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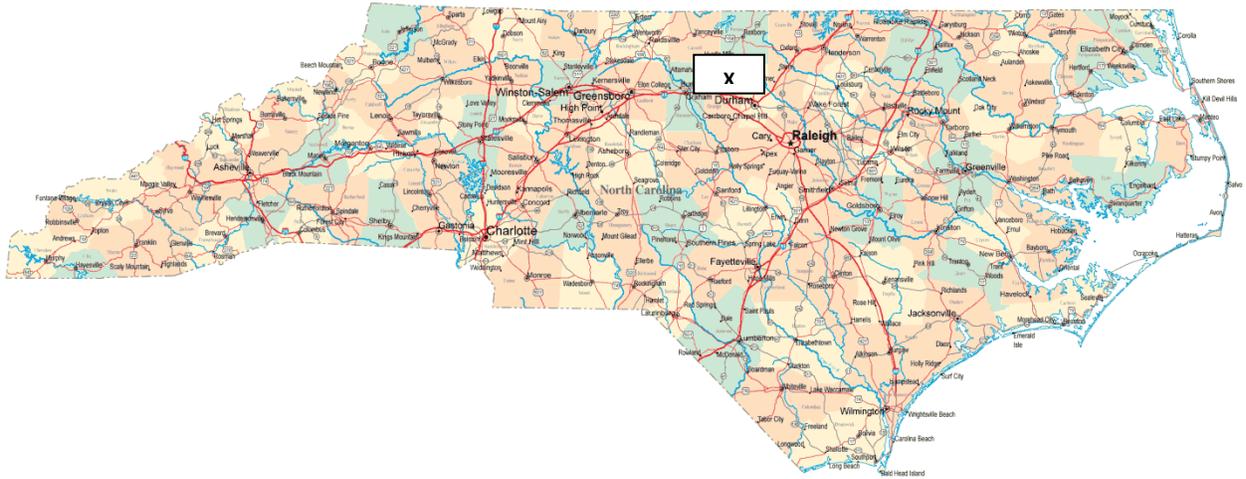
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North Carolina Wing Squadrons 2012

Headquarters North Carolina Wing

Group 1 Headquarters

- ✚ Asheville Composite Squadron
- ✚ Gastonia Composite Squadron
- ✚ Shelby Composite Squadron
- ✚ Hickory Composite Squadron
- ✚ Boone Composite Squadron

Group 2 Headquarters

- ✚ Burlington Composite Squadron
- ✚ Raleigh-Wake Composite Squadron
- ✚ Randolph Composite Squadron
- ✚ 141st SAR Composite Squadron
- ✚ Franklin County Composite Squadron
- ✚ Orange County Composite Squadron
- ✚ Brigadier General Steven R. Ritchie Flight
- ✚ Apex Cadet Squadron

Group 3 Headquarters

- ✚ Tar River Composite Squadron
- ✚ Pitt-Greenville Composite Squadron
- ✚ Goldsboro Composite Squadron
- ✚ Coastal Patrol Base 21 Flight
- ✚ Cunningham Field Composite Squadron
- ✚ Halifax Composite Squadron
- ✚ Elizabeth City Composite Squadron

Group 4 Headquarters

- ✚ Winston Salem Composite Squadron
- ✚ 111th Search & Rescue Cadet Squadron
- ✚ South Piedmont Senior Squadron
- ✚ Iredell Composite Squadron
- ✚ South Charlotte Cadet Squadron

Group 5 Headquarters

- ✚ Fayetteville Composite Squadron
- ✚ Cape Fear Composite Squadron
- ✚ Moore County Composite Squadron
- ✚ Johnston County Cadet Squadron
- ✚ Brunswick County Composite Squadron
- ✚ Sandhills Senior Squadron

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CHRONOLOGY

North Carolina Wing 1 January – 31 December 2012

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
<u>January</u>	
19 Dec 2011	(U) Eastern Carolina Infragard (ECI) Learn About CAP
5	(U) New Private Pilot in Asheville NC019
28	(U) Group 3 Subordinate Unit Inspection (SUI) Team Training at New Bern, NC
January	(U) New MER Staff Members
January	(U) New Spaatz Cadet in Apex, NC
January	(U) National Quality Cadet Unit Awards
<u>February</u>	
10	(U) NC National Guard Dedicates New Joint Forces Headquarters
17	(U) Capt Cathy Gaddy, Wing Administrator, Earns National Award
18-19	(U) Points of Distribution (POD) Training at Tar River
20	(U) "Checkertail Clan" P-51 Pilot Returns to the Air
25	(U) NC Wing Group 3 Members Complete SUI Training at New Bern, NC
February	(U) CyperPatriot Competition Winners in NC
<u>March</u>	
10	(SBU) ELT Mission in Raleigh
23-25	(U) MER/NC Wing 2012 Conference at Raleigh, NC
March	(U) Asheville Cadet Headed for Air Force Academy
March	(U) Iredell Composite Squadron Gives Back to the Community
March	(U) New Private Pilot at Apex Unit
March	(U) Cadet is Accepted into Air Force Academy
<u>April</u>	
6	(SBU) ELT Mission at Winston-Salem
15	(U) The Charlotte Senior Sqd Goes to the Drag Races
20-21	(U) Group 3 AE Day a Great Success
23	(SBU) 7.2 Hours of Airtime and 15 Members Finds Elusive ELT
April	(U) A New Pilot in the Winston-Salem Squadron
April	(U) Four Squadrons Tour Washington, DC and the Naval Academy
April	(U) NC CAP Pilot Completes 200 th Cadet Orientation Flight

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
<u>May</u>	
1	(U) US Coast Guard Puts CAP on Their Historical Map – Team Award
5	(U) Shelby Senior Members Assist with 5K & 10K Event While Two Cadets Run the Race!
	(U) The Dedication of the “Double Deuces” – Burlington Comp Squadron
9	(U) Lt Col Jayson Altieri Receives US Army Promotion in Brussels, Belgium
12	(U) Two New Majors for Charlotte Senior Squadron at Concord
15	(U) NC Wing Commander Named Chief of Staff for Middle East Region
18-19	(U) Iredell Unit Hosts Group 4 AE & Rocket Day
19	(U) CAP Squadrons Involved in “CIS Big Toy Day” Event in Brunswick Co.
20-23	(U) NC Wing Members Attend Chaplain Staff College, Blackstone, VA
May	(U) “Start Your Engines”, Shelby Cadets Present Colors
May	(U) Shelby Cadet Recognized for Community Service as a New Century Scholar
May	(U) Operation Flying Flowers is a Success
May	(U) Gastonia Cadet Gets Full ROTC Scholarship to NC State University
<u>June</u>	
5	(U) Orange Co Comp Squadron’s (NC-150) Commander Promoted
6	(U) South Piedmont Senior Squadron Tours Cyril Bath Company in Monroe
9	(U) NC Wing Commander Becomes Chief of Staff for Middle East Region
	(U) NC Wing Conducts Change of Command Ceremony
22	(U) Shelby Sqd Cadets Participate with the US Military All Stars for Presentation of the Ground Zero Flag
27	(U) MER Commander Announces New NC Wing Commander
	(SBU) US Coast Guard Requests Help with Locating an EPIRB
28	(U) Shelby Squadron Hosts Its First National Weather Service Skywarn Class
June	(U) Asheville Comp Squadron has 10 New CERT Members After Training
June	(U) Seventy Years of Safe Flying Earns Pilot Prestigious FAA Award
June	(U) “O-Flights” at 2012 NC Wing Encampment Increase Again
June	(U) Raleigh-Wake Comp Summer 2012 Airman School
<u>July</u>	
29 Jun-1July	(U) Pilots Sharpen Mountain Flying Skills at “Mountain Fury”
4	(U) Shelby Squadron Cadets Lead the Lattimore Independence Day Parade!
	(U) Raleigh-Wake Cadets Help at Independence Day Celebration
	(U) Iredell Unit Presents Colors at Carowinds
	(U) Brunswick Co. Squadron Color Guard to Southport 4 th of July Parade
5	(U) Asheville Squadron Cadet Solos at National Flight Academy, Blackstone, VA

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
<u>July</u>	
14	(U) North Carolina Wing has a New Leader
17-20	(U) Lt Col Altieri, CAP, Earns Royal Netherlands Medal
17 & 24	(U) Shelby Squadron Holds Two Rocket Days
20	(U) 2012: CAP Olympic Games Come to Raleigh
21	(U) Dedication of Coastal Patrol Base 16 Marker
June-July	(U) Shelby Squadron Hosts an 8-Week Toastmasters Youth Leadership Program
July	(U) American Red Cross Provides Disaster Assessment Training for CAP Members
July	(U) Iredell Composite Sqd Cadet is First to Solo at National Flight Academy
July	(U) A Night of Awards for Majors Johnson and Tessin of Raleigh-Wake Comp
<u>August</u>	
14	(U) CAP Making Area Pilots Aware of “No-Fly Zone” During Democratic National Convention in Charlotte, NC
18 & 20	(U) Shelby Cadets March at Keeter Stadium for American Legion World Series
24-26	(U) A Weekend With CAP at the Winston-Salem Air Show
August	(U) Seniors and Cadets From Shelby Participate in HAM Radio Class
August	(U) Asheville Squadron Member Receives Scholarship for Flying
August	(U) Pilgrimage to Birthplace of Aviation by Pitt-Greenville Comp Squadron
August	(U) Two Brunswick Co. Comp Sqd Members Receive a Special Honor
<u>September</u>	
13	(U) Shelby Unit Presents Plaque to Historic Site
14-15	(U) Winston-Salem Comp Sqd Hosts Group 4 AE & Rocket Day at Sugar Valley Airport
15	(U) Shelby Cadets Learn About Flying RC Aircraft at Moore Field
18	(U) Shelby Cadets Lead Pledge for County Commissioners
<u>October</u>	
19	(U) Father and Son Promoted to Captain
26-28	(U) Ranger Training Weekend at Medoc Mountain State Park, NC
30	(U) Shelby Squadron’s Fall Banquet A Huge Success
October	(U) Shelby Airport Holds Its Annual Fly-in
October	(U) Cadets Receive Rocketry Badges at Asheville Sqd Awards Ceremony
October	(U) Lt Col Frank Sincox Awarded Wright Brothers Master Pilot Award

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
<u>November</u>	
10	(U) CAP Honors Members Who Served in CAP During WWII
17	(U) Cadets Participate in Basic Mountaineering Training
November	(SBU) NC Wing Completes Aerial Photo Missions During Hurricane Sandy
<u>December</u>	
6	(U) Raleigh-Wake Provides Honor Guard at Annual Christmas Tree Lighting
8	(U) Shelby Squadron Hosts Basic First Aid Class (U) Shelby Squadron Holds Annual Christmas Party
15	Winston-Salem Comp Sqd Holds “Wreaths Across America” Ceremony
17-18	(U) NC Wing Professional Development Weekend (PDW) at Wake Forest University
18	(U) Shelby Squadron Holds DDR and Drug Awareness Class
December	(U) Asheville Member Solos at Foothills Regional Airport
December	(U) Raleigh-Wake Composite Squadron Holds Holiday Banquet

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(U) This narrative seeks to preserve the historical facts of North Carolina Wing, Civil Air Patrol, during the period of 1 January through 31 December 2012. The information provided forms an orderly overview of the activities of the North Carolina Wing during the historical report and is provided in a chronological format, covering monthly activities and areas of historical significance. This is presented in sections which include Aerospace Education, Cadet Programs, Operations, and Professional Development. The Operations section will include Emergency Services, Community Outreach, and Disaster Relief. Materials contain an inventory of source documents to support the content of this report. The arrangement of North Carolina Wing's annual history comes from formats provided in CAP Pamphlet 5, *Handbook for Civil Air Patrol Historians* and CAP Regulation 210-1 (E) *The Civil Air Patrol Historical Program*.

AEROSPACE EDUCATION

(U) On May 18-19, Iredell Composite Squadron hosted the Group 4 Aerospace Education Day at the Statesville Regional Airport. There were a record number of participants from the South Charlotte Cadet Squadron, the 111th Search and Rescue Cadet Squadron, the Burlington Composite Squadron, the Hickory Composite Squadron, and Iredell Composite Squadron. Rocket building and testing were offered on Friday night by Lt Col James Williams. C/2ndLts Montana Shores and Felix Reyes assisted fellow cadets with rocket building.

Launch day began very early. Some cadets were so motivated to complete the rockets, they began working at 0500. Approximately fifty (50) rockets were successfully launched, with many cadets completing all requirements to earn their Model Rocketry Badge. Four (4) CAP aircraft were present for orientation flights. Sixteen (16) Orientation Flights were conducted with seven (7) being first-time flights. Cadets from the Iredell Composite Squadron served as flight line marshals.

(U) Shelby Squadron holds two rocket days: Tuesday July 17 and Tuesday July 24. Cadets and seniors from Shelby participated in rocket education, rocket building, and of course the most fun of all, firing the rockets. Five (5) senior members devoted the majority of two (2) days to help ten (10) cadets learn how the rockets function, how to build them, and the proper and safe way to launch them.

The squadron would also like to thank Chaplain Melvin Lutz, Capt, for allowing the cadets the use of his property to shoot the rockets. The cadets completed the Redstone Saturn and Titan testing phases and built foam rockets: two (2) single-stage rockets and one (1) two-stage rocket.

(U) On April 20-21, 2012, Group 3's Aerospace Day was a great success. Halifax Composite Squadron along with the Pitt-Greenville Composite Squadron hosted the Group 3 AE Day at the Halifax-Northampton Regional Airport.

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AEROSPACE EDUCATION

A special thanks to Lt Col Williams and Maj Twiddy, Wing A/E officers, for attending, offering their expertise and assistance in making this a great success. Thanks also goes out to Emeril Lagasse and Bobby Flay impersonators, Capt James Newton, SMSgt Stephen Madison, Lts Ricky Jones, Brad Durrett, and Steve Taylor for manning the task of cooks for the event. Lt Ralph Johnson was the 5 minute grits cook for breakfast...more like 1 hour grits.

Squadrons from Group 3 included NC-169, NC-079, NC-057, NC-805, NC-143; the JOCO Squadron also joined in the event. Eleven (11) cadets received their first time "O" rides. "O" ride pilots were Maj Fred Eldridge, Lt Ricky Jones and Lt Brad Durrett.

Cadets launched the rockets that were built on Friday evening and were afforded the pleasure of seeing a demonstration of Remote Control aircraft supplied by local 95 Squadron RC Group of Roanoke Rapids. Buddy boxes allowed the cadets to fly hands-on the RC aircraft.

(U) In October 2012, cadets learn and have fun at a Rocketry Weekend. At the Asheville Squadron October Awards ceremony five (5) cadets received their Rocketry badges and patches. Cadet Airman Caleb Freeman, Alexander Hopkins, Symantha Briggs, Jarrett Poto, Ross Mundy, and Molly Boothe were recognized for their achievement.

The cadets earned their badges during a rocketry weekend at Fort Augur, the name given to senior member Lt Col Richard Augur's farm when it's taken over by cadets for their rocketry events. The farm, nestled in the Barnardsville area of the Western North Carolina mountains, comes complete with its own K-9 ballistic recovery system. better known as Parker and Lucy, who chase the rockets as they're launched.

Cadets used the weekend to fulfill their requirements for the rocketry videos and classes in the barn, building the rockets on site and launching, all in the fun-filled, but highly educational activity.

(U) On September 14-15, 2012, Winston-Salem Composite Squadron hosted the Group 4 AE Day at beautiful Sugar Valley Airport, Mocksville, NC. One of the most challenging tasks when planning a Rocketry Aerospace Education Weekend is finding a place that is safe and will allow rockets to be fired. Winston-Salem Composite Squadron was invited to just such a place by the Sugar Valley Airport in Mocksville, and offered to host the Group 4 AE Weekend.

C/1st Lt Obediah Fire organized the event under the direction of Maj Eric Orgain. Friday, September 14, twenty (20) cadets from four (4) squadrons - South Charlotte, Boone, Winston-Salem, and Iredell, converged at the beautiful Sugar Valley Airport with one purpose in mind: to fire rockets!

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AEROSPACE EDUCATION

Lt Col James Williams, assisted by Lt Col Paul Twiddy, NC Wing Director of Aerospace Education, began the task of leading the cadets through the CAP Rocketry program, while 2d Lt Thomas Holman (Boone) shot video footage, and 2d Lt Paul Carnes (South Charlotte) looked on. The cadets built rockets and in the process, learned some of the math, science, and history of rocketry. All cadets passed their Redstone, Titan, and Saturn exams, proving they had indeed been listening.

Saturday morning could not have been more perfect for firing rockets. The weather was cool with very little wind, and air traffic around the airport was sparse. Lt Col Twiddy flagged off three firing platforms and assigned a SM to supervise each. Lt Col Williams sat at the Firing Director's table set twenty (20) feet back, with Lt Col Dan Wishnietsky by his side. With Safety Officer, Maj Robin Sides observing, the cadets lined up behind the table, each awaiting their turn to fire their rocket. Lt Col Bill Hawke manned the communication trailer where he monitored local air traffic, while Capt John Lovette sat ready to record the altitude of each flight.

Certificates of Completion were handed out at the end of the afternoon by Lt Col Williams. C/SMSGT Nathan Bouffard had the honor of being the only cadet to complete all the requirements for the Cadet Model Rocketry Badge. In October, Winston-Salem Squadron hopes to assemble some more Stage Two Rockets so that more cadets can join him in this honor.

The cadets drove away from the airport with new knowledge, great memories, and an open invitation to return from Thomas White, the manager of the Sugar Valley Airport. If schedules permit, in October, there may be rockets once again piercing the air space around Sugar Valley Airport.



Cadet's rocket blasts into the sky.



Rocket blasts into the sky.



Launch day begins early for Cadets and Seniors.



Cadets work late into the night to build and prepare their rockets for the next day's launch.



Maj Paul Twiddy assisting Cadet Jessica McGill launch her rocket

Two Cadets prepare their rocket for launch.





Lt Col Williams explains the components of a model rocket.

CADET PROGRAMS

(U) Asheville Composite Squadron announces their newest Private Pilot, C/Lt Col Joseph Houston who received his Private Pilot License on 5 January 2012. Cadet Houston started flying in 2010 as a student pilot at the NC 019 Flight Academy and soloed in the fall of 2010. After a six-month pause, Cadet Houston pursued his goal of becoming a pilot with his Flight Instructor, Capt Gary Lux. Cadet Houston becomes the fifth cadet from NC 019 to obtain a pilot license in the last three years. Congratulations to all of those who played a part in assisting C/Lt Col Houston achieve his goal.

(U) New Spaatz Cadet in Apex. Apex Cadet Squadron is excited to announce our newest Spaatz Cadet – C/Col Peter Barrow. C/Col Barrow has been a member of our unit since he was old enough to join, serving this past summer as the Cadet Commander of the Middle East Region Drill Team. We are extremely proud of C/Col Barrow and all of his accomplishments.

