CAP's fiscal 1996 authorization restored

The battle is over — for now! Civil Air Patrol's funding for fiscal 1996 was restored in August when the House and Senate reached an agreement to retain CAP's $5 million operations and maintenance funding authorization. "CAP's funding crisis for fiscal 1996 has been resolved," said Col. Thomas A. Handley, CAP corporate legal counsel and legislative coordinator at CAP National Headquarters, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala. "But next year presents a more serious challenge to the corporation."

In June, the Senate Armed Services Committee (SASC) approved a $5-million reduction proposal by Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., in CAP's O&M account despite a strong CAP effort to defeat the move. McCain, who is chairman of the SASC's Readiness Subcommittee, was "concerned about the burden nondefense and lower-priority military programs place on an already inadequate budget." His proposed reduction would have seriously affected CAP's mission capability.

During the process of approving the reduction proposal in July, SASC officials cited a critical GAO report as proof for this 18.5 percent budget cut. The report was later shown by CAP officials to be totally inaccurate. According to Handley, the funding reversal was brought about by the hard work and concentrated effort on the part of the CAP membership and a number of other influential people. At the grassroots level there was also a strong letter-writing campaign waged by thousands of CAP members across the country.

Bryan E. Sharratt, deputy assistant secretary of the Air Force for Reserve Affairs, also played a vital role, Handley said. "Mr. Sharratt visited many members of Congress with me and other CAP key legislative workers including Col. Denzi Allen, commander of the Great Lakes Region, Col. Kemper Hyers, vice commander of the Middle East Region, Col. William McKeilve, special assistant to the national commander for counterdrug operations, and Capt. Vicki Ogden, from the Tennessee Wing."

On another occasion, retired Air Force Gen. Russell E. Dougherty, the former commander in chief of the Air Force's Strategic Air Command, Kenneth E. Goss, director of government issues for the Air Force Association, and Handley visited with SASC staff members. In several Senate offices, they were told about the many letters CAP members had mailed, e-mailed and faxed to them.

Near the end of July, Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, stopped forward to help CAP. The senator, who has helped CAP many times before according to Handley, prepared a floor amendment to restore CAP's $5 million O&M funding.

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Washington, D.C.

Lt. Col. Franklin J. McConnell Jr., National Capital Wing, pauses for a moment of reflection at the Vietnam War Memorial in Washington, D.C. The nation's capital was the site for Civil Air Patrol's 1995 National Board Meeting and Convention. More than 1,200 members attended the three-day affair held Aug. 17-19 at the Sheraton Washington Hotel. See the special four-page pullout section in this issue featuring exclusive photos of the event and CAP's annual award winners.

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ANCHORAGE, Alaska — It was mid-morning when the Alaska Civil Air Patrol picked up the signal from the emergency locator transmitter and homed in on it.

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"Look, over there! We found it!" The observers congratulated each other on their find — in Russian.

The wreck in this case was an old one, the search was a training mission and the observers were part of a visiting delegation from the Russian Northeast Border District. The border service is a uniformed armed force with army, air and naval components operating under the Russian Interior Ministry.

Rear Admiral E. R. Ruitta, 17th U.S. Coast Guard District commander, hosted General-Major Viktor Petrovich Voitenko, Russian Northeastern Border District deputy commander, and a group of 17 border service people.

As part of the July 26-28 visit, CAP's Alaska Wing flew two training sorties with Russian aircrews. Wing personnel used the sorties to show the Russians how CAP uses small aircraft on inland search and rescue missions. A CAP crew placed a practice emergency locator transmitter at an old wreck site just north of Elmendorf Air Force Base and set the signal off to make the search more realistic.

This is the first time I've ever been in such a small aircraft," said Senior Warrant Officer Sergey Kostarev, Russian aerospace officer. "Fifteen years I've been a navigator of large aircraft and seldom get below 10,000 feet," he added. "It's amazing how close you get to the ground. You can see the rivers and all of nature below you. Everything is visible. It's remarkable!"

"It is interesting to fly in an area where there were so many small aircraft in general aviation; we do not have small private aircraft in Russia," said Lt. Aleksey Sudakov, deputy aircraft commander. "Flying within the traffic — all the converging airplanes was fascinating; this is what I will remember most."

"We do not use small aircraft for search and rescue in Russia," said Warrant Officer Valery Kudashkin. "We normally use big planes and helicopters; it was interesting to see how useful the small airplanes are."

"Because we are neighbors, we have a responsibility to each other to be friends and to help protect and guard the environment, and do the joint patrols against poaching in the Bering Sea, along with the Chinese and Koreans. We all share the same waters and it's all of our responsibilities," said Lt. Col. Sergey Melikov, aircraft commander.

"Exchanging information like this only helps everyone involved when there's an emergency," said Lt. Tom Prunty.

The visit is the result of a maritime search and rescue agreement recently signed maritime agreement, the U.S. Coast Guard and Russian border service have pledged their mutual cooperation in conducting search and rescue, law enforcement and environmental protection missions.

Air Force News Service
Civil Air Patrol has suffered several significant aircraft mishaps during 1995. Not all involved improper acts by aircrews and supervisors, a few were caused by members who failed to live up to their responsibilities ... which means a lack of integrity.

My Air Force partner on the CAP-U.S. Air Force team, Col. Wes Padgett, authored an exceptional article about integrity in last month's Civil Air Patrol News. As a companion to his thoughtful piece, I asked the editor to reprint my article on integrity that appeared in the April 1994 issue. I wrote it! I stand by it! I expect all to live by it!

CAP has provided exceptional public service to America over the last half-century because we executed our duties with a strong commitment to the tenets of integrity. I ask that you maintain that commitment to the tenets of integrity. From my journeys to uncompromising integrity today.

Integrity

That simple word conveys a world of meaning and forms the foundation of all else we do as officers and cadets in the U.S. Air Force Auxiliary.

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Integrity is the foundation of all else -- a conviction I hold for three reasons.

