOINTMENT	SY	RANK	NAME	CAPSN	APPOINTMENT	SY	RANK	NAME	CAPSN
Vice Commander	VC	Ltc	Lavin, Herbert P	507244283	Inspector	IG	Ltc	L'Episcopo, J B	002111730
	VC	Ltc	Lininger, Lloyd L	485420038	Deputy Inspector		Ltc	Collins, Robert E	010084679
Chief of Staff	CS	Maj	Galfunt, Abraham	096160687	Asst Inspector		Ltc	Farmer, Charles R	002112984
Spec Proj Off		Cpt	Croteau, Donald	019301610	Inspection Staff		Ltc	Tauscher, Harold W	064207124
Computer Technology		Cpt	Cardell, Barbara	133322143	Inspection Staff		Ltc	Lefebber, Edward V	010067142
Admin Off	DA	Maj	Mendez, Leslie	068300713	Inspection Staff		Ltc	Locy, Walter E	108122177
Records Off		Maj	Walterman, Stanley	010009943	Inspection Staff		Ltc	O'Neil, James R	054944168
Dir Aerospace Ed	ED	Maj	Kellem, Howard	070187357	Inspection Staff		Ltc	Reddig, James C	000211590
Internal AEO		Cpt	Fishman, Gilbert P	089142712	Inspection Staff		Ltc	Slack, William F	059381634
Internal AEO		Cpt	Edelstein, Edna O	127305224	Inspection Staff		Ltc	Smith, William F	077034521
Chaplain	HC	Ltc	DeLamain, William R	059307357	Inspection Staff		Maj	Gates, Allen W	010091305
Asst Chaplain		Ltc	Rice, Charles Jr	107077848	Inspection Staff		Maj	Noyes, Roger W	059320198
Dir Comm	DC	Maj	Hinkle, Duane K	074526507	Inspection Staff		Maj	Stanton, Robert F	010090801
Comm Ops Officer		Ltc	Farmer, Charles	002112984	Inspection Staff		Cpt	Honey, Mary M	069329647
Licensing Off		Cpt	Weir, Frederick V	132486328	Inspection Staff		Ltc	Slack, William F	059381634
Comm Engineering Off		Ltc	Doherty, Gerard J	010047945	Dir Cadet Program	TTH	Ltc	Nelson, Joy S	447321793
Comm Training Off		Ltc	Perta, Steven J	112501873	Cadet Activity Off	TTHS	Cpt	Rabassa, Edwin	091546396
Comm Administration		Ltc	Burt, A	100163335	Cadet Adv Council Sr		Cpt	Rabassa, Edwin	091546396
Comm Plans/Programs		Ltc	Boyd, G	133305283	Dir Senior Program	TTN	Ltc	McDonald, Joel E	006208718
Digital/Packet Officer		Ltc	Wenskus, J	056282014	Dir Sr Trng North West		Ltc	Schachner, Janet A	059465756
Finance Off	AC	Maj	Galfunt, Abraham	096160687	Asst Senior Prgm Off		Cpt	McDonald, Lorraine S	054220612
Asst Finance Officer		Maj	Walterman, Stanley	010009943	Dir of Operations	DO	Ltc	Greenberg, Norman	074247400
Public Affairs Off	PA	Ltc	Andretta, Cecelia H	117264126	Asst Ops Off Pilot Rec		Maj	Danesi, Antonio J	067189945
Asst Public Aff Off		Maj	Balestreri, Andrew	134444122	Asst Ops Off Flight Ops		Ltc	Oppenheimer, Eric	130165729
Asst Public Aff Off		Cpt	Primitivo, Munoz	051209941	Asst Ops Off Misc Rec		Maj	Casamento, John E	107209444
Legal Officer	JA	Cpt	Palumbo, Joseph R	101400271	Standard Evaluation		Ltc	Lininger, Lloyd L	485420038
Insurance Officer					Emergency Services Off	DOS	Ltc	Ezzo, George M	126365181
Logistics Officer	LG	Ltc	Glassberg, Norman	108180902	Asst E S Officer		Ltc	Tolsma, George	060222303
Maintenance Off	LGM	Ltc	Oppenheimer, Eric	130165728	E S Admin Officer		Ltc	Vierling, Patricia	085406627
Transport Officer	LGT	Ltc	Hodes, Leonard	010041320	Disaster Prep Off		Ltc	Greenberg, Norman	074247400
	S/M	Lt	Lloyd, Jeff C	071425473	Testing Officer		Ltc	McDonald, Joel E	006208718
Airworthiness Dir Off		Col	Botie, Herman H	002114171	Alternate Testing Officer		Ltc	Nelson, Joy S	447321793
Airlift Coordinator		Col	Botie, Herman H	002114171	Safety Officer		Cpt	Bosko, John P	051070398
Dir of Personnel	DP	Ltc	Crowdell, Alexis V	010058662	Asst Safety Officer				
Asst Personnel Off		Maj	Lauria, Helen	056035096	Plans & Programs Officer				
Asst Personnel Off		Maj	Lercara, Charles J	010079242	Internal		Ltc	Deutch, Henry	062282015
					External		Cpt	Cardell, Barbara	133322142