(U) New Private Pilot in Apex unit. It is with great pleasure and pride that I announce that Cadet 2d Lt Dominick Deshaies has become NC Wing's most recent Private Pilot. He is Apex Cadet Squadron's first Cadet Private Pilot!

(U) It is with extreme pride that South Charlotte Cadet Squadron announces that C/CMsgt Joshua Harold has been accepted for admission this fall to the United States Air Force Academy. Cadet Harold has demonstrated through the years all the qualities that will provide the basis for a future leader of this nation. We know you all join with us in offering congratulations to this outstanding Cadet and soon-to-be Air Force Officer.

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CADET PROGRAMS

(U) On May 5, 2012, a warm, sunny afternoon, the dedication of the members of the "Double Deuces" took place. Most teams would prefer to be out having fun with their friends by splashing in the pool to keep cool or eating ice cream while playing video games at home with air conditioner cranked up. However, the cadets of Burlington Composite Squadron 022 are a very dedicated group of teens who aren't afraid to roll up their sleeves and do work hard. Contrary to the usual grumbles and complaints that are heard when teams are asked to do hard work, the cadets of Squadron 022 welcomed the opportunity to clean up the lawn, trim trees, paint the interior of the CAP Headquarters and actually enjoy it! After Lt Col Lucy Davis had requested having the cadets come in to clean up the grounds of the Civil Air Patrol Headquarters and paint the interior the building, a sleepover was scheduled for the cadets to work hard and also complete a Ranger Training Course that included map reading. Under the watchful eyes of Lt Col Andy Wiggs, 1st Lt Jason Bailey, Lt Col Lucy Davis and Capt Kathy Gaddy, the cadets remained hard at work performing tasks that most teams would try to get out of. When C/MSgt Timothy McCann asked why he would forgo an enjoyable Saturday afternoon of relaxation, he responded that he does it for the camaraderie with his friends.

Even though the tasks that the cadets were called upon to perform on May 5 were hard and the temperatures were soaring, the cadets never flinched. C/SMSgt Wesley Bishop answered that he comes to the Civil Air Patrol Headquarters to work in order to better the squadron. "We all get to use it and it helps us all to be in a better environment."

Some of the cadets were working inside the building painting walls, while others were outside cleaning and landscaping the grounds. Some later went behind the headquarters building to find a way to get inside of the Civil Air Patrol trailer. The trailer had been sitting there for quite a while with a flat tire and unopened because no one knew where the key to the trailer was. Under the supervision 1st Lt. Bailey, the cadets were able to remove the back window of the trailer and make sure that the trailer was free of insects, rodents and snakes. After changing the flat tire, they then put an insect fogger into the trailer to drive out any insects or snakes that they may have missed. While cleaning out the contents of the trailer, the cadets found two pairs of binoculars.

(U) Gastonia Cadet gets full ROTC scholarship. C/A1C Billy G Mullis Jr. was awarded an ROTC Full Scholarship to North Carolina State University. His outstanding academic work in high school has earned him the Type I Four-Year Scholarship. The squadron takes pride in Cadet Mullis's accomplishment and wish him continued success as he prepares the serve our nation as an Aerospace Engineer with aspirations to be a Fighter Pilot/Astronaut the future.

(U) Encampment Orientation Flights – 2012. As in the past 2 years, this past week the North Carolina Wing conducted a major Air Operation to fly Cadet Orientation flights during encampment week. This year we raised the bar once again: 2012 total Orientation Rides 67; first Cadet Orientation Rides 33.16; orientation pilots from two (2) wings flew 93.1 total hours in support of the orientation rides; and we had a full team of flight-line marshalls to support us. 8

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On Tuesday, we had eight (8) CAP and one (1) personal aircraft on the ramp and Wednesday we had seven (7) CAP aircraft in operation. Just to give you a sense of scale, a weekend wing-wide SAREX may involve 25-35 Air Sorties. In the two (2) days, including ferry sorties, we flew 98 sorties. The wing spent over \$4000 for fuel.

This year we were back at the Oxford-Henderson airport, the scene of our 2010 debut. We got outstanding support from Mike Kellogg, the airport manager. Our hats are off to the staff at KHNZ further assistance.

(U) During the Memorial Day weekend (May 2012), the cadets from Raleigh-Wake Composite Squadron conducted their Summer 2012 Airman School. The airman school was hosted at 2nd Lt Duncan's house who was kind enough to allow the squadron to use his property. The cadets that had received staff jobs were eager to prove themselves.

The staff arrived around 0430 and started getting administrative check in set up for the basics and logistics list for cadets who needed items for their camp. The basics start arriving at 0530 and the staff went through the routine of getting the basics checked in, inspected their bags for contraband, and assigned them to A, B, or C flight.

The flight staff then marched the basics out to their campsites to set up the GP smalls that they would be staying in. After the GP's were set up C/Lt Col Kyle Zobel gave his safety briefing for the weekends' activities. Kitchen staff started on dinner soon after, the basics were fed and then marched down to the GP's. Staff started campfires and assigned fire watch to the basics.

When reveille sounded the next morning the staff got to work getting the basics out of the tents and into formations for PT. PT lasted about an hour, the cadets running the mile, doing push-ups, and so forth. The cadets then marched back to the house for breakfast. Lt Duncan gave his rifle safety class shortly after breakfast the first group, while the other cadets did drill than the two (2) groups switched. Staff then gave classes on customs and courtesies, drill, and uniforms. Lt Col Zobel gave a motivational speech to the basics about advancing in the program and all the benefits of CAP to get them interested in all the program has to offer.

After the classes, the basics were told to meet back at the GP's for motivational PT, which to their surprise was a game of capture the flag using the flights' guidons. Rules were given and the game started; the game is a break from the wear and tear the airman school giving the cadets a chance to relax and have a good time. After the game everyone was called up to the house for briefing on an activity that would happen later in the night.

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The briefing was about an activity that Lt Duncan had done a few times with other youth groups where the cadets make an escape plan from an "armed stranger" almost like the lockdowns at school. Cadets discussed what would be a good way to get out if an unknown person, who was armed, came onto the property. Call signs were given, named after Cadet Cmdr., to each place that the stranger may come from. For instance, if the stranger came from the hill that Bravo flight was on, the call sign was "Capt Hunneycutt is on the mountain" and so on.

The flights started on their "Jodie's" which they would sing during Pass-and-Review the next day. When it began to get dark the cadets marched down to their tents and got ready for the armed stranger drill. To make sure everyone was clear on where to go, the staff went over the plan of action with the flights. The flights gathered by their GP's and waited for the call to move to their designated safe zone. Thirty minutes later, Lt Duncan called everyone to the staff campsite and discussed what went on. He hadn't actually gone through with putting a person out there to be the stranger because it was better to have us come up with a plan just in case of this type emergency.

On Sunday, the last day of the Airman school, the cadets were awakened up and marched out to do PT and breakfast. Lt Duncan gave the last part of his rifle safety class before the basics had to take down their tents and get packed up. "Jodie's" were practiced a few more times before the parents arrived for Pass-in-Review.

Flights were formed up and the staff got ready for Pass-in-Review. C/Capt Hunneycutt told the parents what had gone on during the Airman School and gave a brief summary of what the cadets would be showing them. Pass-and-Review started with inspections of the flights, followed by a drill down, and finally the "Jodie's" by each of the flights. Honors were awarded and then the squadron was dismissed.

(U) Nine (9) Cadets and one (1) Senior member, from Cape Fear Composite Squadron, were taken by the North Carolina National Guard on a flight in a C-130, arranged by Brig. Gen. D. Todd Kelly and Lt Col Jerry West. The aircraft arrived at Wilmington International Airport at 1230 with a crew of fifteen (15) officers and enlisted personnel. Prior to the outbound flight, the National Guard crew gave two (2) briefings – one (1) on General Safety and then one (1) on Medical Safety. The CAP members were loaded on the C-130 and the aircraft took off at 1250 for the flight, with a turnaround at Charleston, South Carolina. The aircraft arrived back at Wilmington at 1350 and all CAP personnel deplaned safe and sound. Everyone totally enjoyed the experience.

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(U) C/2nd Lt Joshua Ammons, from the Iredell Composite Squadron (NC 162) was the first to earn his "wings" at the National Flight Academy in Fort Pickett, Virginia his first solo flight came after just eight hours of flight training, under the instruction to Col Bill Fountain. Since his return home, Lt Ammons has flown several more solo flights, the most recent being a takeoff from Concord Airport, landing at the Salisbury Airport, and ended with a safe return back to Concord.

C/2nd Lt Ammons is a 12th grade home-schooled student, and a student at Mitchell Community College. He joined the squadron in September 2010, where he currently holds the position of cadet leadership officer. He was a squadron "NCO Cadet of the Year," in 2011. Cadet Ammons would like to join the Army and become a helicopter pilot.

The Iredell Composite Squadron is also home to several more upcoming cadet pilots. C/Maj John Robertson and C/A1C Reese Cocrane have both soloed multiple times and also in a glider. C/1st Lt Montana Shores recently completed a pre-solo at National Glider Academy and plans to solo in the near future.

(U) Shelby Squadron hosts an eight-week Toastmasters Youth Leadership Program. In April of 2012 a number Shelby cadets approached the staff about the possibility of holding a public speaking class. That simple request started a process that has allowed the cadets to participate in an incredible program offered completely free by Toastmasters International to young men and women ages 12-18. The program was presented by members of the Shelby Charter of the Toastmasters, the Cleveland County Communicators, led by Club Vice President Ken Mooney, and assisted by Michael Chrisawn, the Cleveland County Chamber President.

The program focuses on specialized speaking and leadership skills. The cadets learn to: overcome nervousness when speaking before an audience; organize and present ideas logically and convincingly; listen carefully to others ideas; offer advice to help others improve their speaking and leadership skills; and participate – and even lead – group discussion and meetings. "Over the weeks, you can see their confidence build" says Capt Kirk Johnson, whose son is participating in the program. Each session lasted a little over an hour. Some of the activities that took place include: evaluations of the cadets present speaking abilities, presentation of speeches, group evaluations, discussion practice in listening, and discussion of voice and vocabulary to name a few. The cadets will be showing off their newly learned skills during the squadron summer banquet on Tuesday, July 31.

Because of an almost weekly influx of new cadets, the squadron is already planning to hold another eight-week program with the help of Toastmasters. The senior members and cadets would like to thank the Cleveland County Communicators of Toastmasters International for volunteering their time and resources to plan and execute such an outstanding program.

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(U) Asheville Squadron Flight Academy solos another cadet. Asheville Civil Air Patrol Squadron C/2d Lt Logan Lueck took to the skies on Saturday (July 14) from Asheville Regional Airport as he had done many times before in his flight training. However, this time there was one major difference: he was by himself. Cadet Lueck, 16, is the second cadet to complete Asheville's 2012 flight Academy and the 14th cadet to complete the Academy since beginning in 2008. A flight academy like this is usually conducted on a regional level in Civil Air Patrol, but the Asheville Squadron took on the Cadet Flight Academy program to encourage cadets in the Squadron to learn to fly.

Lt Col Ray Davis was Cadet Lueck's primary instructor, and after signing him off for solo, handed him the keys to the aircraft for three takeoffs and landings on his own. Three (3) other Asheville cadets are currently working to obtain their solo wings this year.

(U) July 20, 2012: Olympic Games come to Raleigh. While the Olympic Games in London are going to be the attraction of this coming summer, the Cadets of the Raleigh-Wake Squadron had a preview of the great excitement of participating at the Olympic Games. On Friday, 20 July 2012, cadets arrived at the Deputy Commander for Cadets, Major Zobel's house out in Rolesville, NC: a great place to hold such a competition, with unpaved roads for biking and running and even access to a small lake for the water events.

After administrative duties were taken care of, the cadets were briefed about how their next 24 hours would be occurring. Then cadets were assigned to teams with a team captain and isolated from the other teams to sign up for Saturday's events, decorate team banners and batons (which were construction hardhats), and the unify team hats. Teams were given names such as: Greek Gods, Seals, Powderpuffs, Trolls, and Blue Rangers.

The next morning began with breakfast, stretches, and the first event at 0800. Motivation filled the air as the first heat of cadets waited at the starting line and the torch was ignited in reference to the official Olympics. The events were as follows: 800m Run, 100m Weighted Sprint, 4x100m Sprint Relay, Island Canoe, 2 mile Cycling Race, 4 x 200m Cycling Relay, Quadathlon 800m Run/200m Swim/1 mile Bike/25 Pushups and 50 Sit-ups, Shot Put, High Jump, 100m Swim, 200m Swim Relay, 3 Cadet Canoe Carry, Tire Toss, and Individual Canoe.

All events were performed with excellent enthusiasm by the teams and event participants and medals were awarded, in full Olympic spirit, the 1st placers, 2nd placers, and 3rd placers and trophies were awarded to the winning team's members. After a long day of vigorous exercise, the tired cadets cooled down in the lake in which swimming and canoeing took place and finish the day with 60 lbs. of chicken and desserts.

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(U) Shelby Squadron holds DDR and Drug Awareness Class on Tuesday, December 18. Members of the Cleveland County Sheriff's Department Narcotics Division spent the evening covering a number of topics including pill diversion, the dangers of drugs, and the consequences of addiction. The latter part of the class covered what to pay attention for and what items are used in meth lab construction.

The class began with investigator Brad Pearson of the Narcotics Division explaining how pill diversion is a growing issue in our society. Young people and adults are raiding their own medicine cabinets for old unused medicines that were prescribed to someone else in the home. He went on to explain the use of medicines not prescribed to you is as illegal as purchasing them on the street and just as dangerous. Investigator Pearson reminded the class to talk with their parents about the proper way to dispose of unused prescription drugs.

Lt Brian Gordon of the Narcotics Division began his portion of the class with the dangers of methamphetamine. His message focuses on what happens to the human body after the use of meth and other drugs. The members learned the new rules regarding Sudafed and its use in meth manufacturing. The class learned what to look for if they happen to come across remains of a meth lab, how to identify the key components needed in every lab, and what to do if you see those items. Lt Gordon went on to explain that meth labs can be just as dangerous, if not more dangerous, once they have been dismantled. The reason for this is, while in use most labs, however crude, are hidden and mostly out of sight from the general public, but once they are finished cooking the meth, they throw these items out wherever they want, and it is at this point anyone could come in contact with them. This portion culminated with the hands-on demonstration of what a "shake and bake meth lab" may look like.

Shelby Squadrons DDR Officer Lt Kim McDonald reminds us that, "The recovery rate for drug addiction is at best 18%. Once you start, the odds are against you that you will ever stop. Using drugs even once changes your life for the worse! You may never achieve the goals and desires you once had."

The Squadron would like to thank the members of the Cleveland County Sheriff's Department Narcotics Division that took the time to prepare and teach this class: Lt Brian Gordon, Investigator Brad Pearson, and Investigator Tom Watterson.

(U) Winston-Salem Squadron has a new pilot. One would probably say to this statement, so what, there are always new pilots joining as senior members. This one is different as he is not a senior member but a cadet. C/SSgt Tyler Wimbish, just barely 16 years old, soloed to get his private pilot license in April 2012. His "O" flights as he progressed in the cadet ranks fueled his desire to take flying lessons to become a pilot. He started off at the Piedmont Flight School but soon transferred to the Mt. Airy county airport to help reduce the cost. He is a student at Woodland Baptist Christian School and wants to become a commercial pilot.

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(U) In April 2012, four (4) squadrons tour Washington DC and the Naval Academy, Annapolis, MD. Cadets and senior members from the Iredell Composite Squadron, Winston-Salem Composite Squadron, South Charlotte Cadet Squadron, and the 111th Search & Rescue Cadet Squadron recently toured Washington DC and The United States Naval Academy. The tour was hosted by the Iredell Composite squadron and directed by Lt Kristin Osborne, Public Affairs Officer. A total of fifty (50) members took advantage of the highly educational trip. The group traveled by chartered bus with the first overnight stop at the Navy Lodge in Annapolis, Maryland.

The following day, the group toured the campus of the Naval Academy and watched the noon formation. A group of cadets that expressed interest in applying to the Naval Academy attended a very informative admissions briefing. The group then boarded the bus for the National Air and Space Museum, Udvar Hazy Center in Chantilly, Virginia. A few of the highlights of the museum included the SR-71 Blackbird, the fastest jet in the world, the Space Shuttle Enterprise, Gemini VII space capsule, B-29 Enola Gay, and the Redstone Rocket. The next day began with various tours in Washington DC, including the Smithsonian Air and Space Museum, National Archives, the Capitol Building and a photo stop at the White House. After dark, the group visited the Washington Monument, Lincoln Memorial, WWII Memorial, Vietnam Veterans Memorial, Korean Memorial, and the Jefferson Memorial.

“The monuments and memorials were spectacular to view at night,” said Lt Kimberly Ammons. The last day of our trip included a stop at Arlington National Cemetery. The cadets ceremoniously paid their respects to former North Carolina CAP Cadet Daniel Lucas Elliott, who was killed in action last year in Iraq. The cadets gave a slow salute and placed a Cadet NCO cap device on his tombstone. The trip concluded at the National Marine Corps Museum in Quantico, Virginia.

(U) In April 2012, a NC CAP pilot completed 200th Cadet Orientation Flight. Recently Civil Air Patrol pilot, Lt Col Wally Courtney, took Cadet Elijah Holden on his fifth cadet orientation flight. That orientation flight was number two hundred (200) for Courtney. Each CAP cadet gets to take five (5) of these “O-flights” as part of their program and they are allowed to get familiar with the plane, controls and instruments. Both Courtney and Holden are members of the Asheville Composite Squadron.

Courtney, a Canton resident, added this milestone to a growing list of accomplishments. In 2008, he was recognized as the Orientation Pilot of the Year among all units in the North Carolina Wing, and the runner-up for that award in 2009. His commitment to flying “O-flights” comes from his pleasure in seeing young cadets become excited about aviation and, in particular, flying. Lt Col Courtney is a retired Navy Captain and Naval Aviator, and hopes that some of the cadets he flies will seek careers as military pilots.

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While on active duty in the Navy, his primary aircraft were the P2V-5F Neptune and the P3C Orion. He flew many hours over the Atlantic Ocean and Mediterranean Sea tracking Soviet submarines. Courtney joined CAP in December 2005.

(U) A van load of cadet and senior members from the Pitt-Greenville Composite Squadron of the Civil Air patrol performed a pilgrimage to the birthplace of manned powered flight at Kill Devil Hills, NC, in August 2012. They visited the monument, toured the facilities, and retraced the path of those first steps into the air at the Wright Brothers National Memorial.

On the way, they visited the site of one of Civil Air Patrol's World War II Coastal Patrol Bases. Coastal Patrol Base 16, at the present Dare County Airport in Manteo, was the temporary home of CAP volunteers from across the state who volunteered to take their civilian aircraft, some loaded with improvised ordnance, to patrol the coastal waters off the state looking for enemy U-boats as well as vessels in distress. They visited a museum in the airport's terminal building set aside to pay tribute to those efforts.