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Secondly, we are custodians of federal and state equipment and funds. But most importantly, we are custodians of the public trust, and there is absolutely no room for compromise in individual or organizational integrity. Third, we are custodians of our personal business and submitting routine reports to higher headquarters;

Integrity means we exercise great care and honesty in filing valid CAP Form 108 reimbursement requests, transacting other financial business and submitting routine reports to higher headquarters;

Integrity means we ensure only qualified and certified members participate in flight activity, emergency services or counterdrug missions;

Integrity means we wear our uniforms in strict compliance with CAPM 39-1, The Civil Air Patrol Uniform Manual. It means we don't mix non-CAP approved items; such as leather flight jackets, with approved items;

Integrity means we conduct all our actions in such a way we would not be embarrassed to have the details printed on the Powell of Evidence Hall, the Liberty Bell, the early days of World War II. It is equally essential we continue their legacy of integrity today.

The American public deserves CAP's absolute adherence to uncompromising integrity. From my journeys across the country and the joy of working at your side, I expect no less and know you'll continue to deliver the highest standards of personal integrity through your individual acts of quiet heroism. Semper vigilans!

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to the fiscal 1996 Defense Bill which would have restored CAP's $5 million after a full senate vote. Sen. Ben. (Nighthorse) Campbell, R-Colo., and Richard Shelby, R-Ala., initially co-sponsored the amendment and were later joined by Sens. Patrick Leahy, D-Vermont, and Robert Smith, R-N.H.

The senate vote on the amendment proved unnecessary as last-minute negotiations with McCain and his staff resulted in a compromise amendment which will restore CAP's $5 million O&M and assure full funding for fiscal 1996 Defense Authorization Bill. According to Handley, the only road block at that point would be if the amendment was caught up in the "delays and confusion of presidential politics" along with other Defense Department funding.

Next year presents a more serious threat to CAP, according to Handley. In a briefing he presented in August to the CAP National Board in Washington, D.C., Handley said it was clear that McCain is being joined by other Republican senators seeking "alternative sources" of funding for CAP's "fusion of presidential politics" along with other Defense Department programs, etc.

Another potent weapon for CAP next year will be the new high-level "CAP Consultation Committee" which was recently introduced by CAP National Commander Brig. Gen. Richard L. Anderson at the just-completed national board meeting. The volunteer committee consists of prominent former senior Air Force, government and business leaders. The committee will serve in an advisory role and assist CAP with interaction at the highest levels of government.

Dougherty will serve as chairman of the committee, according to Anderson. "General Dougherty and his contemporaries on the CAP Consultation Committee represent a formidable force and an invaluable brain trust of talent and experience. They will be of immense value in charting a future course for CAP ... and in navigating CAP legislation through the Congress. The CAP Consultation Committee will be our keys to success!" said Anderson.

Dougherty has brought other top officials to the committee, including retired Air Force Gen. Charles A. Gabriel, former Air Force chief of staff; Kenneth Goss, director of national security; Honorable Verne Orr, former Secretary of the Air Force; retired Air Force Gen. Michael P. C. Carnes, former chief of the National Guard Bureau; Retired Air Force Lt. Col. Kathy LaRose, former Air Force's first woman pilots.

Col. William C. Younger, CAP's assistant national legal officer, pilots and McKelvey were instrumental in getting the committee operational and have been appointed by Anderson to serve as key CAP liaison personnel with the committee.

"CAP's budget battles next year will undoubtedly be helped greatly by the members of CAP's new consultation committee," said Handley.

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Aviation attorneys subscribe to two schools of thought on the issue of Federal Aviation Administration letters of investigation. Some will advise you not to respond while others will advise you to. Be advised that a failure to respond will likely result in a letter from the FAA Legal Department which should not be ignored.

Before making any decisions about whether to respond to an LOI, seek the advice of an experienced aviation attorney. For your protection, your attorney should also be present at all meetings with FAA investigators or other FM personnel. Remember, any response to the letter or discussions with an investigator may be used against you in an FAA enforcement action.

The Remedial Training Program was set up as an alternative to legal enforcement for pilots and mechanics who violate FAA regulations. Excluded from this program are those certificate holders who were exercising their certificate privileges for compensation or hire in air transportation when the apparent violation occurred.

The remedial training course may be offered by an FAA Accident Prevention Specialist or other qualified persons at the direction of the Flight Standards District Office Manager, only after a review of the investigative file, discussion with the accused violator in person, and discussion with the investigating field inspector.

Ground instruction, flight instruction, simulator training or other training may be required and must be received from qualified non-FAA training sources approved by the APS at the candidate's expense.

Upon satisfactory completion of the required remedial training, the pilot will receive a letter of correction and the case will be closed. After two years, the record of the matter will be expunged.

Note that failure to successfully complete the training program within the specified time -- usually 120 days from the notice of the alleged violation -- may result in a termination of the pilot's participation in the program and also may result in legal enforcement action. In addition, if the FAA chooses legal enforcement, the response to the LOI may be used as evidence against the pilot in an enforcement action. Note, however, that information provided to the APS by the pilot will not be used as evidence.

Be advised that in order to participate in the remedial program the candidate must respond to the LOI and express an interest in participating in the program and cooperate with the investigation. Whether or not remedial training may be appropriate within the discretion of the inspector, in coordination with the Field Office Management.

In exercising this discretion, the inspector should consider the following factors:

- Whether future compliance can reasonably be ensured through remedial training alone;
- Whether the airman exhibits a constructive attitude which would lead the inspector to believe that noncompliance is unlikely to recur in the future;
- Whether lack of qualifications is indicated by evidence gathered during the investigation.

An appropriate response to conduct which discloses a lack of qualifications is not remedial training but removal under 609 of the Federal Aviation Act of 1958;

- Whether the airman has a record of prior enforcement actions. (For the purpose of this decision, the FAA may consider various administrative and legal actions, without a finding of violation; and;
- Whether the investigation reveals conduct which is deliberate, grossly negligent or which may constitute a criminal offense.

Remedial training is not appropriate in such cases.

Remember, participation in the remedial training program is at the FAA's discretion. If you do not respond to the LOI, the remedial training option may be lost. Extreme caution should be used if you wish to pursue this remedy.