4. Under the provisions of Section 20 of the bylaws, announcement is made of the appointment of the following personnel as group commanders of the Groups Indicated.

GROUP	CHARTER	NAME	CAPSN	GROUP	CHARTER	NAME	CAPSN
Manhattan/Brooklyn	31015	Maj Burns, George E	577364107	Niagara Frontier	31024	Maj Jones, Charles	494449055
Orange	31035	Maj Heyer Stephen T Jr	052686448	NYS Capital	31043	Maj Cavanaugh, Michael J	115422473
Bronx	31091	Ltc Moye, Anthony	057484735	Binghamton	31084	Ltc Tippin, Raymond	010077552
Westchester	31352	Ltc Pogorzelski, Allan	010061875	Rochester	31109	Ltc Hartway Watson D	093209144
Rome-Utica	31156	Ltc Perta, Steven J	102501873	Syracuse	31434	Ltc Larmann, Albert F Jr	148201862
Nassau	31214	Ltc Hannah W J Jr	113265860	Adirondack Mountain	31282	Ltc Ball, Robert G	060302600
Hudson Valley	31182	Ltc Hayes, Charlie V	093505290	Suffolk	31215	Ltc Marek, John J	112225153
Dunkirk	31352	Cpt Leahy, Raymond F	056268765	Southern Tier	31285	Ltc Murphy, Clayton E	057265766
Finance Committee		Col Herman, Botie H	002114171	Budget Committee		Col Herman, Botie H	002114171
		Maj Galfunt, Abraham	096160687			Ltc Greenberg, Norman	074247400
		Maj Mendez, Leslie	068300713			Ltc L'Episcopo, Joseph	002111730
		Maj Waltermann, Stanley	010009943			Ltc Nelson, Joy S	447321793
Legislative Liaison Comm.		Ltc Lininger, LLOYD L	485420038			Maj Galfunt, Abraham	096160687
						Maj Mendez, Leslie	068300713
Wing Membership Board (Auth: CAPR 39-3)		Ltc Crowdell, Alexis V	010058662	Awards and Decorations Review Board (Auth: CAPR 39-3)		Ltc Crowdell, Alexis V	010058662
		Ltc Deutch, Henry J	062282015			Ltc Greenberg, Norman	074247400
		Ltc Nelson, Joy S	447321793			Ltc Nelson, Joy S	447321793
						Ltc McDonald, Joel E	006208718
Wing Promotion Board (Auth: CAPR 123-2)		Ltc Crowdell, Alexis V	010058662	Wing Flight Proficiency Board (Auth: CAPR 60-1)		Ltc Greenberg, Norman	074247400
		Ltc McDonald, Joel E	006208718			Ltc O'Neill, Charles G	000152057
		Ltc Nelson, Joy S	447321793			Maj Zavada, Roland J	010047962
Wing Grievance Board (Auth: CAPR 123-2)		Ltc Crowdell, Alexis V	010058662	Logistics Investigation		Ltc L'Episcopo, Joseph	002111730
		Ltc Greenberg, Norman	074247400				
				Wing Historical Committee		Col Halstead, Paul C	000021456
						Col Strauss, Jess	002110098
						Ltc Pogorzelski, Allan F	010061875
						Ltc Reddig, James C	000211590

Under provisions of Section 20 of the bylaws, announcement is made of the following special appointment:

Wing Cadet Advisory Council C/Ltc Dauenhauer, Scott 118686300

Under the provisions of Section 33 of the bylaws, announcement is made of the appointment of the following individuals to the Wing Commander's Advisory Council:

RANK	NAME	CAPSN
Col	Halstead, Paul I	000021456
Ltc	Reddig, James J	000211590

6. In accordance with CAPR 60-1, the following are designated as:

APPOINTMENT	RANK	NAME	CAPSN
New York Wing Chief Check Pilot	Ltc	Lininger, Lloyd	485420038
New York Wing Check Pilots	Ltc	O'Neill, Charles G	046181054
	Col	Bifulco, Richard L	010049234
	Ltc	Goldstein, Herman	069181753
	Ltc	Murphy, Clayton E	057265766
	Maj	Bosko, John P	051070398
	Maj	Zavada, Roland J	314225476
	Cpt	Bellus, Royal	104123289

7. Under the provisions of Section 7 of the bylaws, New York Wing has requested approval from Northeast Region, Civil Air Patrol, to collect dues in the following amounts:

SENIOR MEMBERS			CADET MEMBERS				
	WING	REGIONAL and NATIONAL	TOTAL		WING	REGIONAL and NATIONAL	TOTAL
New	\$ 6.00	\$ 38.00	\$ 44.00	New	\$ 1.00	\$ 28.00	\$ 29.00
Renewal	\$ 8.00	\$ 33.00	\$ 41.00	Renewal	\$ 2.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 22.00

  
 Leslie Mendez Maj, CAP  
 Administration Officer

Herman H. Botie Col, CAP  
 Commander

NATIONAL AWARDS

SQUADRON OF DISTINCTION

Suffolk Cadet Squadron, New York Wing

GENERAL SPAATZ AWARDS

Adrian C. H. Scott

Vaughan K. Scott

Thomas J. Hynes

SCHOLARSHIP WINNER

Vaughan K. Scott

GILL ROBB WILSON AWARDS

Lewis A. Allen

Artjur L. Davis

OBITUARIES

The following named members were lost to the New York Wing, as reported in the National HQ publication the CIVIL AIR PATROL NEWS in the Year 1991.

KLEMENTIS, Wade J., July 17, 1988

KASPARIAN, Jirair, Capt, September 26, 1990

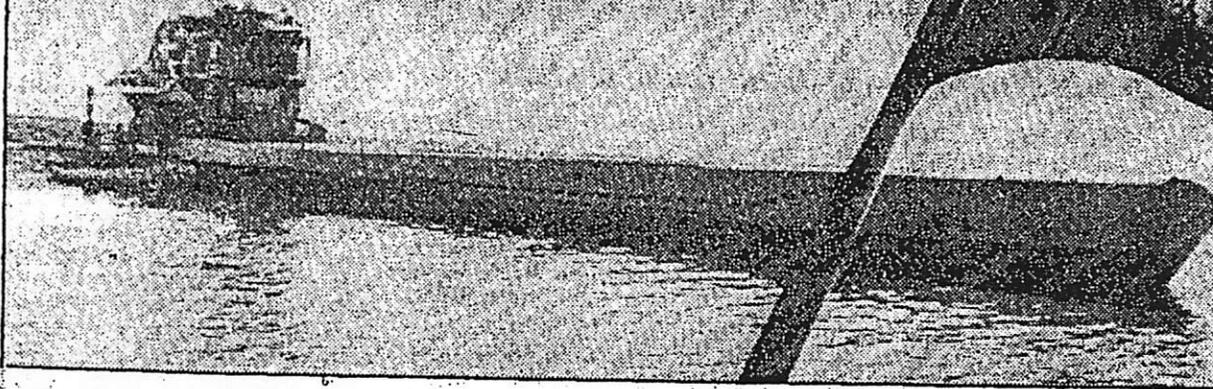
KRAMER, John R., Capt, October 11, 1990

TEVELS, Albert B., LtCol, October 30, 1990

DILLON, Rosemary M., 2Lt, December 15, 1990

BELL, William A., 1Lt, January 4, 1991

**DEADLY PROWLER:** A World War II German attack submarine similar to this one has been found well-preserved by divers 230 feet under water, 65 miles east of Point Pleasant, N.J.



Associated Press

# U-BOAT FOUND OFF N.J. SHORE

By MEL ILIEFF

A "mystery" World War II German U-boat — carrying at least one live torpedo — has been found sunk in the Atlantic within 100 miles of the entrance to New York Harbor.