(U) On September 15, 2012, Shelby Squadron cadets learn about flying Remote Control (RC) Aircraft. The cadets had an amazing time learning about these large remote control aircraft, and then getting the opportunity to fly them. The club members were gracious enough to offer trainer controls so the cadets would have an opportunity to control the planes. "It's a little different than the real thing," said Captain Kirk Johnson. "I caught myself having a conversation with other cadets about the differences between controlling an RC plane and flying a real one," said C/TSgt Kelli Bradley. "Then I thought how lucky we are to have CAP and the aerospace program, because where else can you find a group of young teenagers who have both of those experiences to be able to compare," she added.



Cadets of B Flight at the Raleigh-Wake Summer 2012 Airman School.



Cadets of Cape Fear Composite Squadron and Crewmen of the National Guard C-130 on which they took their flight from Wilmington, NC to Charleston, SC and back to Wilmington.



Cadet Airman 1st Class Rodarte presenting a speech to the group during evaluations at the Shelby Squadron Toastmasters Program.



Raleigh-Wake Cadets, C/SSgt Kober, C/AB Pantlin, C/MSgt Tapley, C/2d Lt Lowery and C/AB Zobel were the winning team for the Cadet Olympics.

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(SBU) March 10 2012 - ELT mission in Raleigh. The North Carolina Wing was alerted that an ELT was active in the Raleigh area. With Maj Chris Bailey as the Incident Commander 3 and Lt Col. David Crawford as Supervising Incident Commander 1, Major Mason as Mission Pilot, and 1st Lt Kenneth Currie as Mission Observer departed Fayetteville on CAP 3202 and located the signal in a residential area in North East Raleigh. Due to the residential location and improbability of this being an actual distress situation, the search was suspended for the night.

In the morning, the IC duties were handed off to Maj. John May. A UDF team, from Greenville, was dispatched to the area that was identified by the aircraft. After several hours of searching a high density residential area, the beacon was located at the residence of a boater with an EPIRB from his boat. The owner had been working on the boat the day before and didn't realize the switch had been activated.

(SBU) On June 27, 2012, the US Coast Guard requested help from NC Wing CAP in locating an EPIRB in Dare County. Response was quick. Capt Rick Laviano, Mission Pilot of NC 048, and Major Chris Bailey, Mission Observer of NC 022, were assigned to crew N963CP out of Raleigh. They got airborne quickly and headed for Manteo. Phone contact was made with the Coast Guard and frequencies determined to enable direct communication with them from the aircraft. Continuous communication was established between the Incident Commander in the aircraft using repeaters and viper radios. The Coast Guard was working the search on the ground and with a helicopter as we flew to the scene.

The EPIRB was found by the US Coast Guard in a small boat on a trailer in Manteo. It was a very old unit with expired battery date and was full of water probably from recent rains. It was silenced just as 963 was arriving in the area. Our aircraft had picked up the signal 30 minutes out. Our response was appreciated by the US Coast Guard even though they found it themselves.

Our DF equipment and skills are respected by them as is the professionalism of our crews. Thanks also to Capt Dave Nelson of NC 079 Pitt-Greenville, who was working on possible UDF support on the ground and Cadet Ethan Jacquin of that squadron who volunteered by himself, but wasn't needed this time.

(SBU) Pilots sharpen mountain flying skills. Flying in mountainous terrain in small planes can be dangerous, even more so when you're searching for lost aircraft or missing hikers. Pilots who conduct search and rescue missions practiced and sharpened their skills this weekend at an event put on by the Asheville Composite Squadron Civil Air Patrol at the Asheville Regional Airport.

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The event, known as "Mountain Fury", was open to Civil Air Patrol pilots from across the state and included classroom instruction by experienced Civil Air Patrol mountain pilots as well as hands on experience in the cockpit. Civil Air Patrol, an all volunteer group and chartered by Congress, has as one of its missions, emergency services in which they conduct search and rescue missions both in the air and on the ground, damage assessments and reconnaissance in times of natural disasters such as hurricanes and homeland security.

This is the sixth such training exercise conducted by the Asheville Squadron, which in previous courses have included pilots from Florida, South Carolina, Georgia, Tennessee and Pennsylvania. "We've got to have trained pilots capable of doing search and rescue in these mountains in a safe and productive manner and this clinic guarantees that will happen," said Col. Larry Ragland, Middle East Region Commander and former North Carolina Wing Commander, who was attending the course for the fourth time.

Asked what made Asheville a great place do this kind of training, Ragland said location and proximity to the mountains. Also "this is where we have many of our pilots who are very experienced mountain flying and who know how to do what they're doing in terms of doing it in a safe manner and so this is where we come for the expertise."

Asked why this clinic was important, Event Incident Commander Maj. Joe Weinflash said "Readiness, being prepared, being ready. Should a mission, whether it is homeland security, disaster relief or search and rescue take place in the mountains, it is important, to be qualified and competent beyond the standard FAA qualification."

Asked what pilots walked away with after attending the event, Weinglass said, "Confidence! This type of flying is not for everyone, but when called on you want pilots that can say, 'I can do this.'"

(SBU) On November 17, 2012, cadets participate in basic mountaineering training. Cadets and Senior members from every group in North Carolina Wing merged on Fort Bragg's Range 85 to take part in the Group 5 Introduction to Basic Mountaineering training class. With the giant rappelling tower, jetting over 50 feet in the air and obstacles in the background, one could see the excitement on the cadets faces as they gathered onto the range. Along with Officer in Charge 1st Lt Justin Bauer, CAP and the U.S. Army Liaison, Major Joshua Bauer, were a highly trained group Army Special Forces, Airborne Rangers, and Sappers from the post to help assist with the training.

As the cadets received their safety briefing, they learned they would not only be rappelling but would be learning all the knots needed in tying their own Swiss seat harnesses, working with medics from the post to learn advanced litter carry techniques, and putting the skills to use.

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The cadets and seniors would progress through three stations as they moved on. While Group 1 tied knots and learned the steps in tying their harnesses, Group 2 was using a Skedco SKED Rescue system to pull their fellow members around the range in order gain understanding, skill and stamina required by the medics to evacuate casualties from the field. All the while, members of Group 3 were working with litters to carry the simulated injured cadets under, over, and through a number obstacles on the course.

As the cadets completed their Swiss seat harnesses, they each moved to the small tower to get a lesson on how to lower your body down the line. They were taught the terminology used and the functions of the rappel Master on the top of the tower and the belaying man at the bottom. Each members' Swiss seat was checked by the ranger personnel and each member rappelled down the short diagonal tower. Once cadets and seniors made it down the short tower, each had the opportunity to rappel down the tall tower on the boarded side. Once everyone had completed this rotation and all cadets and seniors had made it through all stations, the tower was opened on both sides for those who wanted another turn. There were a number of takers. At the end of the day, forty-three (43) cadets were trained from a number of squadrons including: Burlington, Fayetteville, Iredell, Johnston County, Orange County, Shelby, Tar River, and Winston-Salem.

(SBU) On April 6, 2012, the AFRCC notified NC Wing of a 406 ELT in the Greensboro area. Alerts were sent to North and South Piedmont and the Winston alert system. Lt Col Andy Wiggs called right away from Burlington with the ability to man a ground team. However before they could man up to leave, Capt Dave Morse of Winston Squadron was at his hanger at Winston-Salem and pulled out his personal handheld radio and got a 121.5 signal there in Winston. A Winston aircrew had assembled and converted to UDF and they pursued the signal. It turned out to be in a Nigerian airline Boeing 737-800 that was in the Northstate Aviation hanger for maintenance. The Nigerian crew had apparently left the plane with the ELT in the on position. The maintenance crew silenced the ELT with a remote switch in the cockpit.

(SBU) April 23-24, 2012. 7.2 Hours of Airtime and 15 Members Finds Elusive ELT. NC Wing was alerted for an ELT at 0704 on April 23. Multiple airborne reports "near Charlotte" had been reported to the Atlanta Center. Lt Dennis Bissell took the mission as IC3/Trainee, supervised by Lt Col Crawford. After consulting with the AFRCC and getting additional information, the search area was refined to an area north of Rutherfordton. An aircraft was launched from Asheville led by Lt Col Wally Courtney along with Capt Rheta Perkins and Lt Col Bill Fleming who worked the search through most of the day in the area east of Asheville and south and west of Hickory. They were able to pick up the signal at 5000' and above, but were not able to get a solid lock on a direction. A ground team, led by Capt Michael Gallandt was also dispatched to assist. Due to winds and turbulence, a decision was made to stand down on the 23rd and regroup with the AFRCC.

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The AFRCC requested additional airborne reports from the Atlanta Center and received several that indicated that the signal was coming from an area significantly farther east than originally reported. Lt Col Courtney, along with Capt Ralph Weber and Maj Jim Styles, launched from Asheville on the morning of the 24th and proceeded east toward an area east and south of Hickory. Communications relay was provided by Maj Chris Linker. The aircraft was able to subsequently DF the signal to Statesville, locating it in a Cessna Citation. The mission was closed out on April 24. A total of 7.2 hours were flown, with 15 members participating in the safe execution of this mission.

(SBU) October 28, 2012. Civil Air Patrol, North Carolina Wing offered its third annual Ranger Training Weekend at Modoc Mountain State Park. Over 140 cadets and senior members from North Carolina, South Carolina, Florida, Maryland, Virginia, and Pennsylvania came to the park for ranger training.

Ranger training is a continued education to the CAP Ground Team Qualifications. So for its students, they would be learning much more than expected. Members learned rope work, fire-building, man tracking, health, safety, and other valuable skills including advanced land navigation and map work.

The weather all weekend was very unpredictable since Hurricane Sandy was passing North Carolina, there would be times where there would be a 100% chance of rain, but would not be raining. This provided a very realistic training atmosphere. The only time it rained was Friday night, so it was a relief to the students of the activity.

In addition to learning Search and Rescue Techniques, for the cadet staff it was an activity where they could increase their leadership skills and experience. C/CMSgt Aiden Maxfield, a team Commander for the Bravo Squadron said, "In addition to the Search and Rescue training offered, I have really learned a lot about leading cadets." This training activity was also C/Capt Horner's first time in the field since his tragic accident so it was great to see him again. He was Alpha Squadron Commander, which was the advanced course offered at Ranger Training Weekend.

During the weekend, many ranger certifications were made. In addition to ranger Grades, many staff members were awarded their Staff Scarves. Col Douglass, MER Chief of Staff, Maj Lyerly, Maj Bohler, Capt North, and Capt Rinehart were all awarded their Orange Scarfs, making these CAP members permanent Ranger Staff at Hawk Mountain Ranger School. In addition to that, several cadets completed the requirements for their Yellow Scarves, making them Staff members in Training at Hawk Mountain.



Cadets rappel down the tower at Fort Bragg during Basic Mountaineering Training.

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DISASTER RELIEF

(U) American Red Cross provides disaster assessment training for CAP members. Sixteen (16) members of the Civil Air Patrol and one (1) Red Cross member gathered together at the general aviation terminal of the Raleigh-Durham Airport to learn how to assess damage from a disaster both quickly and accurately. Red Cross Regional Director, Joselido Garcia-Ruiz, Rocky Mount Disaster Coordinator, Carlos Soto, Disaster Assessment Lead for the Raleigh Area, Dan Waterman and volunteer Derek Battle presented a lot of material in a short amount of time.

They were able to demonstrate how Civil Air Patrol's Ground Teams and Air Crews could easily be integrated into the rapid primary disaster assessment and the detailed disaster assessments. CAP's Air Crews would have the distinctive role of providing aerial assessment for regions which would not be reachable by road or foot.

Participants practiced some of these skills through tabletop exercises in which they had to think outside the box to solve problems such as transportation, information gathering and needed resources, all while dealing with unexpected situations that emerged, such as the emergency operations center being on lockdown, communications been disrupted, and roads/bridges being out. Lt Col Beckett, the North Carolina Wing Disaster Relief Officer, mentioned the possibility of joint training exercises to hone the newly acquired skills.

(SBU) North Carolina Wing completes aerial photo missions. Over 33,000 images were taken as part of Hurricane Sandy's disaster relief mission. A total of thirteen (13) North Carolina Wing members joined several CAP members from other wings to execute the missions to support FEMA. Civil Air patrol members provided aerial damage assessment imagery of the affected areas in New Jersey and New York.

CAP provided three (3), three-person crews and collectively Middle East Regions' Wings uploaded approximately 33,000 images. More than 90 mission sorties were flown for total of more than 200 mission hours. All NC Wing crews returned safely after successfully supporting FEMA in this critical function of gathering images.

North Carolina Wing Commander, Col. David E. Crawford, noted that Sandy taught us the value of consistent, persistent training in our chartered missions. "This horrific storm was beyond comprehension until the thousand disaster relief photographs began to fill the FEMA websites – giving new meaning to the term; "Disaster Relief. CAP proved, beyond our wildest dreams that, when disaster strikes, hundreds of volunteers came forward, sacrificing time, energy and know-how to serve our country. My deepest thanks go to the North Carolina Wing Members who played such a significant role in the Sandy Mission with aircrews and support staff."

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The Middle East region commander, Col. Larry J. Ragland added, "The hard work of so many has succeeded in getting FEMA valuable photographic information and supporting NER in mission management."

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(U) December 14, 2011. Eastern Carolina Infraguard members learn about Civil Air Patrol. More than thirty (30) members of the Eastern Carolina Chapter Infraguard assembled for the monthly member meeting to learn about Civil Air Patrol. The meeting was held at the Cisco Campus in Research Triangle Park, North Carolina.

Lt Col Conrad D' Cruz, who is a North Carolina Wing CAP member and has served as Secretary of the ECI since 2007, kicked off the presentation with a detailed history of the Civil Air Patrol beginning with the loose organization aviation buffs in the late 1930s and the movement that led to the signing of Administrative Order 9 by Army Air Corps Director La Guardia on 1 December 1941. The presentation then described the evolution of the organization during World War II until the organization was formally incorporated when President Truman signed Public Law 447 and later in 1948, established it as the auxiliary of the U.S. Air Force when Congress passed Public Law 557. Lt Col D' Cruz described the three original missions of CAP – namely Aerospace Education, Cadet Programs, Search and Rescue – how they have continued to today with expanded programs and initiatives.

Lt Col Don Beckett gave an overview of Emergency Services and provided details of the Federal statutes that supported the work that is done by the volunteers of Civil Air Patrol. He described the activities for Search and Rescue with respect to finding missing aircraft and missing persons and how the Incident Command Systems allow CAP to work closely with other agencies. Lt Col Beckett also provided a very high-level overview of Homeland Security support in the areas of Critical Infrastructures, Restricted/Sensitive Areas, and Borders. He described the National Emergency Services Academy at which CAP members get trained and earn the ratings.

Lt Col Beckett than focused on Disaster Relief and provided a summary of services North Carolina Wing CAP members have provided to the community during hurricanes and tornadoes that have hit the state over the past few years. He provided details of the Points of Distribution Training programs in the activities that are involved in setting up and supporting distribution centers during disasters.

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Infraguard is the public/private partnership with the Federal Bureau of Investigation and provides a forum for both physical and cyber security professionals to meet and share ideas. There are Infraguard chapters located across the USA. North Carolina has two chapters: a chapter based in Charlotte serving the needs of the southern and western parts of the state and the Eastern Carolina Infraguard Chapter, based in the Research Triangle Park, North Carolina, services central and eastern parts North Carolina.

(U) Iredell Composite Squadron gives back to the community. The Iredell Composite Squadron has started the year off by giving back through community service. The Squadron has completed two community service projects so far this year and has plans for several more. The most recent project was helping a local disabled veteran get his overwhelming yard back on track. Cadets and senior officers raked, picked up limbs and debris for 6 hours until the task was completed. When we first arrived at the location, we had our doubts that we could get the job done; the leaves were knee-deep in some locations. Because of the veterans disabilities, the expansive yard had not been maintained in quite some time. We were determined not to leave until the yard was in tip-top shape. While on location, the cadets enjoyed hearing military stories from a two-time Purple Heart recipient who spent 33 years in the Army and Special Forces.

With the help of Iredell Composite Squadron Booster Club, the squadron was able to present a check for \$500 to a local veterans group called Welcome Home Veteran. The Booster club held a BBQ chicken fundraiser to assist the squadron with travel expenses for their upcoming field trip to Washington DC and the Naval Academy. Richard's Coffee Shop in Mooresville, which is a nonprofit living military museum, hosted the fundraiser. As part of our community service, the booster club donated a portion of our proceeds to the organization. Cadets and senior officers help make our first fundraiser of the year a success by boxing and delivering over 500 BBQ chicken plates.

(U) On May 1, 2012, the US Coast Guard puts Civil Air Patrol on their historical map. Reportedly for the first time in history members of the Civil Air Patrol received the "Coast Guard Meritorious Team Commendation", without operational device. Members from Civil Air Patrol's Elizabeth City NC Composite Squadron, Cape Cod Massachusetts Composite Squadron, and Massachusetts Wing were cited as stated in the citation that accompanied the award, "For exceptionally meritorious service from 20 December 2011 to 17 January 2012".

The ceremony was held at the US Coast Guard Aviation Logistics Center Heavy Maintenance Facility in Elizabeth City, NC. The team comprised of members of US Coast Guard Massachusetts Wing and Massachusetts Wing's Cape Cod Composite Squadron; Rhode Island Air National Guard; and the Cape Cod Airport, were awarded the Coast Guard Meritorious Team Commendation.

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On 20 December 2011, the ALC Medium Range Surveillance Division received notification that support for the procurement of a large critical piece of De-Icing Equipment/Vehicle would be needed for the upcoming winter operational test and evaluation of the Coast Guard's new HC-144 Aircraft. The test period was scheduled to begin late January, which gave the Coast Guard less than 28 days to complete the procurement. The team quickly formed a multi-agency network, identified operational requirements, conducted the research, identified the sources of supply, found the equipment, selected the source, completed the contracting process, then delivered the equipment within 28 days, a process that normally takes at least 60 days to complete.

Without the combined exceptional efforts from all the participants and volunteers from all team members; US Coast Guard, U.S. Air Force Auxiliary Civil Air Patrol, and the Rhode Island Air National Guard, the Coast Guard could not have completed the critically important test and evaluation period of the HC-144 aircraft.

Members from Civil Air Patrol Cape Cod Composite Squadron and Rhode Island Air National Guard were scheduled to participate in a ceremony in Elizabeth City, but the U.S. Army flight from Cape Cod was forced to cancel due to bad weather. Maj Gen Dwight Wheless, on behalf of the CAP National Commander, Maj. Gen. Chuck Carr, and Maj Linwood Dabney, NCWG Group 3 Commander, on behalf of the NC Wing Commander, accepted the award on behalf of those who could not attend. On behalf of the Commandant of the Coast Guard, Capt. Warner Wintz, Commanding Officer of the US Coast Guard Aviation Logistics Center, presented the awards to Capt Terry Blucher, Gen Wheless, and Major Dabney.

(U) Start your engines, Shelby cadets the present colors! Every Friday night this summer you will find Cadets from the Shelby Composite Squadron Color Guard presenting the colors for our National Anthem just before the flag drops at the Historic Cleveland County Fairgrounds 'Good Old Days' racing series. "We are so proud of these cadets, to see their commitment to mastering this time-honored tradition brings a smile to my face" says Squadron Commander Maj. Tom Bly.