A pilot must be extremely careful and diplomatic when dealing with the FAA. If you wish to pursue this option you should consult an attorney in order to best protect yourself.

“Remember, participation in the remedial training program is at the FAA's discretion. If you do not respond to the LOI, the remedial training option may be lost.”

AFA speaks out about proposed budget cuts

Editor's note: The following editorial was published in the "National Report" section of the September 1995 Air Force Magazine and reprinted with permission.

The Air Force Association has long been a strong supporter of a range of cadet leadership programs, including the Air Force JROTC, Air Force Reserve ROTC, Air Force Society, Aerostar Flight/Silver Wings, Air Academy cadets, and the Civil Air Patrol.

Two of these programs have come under attack recently during the congressional budget process. CAP and Air Force JROTC strongly oppose any cuts to these worthwhile programs. In fact, CAP is working to expand participation.

The association believes that both programs not only prepare young men and women for military service, but also are superb character-building and citizenship-development programs.

In addition to its cadet program, CAP is involved in a wide range of activities performed by highly qualified, dedicated volunteers.

Last year, CAP flew 85,000 hours of community service missions, and also was credited with saving 154 lives.

Whether the airman has a record of prior enforcement actions.

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Moral leadership officer functions as chaplain service member

1. Along with many former chiefs of chaplaincy, I have literally agonized over the fact that at least 50 percent of our units do not have appointed chaplains to conduct moral leadership programs, and more recently, the "Senior Ethics for Command" sessions. Unfortunately, we were forced to use visiting clergy or others to conduct these sessions. And worse, commanders and unit members were signing on chaplain programs knowing the moral leadership section was not being completed.

After long discussions with various groups, both within and outside CAP, we have decided to take a solid alternative. The National Executive Committee has approved a new senior member position entitled "moral leadership officer." MLOs will be religiously trained, ecclesiastically approved senior members who function as members of the chaplaincy service. They will act as support chaplains in moral and ethical instruction by assisting chaplains with worship leadership and supplementing chaplain resource during emergency services.

Whenever they function as part of the chaplain service, MLOs will serve under a chaplain and each one will be assigned a CAP-appointed chaplain/mentor in a wing. Minimum qualifications are:

1. Complete senior-member level 1 training;
2. Receive written ecclesiastical approval before being appointed as an MLO and promoted to 2nd lieutenant.

Once past the initial requirement, an MLO's duties will include: conducting "Values for Living" and "Ethics for Command" classes. If there is a chaplain and MLO assigned to the same unit, the MLO will coordinate with the chaplain to develop a schedule.

MLOs may offer advice and counsel on matters of ethics and morals to all senior members and cadets, and they may assist with worship by offering prayers, invocation and benediction.

MLOs may assist the chaplain with scheduled and announced worship settings, and, in the absence of a chaplain, conduct worship services within the limits allowed by their denomination. They may also assist with military or military-style funerals or memorial services.

MLOs will prove valuable in the emergency services ministry by offering spiritual support to victims and/or survivors of disasters in accordance with the dictates of their own religious teachings; offering counseling and spiritual support to chaplains and others engaged in disaster relief activities; and assisting chaplains in the ministration to families of missing persons or disaster victims.

MLOs will function, however, under the following restrictions: They may not be called chaplains or wear any of the chaplain insignia; they are not covered under the confidentiality provision of CAP Reg 265-1, and will not engage in any pastoral interview unless the CAP member waives the confidentiality right in writing prior to the interview's beginning; they will not engage in confidential counseling with cadets or senior members.

MLOs may counsel to the extent any other CAP senior member with similar education and training, to the limits allowed by their denomination. It is the MLO's responsibility to inform personnel prior to discussion about this restriction.

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CAP will be promoting the card via advertising in the Civil Air Patrol News and special tables set up at region conferences. Questions about the new affinity Visa card can be answered by calling the MBNA America Bank at 1-800-847-7379.
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Don R. Rowland
Director, Plans and Requirements


Many of the participants, from board members to squadron members, rated it the best ever: "We received many compliments on the superb performance by Civil Air Patrol and Air Force employees," said CAP Executive Director Col. Paul J. Albano Sr. "Much work was accomplished by the board and the convention seminars offered fantas-tic educational opportunities for the members. It was a great start for the new Civil Air Patrol."

On Day 1, the national board conducted business. The board acted on the following agenda items:

Item 1: Elected Col. Paul M. Bergman for another term as national vice commander. Confirmed the national commander's nomination for Col. Jay Bobbitt as national chief of staff; Col. Dwight Wehless as national legal officer; Col. John Ratcliff as national finance officer; and Col. Larry Kaufman as national controller.

Item 2: Conceptually approved the CAP National Legislative Liaison Program.


Item 4: Authorized national headquarters staff to develop a revised schedule of accounts to improve the financial visibility of CAP mission product cost and overhead.

Item 5: Received a briefing from Bryan Sharratt, assistant secretary of the Air Force for Reserve Affairs. Mr. Sharratt presented a slide that graphically portrayed his vision of CAP being the fourth vital member of the Air Force's total force -- Active Duty, Guard, Reserves and Auxiliary.

Item 6: Received update briefings from director of Operations, director of Aerospace Education and Training, and director of Cadet Programs. Other directors were prepared to brief, but there was not enough time.


Cadet winners were: Jeydie Quinones, Luis Laracuente and Eddie Roman, Puerto Wing; and Anthony Carter, Virginia Wing; and Danny Voyiaziakis, New York Wing. Unit winners were: Bear/Glasgow Cadet Squadron, Del.; Newark Squadron, N.J.; Southside Composite Squadron, Va.; Cushite Composite Squadron, Ohio; and Kodiak Island Composite Squadron, Alaska.

Item 8: Approved a command training initiative to develop and publish a CAP communicate statement of need." The board believed that national headquarters was the appropriate drafting agent.

Item 12: Failed to approve the elimination of the existing membership renewal pilot data collection system.

Item 13: Tabled proposed changes to the cadet membership plan.

Item 14: Unanimously mandated that any cadet or senior member applying for a national special activity or nationally sponsored activity be required to meet a selection board as outlined in CAP Manual 50-16, and that individuals who participate in any CAP activity outside their wing have the approval of the wing commander.