Divers discovered the relatively well-preserved sub on Labor Day, it was revealed yesterday.

The wreck was dubbed a "mystery" by submarine expert Henry Keatts.

"We don't know which U-boat it is because its identification has not been found yet. And there is no record of any U-boat being lost within a hundred miles of that area," he said.

The site is by far the closest to New York Harbor of any known U-boat sinking, noted Keatts, co-author of "Dive in History: U-boats."

Although few knew it at the time because of wartime censorship, at least 15 ships were torpedoed by U-boats in the vicinity of the harbor entrance, said Keatts.

Step away rival salvage boats, the exact site of the hulk is being kept secret by Bill Nagle of Point Pleasant, N.J., captain of the boat whose crew found the sub.

But he said it is roughly 65 miles south of Sayville, L.I., and the same distance east of Point Pleasant.

The wreck lies upright at a

## Sunk Nazi sub is closest ever to N.Y. Harbor

depth of 230 feet and the port side of the sub, near the control room, seems to have taken a direct hit, he said. The conning tower is partially buried in silt nearby.

Nagle said his crew went out Labor Day looking for a wreck.

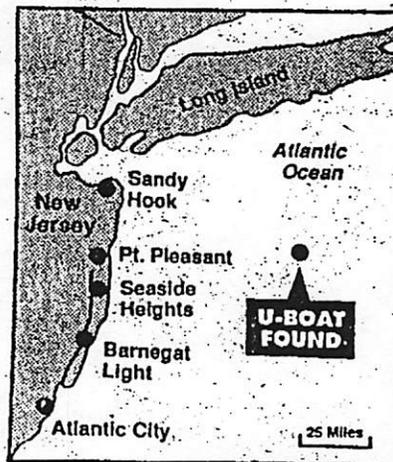
The first diver to go down was John Chatterton of Millburn, N.J.

"You always have hope, but the overwhelming odds are you discover something like a pile of rocks or a trash barge," he said.

"When I reached the wreck, I had 5 to 10 feet of visibility. Because of the flat deck and some pipes, I assumed it was a barge.

"I swam along the wreck and noticed an open hatch. I looked inside and saw a torpedo. So I knew it was a submarine."

Nagle's crew went out again on Sept. 21, which proved a day of tragedy. Diver Steve Feldman of Manhattan apparently succumbed to deep-water blackout



New York Post: John Fontana

**NAZI RELIC:** Map shows where German sub was found.

under the great pressure and his body was swept away in the current and never recovered.

A week later, the boat returned and Chatterton went down.

"The wreck was filled with mud and sediment. I reached in and pulled out some dishes and I could see eagle-and-swastika insignia on them just as the silt rose to wipe out all visibility," he said.

The soup bowls also bore the date "1942" and the "M" initial of the Kriegsmarine, the German navy, Keatts said.

NEW YORK POST, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18, 1991

# Expert says civilian plane sank U-boat

By MEL JUFFE

The Civil Air Patrol yesterday claimed it has the solution to the mystery of the unidentified German U-boat recently found on the ocean bottom within 100 miles of New York Harbor.

A CAP twin-engine amphibian airplane carrying a pair of depth charges under its wings sank a Nazi submarine in that area in 1942, according to a CAP historian, Maj. Gregory Weidenfeld.

Weidenfeld said he believes that sub is the U-boat whose discovery by divers was announced last week.

His claim was promptly given support by submarine expert Henry Keatts, who had dubbed the U-boat discovery a "mystery" because naval records do not record any Nazi sub being

lost within 100 miles of the site.

"This is the most reasonable account I've heard so far," said Keatts, co-author of "Dive in History: U-boats."

"It could very easily be the same U-boat," he said.

Weidenfeld said the CAP immediately claimed credit for the submarine kill in 1942 and was congratulated for it by Washington a few days later.

The CAP — a force of civilian volunteers flying private planes — was organized in 1941 by New York Mayor Fiorello La Guardia to help defend coastal shipping.

In 24 million miles of wartime flying over water, the CAP spotted 173 subs, dropped explosives on 57 and sank two, according to claims it has made for the past 50 years.

But the two kills, including one

off the Florida coast, were never acknowledged by the Navy because of its reluctance to give credit to civilians, Weidenfeld said.