These races are just one of many events our Color Guard will be participating in this summer. With so many requests, our desire to fill them all is met with a growing number of cadets interested in the program, and we are constantly training more.

We would like to thank our current roster of cadets for doing such a wonderful job and making it look so easy; Cadet Maj. Westmoreland, Cadet Staff Sergeant Easter, Cadet Senior Airman Bradley, Cadet Senior Airman Willis, Cadet Airman Thompson, Cadet Airman Webb, and Cadet Airman Rodarte.

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(U) May 9, 2012. Cadet recognized for Community Service as a New Century Scholar. Each year only sixty-eight (68) students are inducted into the New Century Scholars Program and the Rutherford and Polk County School Districts by Isothermal Community College. This honor is given to students who demonstrate potential for academic success and leadership. In order to maintain good standing in the scholarship program students must maintain good school attendance, grades, citizenship, remain drug and alcohol free, and perform ten (10) volunteer community service hours each year.

C/SAmn Kelly Bradley was first inducted into the program in 2010 and has continued to meet and excel beyond the standards set forth. She was recognized by her peers and the faculty of Isothermal Community College along with the middle school program coordinators for going well beyond the required ten (10) hours in successfully completing one hundred fifty-four (154) community service hours in the 2011-2012 school year.

We would like to congratulate Cadet Bradley for a job well done, her hard work and determination reflects greatly upon herself and the Civil Air Patrol.

(U) Operation flying flowers. Eighteen (18) squadrons participated, in which a total of one hundred fifty (150) orders were obtained, for Operation Flying Flowers. Congratulations are in order to the Tar River Composite Squadron who sold the most flowers! The money that the squadrons earned for themselves ranges from \$4.25 to \$183.88. In the fundraiser, 50% of the flower money received goes to the flower company and the other 50% goes to those doing the fundraising. Of the latter 50%, 1/4 is returned to the squadron for their participation, and 3/4 goes to the Wing.

(U) May 5, 2012. Shelby Senior Members assist with 5K and 10K event while two (2) cadets run the race! It was a very busy day for a number of our members with two (2) cadets running the 5K and our senior members helping out with the race events. It was worth it for all of us to help support our community and this wonderful cause. The Dash, Dine & Drive In: Hot Rad Dash 5K and 10K were held in Boiling Springs, North Carolina to help support two (2) causes this year. Proceeds from the event were split between Relay for Life, in memory of Marsha Long Greer who passed away earlier this year from melanoma and Kristi Wagner, who is currently battling breast cancer.

Senior members Lt Melvin Lutz and Senior Member Keith Keever helped staff the race, Senior Member Tony Bradley helped organize members and provided photography for the finish lines, while Senior Member Kim McDonald staffed our recruitment table. At the same time, C/SSgt Easter and C/SAmn Bradley were making their way through the 5K course to the finish line where their fellow cadets waited to cheer them on. C/Sgt Easter finished 1st in his age group and Cadet Bradley 3rd in hers, with C/Sgt Easter finishing 7th overall in the race.

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(U) May 19, 2012. CAP squadrons involved in CIS Big Toy Day event in Brunswick County. For the third year in a row, the Brunswick County Composite Squadron and the Cape Fear Composite Squadron teamed up to support Big Toy Day at the Cape Fear Regional Jet Port at Oak Island on Saturday. A wide variety of equipment was displayed, ranging from fire trucks to helicopters and airplanes to cranes, ambulances and antique automobiles. Proceeds from the event benefit programs and services provided by Communities in Schools of Brunswick County. A total of 1700 people attended, raising \$7,500.

Cadets and senior members of the two squadrons participated in the activities by signing up youngsters for the Young Eagle Flights, conducted by members of the local experimental aircraft Association Chapter 939, and as aircraft marshaling/safety personnel in handling aircraft and passengers on the very busy tarmac. Additionally, squadron members manned a recruiting exhibit located adjacent to the CAP "glass cockpit" Cessna 182 aircraft in which a large number of youngsters and adults were shown the controls, instruments, and avionics panel of the plane. Many questions from the public regarding the operation of the airplane and the missions for which it was used were answered during the course of the day at the static aircraft display. Youngsters and their parents waited to be transported across the airport to take their Young Eagle Flights, during which a total of sixty-two (62) children were flown in single-engine planes piloted by EAA members.

A total of twenty-two (22) CAP cadets and senior members participated in Big Toy Day. They contributed to the success of the event and increased the public's awareness of the local Civil Air Patrol squadrons, their missions and the opportunities available in the units for youngsters and adults. Attendees also gained a better knowledge of Cape Fear Regional Jet Port and the role it plays in the overall economy of the area. Recent and ongoing improvements at the airport are resulting in increased aircraft operations and related activities, ranking the airport as number ten (10) in the state. Having a CAP Squadron based at and operating from the airport has helped Brunswick County residents understand and appreciate the services performed by the unit's volunteer cadets and senior members.

(U) April 15, 2012. The Charlotte Senior Squadron goes to the drag races. Several members of the Charlotte Senior Squadron attended the drag races at the zMac Dragway in Concord, North Carolina. Their seats were neither in the stands nor in the pits, but rather circling above the raceway and surrounding area in a CAP Cessna 172. Now, how did those prime seats become available to the aircrew members of Charlotte Senior Squadron?

As part of the ongoing outreach efforts with Cabarrus County and the City of Concord, the squadron offered to be the eyes in the sky for law enforcement and emergency management personnel located in the command center at the raceway. 2nd Lt Mark Goodman, a member of

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the squadron, is also a Battalion Chief with the City of Concord Fire Department and was instrumental in making the contacts and presentations needed for the operation. As both a first responder and CAP member, Lt Goodman could easily see the value CAP would bring to the event.

The main objective of the mission was to fly two sorties, one in the morning and one in the afternoon, to observe the traffic flow in the surrounding area and to provide real-time updates in the form of radio communications and photographs as needed. In the event of a traffic incident, the crews would be able to assist emergency vehicles to the scene using the best route possible, affording response personnel a minimum of response time. Capt James Emerson was located in the communication center at the track to provide the valuable link between the aircrews and emergency personnel.

The secondary objective of the mission was to provide a collection of aerial photographs of the area for the city to view the extensive construction on Interstate 85. This road is a main artery leading into and out of the area and with it down to two lanes in both directions, one fender-bender could be a major upset to the delicate balance of traffic flow. Review and study of these photographs by the City of Concord could prove to be quite valuable for traffic and emergency response teams during the busy NASCAR season that lies ahead.

This was a test on small scale to measure the value of having aircraft patrolling the area during the critical traffic times of the event. There were a lot of details to work out with emergency personnel, the tower at Concord Airport and the pilots of other aircraft with whom we would share the airspace. Both flights went very smoothly and there were lessons learned for both the squadron and city, with the hopes of expanding operations to the larger NASCAR and other events held at the Charlotte Motor Speedway.

(U) June 22, 2012. Shelby Squadron Cadets participate with the US Military All-Stars for presentation of the Ground Zero Flag. Cadets from the Shelby Squadron Color Guard were proud to be part of such an incredible ceremony. Cadet Major Westmoreland, Cadet Airman Webb, and Cadet Airman Edlund presented the US Colors for a team of American Heroes many of whom are scheduled to redeploy over the next few months. The Ceremony lasted a little over 20 min. and culminated with the singing of our National Anthem and presentation of colors.

The US Military All-Stars were founded in 1990; during a visit to the Naval Aviation Museum, President H. W. Bush discussed the positive impact baseball had on morale during World War II. His comments initiated the development of military baseball in the modern era. Over two decades later, we are the only program in history, where camouflage uniforms with historical references to represent all branches of military and first responders, is on one team. Since 1990, more than 25,000 Armed Forces personnel have represented their service while

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paying their own expenses, with a philosophy of Hustle, Think, Win! They are the "Globetrotters" of baseball. As the largest, fastest-growing and most successful barnstorming team ever created, delivering competitive, exciting "must see" patriotic entertainment enjoyed by millions visiting over forty-five (45) states and eight (8) countries, while competing against some of the finest organizations in the world, including the Boston Red Sox.

As part of the Red, White, and Blue Tour, the team conducts "Passing the Flag" and "Walk of Honor" ceremonies, both of which our Cadets were able to be a part of. The Ground Zero Flag was passed before the Color Guard while the words to "I am Old Glory" were read. The flag was then presented to Michael Osborne of Asheville, North Carolina. After the walk of honor, where the flag is carried from the mound to home plate while our National Anthem was sung by Sarah Johnson, an incredible young lady whose father is an Air Force Officer currently serving his 7th combat tour.

(U) July 4, 2012. Shelby Squadron Cadets lead the Lattimore Independence Day Parade! Hundreds of on-lookers lined the 1.3 mile parade route in the early morning hours. Many of them, driving in from other counties just to participate in the festivities, some arriving two (2) hours before just to get the best spot. The cadets were told they would be the 2nd Color Guard that morning, but when the primary guard could not make it, the Shelby Cadets proudly took their place. Marching in step the entire 1.3 miles were the Color Guard, C/Major Westmoreland, C/SSGT Willis, C/AMN Edlund and C/AMB Edlund. Walking behind were Major Bly, C/SSGT Bradley, C/AMB Weaver, and in his Fire Department Uniform, C/AMB Binion. "I was approached by a photographer that works the event every year," said Squadron Commander Maj Tom Bly. "He was impressed with the Color Guard's professionalism and performance." This marks the first time in many years the squadron has marched in a parade and it will be far from the last. When asked if they want to march in another, C/Major Westmoreland said, "We are certainly looking forward to the parades coming up later this year; we will be ready." The Squadron hopes to expand the color guard equipment prior to the holidays, so multiple teams can march in parades simultaneously.

(U) July 4, 2012. Cadets help at Independence Day celebration. The city of Rolesville NC hosted a community day followed by a fireworks show. Cadets from Raleigh-Wake Composite Squadron assisted the event by providing crowd managers. The duty of a crowd manager is to direct people towards exits in the event of an emergency. Crowd managers are required by the fire department for events with more than 1,000 people attending. In addition to being crowd managers, cadets also ran various attractions including a rock climbing wall. At the end of the event, cadets assisted in cleanup duties. Overall it was a successful day.

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(U) July 4, 2012, Iredell unit presents colors at Carowinds. The Iredell Composite Squadron Honor Guard presented the colors for the opening ceremony at Carowinds Amusement Park for military day. Carowinds recognized past and present military personnel with free admission, along with a hotdog and hamburger picnic. The Honor Guard was led by C/Maj John Robertson, a three year graduate of the National Honor Guard Academy. Other Honor Guard participants were C/1st Lt Montana Shores, C/1st Lt Felix Reyes, C/2d Lt Joshua McCoy, and C/MSgt Zachary Fleming. The Honor Guard's flawless performance was received with much applause. Carowinds allowed the Honor Guard to use the VIP room for the entire day, which were fully stocked with unlimited refreshments, and given full access to the amenities of the park. Carowinds and WSOC Radio staff were awed by the cadets professionalism and invited the Honor Guard to return next year.

(U) Brunswick County Squadron Color Guard in Southport Fourth of July parade. For the second year in a row, the Color Guard of the Brunswick County Composite Squadron, marched in the Southport, North Carolina Fourth of July Parade, one the largest and highest attended Fourth of July observances held in the state. Thousands of attendees along the parade route were impressed by the military bearing of the four (4) cadets in the Color Guard and cheered their performance during the more than one-hour long parade.

Additional recognition for the Civil Air Patrol and Brunswick County Composite Squadron was provided by having a uniformed squadron Cadet and Senior member standing in the vehicle pulling a float entered in the parade by Experimental Aircraft Association Chapter 939. The red white and blue decorated float featured a replica of the Wright Flyer with "Let Your Dreams Take Flight" as its theme. The Cape Fear Regional Jetport and Brunswick Air Flight School were featured in signage on the float along with the CAP. The producers of the new movie, "*Safe Haven*", much of which is being filmed in Southport, have asked that this EAA Chapter 939 float be part of a modified parade shooting, which is scheduled for 8 August.

Brunswick County Squadron will soon celebrate its third anniversary since being chartered in August 2009 at the Cape Fear Regional Jetport, where it conducts its meetings and flight activities. The young unit has been very successful in recruiting seniors and cadets and getting its members qualified in their respective positions, ranging from Mission Scanners to Mission Observers to Mission Pilot.

(U) August 14, 2012. CAP Made Area Pilots Aware of "No-Fly Zone" During the Democratic National Convention in Charlotte. The North Carolina Wing is assisting the Continental US North American Aerospace Defense Command Region in ensuring area pilots are aware a Temporary Flight Restriction (TFR) is being established by the Federal Aviation Administration for the upcoming Democratic National Convention in Charlotte Sept. 3-6.

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“This outreach is a great way to inform the General Aviation community about the FAA’s upcoming temporary flight restricted area in place for the Democratic National Convention,” said Maj John May, NC Wing Incident Commander. “The Civil Air Patrol is able to greatly enhance the effectiveness of the outreach program at a relatively minimal cost. With a greater awareness of the TFR, we hope to see fewer TFR violations.”

Posters designed to alert pilots about the upcoming TFR are being delivered by CAP to all public airports within a 75-mile radius of Charlotte. “The posters are a reminder that a TFR is a No-Fly Zone and when it goes into effect, there will be serious consequences for violators,” said May. Approximately fifty-five (55) North Carolina and South Carolina airports exist inside the 75-mile circle, and the North Carolina Wing is delivering the posters to each location as part of regularly scheduled training exercises.

“CAP adds tremendous credibility when we show up at an airport in a CAP uniform to deliver the posters and to explain TFR procedures to airport personnel and pilots,” May said. The deliveries began August 3. Among the first airports visited was Gastonia Municipal Airport near the South Carolina border, where May was greeted by a contingent of CAP cadets on hand for orientation flights in a CAP airplane. The cadets presented the posters to airport flight instructor Jill Cagle.

“This assignment is a departure from our usual Air Force missions of searching for missing aircraft or people and our emergency response activities during natural disasters,” North Carolina Wing Commander Col David Crawford said, adding, “the North Carolina Wing is glad to assist with this very important mission. We want to ensure all pilots in the area are aware the TFR is being established.”

CAP has performed this mission with great success in the past and that is why the Air Force has requested CAP’s support to get the word out about TFRs for both the Democratic and Republican National Conventions again this year.

(U) August 18-20, 2012 Shelby Cadets March at Keeter Stadium. Seven (7) Shelby Cadets had the honor and privilege to march onto Veterans Field at Keeter Stadium in Shelby, North Carolina to present our Nation’s colors for the American Legion World Series. The crowd watched silently as they marched perfectly in step to a position just behind the pitcher’s mound. All eyes were on the cadets as the National Anthem was played. The cadets then marched off the field in silence. As the flags came down, the crowd of more than 3,000 for each game cheered. The cadets participated in 4 games total and split the responsibilities.

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These games, as well as most of the presentation of colors, were carried on ESPN3 live. “We were so proud to have them come out; they did an outstanding job,” said Chief Warrant Officer 3 John Brooks, the Military Affairs Liaison for the games. “They certainly knew what they were doing,” he added. These cadets train on a weekly basis and are always learning something new. They take their roles very seriously, which for a group of teenagers isn’t something you see every day. Special thanks to the Color Guard members: C/TSgt Easter, C/TSgt Bradley, C/SSgt Willis, C/SrA Rodarte, C/Amn J Edlund, and C/AmB Edlund, and C/Am L Edlund. Well done!!

(U) August 24-26, 2012. While many teenagers headed to the beach to enjoy their last weekend of summer vacation, nearly ninety (90) CAP cadets from all points of North Carolina, and even Ohio, headed to the Winston-Salem Air Show. It sounds like the perfect weekend for aerospace lovers: Harrier jets, C-130, P-3 Orion, Prowler, A-4 Skyhawk, Cobra Helicopter, B-25, T-6, and so much more. Our cadets, however, were not there as spectators, they were there to fulfill a CAP core value: volunteer service.

With over 30,000 Air Show attendees that weekend, our cadets had much work to do. C/1st Lt Obediah Fire as the Cadet Deputy Commander, under the guidance of C/Lt Col Gourley, began planning for the show immediately after the 2011 Airshow. In early August the staff was chosen, selected were some of the best cadets from the 15 participating squadrons around North Carolina. These leaders worked in the following weeks making all the preparations to ensure a smooth mission. Thursday night, August 23, the mission base tent was set up and the communications trailer brought in and all was ready for the weekend show.

Though the cadets run the flight-line and CAP tasking part of the Winston-Salem Air Show, they were always under the watchful eye of Maj Ron Cheek who has been the Air Show Commander for many years. Ten (10) additional Winston-Salem Squadron Senior members worked directly with the cadets, with even more members dispersed throughout the Air Show with various duties. Several of the NC squadrons also brought along senior members whose help on the flight-line as back authority was a swift deterrent to the occasional belligerent spectator. Maj Eric Orgain, as Deputy Commander of Cadets, was impressed once again with the caliber and professionalism of the NC CAP Cadets in carrying out their duties throughout the weekend.

These duties, of course, involved flight-line management as per FAA regulations, but that was not all. Moving the flight-line as directed by the aircraft director, safely wing-walking aircraft, and keeping guard when there was potential danger to a careless spectator near an event such as the helicopters or the Sheriff’s fast-paced K-9 unit demonstration, were just a few of the special tasks.

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Being the CAP cadets' number one priority, safety, naturally, was the primary task of the weekend: crowd safety in particular. While crowds watched the show, the cadets were watching the crowds for any signs of dehydration, or heat related illness, on stand-by to radio for an EMT. As is common, CAP was responsible for the quick uniting of lost child and parent/grandparent a few times.

Cadet safety was also a high priority. Safety briefings were given each morning and dispensed throughout the day. Squad leaders were tasked with reminding their cadets to hydrate, eat salty snacks and generously apply sunscreen. Reapplication of sunscreen was especially necessary as covers are not allowed on the flight-line for safety reasons. Senior Members watched the cadets as they came in for breaks for signs of heat stress. 2nd Lt David Bouffard, the Medical Officer, and a head-nurse at Wake Forest Baptist Hospital when he's not at CAP, drove up and down the line checking on cadets and carrying loads of water.

A retired Marine General observed that the Winston-Salem Air Show could not have been so successful without these dedicated cadets. After the close of the show, as the Air Force C-130 took off for base, the cadets saluted; and one could almost envision a flashback to the 1940's. Recalling WWII when the first CAP members with respect and appreciation for the men and women serving overseas, took to the air in the spirit of volunteerism to tirelessly tend to the tasks necessary for the safety of our homeland. The cadets who sacrificed their weekend at the beach were similarly rewarded with an incredible learning experience.

(U) September 13, 2012. Shelby Unit Presents a Plaque to Historic Site. A brief ceremony was held on the steps of the historic Cleveland County Courthouse, which is currently undergoing renovation to become a museum, a plaque displaying the squadron's new patch and to commemorate this landmark being featured on the patch. Present were the Cleveland County Commissioners, Chamber of Commerce and other county dignitaries, the general public, and the Shelby Composite Squadron Cadets and Seniors.