Item 15: Adopted an across-the-board reduction of 12 percent for cadet membership program that the cadet wing has completed the fifth grade.

Item 16: Failed to approve a reduction in cadet membership dues for middle-school squadrons.

Item 17: Failed to approve the recommendation that Roman Catholic permanent deacons be included as CAP Chaplains.

Item 18: Adopted a multifaceted physical conditioning and training program (Spazza award) to start 1 Mar 96 and continued with the proposed changes to CAP SAR/ELT training frequencies.

Item 20: Discussed, but deferred moving up the publication of the revised CAP 60-1.

Item 21: Adopted the concept of a master acquisition plan and tabled a motion to increase financial support to Cadet Programs through purchase of additional vehicles.

On Day 2, the General Assembly was called to order by National Commander Brig. Gen. Richard L. Anderson. He gave a "state of the union" address and then presented a video message by Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Michael E. Wold Fogleman.

General Fogleman congratulated CAP for its successes and offered his wishes for a successful meeting.

Day 2 was filled with a wide variety of seminars and ended with the national commander's first-ever "Town Meeting." Dialogue was spirited and several issues surfaced that are now under consideration.

Day 3's General Assembly started with a briefing on health promotion by Air Force Maj. Dianne Lyon. Following that, Charles DuRazo, Air Force Association National Director, discussed the importance of the CAP/FA partnership.

Capt. Ar Saar, chief director of the Coast Guard Auxiliary, presented the first-ever "Town Meeting" update to the Puerto Rico Wing for its outstanding support of the Coast Guard from September 1994 to July 1995.

Andre Courville, vice-president of the Air Cadet League of Canada, presented a video on the spirit of the marketing and Public Relations Directorate, used an offstage voice for the awards announcements, a spotlight that followed the awardees across the stage and music with each announcement. The production took what was once a long and laborious event and transformed it into a memorable moment for everyone.

The ceremony was dedicated to Col. Bud Payton, the former president of Marketing and Public Relations. Colonel Payton passed away just a few weeks before the meeting. Several command changes took place:


The evening banquet on Day 3 was a showcase event. About 860 people enjoyed dinner, with the most distinguished head table CAP has enjoyed in years.

The master of ceremonies was retired Air Force Gen. Russell Dougherty, former Strategic Air Command commander-in-chief. General Dougherty, who is chairman of the new CAP Convention Committee, had the honor of introducing Gen. Joseph R. Fogleman, commander of Air Combat Command.

Air Force Gen. Bill A. Brooks, commanding general of Air Education and Training Command, "Our attendance was sound testimony to the high esteem in which CAP members are held by top Air Force leaders," General Dougherty stated. Both participants congratulated CAP for their positive influence on youth.

During and after the banquet, the Air Force's "High Flight" band provided entertainment and dance music. The dance floor was packed and many CAP leaders were seen doing the "electric slide."

Members of The Spaatz Association had a number of productive meetings during National Board.


New Mexico’s new wing commander, Col. Dennis Manzanares, receives a pair of epaulets from CAP National Commander Brig. Gen. Richard L. Anderson and Southwest Region Commander Col. Thommie Hemdon.

Middle East Wing Commander Col. Herman Maddox, hands the National Capitol Wing flag to Col. Stanley Voyziakis.

National Board members listen to a speaker in the Sher.


The CAP exhibition hall featured Bill Schell's collection of old CAP patches, insignia and uniforms.

Members of the Air Force's premier entertainment group "High Flight" recruited CAP National Legal Officer Col. Dwight Wheless to sing a tribute to the Supremes.

Maryland Wing cadet color guard performed precision maneuvers with National Vice Commander Col. Paul Bergman.

CAP members reap honors during gala awards ceremony

Organizers pulled out all the stops for the national board meeting and convention awards ceremony this year. Members came from near and far to receive well-deserved recognition during the gala event held in the Sheraton Washington Hotel Ballroom Aug. 19. The awards presented at the event included the four Frank G. Brewer-CAP Aerospace Awards and the first-ever Col. Robert V. Payton Public Affairs Officer of the Year Award. Congratulations to all 1995 CAP award winners!

Lt. Col. Alice Faye Noble, left, winner of the Air Force Association’s Senior Member of the Year Award, poses for a picture with Kentucky Wing Commander Col. Douglas Huff.


U.S. Coast Guard Capt. Al Sarra, left, presents a U.S. Coast Guard Operational Excellence Award to Puerto Rico Wing Commander Col. Edward D. Marshall. This is the first time a CAP unit has ever received the Coast Guard award.

Lt. Col. John Reilly Morton receives a first-place award for his efforts in the CAP membership campaign drive.

Alabama Wing Commander Col. Angelos Petelos accepts a search and rescue/disaster response award.

Colorado Wing Chaplain Maj. Ralph Yuhas accepts the Thomas C. Casaday Unit Chaplain of the Year Award.

Ohio Wing Chaplain Maj. Michael Leveille received the Chaplain of the Year Award in recognition of his outstanding service.

Frank G. Brewer-CAP Aerospace Award winners Mary Lou Dordan (Alaska Wing), individual category; and Maj. David Adams (New Mexico Wing), senior member category. Cadet Lt. Col. Kris Kimmerting, Minnesota Wing, was the cadet category winner, and the Air Force Association’s Hawaii Chapter 138 won in the organization category.
National board approves cadet program changes

The Civil Air Patrol National Board approved several key changes to Cadet Programs at its recent meeting during the CAP National Board Meeting and Convention in Washington, D.C., Aug. 17-19.

In the continuing effort to put the "air" back into CAP, the board authorized a massive increase in CAP flight scholarships: from $4,000 this past year to $20,000 for the coming fiscal year, representing almost a 500 percent increase in available scholarship funding for qualified cadets.

For more information concerning scholarship funding, consult CAPM 50-16, the Cadet Programs Manual.

The board also approved the lowering of the age limit for initial cadet membership to 12. This means that young people who wish to join CAP may qualify if they have completed the fifth grade and have reached the age of 12.