Keatts agreed that the Navy "wouldn't have wanted to acknowledge civilians."

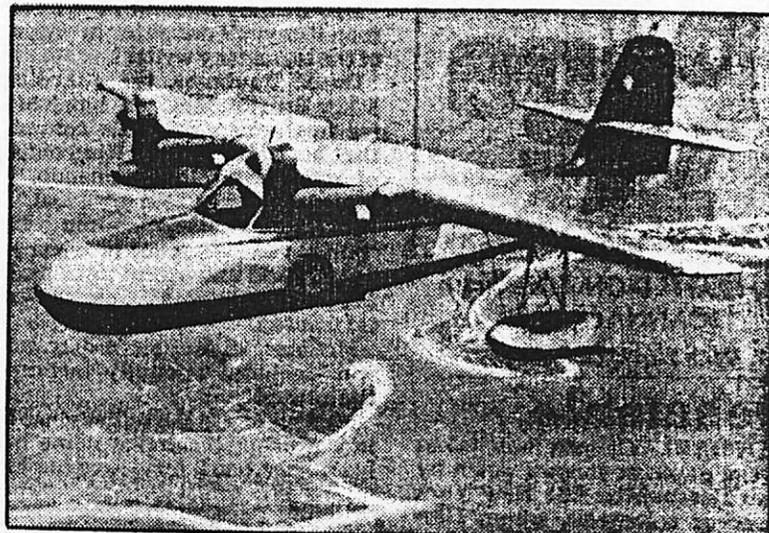
On July 11, 1942, a CAP plane spotted a sub 40 miles off the coast of Absecon, just north of Atlantic City, said Weidenfeld.

He gave this account:

The plane reported its find by radio to its patrol base in Atlantic City and turned back because it was low on fuel.

The base commander, Maj. Wynant Farr, summoned Capt. Johnny Haggin, whose uncle had donated a Grumman Widgeon, which had a pair of pontoons and a fuselage shaped like a boat's

See BOAT on Page 19



**STOMPING ON DAS BOOT:** Experts say a Grumman Widgeon, like this one, claimed the Nazi marauder.

## Expert says civilian pilot sent U-boat to bottom

BOAT from Page 5

hull. One depth charge was hung under each wing.

The two men hopped in. Haggin, piloting the plane, found the dark silhouette of a submerged sub trailing oil.

Having only two depth charges, they followed the sub in hope that it would rise closer to the surface and make a better target.

Using up most of their gas, they followed it for six hours until the sub suddenly rose to periscope depth.

Haggin swooped down and let the first charge go. Farr saw the

**The Navy 'wouldn't have wanted to acknowledge civilians.'**

SUBMARINE AUTHORITY  
HENRY KEATTS

explosion and an oil slick rise to the surface.

They circled around and dropped the second charge into the center of the slick.