(U) September 18, 2012. Shelby Cadets Lead Pledge for County Commissioners. Cadets from Shelby were invited to lead the pledge for the Cleveland County Commissioners meeting. The Cadets and 2nd Lt Bradley also presented the Commissioners with a Squadron patch plaque to commemorate the event. The cadets also took this opportunity to present County Commissioner and patrol squadron Member Ronnie Hawkins with his squadron patch. We invited all County Commissioners and officials to become members of the Civil Air Patrol and to help in leading today's youth, our cadets, to greatness.

(U) October 2012. Shelby Airport holds its Annual Fly-in. Cadets and seniors from the Shelby and Gastonia Squadrons were on hand to assist with this annual event. The beautiful weather brought out more than 1000 spectators and over forty (40) aircraft including two (2)

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CAP aircraft from the Asheville Squadron to conduct cadet “O” flights throughout the day. In all, nine (9) Cadets received their first orientation flights and two (2) cadets received their 2nd flight. Not only did the cadets fly, many more were on hand to assist with the fly-in and help answer visitor questions about aviation, the Shelby Squadron, and CAP in general.

“This was by far the smoothest fly in I can remember and a lot of that is thanks to the cadets,” says airport director Ben Yarboro. He added “You can tell the cadets want to be here; they are so proud of what they do.”

(U) Shelby Squadron’s cadets march in the Boiling Springs, NC holiday parade. Cadets from Shelby marched in the annual Boiling Springs North Carolina holiday parade on Sunday, November 25. The squadron plans to march in a number parades this holiday season and were proud to have their first to be the one most local. The cadets enjoyed being part of this joyful community event and are looking forward to the remainder of the season.

(U) December 6, 2012. Raleigh-Wake provides Honor Guard at Annual Christmas Tree Lighting. Governor Beverly Perdue presided one last time over North Carolina's official Christmas Tree lighting ceremony Thursday evening. As part of an 11 year tradition, Cadet and Senior Members of the U.S. Air Force Auxiliary, Civil Air Patrol's Raleigh-Wake Composite Squadron participated in the ceremony by assisting with setup for the bands and the area where Governor Purdue and her special guests would be seated, as well as providing an Honor Guard along the governor's path.

Before the event began, Governor Purdue stood for a photograph with the members of the Raleigh- Wake Composite Squadron. Afterward, the members of Civil Air Patrol lined the sidewalk to provide an Honor Guard for the governor and her guests, among them was Santa Claus!

Governor Purdue began the procession by hanging wreaths on the doors of the old Capitol building in Raleigh and ending by lighting a beautiful Christmas Tree on the south side of Capital Square. She then spent some time addressing the numerous children present by reading The Night Before North Carolina Christmas. During the lighter moments, it was hard to keep a straight face while Governor Purdue read about Christmas, mixed with NASCAR, Hush Puppies and many other references to North Carolina.

After the ceremony, Governor Purdue retired to the Capitol Building and Santa left on his big sled, while Cadet and Senior members were invited inside the Capital for warm drinks and cookies.

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(U) December 15, 2012. Winston-Salem Composite Squadron Holds Wreaths' Across America Ceremony. Winston-Salem Composite Squadron gathered to: "remember our fallen heroes, honor those who serve, and teach children about the sacrifices made by veterans and their families to preserve our freedoms."

Maj Ron Cheek arranged WAA ceremonies for the past four (4) years. One of our Cessna 172's circled overhead against the blue sky making a touching addition to the solemn sermon, as the cadets presented the wreaths at the memorial below. After the preliminary ceremony, the wreaths were transferred indoors. There they were put on display to be seen by thousands that would be attending the free holiday Pops Concert with the Winston-Salem Symphony Saturday evening.



Lt Col Don Beckett during his presentation on Emergency Services of the North Carolina Wing CAP at the Eastern Carolina Infraguard in Research Triangle Park, NC



Richards Coffee Shop, Mooresville, NC hosts a fundraiser for Iredell Composite Squadron and also for the organization Welcome Home Veteran.



Civil Air Patrol receives Team Award from the USCG. L-R: Capt Werner Winz, USCG; Maj Linwood Dabney, Maj Gen Dwight Wheless, and Capt Terry Blucker



The Shelby Composite Squadron Color Guard on the field at the Cleveland County Fairgrounds Good Old Days Racing Series. L-R; Cadet Bradley, Cadet Thompson, Cadet Willis, and Cadet Easter, followed by the Burns High School Marching Band.



Cadet Senior Airman Kelli Bradley is shown here with her New Century Scholar Award. This award is presented by Isothermal Community College.



Shelby Composite Squadron Cadets with awards after the Hot Rad Dash 5K and 10K run held in Boiling Springs, NC.



Shelby Composite Squadron Color Guard during the "Passing the Flag" ceremony.



Iredell Cadets present the colors at Carowinds Amusement Park on July 4th for Military Day. L-R; C/1st Lt Montana Shores, C/Maj John Robertson, C/2d Lt Joshua McCoy, C/2d Lt Felix Reyes and C/MSgt Zachary Fleming.



The Brunswick County Squadron Color Guard in Southport's 4th of July Parade. L-R; C/TSgt Hunter Riddle, C/CMSgt Canyon Cooke, C/CMSgt Chesnee Brittain, and C/A1C McKell Cook.



Raleigh-Wake Squadron at the Annual Christmas Tree Lighting in Raleigh.



Winston-Salem Composite Squadron cadets Honor Our Fallen Heroes during Wreaths' Across America Ceremony. L-R; Cadets: Joshua Woodard, Wayne Lewis, Landon Roddenberry, Zackary Mikat, Grace Niklas-Morris, Garrett Briggs, and Edward Gravley, directed by C/1st Lt Obediah



Salisbury Cadets placing flags at Salisbury VA Cemetery during a Wreaths' Across America Ceremony.



Shelby Cadet Color Guard at Keeter Stadium Baseball Game.



CAP Color Guard presenting the Service and POW Flags.

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(U) January 28, 2012. First Wave of the New Subordinate Unit Inspection Team Training Conducted in Group 3. During a six-hour training course, conducted in New Bern, North Carolina, fifteen (15) CAP members listened intently as Lt Col John Kay, North Carolina Wing CV, imparted the newest iteration of the North Carolina Wing Subordinate Unit Inspection Team Training Course. All the participants and instructors serve on Subordinate Unit Inspection Teams or will do so in the near future. This particular training is designed to make preparation and conduct of the SUI easier, as well as prepare teams and team chiefs to conduct all the unit inspections in a professional and meaningful manner throughout North Carolina Wing.

(U) February 25, 2012. North Carolina Wing Group 3 Members Complete SUI Training. On Saturday, eleven (11) officers in Group 3 received the Subordinate Unit Inspection portion of the IG Basic Course, conducted by Lt Col John Donahue. This was the second and final part of the inspection Team Training program spearheaded by Lt Col John Kay. This training built on the Inspection Team Training module conducted in January, and the second half of the training consists of inspection techniques, familiarization of regulations and SUI final report writing.

This same two-day training is scheduled to be conducted in each of the remaining four groups beginning with Group 2 in March and April and completing with Group 5 in September and October. The training concept, the idea of Lt Col Kay, was to standardize the procedure to complete SUI's conducted in NC Wing Groups and Squadrons, and the preparation of the subsequent SUI reports. The SUI is essentially a detailed operational review of how a squadron is performing and how it is prepared to complete the missions it is assigned by CAP. The intent of the training is to have all seventy-five (75) or more North Carolina Inspection Team Members and Team Chiefs conduct the inspections and report writing in a standard, uniform professional manner.

Group 3 now has eleven (11) fully trained Inspection Team members qualified to conduct SUI's. In accordance with CAP regulations, SUIs are to be conducted in each subordinate unit in the wing on a scheduled basis. Now Group 3 has a trained inspection team ready to follow the SUI schedule and conduct inspections that should benefit the unit commanders and their members.

(U) Three (3) Chaplains and one (1) Character Development Instructor from North Carolina Wing joined other Regional Chaplains at the 2012 MER Chaplain Staff College in Blackstone, Virginia, May 20-23. Attendees from North Carolina included: Wing Chaplain Lt Col Wayne Byerly, Deputy Wing Chaplain Capt Laura Johnson, Lt Col Richard Pannell, Character Development Instructor of the Asheville Squadron and Chaplain Capt Melvin Lutz of the Shelby Squadron.

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MER Chaplain Lt Col Jack Epperly and National Chaplain Lt Col Ken Colton led the sessions. During this conference, Chaplains and CDI's reviewed regulations and courses related to their specialty tracks.

(U) Asheville Squadron has ten (10) new CERT Members after Training. Ten members of the Asheville Composite Squadron of the Civil Air Patrol completed Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training during the month of April. The class was led by CAP 1st Lt Lewis Toms, who is also the Western Representative on the North Carolina CERT Committee and is a member of CAP.

The new graduates more than doubles Asheville CERT members from nine (9) to nineteen (19), giving them a greater advantage having members to help in time of disasters. CERT training includes learning how to put out small fires with a fire extinguisher, light search and rescue techniques, triage and first aid, family readiness along with the disaster relief training.

Toms said of the training, "It not only helps CAP members to assist in disaster relief, but also help them prepare their families for future disasters."

(U) June 5, 2012. Orange County Composite Squadron: Squadron Commander Pete Wehr promoted. The cadets, officers, and senior members of the Orange County Composite Squadron, as well as officers from North Carolina Wing located in Burlington, North Carolina celebrated as Squadron Commander Peter Wehr was promoted to Captain. Peter Wehr replaced Maj Eileen Kong in June 2011, who resigned her position to pursue a medical career.

Capt Wehr will continue in his position as Squadron Commander, as well as continue serving as Disaster Preparedness Officer, Logistics Officer, and Search and Rescue Officer. Wehr's vision for the Orange County Squadron is serving the community in the realm of emergency services, including search and rescue, emergency supply POD, and CERT. To that end, he has already seen to it that squadron members have gotten CPR and First Aid training, as well as coordinating a practice search and rescue operation with Cpl Scott Foster and his K-9 partner Talon, of the Hillsboro Police K-9 Unit back in April 2012.

(U) June 28, 2012. Shelby squadron hosts its first NWS Skywarn class. Thursday marked another step forward for the Shelby Squadron with the successful completion of its first community National Weather Service Skywarn class. Twelve (12) CAP Senior Members along with seventeen (17) citizens of Cleveland and Rutherford Counties received their Skywarn Basic certification. The class was a mixed group with CAP, U.S. Army, Ham Radio Operators, IT Directors, First Responders, Firefighters, Boy Scouts, and citizens active in the community.

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Since the program started in the 1970s, the information provided by SKYWARN spotters, coupled with Doppler radar technology, improved satellite and other data has enabled NWS to issue more timely and accurate warnings for tornadoes, severe thunderstorms and flash floods. SKYWARN storm spotters are part of the ranks of citizens who form the Nation's first line of defense against severe weather. There can be no finer reward than to know that their efforts have given communities the precious gift of time – seconds and minutes that can help save lives.

Although SKYWARN spotters provide essential information for all types of weather hazards, the main responsibility of a SKYWARN spotter is to identify and describe severe local storms. In the average year, 10,000 severe thunderstorms, 5000 floods and more than 1000 tornadoes occur across the United States. These events threatened lives and property.

We would like to thank Tony Sturey from Greenville-Spartanburg SC National Weather Service Forecast Office coming out in teaching such an informative class.

(U) July 2012. A Night of Awards at Raleigh-Wake for Maj Johnson and Maj Tessin. During a Thursday night Squadron Senior Member meeting, attended by a high number of participants including Col Larry Ragland, Col Dave Crawford, and Maj Max Nouredine, Col Dave Crawford awarded Capt Laura Johnson, Chaplain of the Squadron, with the Davis Award, the Loening Award and a Commander's Commendation for Outstanding Duty Performance.

The streak was not over for Capt Johnson because she also was promoted to the rank of Major. Soon after, Col Dave Crawford presented a Commander's Commendation for Outstanding Services to Maj Tim Tessin as Wing Flight Orientation Coordinator, improving flight performances, record of hours flown, in particular, during the recent Cadet Summer Encampment.

(U) December 2012. Asheville Member's Solo Flight. Asheville Squadron's own Capt Rheta Perkins soloed at the Foothills Regional Airport. Well Done!

(U) December 8, 2012. Shelby Squadron host basic first aid class. On Saturday, cadets and seniors took part in a basic first aid class hosted by the squadron and taught by EMTs from Dallas Rescue. The class covered many aspects of first aid, from splints and slings to bandages, personal protection, hot and cold weather injuries, and shock.

On top of teaching the members how to treat injuries until help arrives, the instructor spent time teaching the cadets and seniors just how to facilitate help arriving as fast as possible, which can mean life or death in certain situations. Tips include: staying calm when calling 911, speaking clearly, knowing where you are, relaying your location properly, and communicating what is happening and what you see to the 911 operator.

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The class rounded out with situational awareness, this included paying attention to what is around you and not just focusing on the person that is hurt, and making sure you aren't injured in the process of helping someone else.

The Squadron would like to extend our thanks to EMTs Ricky Cureton and Lt Angel Cureton of the Dallas North Carolina Rescue Squad for taking time out from other schedules to plan and teach this class.

(U) November 17-18, 2012. North Carolina Wing Professional Development Weekend held at Wake Forest University. CAP senior members from around the state in North Carolina, in addition to guests from the Virginia Wing, gathered on the campus of Wake Forest University for the second annual North Carolina Wing Professional Development weekend. The facilities, presenters, and participants combined to provide a positive atmosphere for a successful Professional Development Weekend.

The classrooms were designed for higher learning and included the technology needed to make quality presentations. The classrooms were also designed for comfort, facilitating class participation and enabling attendees to be comfortable during hours of class time.

The speakers for the weekend were experienced, prepared and encouraged class involvement. The main presenters for Training Leaders of Cadets, Squadron Leadership School and Corporate Learning Course were: Lt Col Max Benbow, Maj Jason Bailey and Capt Matthew Phillips, respectively. Lt Col Rob Smith, NCWG Director Professional Development, Col David Crawford, and Maj Chris Bailey were also part of the PDW staff. Additional speakers such as Maj Bruce McPherson, Financial Officer for NC 082, spoke concerning their particular specialty. Chaplain Lt Col Wayne Byerly, inspired by an "Armor of God" challenge coin, led services Sunday morning for a packed room.

The highlighted speaker of the weekend was Col Sean T Hannah, U.S. Army, retired, former director of the Center for the Army Profession and Ethics at West Point and current Professor of Management, and Tylee Wilson, Chair in Business Ethics at Wake Forest University School. Col Hannah conveyed key leadership principles that all members would benefit by applying in their CAP careers.

Classrooms and presenters are important factors in a successful professional development weekend. The participants are the ones that really brought things together. Capt Matthew Phillips created a WordPress website that was timely and informative. It was clear that the weekend was well organized; perhaps that is why there was such a large turnout. Twenty-one (21) North Carolina Squadrons and three (3) Virginia Squadrons were represented at the PDW:

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28 SLS students, 31 CLC and 9 TLC, total of 68 students. The students were quick to participate and share their Squadron experiences so all could learn. When divided up for small group sessions, the participants blended seamlessly into new teams, eager to complete assigned tasks.

Professional Development Weekend could have simply been a weekend CAP members put aside to meet assigned requirements for advancement. However, with excellent planning and execution, professional presentations and active participation from all class members, this Professional Development Weekend gave so much in one weekend: leadership lessons, clarification of CAP's organization, new ideas, and new friendships with fellow CAP members from across North Carolina and Virginia.



NC Wing Group 3 Subordinate Unit Inspection Classroom Training Exercise.



SUI Training Program Graduates for 2012: L-R Maj Fred Eldredge, Maj Bob Johnston, Lt Col John Donahue, 1st Lt Michael Woodruff , Maj Lin Dabney, Lt Col Wayne Asbell, Maj Ray Hemphill, Capt Tony Overman, Capt Jeff Miller, Capt George Wolfe, Capt Terry Blucker, Lt Col John Kay, SMSgt Stephen Madison.



Participants of the MER Chaplain Staff College, May 2012 in Blackstone, VA.



CAP 1st Lt Louis Toms conducts CERT Training

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(U) January 2012. New Members to Middle East Region Staff. Maj. Keith Mottas is coming on board as the new Standardization and Evaluation Officer. Major Mottas is a mission pilot, CFI and a F5 Pilot Examiner. He is a pilot with a Delaware Aviation Foundation and Commemorative Air Force, flying the B- 24, B- 25 and B-29 World War II bombers at various military and civilian airshows. He looks forward to working with other Middle East Region operational staff and the Standard/Evaluation officers in the wings to ensure the best training for our pilots.

Lt Col Philip Saleet will be assuming the duties of MER Historian as additional duty. He is currently North Carolina's Wing Historian. Lt Col Saleet has served in Civil Air Patrol since he joined as a cadet member in Maryland Wing's Glen Burnie Squadron 1960. He has served in Virginia Wing, Maryland Wing, West Virginia Wing and North Carolina Wing, so he has witnessed a lot of Middle East Region's History.

(U) January 2012. National Quality Cadet Unit Awards. Congratulations to the winners of the 2011 Quality Cadet Unit Awards from North Carolina Wing. North Carolina Wing alone had eight (8) units awarded this year out of 207, which means that North Carolina wing alone won 4% overall from National. The units are listed below:

Asheville Composite Squadron

Burlington Composite Squadron

Raleigh-Wake Composite Squadron

Pitt-Greenville Composite Squadron

Winston-Salem Composite Squadron

Boone Composite Squadron

Iredell Composite Squadron

Apex Cadet Squadron

The squadrons will be presented a certificate to post for visiting perspective cadets and parents to see, so these folks will know that they are in a place that will be awesome for them to be part of. These squadrons will also receive special recruiting materials to hand out also showing how awesome they are.

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(U) February 10, 2012. North Carolina National Guard Dedicates New Joint Force Headquarters. The North Carolina National Guard, in conjunction with North Carolina Emergency Management and the State Departments of Public Safety and Transportation, hosted a dedication ceremony to open their new joint force headquarters. The building is designed primarily to be an operations center for the state in the event of natural disasters or other emergencies.

Col Larry Ragland, MER Commander, Col Roy Douglas, North Carolina Wing Commander, Lt Col Paul Meade, Lt Col Lucy Davis, CAP Division Director, and Lt Col Andy Wiggs were among the invited guests. North Carolina Wing Cadets were asked to assist with a variety of duties, including escorting VIPs in attendance. Cadets who served were C/2d Lt Aleasha North, C/2d Lt Rachael Bailey, and C/SSgt Aiden Maxfield.

(U) February 2012. Capt Kathy Gaddy, Wing Administrator, earns National Award. The North Carolina Wing was informed that one of its tireless workers is a recipient of a National Headquarters Award. Mr. Don Roland, National Headquarters Executive Director, notified Col Roy Douglas, North Carolina Wing Commander, that our very own Wing Administrator, Kathy Gaddy earned the Wing Administrator of the Quarter Award.