Please remember that members can recruit cadets before they meet the initial membership requirements and they can attend meetings as guests. This can be useful in building interest before a cadet is ready to sign up, but they cannot join until they meet membership requirements.

More information concerning this membership policy will be forthcoming from CAP's Personnel Directorate at National Headquarters.

Spatz meeting successful

The Spaatz Association's second annual meeting was recently completed in Washington, D.C., in conjunction with the 1995 CAP National Board Meeting and Convention. All accounts showed it to be a phenomenal success with highlights being the appearance of special guests and annual election of TSA officers.

TSA was honored to have as guests retired Air Force Col. Douglas C. Roach and Air Force Brig. Gen. James A. Jaeger, both of whom were among the first cadre of Spaatz award recipients. Roach, a professional staffer on the House Armed Services Committee and a native of Michigan, has the unique distinction of being the first recipient of the Gen. Carl A. Spaatz Award, having received his "diamonds" on Nov. 19, 1964. Roach spoke to the several dozen TSA members and visitors about his experiences as an Air Force ROTC cadet, fighter pilot and Thunderbird pilot. Now retired from the Air Force, Roach has started a second career as a congressional staffer for the House Armed Forces Sub Committee.

Jaeger received his Spaatz award — 890 — Jan. 7, 1969. He graduated from the U.S. Air Force Academy in 1972 and has spent his Air Force career in intelligence and plans and operations. He is presently assigned to the National Security Agency. He and Roach were gracious enough to spend a great deal of time fielding questions during and after the meeting.

In other news, the election of Spaatz association officers took place earlier in the afternoon. CAP Lt. Col. Elizabeth Dunn, presently with the Ohio Wing, was elected president of the association, and CAP Lt. Col. Thomas Harley, Connecticut Wing, was elected vice-president.

In the coming months, Cadet Programs will feature more information on TSA, including its origins, purpose and plans.

Miller School very unique

The Miller School, in Charlottesville, Va., enjoys the unique distinction of being quite possibly the only military educational facility in the nation to choose CAP's programs as the primary mode of education.

The school is private coeducational day and boy's boarding school at the junior high and high school levels providing the option of a college preparatory curriculum for grades five to 12.

The school, which opened its doors in 1989 with an endowment by Samuel Miller, encourages moral, mental, physical and academic development through the use of military training and disciplinary techniques.

Students enrolled at The Miller School are also enrolled in CAP — the school is a chartered CAP squadron. The school is unique from other units because, as a military boarding school, it offers its students (cadets) total immersion into the CAP Cadet Program. Students participate in CAP activities, leadership, aerospace, moral and physical education using the Cadet Programs curriculum on a daily basis.

The Miller School's small size — enrollment is approximately 120 students per year — and high teacher-student ratio — 7:1 — make the application to CAP's leadership programs especially suitable.

The school is also academically challenging. Required courses include three years of foreign language, two years of mathematics above algebra and three years of science — all with a minimum passing score of 70 percent.

The school has been accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, recognized by The State Board of Education of the Commonwealth of Virginia, and is a member of both the Association of Military Colleges and Schools and Colleges of the United States.

Orientation flight budget up

The orientation flight tallies for April 1-June 30 are in — a total of 1,538 cadet orientation flights were completed with North Central Region's Minnesota Wing receiving the honors for the most number flown at 207.

Trailing close behind with 193 flights was Southwest Region's Puerto Rico Wing, and in third place with 92 flights was Northeast Region's New York Wing.

Congratulations to the quarter's top performers!

Also in the orientation flight arena, the budget for orientation-flight reimbursements has increased to $50,000 — 10,000 cadet orientation flights for fiscal 1996 (beginning Oct. 1).

For more information about the cadet orientation flight program, consult CAPM 50-16, the Cadet Programs Manual, and CAPR 60-1, Flight Operations.
R-FT2200H - YAESU 50 channel, synthesized 50 watt VHF transceiver. The replacement for the popular FT212RH sub-audible tones may be programmed into any memory for encoding. With the OPTIONAL FTS27 installed both encode and decoder are available. The receiver may be user modified for operation from 110-174 MHz. The receiver provides 5, 25, or 50 watts power output, that may be stored in memory, with a frequency stability that will meet or exceed CAP requirements. Spurious emissions are at least 60 db below carrier. The receiver has 2uV sensitivity at 120h SINAD with at least 60db selectivity. Receiver audio output is 3 watts. Power requirements are 12 VDC @ 10 amps. Size 5.5x1.6x5.3 inches (WxHxD), weight 2.8 pounds. Regular price $365.95  SALE $335.95  SAVE $30.00

R-FT530 - YAESU dual band VHF/UHF, 2 watt, programmable hand-held transceiver. Monitoring of dual VFO's or any of the 82 VHF or UHF channels (41 per VFO) is controlled by a 16-button back-lit keypad. All memories store repeater offsets or independent transmit and receive frequencies and built-in CTCSS tones. Includes band and memory scanning with priority channel monitor. The keypad serves as a DTMF (Touch Tone) encoder during transmission. 10 DTMF memories store up to 15 digits each for quick recall. Built-in, easy access VHF/UHF cross-band repeat option including dual decode CTCSS board. LCD readout shows six frequency digits, CTCSS frequency and mode and S/PO bar graph as well as "Page" and "Power Saver" status. The transmitter provides 2 watts power output (with supplied FNB25 battery) a frequency stability better than 5 parts per million. If additional power is required the optional FNB27 battery or the E-DC5 DC adapter may be used. Spurious emissions are at least 60 db below carrier. The receiver has 158uV sensitivity at 120h SINAD with at least -60db selectivity. Audio output is 3 watts. Size 2.16x5.7x1.12 inches (WxHxD) without the battery, weight 1.16 pounds with the FNB27 battery and antenna. Regular price $449.95  SALE $399.95  SAVE $50.00

R-DC2400 - Extra DC Power cord for use with the FT2200H, FT2500 and FT1011 transceivers. $10.25