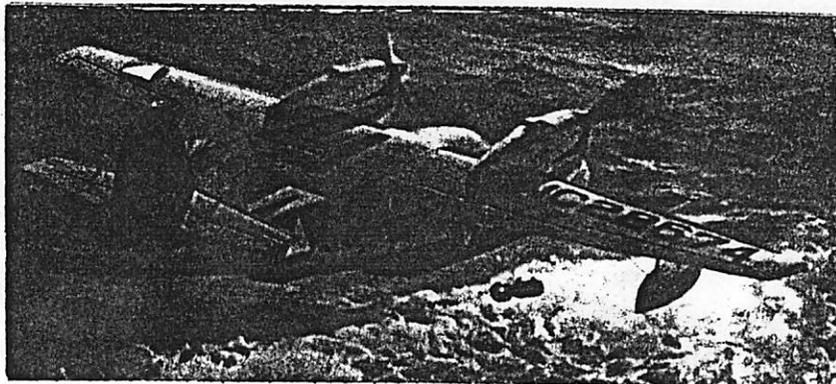
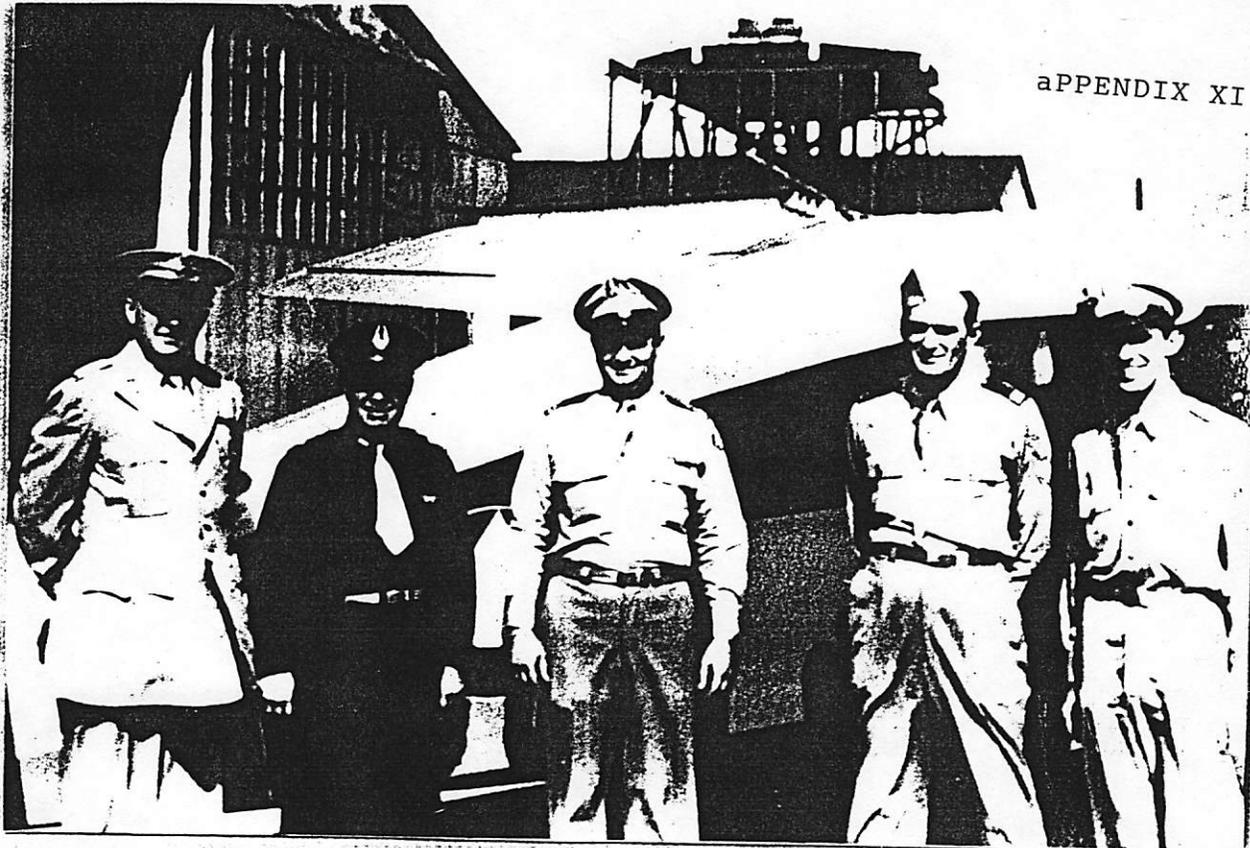
Farr saw the nose of the sub break the surface and slide back into the water. Deck planking and other debris floated up.

Weidenfeld said that CAP records on the location of the kill have been lost.

But Keatts agreed that the action as described took place "in the right area," making it "the best explanation to date."

The site is far closer to New York Harbor than any other known U-boat sinking. Salvage divers have kept the exact location secret, saying only that it is "roughly" 65 miles east of Point Pleasant, N.J.

The CAP's description of the floating debris was "consistent with the damage done to the U-boat" that was discovered, added Keatts, a professor of biology and oceanography at Suffolk Community College.



## GLOSSARY

AFB	Air Force Base
AFRCC	Air Force Rescue Coordination Center
ANG	Air National Guard
CAP	Civil Air Patrol
CAP-MAP	CAP-Management Analysis Program
CLC	Corporate Learning Course
ELT	Emergency Locator Transmitter
HQ	Headquarters
NER	Northeast Region
NY	New York
NYW	New York Wing
SAR	Search And Rescue
SEMA	State Emergency Management Agency
SLS	Squadron Leadership School
US	United States
USA	United States Army
USAF	United States Air Force
USCG	United States Coast Guard
USCGA	United States Coast Guard Auxiliary