The Civil Air Patrol Wing Administrator of the Quarter award is presented each quarter at the National Headquarters Quarterly Team Meeting. The award for Ms. Kathy Gaddy was for the October-December 2011 quarter.

(U) February 20, 2012. Veterans Day Celebration Honors World War II Fighter Ace Barry Davis. "The red-tailed" fighters of the Tuskegee Airman have drawn a lot of attention with the release of the motion picture, but a similar fighting force also won fame as protective escorts to numerous B-17 and B-24 bomber raids into the German Heartland during World War II. Flying with the "Checkertail Clan" of P-51 Mustangs is still a vivid memory for Franklin County Resident, Barrie Davis, so his friends and fellow airmen at the Triangle North Executive Airport near Louisburg decided to put some real meaning back into the Veteran's Day.

"We are honoring World War II fighter ace, Barrie Davis on February 20 at 1200," said CAP member Ben Cason, Raleigh-Wake Composite Squadron. Cason, along with CAP members Clive Goodwin and Steve Merritt, Airport Manager, began to spread the word. Following the event Cason, sent this summary of the day's activities:

Steve Merritt, Airport Manager and CAP member, introduced Barrie Davis to the group.

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(U) March 23-24, 2012. Middle East Region and North Carolina Wing conduct Joint Annual Conference. More than two hundred (200) Civil Air Patrol members representing the seven (7) states comprising the Middle East Region descended upon the North Raleigh Hilton on Friday. Billed as the first ever joint conference co-sponsored by the Middle East Region and the North Carolina Wing, members attending the Saturday morning session took part in a general assembly followed by the presentation of service awards and recognition of individuals and CAP units within the region.

Col Larry Ragland, MER Commander, and Col Roy Douglass, Commander of the North Carolina Wing organized the weekend. Former wing commanders attending were, Col Ralph Vogt and Col Larry Trick from Maryland Wing, and Col Don Edwards and Col Harold "Tink" Schaeffer from North Carolina Wing.

Also recognized were the members of the Region and North Carolina Wing Staff who have done the yeoman's work to make the conference possible: Lt Col Lucy Davis, North Carolina Wing, Lt Col Jay Langley, Middle East Region, Lt Col Jeff Willis, Middle East Region, and Capt Kathy Gaddy, North Carolina Wing. Active members from Delaware, District of Columbia, Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia and West Virginia participated in the proceedings. The North Carolina Wing received the Paul Turner Safety Award for a third consecutive year from the Middle East Region.

Col Rick Moseley, Middle East Region Vice Commander, served as master-of-ceremonies, and he opened the general assembly with the introduction of special guests. Following welcome messages from Col Ragland and Col Douglass, the keynote speakers for the session were Brig Gen Joseph Vazquez, National Vice Commander, and Mr. John Salvador, the Assistant Executive Director of CAP, who highlighted the status and current strengths of the organization. They stated that CAP now operates 550 aircraft, 960 motor vehicles, 4,675 mobile radios, and CAP expects to purchase 19 replacement aircraft and 127 replacement vehicles during fiscal year 2012. Also in attendance were Mr. Frank Jirik, the National Headquarters Director of Safety and Col Warren Vest, National Finance Officer.

Lt Col Kevin Hubbard, U.S. Air Force, presented an overview of the current and future status of the Air Force and CAP. He stated that, due to significant budget constraints, the Air Force is discontinuing the program of including state directors to the wing structure of CAP. Continued coordination between CAP Wings and U.S. Air Force will be maintained by a reduced team of Assistant Directors of Operations serving on a national basis rather than filling the current 38 state directorships wing by wing. Lt Col Hubbard stressed that CAP-US Air Force was cutting positions not people.

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A sizable block of time was allotted to the awards ceremony. The Exceptional Service Award was presented to six (6) members. The grand total of twenty-four (24) Meritorious Service Awards and fifteen (15) Commanders Commendations were presented as well as numerous other individual awards.

Attending the conference for the first time was CAP's recently elected National Commander, Maj Gen Charles L Carr. Also in attendance was Brig Gen Joseph A. Vazquez, National Vice Commander and former Middle East Region Commander. In addition, past National Commanders included Maj Gen Eugene Harwell, who is a former commander of North Carolina Wing, and Maj Gen Dwight Wheless, who is a former commander of the North Carolina Wing.

The afternoon session saw members attending a variety of seminars that included learning labs on Emergency Services, Operations, Safety, Aerospace Education, Homeland Security/Counter Drug, Cadet Programs, Information Technology, Communications, Logistics, Public Affairs, Middle East Region Commander's Call and Professional Development.

At 7:00 p.m. the Hilton's Grand Ballroom was the scene of the regions annual banquet. Col Moseley served as Master of Ceremonies, and the featured speaker of the evening was Brig Gen D. Todd Kelly, Assistant Adjutant General for Air NC National Guard. Gen Kelly, a highly decorated command pilot, spoke about the Guards past, present and future mission for our state.

Col Douglas commented on the historical significance of this conference. "The logistics involved in the planning and coordinating this event were staggering. But the result was a comprehensive, invaluable learning experience for all involved, including our wing and region staffs to the newly-minted cadets attending," he said.

At the conclusion of the evening, Col Ragland offered his special thanks to North Carolina Wing administrative team, in particular, Lt Col Lucy Davis, Lt Col Andy Wiggs and Capt Kathy Gaddy for providing the input that made this joint conference a truly memorable and successful event.

(U) May 14, 2012. North Carolina Wing Commander named Chief of Staff for Middle East Region. Middle East Region Commander, Col Larry Ragland, announced today that Col Roy Douglass has been selected to fill the position of Chief of Staff, to become effective on June 9, 2012. In his announcement to members of the region, Col Ragland said, "Col Douglas has served CAP for many years and demonstrated steady commitment to excellence and professionalism. He will step down as North Carolina Wing Commander after having served in this post since January 2009."

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Col Douglas assumed command in January 2009, succeeding Col Ragland as North Carolina Wing Commander. He joined Civil Air Patrol in August 1992 and served two 24-month tours as the San Angelo Composite Squadron Commander in Texas Wing. He also served two years on the staff of Southwest Region Staff College – one year as Public Affairs Officer and the other year as a Seminar Advisor.

The Vice Wing Commander of the North Carolina Wing, Lt Col John Kay, will fill the command position of the North Carolina Wing until a permanent selection is made for Wing Commander. Col Douglas will fill the position recently vacated by Lt Col Phyllis Griffin. Col Douglas and his wife, the former Gail Pleger moved to North Carolina in 1999, where he continues his CAP career.

(U) May, 9 2012. Fayetteville Unit Member receives U.S. Army Promotion. North Carolina Wing Member Lt Col Jayson A. Altieri, was recently promoted to the rank of Colonel, U.S. Army, at a ceremony held at NATO headquarters, Brussels, Belgium.

The host for the ceremony was US Air Force Brig Gen Paul T. Johnson, Deputy Commander, US Military Mission to NATO. In attendance at the ceremony were Mrs. Shelle Wheless Altieri, Col Altieri's wife, their children Isabella and Jayson, Jr.; U.S. Air Force Major and North Carolina member Todd Shugart; and associates and friends from the NATO and U.S. Army Brussels Garrison Community. Col Altieri, who has been a member CAP since 1979, is a 27-year veteran of the Army and currently serves as an Army Standardization Planner with NATO. In addition to his promotion, Col. Altieri has been selected to assume command of the 110th Aviation Brigade, Fort Rucker, Alabama.

(U) May 12, 2012. Two New Majors in Concord. Maj James E Emerson and Maj Willie Wright were promoted recently to their new ranks after successfully sitting before the Field Grade Promotions Board at Wing Headquarters.

Maj Emerson serves as a squadron Communications Officer and Assistant Operations Officer. He is a current Form-5 pilot, who will soon begin his Mission Pilot Training along with holding ratings as Mission Scanner, Mission Observer and Aerial Photographer and is also UDF qualified. In addition, the Major is Ground Team and Ground Team Leader qualified and is currently working on his Air Operations Branch Director and Communications Unit Leader qualifications.

Maj Wright is a Squadron Supply Officer, Logistics Officer, and Recruiting and Retention Officer; he recently completed his master rating in the Logistics specialty track. He is now building the unit's recruiting and retention program and working on the specialty track in

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that area. The Major is a Form-5 pilot currently training to become a Mission Pilot along with being rated as a Mission Scanner, Mission Observer, and Aerial Photographer. On the ground, Major Wright is UDF qualified and a Ground Team Trainee. They both are valuable members of the Charlotte Senior Squadron.

(U) June 9, 2102. North Carolina Wing Conducts Change of Command Ceremony. Before a record turnout of its membership, the North Carolina Wing conducted a Change of Command Ceremony. Col Roy Douglass has served the wing with honor and distinction for 3 1/2 years and has accepted the recently vacated position of Chief of Staff for the Middle East Region.

The ceremony was opened by the cadet color guard from the Burlington Composite Squadron; C/2nd Lt Joshua Gordon, C/SAmn Ian Shepherd, C/Amn Kody Holmes and C/SAmn Mary Puppo. Cadet Puppo and C/Maj Christina North sang the National Anthem. Cadet North is now serving as a PFC in the U.S. Army.

Lt Col Max Benbow, serving as Master of Ceremonies, introduced the dignitaries assembled for this very special occasion. Attending were National CAP Vice Commander, Brig Gen Joseph Vazquez and Middle East Region Commander, Col Larry Ragland.

(U) June 27, 2012. Middle East Region Commander Announces New North Carolina Wing Commander. After extensive review of each candidate's qualifications, detailed interviews and vetting of the two candidates with an Middle East Region Selection Board consisting of a North Carolina Member-at-Large, a past North Carolina Wing Commander, Middle East Region Staff, and an adjacent current Wing Commander, Col Larry Ragland announces Col Select Dave Crawford as the next North Carolina Wing Commander.

Col Select Dave Crawford has many years of experience and service to the Civil Air Patrol, serving in numerous positions at various levels within CAP. He is a former CAP cadet and served in the U.S. Army. His CAP operational experience will be of great benefit in North Carolina Wing's future. His leadership is expected to take North Carolina Wing above-and-beyond an already impressive level of performance and accomplishments.

(U) June 2012. Seventy Years of Safe Flying Earns Pilot Prestigious FAA Award. On a rainy Monday evening in the general aviation terminal at the Raleigh-Durham International Airport, Mr. Clive Delmont Goodwin received the prestigious FAA Wright Brothers Master Pilot Award presented by Bob Sutherland of the FAA. This award has been presented to only 1,600 pilots. It is earned by having a minimum of 50 years of civil flight time with no accidents. In some instances up to 20 years of military flight time can be substituted for part of the required time.

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Mr. Goodwin began his career of flight in the fall 1942 when he joined Civil Air Patrol. Shortly thereafter, in 1943, he enlisted in the Army Air Corps and attended a 30-day basic training at Shepherd Field, Texas. During his training, he was pulled aside to fly B-25 and B-29 bombers. Mr. Goodwin was attached to the training command at Lowry Air Force Base in Colorado where he and his crew flew many hours in the B-29 bomber aircraft.

He was eventually assigned to the 500th Army Air Corp out of Saipan but the war ended before he deployed and he was discharged into the reserves as a private in 1946; his temporary rank of 2nd Lt being part of a contract due to the need for pilots. Mr. Goodwin served the remainder of his 12 years in a reserve unit out of New York and left the service in 1955.

He has run a small airport in New Jersey, flown for the Coast Guard Auxiliary and aided the country of Trinidad with the development of an FAA like certification system for pilots and mechanics. Now in his late eighties, Mr. Goodwin has enjoyed over 70 years of flying and still enjoys soaring through the skies in light sport aircraft. He still serves in Civil Air Patrol as a Major at the Franklin County Composite Squadron, which meets at the Franklin County Airport in Louisburg North Carolina.

(U) June 6, 2012. South Piedmont Senior Squadron Tours Factory. Group 4 Commander Col Don R Edwards, South Piedmont Senior Squadron Commander Maj Jeffrey Focke, Lt Col Jerry Langley, Maj Thomas Cook, Maj Will Grooms, Maj Ron Goetchius, Maj Tom Schick, and Capt Ki Tae Sung toured the Cyril Bath Company at the Charlotte-Monroe Executive Airport, in Monroe, North Carolina. The tour conductor was Vice President of Operations Mr. Herbert Amster.

First, Cyril Bath is not a bathroom renovation company for your house! They are a leading International manufacturer of aeronautical components and airframe structures. All that metal twisting, carving, and crafting – these are the guys who do it! It is called stretch forming, hot stretch forming, elastoforming, linear friction welding, and various other technologies and techniques.

They began in the conference room to explain what they do and how they are situated in the global aviation scheme. Quite fascinating - the work they do with metallurgy and other structural design and equipment. Then they took us out on the production floor – and what a show that was! Since it was late afternoon and they had already finished for the day, we had a rare opportunity to walk on the floor and have them show us all the equipment and components they work on.

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(U) July 17-20, 2012. North Carolina Wing Member Earns Royal Netherlands Medal. Lt Col Jayson Altieri, North Carolina Wing, recently completed a four-day, 160 km Vierdaagse March in Nijmegen. The International Four-Day Marches Nijmegen is the largest marching event in the world. It is organized every year in Nijmegen in mid-July, as a means of promoting sport and exercise. Participants walk 30, 40 or 50 km daily, and, on completion, receive a royally approved medal – the Holland 4-day Event Cross.

The participants were mostly civilians, but there were also a few thousand military participants. Col Altieri, along with 10 members of the EuroCorps Team from Strasbourg, France participated in the march. The 4-days' has taken place since 1909 and is considered a National Holiday in the Netherlands.

Each day of the march is named after the biggest town it goes through. Tuesday is the day Elst, Wednesday the day of Wijchen, Thursday the day of Groesbeek and Friday the day of Cujik. The routes always stay the same unless there is a significant need to change, as it did in 2007 when the walkers went through Waalkade on Wednesday for the first time, since the original route got too crowded and the walkers had to wait for over an hour at times. 2006 was the first year to be canceled in 90 years (apart for WWII).

After the first day's march, there were thousands of dropouts and two deaths because of extreme heat. On the Friday, as participants near the finish, the public awards walkers with Gladioli, a symbol of force and victory stemming from Roman times when the gladiators were showered with Gladioli. The Nijmegen walkers are similarly showered in flowers on their arrival. The entry into the city and towards the finish, the St. Annastreet, is for that reason called Via Gladiola during the Nijmegen Marches. In preparation for the march, the Colonel marched more than 600 km in September of last year, carrying a pack weighing 16 kg.

(U) December 8, 2012. Shelby squadron holds annual Christmas party. Shelby squadron held their annual Christmas party on Saturday, December 8. The event was held at the AmericInn in Boiling Springs, North Carolina, since the use of the facilities were donated to the squadron by the hotel manager and cadet mother, Shelly Bell.

The evening was filled with fun and laughter as the families met other members and door prizes were awarded. As the evening was winding down the moment was taken to recognize 2nd Lt. Tony Bradley for his contribution to the squadron this year and a Certificate of Appreciation and award were presented.

Festivities were followed by something not normally seen at Christmas parties; the cadets swimming in the hotel's indoor pool.

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(U) December 2012. Raleigh-Wake Composite Squadron Holds Holiday Banquet. At the end of each year, the Raleigh-Wake Composite Squadron hosts a holiday banquet for cadets, senior members, and their families to enjoy dinner, dessert, prizes, promotions, awards and recognition.

The event requires a lot of manpower provided by the Cadets. There was a lot to be set up in order to make the evening the success that it was. We had C/2d Lt Devyn Williams and C/Capt Katie Zobel compile pictures from every event of the year to create a music video presentation. The night before, a select few cadets met at the Zobel's house to bake, ice, and decorate hundreds of cupcakes for dessert in addition to the dinner that was catered.

The event began with the Color Guard posting the colors, a prayer led by Chaplain Capt Sunman and introduction of the Head Table. After everyone had a chance to eat, C/2d Lt Devyn Williams and C/Capt Katie Zobel presented the music video of all the pictures captured over the year, followed by one of the main components the event: Cadet Promotions. The following Cadets were promoted at the banquet:

C/A1C Nicholas Pantlin to C/SAmn
C/A1C Toby Vestal to C/SAmn
C/SSgt John Newsom to C/TSgt
C/TSgt Amilyn Kober to C/MSgt
C/MSgt Mark Kober to C/SMSgt
C/SMSgt Rebecca Smart to C/CMSgt
C/SMSgt Ari Brown to C/CMSgt
C/SMSgt Brick Ingle to C/CMSgt
C/SMSgt Ryan Almich to C/CMSgt
C/CMSgt Devyn Williams to C/2nd Lt
C/CMSgt Grey Hodson to C/2nd Lt
C/MSgt Erica Adams to C/SMSgt and to First Sergeant

After the Cadet promotions, Deputy Commander for Cadets, Maj Zobel, and Cadet Commander, C/Capt Zobel, announced the awards voted upon by the Cadet Staff and Senior Members involved with the cadet program. The following were awarded:

Respect Award to C/SrA Nicholas Pantlin
Detective Michael S Phillips Award to C/SSgt Graci Gordon, C/SSgt Christa Gordon, and C/MSgt Braxton Robertson
Cadet Staff Member of the Year to C/2d Lt Devyn Williams
Cadet Officer the Year to C/2d Lt Eric Pantlin
Cadet Program Staff Member of the year to Senior Member Bill Robertson
Cadet of the Year Award for 2012 went to C/MSgt Amilyn Kober

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Following the Cadet awards, the Squadron Commander, Capt. Rich Laviano gave a very thoughtful comment of the Squadron activities for 2012, walking the audience from his Squadron Commander appointment to the reiterated objective of having close and concerted activities between the Seniors and Cadets, making our squadron largest and most successful North Carolina Wing. The evening was concluded with Capt Laviano and Maj Peter Bohler, Deputy Commander, presenting the Senior awards. The following appreciations and achievement awards were announced:

Senior Member Richard Zobel for Dedication and Leadership for the Cadet Program
2nd Lt Brian Flynn for Squadron Aerial Photography Education Training
2nd Lt Terri Richards for Dedication to Staff Operations
1st Lt Randy Lindsey Squadron Finance Officer
Capt Joe Lipsey as Squadron Logistic Officer
Capt Marcus Howard as Squadron Personnel Officer
Maj Timothy Tessin for Dedication to the Cadet Program
Maj Peter Bohler a Squadron RDU Security Officer
Maj Terri Zobel and Capt. Susan Lowery for Dedication and Leadership in the Cadet Program
Capt Jose Guzman for the Squadron Communication Capability Revitalization
1st Lt Alberto Griffa for the Squadron Emergency Services Training Program
Senior Member the Year 2012 Award went to 1st Lt Alberto Griffa his effort in the IT Department and in the ES program

Final thoughts and prayer concluded a very organized program.