R-FTS27 - YAESU 50 channel, synthesized 50 watt VHF transceiver. An amateur transceiver that takes full advantage of the military grade mechanical and electronic construction techniques. Operating features include selectable tuning steps, user-selectable power up to 50 watts in three selectable steps. A built-in photo sensor controls brightness of the LCD and control backlighting, dimming to a comfortable level in darkness. 50 general purpose memories may be programmed with channel number or frequency display and may be toggled as desired, a one-touch CALL memory, one-touch repeater reverse, band and memory scanning with auto-resume after carrier drop or five second pause and priority channel monitoring. All memories will store repeater shift or independent transmit and receive frequencies. Any of the 38 standard CTCSS (sub-audible) tones may be programmed into any memory for encoding. With the OPTIONAL FTS27 installed both encode and decode of CTCSS tones are available. CTCSS paging is included with the OPTIONAL DTMF selective or group paging available with the FRG6 Paging unit. The transmitter provides 5, 25, or 50 watts power output, that may be stored in memory, with a frequency stability that will meet or exceed CAP requirements. Spurious emissions are at least 60 db below carrier. The receiver has 2uV sensitivity at 120h SINAD with at least 60db selectivity. Receiver audio output is 3 watts. Power requirements are 12 VDC @ 10 amps. Size 6.5x1.9x7.1 inches (WxHxD), weight 3.3 pounds. Regular price $359.95  SALE $329.95  SAVE $30.00

All memories store repeater offsets or independent transmit and receive frequencies and built-in CTCSS tones. Includes band and memory scanning with priority channel monitor. The keypad serves as a DTMF (Touch Tone) encoder during transmission. 10 DTMF memories store up to 15 digits each for quick recall. Built-in, easy access VHF/UHF cross-band repeat option including dual decode CTCSS board. LCD readout shows six frequency digits, CTCSS frequency and mode and S/PO bar graph as well as "Page" and "Power Saver" status. The transmitter provides 2 watts power output (with supplied FNB25 battery) a frequency stability better than 5 parts per million. If additional power is required the optional FNB27 battery or the E-DC5 DC adapter may be used. Spurious emissions are at least 60 db below carrier. The receiver has 158uV sensitivity at 120h SINAD with at least -60db selectivity. Audio output is 3 watts. Size 2.16x5.7x1.12 inches (WxHxD) without the battery, weight 1.16 pounds with the FNB27 battery and antenna. Regular price $449.95  SALE $399.95  SAVE $50.00

The FT-11M SW - Deluxe compact FM 5 watt handheld using the latest capabilities in microprocessor control. Transmitter power output is selectable in four levels, with a new high-efficiency FET final amplifier allowing up to five watts power output when used with only a 5.6 volt battery pack. The slim-line compact case is designed to fit comfortably in your hand or in your pocket. External control knobs have been minimized by the use of pushbutton keypad controls for volume and squelch level settings. The LCD display and keypad are back-lit with selectable on or 5-second display lighting modes. The display shows six frequency digits and programmable functions, plus relative signal strength, power output and preset volume level on twin bargraph meters (one vertical, the other horizontal). New features include an Alphanumeric indexing system which allows you to tag memory channels and DTMF Aided Micrion memory with a 6-character name that is automatically displayed. Unique battery charge life extending features include Yaesu's Automatic Battery Saver (ABS) that monitors operating history and optimizes the save duration accordingly; the TX Save feature reduces transmit power during periods of no modulation or high incoming signal strength. In addition a selectable Automatic Power Off (APO) feature turns off the radio after a period of inactivity. 150 Memories (75 when Alpha Numeric). The FT11 is PC programmable with the optional ADMS-1 software and cable to speed radio programming. Small Compact Size w/Easy Operation (Measure only; 4"H x 2 1/4"W x 1 1/2"D). Get a grip on the new FT-11 you won't want to put it down. Regular price $319.95  SALE $280.95  SAVE $30.00

R-ADMS-1 - Software and programming cable for the FT11,41 and 51 handheld transceivers. This Windows(R) based program provides an easy method of programming any of the FT11 series transceiver channels and functions. Plenty of ON-SCREEN HELP to get you started and keep you going. Requires 80286 or higher, DOS 6.0 or higher, Microsoft Windows 3.1(R) or higher, 3.5 inch HD Floppy Drive and an available 9 or 25 pin Serial Port. $37.95

R-E-DC12 - Mobile DC adapter/charger, with noise filter, for the YAESU FT11 handheld transceivers. $20.95

R-MH122AB - Speaker-microphone for all current YAESU hand-held transceivers. The MH122AB is the largest of the speaker-microphones and is designed to be placed on the palm of your hand. The speaker provides maximum receiver audio output. The electret microphone is sensitive enough to pick up your conversation in a noisy environment. Includes telephone jack for private monitoring. Equipped with a slide clip that will fit on epaulets, belts or pockets. $45.39

R-FBA14 - Alkaline battery pack for FT11 YAESU handheld transceivers. The FBA17 use six "AA" batteries (not included). The best answer when your NiCad quits and you need a radio. $20.95

R-FNB31 - 4.8 volt 600 mAh NiCad battery pack for all FT11 series hand-held transceivers. $53.95

R-FNB38 - 9.6 volt 600 mAh NiCad battery pack for all FT11 series hand-held transceivers. This battery will increase the power output of the FT11 to 5 watts and give you full use of the power setting option in programming. $73.39

R-MH19A2B - Earphone-microphone for all current YAESU hand-held transceivers. The MH19A2B is the best of all the YAESU speaker-microphones. The earphone for receiver audio fits in the ear and the small electret microphone is equipped with a small tie-bar clip that can be placed on your collar, wrist or anywhere else a microphone might be clipped. The push-to-talk switch is built into the microphone making it and its use inconspicuous. $39.95

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R-MH32A2B - Speaker-microphone for all current YAESU hand-held transceivers. The speaker in the MH32A2B provides comfortable receiver audio out. The electret microphone is sensitive enough to pick up your conversation in a noisy environment. Includes earphone jack for private monitoring. Equipped with an alligator clip to fit almost anywhere. $39.95