(U) August 2012. Seniors and Cadets from Shelby Participate in Ham Radio Class. The Shelby Squadron would like to thank the Cleveland County Amateur Radio Club for teaching the six week HAM class and for assisting with the final testing. The Shelby Squadron looks forward to working with other community groups and clubs to help further the education of its members.

Congratulations to Major Bly, 2nd Lt Bradley, SM Keever, C/TSgt Bradley, and C/SSgt Willis for receiving their technician amateur radio license.

(U) August 2012. CAP Member receives Scholarship for Flying. The Asheville Squadron's Capt Rheta Perkins has recently been awarded a \$1,500 scholarship from the Western North Carolina Pilot's Association to be used in her pursuit of a private pilot's license. Rheta's flying endeavors started back when she joined the US Air Force after high school. After that, she started a career in the aviation industry and volunteers with the Civil Air Patrol, a nationwide congressionally chartered all volunteer organization that conducts Search and Rescue and Homeland Security missions, Cadet Programs, and Aerospace Education.

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Perkins is a valued member of her squadron in Asheville where she is a flight crew mission observer and also trains additional aircrew members. She has attended and taught at CAP National Emergency Services Advanced Aircrew School, where she was a distinguished graduate and attended CAP Middle East Region Search and Rescue College.

Rheta has been awarded the CAP Find Ribbon for a non-distress Emergency Locator Transmitter find, the CAP Disaster Relief Ribbon for a Presidential declared disaster after Hurricane Katrina, and she is part of the aircrew which received Outstanding Performance Recognition by the US Air Force.

“I am so thankful to the Western North Carolina Pilot’s Association for giving me the opportunity to pursue my aviation dream,” said Perkins about receiving the scholarship. The WNC Pilot’s Association usually awards one scholarship per year, but this year they awarded two.

(U) August 2012. Two Brunswick County Composite Squadron Members Receive a Very Special Honor. 1st Lt Kathy Nicholas and 2nd Lt Dick Hart, both pilots in Brunswick County Composite Squadron were honored recently by the widow of James C. Harrington, Mission Director of the Luna Module and Apollo XII.

About a year ago, Lt Hart, who never had met Jim Harrington, even though they attended the same church, became aware of Jim’s background. During a conversation, Lt Hart asked Jim if he would talk to the Brunswick County Squadron members about his experiences in the space program. Jim agreed to do this. Lt Hart, contacted Lt Nicholas, Aerospace Education Officer for the squadron, and plans were made to schedule the presentation.

Unfortunately, Jim’s health was not the best, and the presentation had to be postponed twice. Jim passed away on 23 June 2012. At Jim’s wake, his wife mentioned to Lt Hart that Jim had left something for him and 1st Nicholas.

Recently, Lts Nicholas and Hart paid a visit to Jim’s widow, Lorraine. Mrs. Harrington spent a considerable amount of time showing them all of Jim’s awards and talking about his career. Jim truly was a gifted person. It was especially meaningful that Jim thought enough of Civil Air patrol to honor two of its members with renditions of the Apollo XII Mission Patch in recognition of their support of our nation’s space endeavors. Lorraine Harrington seemed very pleased to be able to present the patches to Lts Nicholas and Hart, on behalf of her late husband.

(U) October 19, 2012. Father and Son Promoted to Captain. During a recent promotion ceremony, Cunningham Field Composite Squadron, Civil Air Patrol, two squadron members were promoted to the rank of Captain. Robert Hoffman, Captain, CAP, and Cadet Karl

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Hoffman, C/Capt, CAP, were promoted. The uniqueness of the ceremony was that the two are father and son. This is a first for this squadron, and the two were congratulated by the squadron commander and the deputy commander for seniors.

(U) October 2012. Lt Colonel Frank Sincox awarded Wright Brothers Master Pilot Award. In recognition of his contributions to building and maintaining the safest aviation system in the world, through practicing and promoting safe aircraft operations for 50 consecutive years, Colonel Sincox was awarded The Wright Brothers "Master Pilot" Award by the FAA.

Lt Col Sincox served our country for 36 years in the United States Navy as a Naval Flight Surgeon from March 1960 until 1996, retiring at the rank of Captain. His first solo flight took place at NAS Pensacola, FL in 1960 in a US Navy T-34 Trainer. Throughout his illustrious naval career, he has flown a number of aircraft including: Grumman S-2F Tracker, UH-34 Seahorse, Lockheed T-33 Shooting Star, AH-1 Cobra, and Huey UH-1. He has served ashore at locations including Naval Hospital Long Island, NAS Pensacola, Naval Station Norfolk, NAS Atlanta, Charlotte, and Trinidad, and afloat aboard The Aircraft Carriers USS Antietam CVA-36 and the USS Randolph CVS-15, the Destroyer, USS Melvin DD-680, the Amphibious Assault Ship, USS Tripoli LPH-10, and the Amphibious Transport Dock, USS Juneau LPD-10.

Lt Col Sincox has served in CAP since June 1988, and currently serves as the Health Services Officer for the Shelby Squadron. The Colonel is designated as an Aviation medical Examiner and Medical Doctor. He is board certified in Family Practice and was previously a North Carolina Medical Examiner. Although he retired in 1996 from Family Practice, he is still certified to practice medicine at the age of 80 and still sees patients on a limited basis. The Colonel is still flying today; he is the very proud owner of a 1949 Navion-A high performance complex aircraft.

(U) October 2012. Shelby Squadron's Fall Banquet a huge success. With fall in full swing, Shelby Squadron was very excited to hold their fall potluck banquet. "These banquets allow friends and family members, guests from the community, and officials from the county and state the opportunity to learn more about the squadron. It also allows the squadron to showcase its activities from past months and to discuss what the future holds," says squadron Public Affairs Officer, Tony Bradley. He adds, "We also like to center the banquet around a speaker or activity to help focus the event."

This banquet was no exception. The guest speaker, 14th Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force Gerald R. Murray, made quite the impression. "That was one of the most motivating speeches I have had the pleasure of experiencing," said Squadron Commander, Maj Tom Bly. Chief Murray focused his message towards the cadets of the squadron, but was applicable to all who listened. The message was to "Ask why? Why do we do the things we do in our careers,

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with our friends, in life in general? In order to grow personally and professionally, we need to know why we do the things we do; what drives us? The attendance for the event was a mixture of members and their families, friends of the squadron, visitors interested in the squadron, and a number of honored guests including 2 State Senators, 3 County Commissioners, a County manager, and their spouses.

Activities for the evening included honoring members of the community that have supported the squadron with certificates of appreciation, cadets were recognized for taking their first orientation flights this month, 2 Cadets were recognized for receiving Ranger 3rd Class at the NC Ranger weekend, and 3 Senior Members received their Yeager awards.

(U) 14 July 2012. North Carolina Wing has a New Commander. The 1500 members of the North Carolina Wing now have a new Commander. The Middle East Region Commander, Col Larry Ragland, passed the ceremonial guidon to Col David E. Crawford before a packed auditorium at NC Wing Headquarters in Burlington, NC. Crawford, a 30-year veteran of CAP, began his four-year term in office by expressing his vision of the direction in which he will lead the wing.

“It is my hope to see the NC Wing move toward a more universal approach for our operations,” Crawford said. “We will continue reaching out to the other six wings in the Middle East Region by removing boundaries. State lines are just lines on a map and we will encourage more interaction and joint operations between us and these wings,” he said.

Col Crawford noted that later in July, the NC Wing will conduct a joint search and rescue exercise with the SC Wing, and he will promote additional activities with the VA Wing and beyond. “When disaster strikes with hurricanes, tornadoes, and floods, each wing in the region must be prepared to move quickly and effectively to assist its neighbors.” Col Crawford succeeds Lt Col John Kay, who has been serving as Interim Commander. Lt Col Kay assumed command of the wing back in June when then commander, Col Roy Douglass accepted the position of Chief of Staff with the Middle East Region.

Noting that he joined CAP as a cadet, Crawford stressed that the wing continue vigorous support for CAP’s three Congressional mandates: Emergency Services, Cadet Programs and Aerospace Education.

IN MEMORIAM

Chaplain Lt Col Wade Gibson 2 December 2012

Lt Col Jim Carr 24 May 2012

Maj Donald G. "Pat" Patterson 9 October 2012

Maj Jesse W. Collum, Sr. 30 November 2012



NC National Guard Dedicates New Joint Forces Headquarters. L-R; State Command Sergeant Major John H. Stewart, NC CAP Middle East Region Commander Col Larry Ragland, C/1st Lt Aleasha M. North, Major General Gregory Lusk Adjutant General NCNG, C/2d Lt Rachael Bailey, C/SSgt Aiden



WWII Fighter Ace, Barrie Davis receives award from a representative from US Senator Richard Burr.



Past NC Wing Commanders at the Joint MER-NCWG Annual Conference



Asheville Squadron receives a Unit Citation during the MER-NC Wing annual Conference.



BG Vazquez receives ceremonial sword from Col



USAF BG Paul t. Johnson administers the oath of office to newly promoted USA Colonel Jayson Altieri at NATO Headquarters on May 9, 2012.



L-R Bob Sutherland, FAA and Maj Clive Goodwin, CAP



South Piedmont Senior Squadron Tours Cyril Bath Factory. L-R; Col Don Edwards, Maj Thomas Cook, Maj Ron Goetchius, Maj Will Grooms, Lt Col Jerry Langley, Mr. Ron Mahle Asst. Director of Aviation and Economic Development, City of Monroe, Capt Ki Tae Sung, Maj Jeffrey Focke, Maj Tom Schick, Mr. Herbert Amster.



Col Jayson Altieri USA awarded the Vierdaagsekruis



Raleigh-Wake Color Guard at the Raleigh-Wake Squadron Holiday Banquet.



Col Larry Ragland, MER Commander, passes the ceremonial guidon to Col David Crawford the incoming North Carolina Wing Commander, during the Change of Command Ceremony.

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(U) July 21, 2012, at Manteo's Dare County Airport, I took a "Walk in the Past". Back in the dark days, at the beginning of World War II, the German Navy's Submarine Force was sinking so many allied ships within sight of our coast that the German Submariners called it "The Happy Times".

The Civil Air Patrol Coastal Patrol came into being because of this submarine campaign. Due to shortages of military aircraft to handle patrol and escort duties, the CAP was tasked with helping to counter the U-Boat threat.

CAP established 21 Coastal Patrol bases along the Atlantic and Gulf Coast, from Maine to Mexico. At Skyco Field, Base 16 was established when an advance party began arriving on 22 July 1942, with the first aircraft arriving on 27 July. The Base was able to launch its first Patrol on 10 August 1942. During the winter of 1942, the base and personnel relocated to Manteo, NC while they continued to fly their missions. Daily missions were flown from dawn to dusk by base aircraft up and down the coast, providing convoy escort, search for survivors of torpedoing, looking for floating mines, and other services.

The Navy eventually took over patrol duties and the Coastal Patrol Bases closed on 31 August 1943. Bases 16 and 21 flew over 9,000 hours and millions of miles on their patrol missions. Also during the time Base 16 was in operation, two (2) Civil Air Patrol members gave their lives in the service of their country: Frank M. Cook and Julian L. Cooper, who both went down at sea.

On Saturday, a North Carolina Roadside Historical Marker was dedicated to the members who served at Coastal Patrol Base 16. One of CAP's Greatest Generation was there for the unveiling: Mr. C. Weldon Fields, who served as Communications Officer for Coastal Patrol Base 16 and later for Base 21 at Beaufort, NC.

The dignitaries in attendance were: Mr. John Ratzenberger, Curator of the Dare County Airport Museum; Chaplain (Major) Laura Johnson, CAP Assistant North Carolina Wing Chaplain; Major General Dwight Wheless, Past CAP National Commander; KaeLi Schurr, Curator, Outer Banks History Center, NC Department of Cultural Resources; George Wood, Chairman Dare County Airport Authority; Warren Judge, Chairman, Dare County Board of Commissioners; and Stan White, State Senator, NC Senate District 1.

The Keynote Speaker was 2nd Lt Frank Blazich, CAP, Ohio Wing Historian and Doctoral Candidate, Graduate Teaching Associate, Ohio State University. Lt Blazich was the driving force behind the procurement of the marker from the State of North Carolina.

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Other notables that took part in the unveiling of the marker were: Harry Bridges, Museum Founder and son of CPB 16 Pilot William Bridges; Dianne Daniels, daughter of former State Senator and CPB 16 Pilot Melvin R. Daniels Jr.; and Charles Small, nephew of Col Frank Dawson, NC Wing Commander and Commander of CPB 21, Beaufort.

North Carolina Wing personnel assisting in the dedication were: Capt Terry Blucker, CAP, Commander, and 1st Lt John Shepard, CAP, Public Affairs Officer, of Wild Eagle Squadron, Elizabeth City and their Color Guard members: C/MSgt Cory Randolph, C/SSgt Liam McLerath, C/SSgt Nathaniel Fields, and C/Amn Consuela Merkle (Miller). Also representing CAP were Lt Col Philip Saleet, CAP, North Carolina Wing Historian, and Capt Allen Johnson, CAP, of New Bern.

(U) November 10, 2012. Civil Air Patrol Honors Members who Served CAP during WW II. Barely one week before the beginning of World War II, a large group of aviation enthusiasts offered their services to the US government as a means of countering the rising threat posed by NAZI "U-Boats" along the Atlantic coast. Historians tell us that well over 2000 ships carrying vital supplies to the European theater war were sunk, sent to the bottom of the "graveyard of the Atlantic" by enemy torpedoes and brazen surface attacks.

"During the war, the U-boats sank about 2,779 ships, for a total of 14.1 million tons. This figure is roughly 70% of all allied shipping losses in all theaters of the war and to all hostile action. The most successful year for the German war machine was 1942, when over 6 million tons of shipping were sunk in the Atlantic," according to wikianswers.com.

The US was ill-equipped to counter this menace, with the bulk of our Armed Forces material being direct overseas, thus the Civil Air Patrol (CAP) was created by Congressional Charter. This volunteer force, using their own airplanes, was credited with actually driving the submarine menace from our shores. CAP pilots flew more than one-half million hours, credited with sinking two (2) enemy submarines, and rescued hundreds of crash survivors during World War II. Following the war the admiral commanding the German submarine operations was asked why he abruptly moved his U-boats away from the Atlantic coastline. He replied, "It was those damn orange and yellow planes."

Lt Col Phil Saleet, historian for the NC Wing, CAP, took a long, determined look at the activities originating from the two (2) coastal patrol bases that supported the war effort in North Carolina. His research located three living CAP members that are currently North Carolina residents.

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On November 10, 2012, the NC Wing conducted a special ceremony for these war heroes at its headquarters in Burlington, NC. NC Wing Commander, Col David Crawford said, "During the time CAP bases were active, the wartime effort, which included border patrol operations, search and rescue, disaster relief, forest fire patrol, emergency transportation of personnel and critical cargo, and towing practice targets for the US military, resulted in 64 member deaths and 150 lost aircraft by war's end. It is our privilege to honor these survivors for their determined, dedicated service to our nation."

Based on the research of Lt Col Saleet, the following honors and promotions took place:

Charles Weldon Fields: Assigned as communications officer Coast Patrol Base 16, Manteo, NC. 1st Lt Fields flew as an Observer on anti-submarine missions, accumulating over one hundred fifty (150) hours of patrol duty. He then transferred to Monogram Field, Driver, VA and served as communications officer for Tow Target Unit 21's new base of operations. He was promoted to the rank of Colonel and was presented the Distinguished Service Award.

Clive Goodwin, Jr.: 2nd Lt Goodwin joined a CAP squadron in Cortland, New York, and flew out of the Cortland Municipal Airport. The squadron's assignment was to fly Missing Aircraft and Search Missions for the Army Air Forces. While serving with this squadron, 2nd Lt Goodwin flew missions as a pilot during his active duty with CAP. The ceremony included his being promoted to Lt Col and he received the Exceptional Service Award. It also noted that Maj Goodwin is currently active with the Franklin County Composite Squadron, CAP and is still an active pilot.

Paul Sigmon: Corporal Sigmon assisted in building Coastal Patrol Base 21 in Beaufort, NC where he found an overgrown grass field, surrounded by marsh and the home of thousands of mosquitoes. Cpl Sigmon was one of base members assigned to build a new runway. Once the base was up and running, he served until the day it closed. He also was promoted to Lt Col and received the Exceptional Service Award. All three officers were granted lifetime CAP memberships. At the conclusion of the ceremony, names of those NC Wing members who made the supreme sacrifice were read to the audience. As each name was read, Pat Saleet, wife Lt Col Philip Saleet, sounded a bell:

Coastal Patrol Base 16: 1st Lt Frank Cook, 1st Lt Julian Cooper

Coastal Patrol Base 21: 1st Lt Guy Cherry, Capt H. Leonard Lundquist, Sgt. David Williams

Tow Target Unit 21: 1st Lt Norman Buckley, 1st Lt Alfred Kendrick

"Today, Civil Air Patrol continues to serve our nation," Col Crawford said. "At this very moment, CAP aircrews from across the country flying aerial photography missions, recording the destructive force of hurricane Sandy in New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania. Two (2) of our wing's aircraft have been supporting this mission while many other members are assisting in ground support activities."



Col Charles W. Fields receives award from Col David Crawford.



Lt Col Clive Goodwin Jr. receives award from Col David Crawford.



Lt Col Paul Sigmon receives award from Col David Crawford.



Mrs. Pat Saleet , rings the ceremonial bell.



2d Lt Frank Blazich, Keynote Speaker at Manteo Memorial Dedication for Coastal Patrol Base 16.



Cadet Color Guard from Wild Eagle Squadron at Base 16 Roadside Memorial Dedication.



Col C. Weldon Fields and relatives of Coastal Patrol Base 16 Members at the Roadside Memorial.



L-R; C/MMSgt Cory Randolph, C/SSgt Liam McLerath, C/SSgt Nathaniel Fields, C/Amn Consuela Merkle (Miller) behind Capt Terry Blucker, 2d Lt Frank Blazich, Lt Col Phil Saleet, MG Dwight Wheless, Col C. Weldon Fields, Chaplain (Major) Laura Johnson, 1st Lt John Sheppard and Capt Allen Johnson.

APPENDIX

Lineage and Honors Data 2012

Unit Designation	North Carolina Wing Headquarters Civil Air Patrol
Location	3520 Alamance Road, Burlington, NC
Higher Headquarters	Middle East Region Headquarters Civil Air Patrol
Commander	Lt Col David Crawford (26 June 2012) Lt. Col John Kay (Interim 9 June-25 June 2012) Col Roy Douglass (1 January-9 June 2012)
Vice Commander	Lt Col Max Benbow (26 June 2012) Lt Col John Kay (1 January-9 June 2012)
Aircraft Assigned	10 (Ten) Corporate Aircraft
Awards and Decorations	Paul Turner Safety Award

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NORTH CAROLINA WING STAFF 2012

<u>GRADE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>CAPID</u>	<u>DUTY ASSIGNMENT</u>
Lt Col	Crawford, David	147207	Commander Elect
Lt Col	Kay, John	107494	Interim Wing Commander/ Vice Commander
Col	Douglass, Roy	120411	Commander
Major	Annechiarico, Robert	200971	Asst. Director of Safety
Lt Col	Beckett, Donald	113714	Disaster Relief Officer
Lt Col	Benbow, Max	294658	Dir. of Admin/Vice Cdr.
Lt Col	Bobbey, David	350303	Chaplain
Captain	Browner, Jeremy	429811	Asst. External AE Officer
Lt Col	Budke, Clarence	133829	Asst. Chaplain
Lt Col	Byerly, Norman	113771	Asst. Chaplain
Major	Carnevale, Victor	196620	Asst. Stan./Eval. Officer
Major	Collum, Jesse	113954	Asst. Director of Safety
Major	D'Cruz, Conrad	311497	Asst. Public Affairs Officer
Lt Col	Donahue, John	101885	Asst. Inspector General
1 st Lt	Douglass, Gail	454854	Asst. Health Services Officer
Captain	Draper, Fred	426922	Asst. Dir. Communications
1 st Lt	Gay, Edward	461553	Comm. Engineering Officer
Lt Col	Gibson, Wade	129791	Chaplain
Lt Col	Grant, Eric	113636	Director of Finance
1 st Lt	Greene, Nancy	442377	Drug Demand Reduction Administrator
Captain	Henderson, Kertis	420005	Director of IT
Lt Col	Ingram, Leslie	112192	Health Services Officer
Major	Johnson, Jonathan	327429	Maintenance Officer
2 nd Lt	Knox, Kevin	470223	Asst. Director of IT
Captain	Lavinder, Todd	423589	Asst. Director of IT
Major	Linker, Christopher	396782	Asst. Director of Logistics
1 st Lt	Lipsey, Joel	121081	Asst. Drug Demand Reduction Administrator
Major	Mason, Robert	368539	Web Security Administrator
1 st Lt	Mathis, Larry	216908	Asst. Historian
Lt Col	Maxfield, John	381340	Legal Officer
Major	McCollum, John	336844	Asst. Director of Safety
Captain	Myers, Joseph		Asst. Historian
Major	Orgain, Eric	369458	Internal AE Officer
Captain	Penven, Donald	389596	Public Affairs Officer
Major	Peting II, Glen	350285	Asst. Stan./Eval. Officer

<u>GRADE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>CAPID</u>	<u>DUTY ASSIGNMENT</u>
Major	Phillips, Merlin	339112	Asst. Dir. Communications
Major	Ryan, William	381955	Director of Cadet Programs
Lt Col	Saleet, Philip	111160	Historian
Captain	Sandlin, Mary	400793	Supply Officer
Captain	Short, John	442624	Asst. Dir. Communications
1 st Lt	Summey, Jacob	291486	Cadet Programs Development Officer
Major	Serles, Joey	255789	Stan./Eval. Officer
Major	Twiddy, Paul	377291	Dir. of AE Education
Major	Viventi, Dion	328117	Asst. Homeland Security Officer
Major	Wiggs, Jonathan	113872	Alerting Officer
Captain	Williams, Donald	116964	Recruiting and Retention Officer
Major	Williams, James	368142	Asst. Director of AE
Lt. Col.	Willis, Jeffery	114037	Homeland Security Officer
Major	Wishnietsky, Dan	320671	External AE Officer

APPENDIX C

WING HISTORICAL INVENTORY 2010 REVISED 2012

CLOTHING

<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
1 pair	OD Green Flight Pants/Flight Suit Top – 1970’s
1	BDU Jacket
1	Blue Flight Helmet
1 pair	Blue Trousers (Male) – Shade 1577 – Early 1960’s
1	OD Green Fatigue Shirt
1	Female Dark Blue Beret w/Hat Device
1 piece	Royal Blue Knit Material (Tube)
1	Short Sleeve Light Blue Male Dress Shirt (Epaulets) – 1984-2011
1	Short Sleeve Light Blue Male Dress Shirt (No Epaulets) – 1965-1983
1	Royal Blue LTC Ball Cap
2	7 1/8 Officer Flight Caps
1	Enlisted Flight Cap (No Size)
2	Female Officer Flight Caps
1	7 1/8 Officer Flight Cap w/Hat Device
2	Male Short Sleeve Royal Blue XL Jumpsuit
1	Royal Blue Parade Scarf
5	Blue Web Belts w/Buckles
1	Silver Belt Buckle
1	Male Long Sleeve OD Green Shirt – 16½-32 (CPT Insignia) – 1960’s
1	1968 Long Sleeve OD Green Flight Suit (One Piece) – 1970’s
1 pair	Male Dress Blue (405) Trousers (1549 Poly-Wool) – Early 1960’s
1 pair	Male OD Green Pants (38/31) – 1960’s
1 pair	Male Sage Green (509) Fatigue Pants (Late 1950’s to Early 1960’s)
1 pair	Male OD Green Fatigue Pants – 1960’s
1 pair	Female OD Green Fatigue Pants – 1960’s
1 pair	Male OD (Olive 107) Pants – 1960’s
1	Male Long Sleeve OD (Olive 107) Shirt (17½-32) – 1960’s
1	Male Silver Tan Summer “Ike” Jacket (355) (LTC Insignia) - 1954
1 complete	Male Silver Tan Uniform (36S) Coca Cola Patch & Embroidered LTC Insignia - 1954
1	Male Medium Navy Blue Flight Jacket (CPT Insignia) – Early 1970’s
1 complete	Male Dress Blue (485) Uniform w/Observer Wings and Cutout – 1987-1994

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QUANTITY

DESCRIPTION

1	Male Cadet COL Dress Blue Coat (39L) w/all Cadet Ribbons, Sharpshooter Badge, Junior Small Bore Expert Badge, Pilot Wings, Shoulder Boards, Ohio Wing Patch, & Name Plate-FOCKE – 1977-1985
1	Female Dress Blue Blouse Collar Tab – 1970's
1	Ranger Ball Cap (Black #32019)
1 complete	Male Tailor Made (Baltimore, MD) Blue Dress Uniform w/NC Wing Patch, CAP Plate, Name Plate-BULLA, Cutouts, WW II Victory, Original Service Ribbon, Blue Service w/3 clasps, AS&R w/2 clasps, and Blue Web Belt w/Buckle – 1951-1966
1	Male Long Sleeve OD Green Shirt 17/32 (LTC) and OD Pants
1	OD Green Flight Jacket – 1980's
1	Male Short Sleeve Tan (505's) Shirt & Trousers (14½) w/NC Wing Patch & CAP Aux. Patch – 1951-Mid 1960's.
1	Male Short Sleeve Tan (505's) Shirt & Trousers (14½) w/Miniature LTC, NC Wing Patch, & CAP Aux. Patch
1	Male Long Sleeve Shirt Khaki/Tan & Trousers w/NC Wing Patch & CAP Aux. Patch – 1954-1966 Summer
1	Male Long Sleeve Khaki/Tan Shirt & Trousers w/Miniature LTC, NC Wing Patch, & CAP Aux. Patch – 1954-1966
1	Male Long Sleeve Tan Shirt (14½-32) – 1950's
1	Male Long Sleeve Tan Shirt (14½-33) – 1950's
1	Blue "Ike" Jacket (S) w/CAP Aux. Patch – Early 1960's
1	Royal Blue Mesh Ball Cap (LTC)
1	Female Khaki Flight Cap – Cadet – 1942-1945
1	Female Blue Flight Cap W/Hat Device and Officer Braid – 1990's

INSIGNIA

QUANTITY

DESCRIPTION

1	Senior Blue CPT Epaulet
1	Senior Blue MAJ Epaulet
1	Senior Burgundy LTC Epaulet
2	CAP Overcoat Buttons 1960's
	CAP Buttons (Various years & styles)
2 sets	CAP Buttons
1 pair	Leather 2 nd LT Bars (Flight Jacket)
7	Metal CAP Plates
1 pair	Metal CAP Cutouts
1	Miniature Metal 2 nd LT Bar

INSIGNIA

QUANTITY

DESCRIPTION

1 pair	Miniature Metal CPT Bars
1	Regular Metal CWO
1	Regular Metal 1 st LT Bar
2 pair	Regular Metal 2 nd LT Bars
1	Regular Metal CPT Bars
3	Regular Metal MAJ Leaves
1 pair	Regular Metal LTC Leaves
1	Plastic Blue CAP Name Plate-SCHULTZ
1	Plastic Blue CAP Name Plate-BENNETT
1 pair	Plastic Encased 2 nd LT Bars
4 pair	Plastic Encased CPT Bars
2 pair	Plastic Encased MAJ Leaves
3 pair	Plastic Encased LTC Leaves
3	Plastic Covers for Leather Wings for Flight Suit
1	Sew-on CAP Cadet Encampment Patch (mid 1950's-worn on sleeve of tan shirt)
3	Sew-on CAP Aux. Patch
4 pair	Sew-on CAP Blue Cutouts
2	Sew-on OD CAP Cutouts
2	Sew-on OD 2 nd LT Bar
1	Sew-on Blue LTC Leaf
2 pair	Sew-on Blue LTC Leaves
3	Sew-on Red Border NC Wing Patches
4	Sew-on Blue Senior Observer Wings Sew-on Cutouts, etc. (Various kinds)
1	Sew-on Black Cadet CAP Strip (used on old OD Shirt)
1	Sew-on Black Senior CAP Strip (used on old OD Shirt)
1	Sew-on Cadet 2 nd Class Rank Patch
2 pair	Sew-on Cadet Technical Sgt. Rank Patches
1 pair	Sew-on Cadet Master Sgt. Rank Patches
2	Metal Civil Air Patrol Badges
1 pair	C.A.P.C. Cutouts – Large
2 pair	C.A.P.C. Cutouts – Small (No Break at C.)
1 Pair	C.A.P.C. Cutouts – Small (Break at C.)
1	CAP – Winston – Salem Squadron Pin – “82”

PRINTED MATERIAL

<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
1	Aircrew and Flight-line Tasks - 11 April 2005
1	CAP Anniversary Planning Guide - April 2011
1	CAP Annual Report to Congress 1975
1	CAP Annual Report to Congress 1976
1	CAP Annual Report to Congress 1977
1	CAP Annual Report to Congress 1978
1	CAP Annual Report to Congress 1979
1	CAP Annual Report to Congress 1980
1	CAP Annual Report to Congress 1981
1	CAP Annual Report to Congress 1982
1	CAP Annual Report to Congress 2002
1	National Unit Directory - January 1981
1	Historians Activity Report - 20 October 2010
1	Chaplains Film Service Manual USAF - 1951
1	NC Wing Communications School - 9 August 1987
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Abbreviations and Acronyms

ACMO	Air Crew Mission Observer
A/E	Aerospace Education
AEO	Aerospace Education Officer
AFRCC	United States Air Force Rescue Coordination Center
AFROTC	Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps
AIT	Advanced Individual Training
ALE	Alcohol Law Enforcement
ARNG	Army National Guard
ATL	Atlanta, GA
BLET	Basic Law Enforcement Training
BSA	Boy Scouts of America
CAP	Civil Air Patrol
CAP-IO	Civil Air Patrol Information Officer
CAPM	Civil Air Patrol Manual
CAPP	Civil Air Patrol Pamphlet
CBS	CBS Broadcasting Incorporated (Previously Columbia Broadcasting Corporation)
CCPS	Department of Crime Control & Public Safety
CIS	Critical Incident Stress
CISM	Critical Incident Stress Management
CMC	Carolina Medical Center
CS	Chief of Staff
DOT	Department of Transportation
DR	Disaster Relief
DDR	Drug Demand Reduction
ECI	Extension Course Institute
ELT	Emergency Locator Transmitter
EMS	Emergency Medical Service
EMT	Emergency Medical Technician
ES	Emergency Services
EST	Eastern Standard Time
EOC	Eastern Operations Center
EPIRB	Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacon (Boats)
FAA	Federal Aviation Administration

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FBO	Fixed Base Operator
FCC	Federal Communications Commission
FEMA	Federal Emergency Management Administration
FESs	Field Expedient Shelters (Lean-to)
FLM	Flight Line Management
FOD	Foreign Object Debris
GIS	Geographic Information System
GPS	Global Positioning System
GT1	Ground Team One
GT2	Ground Team Two
GTE	General Telephone and Electronics (Verizon now)
GTM1	Ground Team Member One
HF	High Frequency
HQ	Headquarters
IACE	International Air Cadet Exchange
IC	Incident Commander
IG	Inspector General
KAFB	Kirkland Air Force Base
LZ	Landing Zone
MCAS	Marine Corps Air Station
MD	Medical Doctor
MEAC	Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference
MER	Middle East Region
MO	Missouri
MO/MS	Mission Observer/Mission Scanner
MOTSU	Military Ocean Terminal Sunny Point, Southport, North Carolina
MPH	Miles Per Hour
MRE	Meals Ready to Eat
MRH	Morehead City Airport, Morehead City, North Carolina
MRO	Mission Radio Operator
NASA	National Aeronautical and Space Administration
NASAR	National Association for Search and Rescue
NATO	North Atlantic Treaty Organization
NC	North Carolina
NCDOT	North Carolina Department of Transportation
NCEM	North Carolina Emergency Management
NCGS	North Carolina General Statute
NCNG	North Carolina National Guard
NCO	Non-Commissioned Officer
NCWG	North Carolina Wing, Civil Air Patrol
NE	Nebraska

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Abbreviations and Acronyms

NER	Northeast Region
NESA	National Emergency Services Academy
NM	New Mexico
NSC	National Staff Collage
NUC	National Uniform Committee
NW	Northwest
NWS	National Weather Service
OCS	Officer Candidate School
O-rides	Orientation Flights
PAO	Public Affairs Officer
PGV	Pitt-Greenville Airport
PLB	Personal Locator Beacon
POD	Point of Distribution
POW-MIA	Prisoners of War-Missing in Action
PRA	Peoples' Revolutionary Army
RAPCON	Radar Approach Control
SAR	Search and Rescue
SAREX	Search and Rescue Exercise
SARTECH	Search and Rescue Technician Training
SBU	Sensitive But Unclassified
SC	South Carolina
SE	Southeast
SEALs	Sea Air and Land Teams
SUI	Subordinate Unit Inspection
TAC	Tactical Officer
TV	Television
TX	Texas
TXWG	Texas Wing
U	Unclassified
UCC	Unit Commanders Course
UHF	Ultra High Frequency
US	United States
USAF	United States Air Force
USC	United States Code
USCG	United States Coast Guard
USMC	United States Marine Corps
VHF	Very High Frequency

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Addison – A city in Texas

Alamance County – A county in North Carolina

Albuquerque – A city in New Mexico

Anson County – A county in North Carolina

Appalachian State University – A state college in Boone, North Carolina

Arlington National Cemetery – Location of the “Tomb of the Unknown Soldier”, Arlington, Virginia

Arrow – A city in South Carolina

Asheboro – A city in Randolph County, North Carolina

Asheboro Airport – A small airport in Randolph County, North Carolina

Asheville – A city in and county seat of Buncombe County, North Carolina

Asheville Airport (FAA: AVL) – A class C airport in the town of Fletcher, 9 miles south of the City of Asheville, in the state of North Carolina

Beaufort – A city in and county seat of Carteret County, North Carolina

Bertie County – A county in North Carolina

Billy Mitchell Airport – A small airport in Hatteras Village, North Carolina

Boone Airport – A small airport in western North Carolina

Brunswick County – A county in North Carolina

Brushy Mountain – Remote camping area in Wilkes County, North Carolina

Buncombe County – A county in North Carolina

Burlington – A city in Alamance County, North Carolina

Burlington-Alamance Regional Airport – North Carolina Wing Headquarters, Burlington, NC

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Butner – A city in Granville County, North Carolina

Cape Fear Regional Jetport – A small airport in Brunswick County, North Carolina

Charlotte – A city in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina

Columbus – A city in Ohio

Concord – A city in North Carolina

Concord Regional Airport – A small airport in North Carolina

Davidson County Airport – A small airport in Davidson County, North Carolina

82nd Airborne Museum – A Museum of the 82nd Airborne Division in Fayetteville, North Carolina

Elizabeth City – A city in North Carolina

Fayetteville – A city in Cumberland County, North Carolina

Fayetteville Regional Airport – A small airport in Fayetteville, North Carolina

Fort Bragg – A US Army Base in Fayetteville, North Carolina

Fort Macon – An 1800's brick fortification and State Park in Atlantic Beach, North Carolina and HQ Coast Guard Sector North Carolina

Fort Mill – A city in South Carolina

Franklin County – A county in North Carolina

Goldsboro – A city in Wayne County, North Carolina

Halifax – A city in North Carolina

Harnett County Airport – A small airport near Dunn, North Carolina

Havelock – A city in Carteret County, North Carolina

Haywood County – A County in Western North Carolina

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Hickory – A city in North Carolina

Highlands – A city in Texas

Horace Williams Airport – A small airport in Chapel Hill, North Carolina

Iredell County – A County in Central North Carolina

Jacksonville – A city in Onslow County, North Carolina

Kirkland Air Force Base – An Air Force Base Southeast of Albuquerque, New Mexico

Kitty Hawk – A city in North Carolina and site of Wright Brothers powered flights in 1903

Lawrence Joel Veterans Memorial Coliseum – Sports Coliseum located in Winston-Salem, North Carolina

Louisville – A city in Kentucky and site of 2011 CAP National Board and Conference

Macon County – A County in Western North Carolina

Manteo – A city in North Carolina

Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point – Marine Air Station in Cherry Point, North Carolina

McDaniel College – A college in Westminster, MD

Mobile – A city in Mobile County, Alabama

Morehead City – A city in Carteret Count, North Carolina

Muncie – A city in Indiana

New Bern – A city in Craven County, North Carolina

Pearl Harbor – Military Installation in Hawaii/Site of Japanese attack on 7 December 1941

Person County – A county in North Carolina

Pineville – A city in South Carolina

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Pitt-Greenville Airport – A small commercial airport in Greenville, North Carolina

Pitt County Memorial Hospital – A major medical facility in Greenville, North Carolina

Pope Air Force Base – An Air Force Base at Fayetteville, North Carolina

Raeford – A city in North Carolina

Raleigh – The Capital of the State of North Carolina

Raleigh-Durham Airport – A large Commercial Airport in Raleigh, North Carolina

Rock Hill – A city in North Carolina

Rocky Mount – A city in Edgecombe County, North Carolina

Salisbury – A city in North Carolina

Savannah – A city in Georgia

Seymour Johnson AFB (FAA: GSB) – An Air Force Base in Goldsboro, North Carolina

Southport – A city in North Carolina

Statesville Municipal Airport – A small airport in Statesville, North Carolina

Tarboro – A city in North Carolina

USS North Carolina – A Battleship Memorial in Wilmington, North Carolina

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Wake Forest – A city in North Carolina

Washington, DC – The Capital of the United States of America

White Lake – A vacation resort in Bladen County, North Carolina

Wilmington – A city in New Hanover County, North Carolina

Winston-Salem – A city in Forsyth County, North Carolina

Zebulon – A city in Wake County, North Carolina

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