R-E-DC5 - Mobile DC adapter/charger, with noise filter, for YAESU hand-held transceivers using the FNB2x series batteries. The E-DC5 may be used with or without a battery pack. The noise filter keeps out alternator or motor noise. A great way to save those NiCad batteries. $19.95

R-FBA12 - Alkaline battery pack for YAESU hand-held transceivers (except those using FNB2x battery packs). The FBA12 uses six "AA" batteries (not included). The best answer when your NiCad battery quits and you need your radio. $21.55

R-FBA17 - Alkaline battery pack for all YAESU handheld transceivers. The FBA17 uses six "AA" batteries (not included). The best answer when your NiCad battery quits and you need a radio. $20.95

R-FNB12S - 12 volt 600 mAH NiCad battery pack for all current YAESU hand-held transceivers. The FNB12S requires either the NC18B or NC29 for battery charging. $59.95

R-FNB17 - 7.2 volt 600 mAH NiCad battery pack for all current YAESU hand-held transceivers. $43.95

R-FTS17A - CTCSS (sub-audible) tone board for the FT26 and the FT2500H transceivers. The FTS17 may be programmed with a different CTCSS tone for each channel. Encode only or encode/decode options are a function of the programming of the board. With the FT17A installed CTCSS paging with a bell sound upon receipt of the proper tone. Field installation of the FTS17 can be accomplished without a background in electronics. $51.95

R-FTS27 - CTCSS (sub-audible) tone board for the FT2000 transceiver. The FTS27 may be programmed with a different CTCSS tone for each channel. Encode only or encode/decode options are a function of the programming of the board. With the FT27 installed CTCSS paging with a bell sound upon receipt of the proper tone. Field installation of the FTS27 can be accomplished without a background in electronics. $53.95

R-NC18B - 110 VAC input, 65 mA wall charger for use with all 12 volt YAESU handheld batteries. Normal charge time using this charger is 12-15 hours. $14.95

R-NC28B - 110 VAC input, 7.2 VDC at 55 mA wall charger for use with all 7.2 volt YAESU handheld batteries. Normal charge time using this charger is 12-15 hours. $10.95

R-NC29 - Drop-in desk charger for use with all current YAESU hand-held batteries (except FNB2x series) regardless of voltage. The NC29 is equipped with a set of sensor contacts that determine charge voltage and a timer to determine rapid battery charge timing. When the rapid charge is complete the NC29 will revert to trickle charge to protect the battery. Charge time is five hours. $63.95

R-NC38B - 110 VAC input, 9.6 VDC at 55 mA wall charger for use with all 9.6 volt YAESU handheld batteries. Normal charge time using this charger is 12-15 hours. $12.95

R-NC37 - Drop-in desk charger. Same as R-NC29 except the charge time is one hour. $84.50

R-NC42 - Drop-in desk charger for use with FNB2x series YAESU hand-held batteries regardless of voltage. The NC42 is equipped with a set of sensor contacts that determine charge voltage and a timer to determine rapid battery charge timing. When the rapid charge is complete the NC42 will revert to trickle charge to protect the battery. Charge time is one hour. $94.50

R-PA10 - Mobile DC adapter for the FT11 YAESU hand-held transceiver. The PA10 package includes the adapter, which is dash mounted, and a 12 volt lead with cigar lighter plug. Saves hand-held batteries when in the vehicle. $71.99

R-PA6 - Mobile DC adapter/charger for all current YAESU hand-held transceivers. The PA6 may be used with or without a battery pack, and may be left between the battery pack and radio, if desired, when not using the 12 VDC option. The PA6 package includes the adapter/charger and a 12 volt lead with cigar lighter plug. Saves hand-held batteries when in the vehicle. $29.95

R-NC42 - Drop-in desk charger for use with FNB2x series YAESU hand-held batteries regardless of voltage. The NC42 is equipped with a set of sensor contacts that determine charge voltage and a timer to determine rapid battery charge timing. When the rapid charge is complete the NC42 will revert to trickle charge to protect the battery. Charge time is one hour. $94.50

R-NS-42 - Mobile DC adapter for the FT11 YAESU hand-held transceiver. The NS-42 package includes the adapter, which is dash mounted, and a 12 volt lead with cigar lighter plug. Saves hand-held batteries when in the vehicle. $71.99

R-Pouch - "The POUCH" are made of neoprene closed cell resilient foam and nylon with a web belt loop sewn on. The same material used in divers wetsuits.

R-Sport - Hand-held GPS with plotter and on-screen menus. $399.00

R-HE1 - Black Eagle holster for AccuNav Sport. $22.50

R-C1A1 - Cigarette lighter adapter. 6' cable for AccuNav Sport. $8.95

R-BPE1 - Replacement Eagle battery pack for AccuNav Sport. $14.95

R-PA1 - Remote antenna bracket with suction cup mount and extension cable. $29.95

R-NDC1 - NMEA/DGPS adapter cable for AccuNav Sport. $16.95

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R-MB1 - Mounting bracket for AccuNav Sport. $17.95

R-IC401-31K3 - Passive antenna $205.00

R-C1P - Ceramic antenna for AccuNav Sport. $13.99

R-Pouch-Slim - "The POUCH Slim" - 7 inches long. Fits the new generation of mini and micro hand-holds such as ICOM IC-SAT, YAESU FT411R etc. $14.95

R-Pouch-P5 - "The POUCH for the FT11. $13.95

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Is it true CAP is cancelling FCC radio licenses?

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It may seem strange, but it is true that the Civil Air Patrol is cancelling Federal Communications Commission radio licenses.

One of my functions as CAP's new frequency manager is to ensure all of our communications operations are properly registered and protected. To do this I will be continuing a process which began two years ago when the communications Office asked all users of VHF/FM repeaters to provide registry information about their stations.

Many of you were involved in generating the standard format records. Those records began the process of registering the vast CAP communications system in the government master file — the listing of all federal frequency users.

You see, the United States approaches frequency management differently than most countries. All the other nations have one government agency which handles frequency assignments for both government and non-government users. The United States, on the other hand, has the FCC which handles the non-federal users (state, county, and city governments; private citizens; and businesses) and a separate organization know as the National Telecommunications and Information Agency which supports all federal users. What are some examples of a federal user? For example, the Department of Defense, U.S. Air Force, Federal Aviation Administration, Federal Emergency Management Agency, General Services Administration, Health and Human Services, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, National Science Foundation, U. S. Information Agency, U. S. Postal Service, and the Department of Veterans Affairs just to name a few. Oh, yes, and CAP.

Since CAP is a federal user, the Federal Emergency Management Agency has paved the way for direct support of CAP by the Air Force in the area of frequency management.

This means we can now begin structuring our communications program more closely with the NTIA type of rules instead of the civil or FCC type. And there are some major differences between the two sets. For example, the FCC has call letters to license and track users. The NTIA, especially the DoD component, uses agency serial numbers and docket numbers to license and track users. The NTIA approach does not require a federal user to provide a call sign or call letters as part of the frequency application process. In fact, if you were to look at the GMF, you would find very few, if any, call signs listed.

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Test your knowledge, dazzle your teachers and friends ...
Cadets share IACE lessons

"Ever since I was a little kid, I had some dreams about Europe... I dreamed of climbing a mountain... struggling to reach the top. I would then scream like a banshee just to hear my voice echo for miles. I also dreamed that one day I might get there."

— Cadet Col. Adam P. Kaas, 1995 IACE ambassador to Switzerland

Ninety-three Civil Air Patrol cadets and 17 escorts, departed the United States July 17 bound for 15 countries as part of the International Air Cadet Exchange. IACE aims to promote understanding, goodwill and fellowship among aviation-minded youth of the world, and according to participants, it accomplished just that.

"We think people outside the U.S. are so different, but they have the same interests and concerns," explains cadet Col. Richard Griffith. "As cadets, we shared a lot of the same concerns — about our programs, training, membership and uniforms." Griffith toured the great Down Under continent of Australia as part of his IACE adventure.

Other countries taking part in the cadet exchange included Austria, Belgium, Canada, France, Germany, Israel, Japan, The Netherlands, Norway, Romania, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey and United Kingdom.

Cadet Lt. Col. Bryce Herbert, who visited The Netherlands, said "I expected to learn about one country, but I learned about 15 others just by socializing with cadets from different countries."

CAP's national headquarters program manager, Maj. Christopher Shaw, explains how this cultural exchange continues to strive toward the goal set 48 years ago. "As we move closer toward realizing the world as one community," he says, "we need to have a greater understanding of other countries and cultures. IACE accomplishes this through the common thread of aviation."

From left, Cadets Michelle Rockwell and Misty Hitchcock drop their umbrellas during a break in the weather while visiting Osaka Castle Park in Japan. The castle, a six-hour drive west of Tokyo, was built in 1563 on top of the ruins of the original castle, which was built in 1583 by the feudal lord Hideyoshi Toyotomi.


IACE cadets prepare for a guided tour of Parliament in Quebec, Ontario, Canada.

Cadets and escorts make themselves comfortable atop a Soviet-made MIG at the Military Chalet near Brasov, Romania.

From left, Jessica Miller, North Carolina Wing, Pam Sever, New Mexico Wing, and Jonathan Conder, Minnesota Wing, brave the waters of Austria's Saalach River.

John Bryan sits in a Mircea Zorileanu Areoclub glider in Brasov, Romania.
Reporting the accomplishments of CAP members worldwide

New York — Cadet Capt. Larissa T. Salazar of the Warren E. Eaton Composite Squadron in Norwich, N.Y., received an appointment to the U.S. Naval Academy as a member of the class of 1999. Salazar is the second cadet from the Eaton Composite Squadron, in as many years, to be admitted to a military academy.

Salazar also received nominations to the U.S. Air Force Academy and an Air Force ROTC scholarship.

Massachusetts — The aircraft arrived old and new, the Thunderbirds flew in, and the people came from all over as 190 members of the Massachusetts Wing assisted Hanscom Air Force Base, Mass., officials and the organizing committee during the two-day air show. CAP members helped the military police park cars, manage the crowds and guard the flight line. Members also aided in flight line safety and were charged with delivering supplies to the Thunderbirds and other performers. CAP seniors and cadets also performed other duties throughout the weekend.

Lt. Col. Ralph Shaver and Capt. William McLean, Group staff, were the lead officers. Capt. George Rieholt, Hanscom Composite Squadron, headed operations; Lt. Col. Robert Maloney and Lt. Col. Alfred Stanev, Group II, manned the communications truck; Maj. Mark Gallant, Beverly Composite Squadron, was the commandant of cadets for the weekend; 1st Lt. Jacobson Jones, Beverly Composite Squadron, was the command cadet for the week; 1st Lt. Seth Dunn, Essex County Composite Squadron, was the cadet commander for the weekend.

Friday night, the cadets met with the Thunderbirds’ lead pilot and the chief mechanic for an hour of questions and answers. Each received an autographed photograph of the Thunderbirds.

On Saturday afternoon, Dr. Janet Vose, a graduate of Massachusetts Institute of Technology and a mission specialist on the space shuttle, met with the cadets and answered their questions about the shuttle and the space program.

Three cadets, Capt. Regena Bradeen, Cape Cod Composite Squadron; 1st Lt. Lisa Smith, Essex County Composite Squadron; and cadet 1st Lt. Brian Frost, Thunderbird Squadron, were interviewed Saturday afternoon during the live broadcast of the air show by Susan Wornick, Channel 5, WCVB-TV.

The weekend was not all work. On Saturday, air show participants attended a party at the base pool and Group I treated everyone to pizza. Hanscom officials also opened the base dining facilities to participating CAP members.

The event’s success was due to the teamwork shown by all involved. Base officials and the air show organizing committee lauded the squadron members’ efforts.

Aircrews and mission management staff view sortie information plotted onto computer-based mapping programs to correlate target sightings to actual locations as part of the New York Wing Emergency Services Rally.

New York — With the scenic beauty of the Adirondack Mountains, Civil Air Patrol members recently congregated on the shore of Lake Pemisco for an emergency services rally. The rally, a first for the New York Wing, was con-
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Coast to Coast

Civil Air Patrol members steady a portable antenna mast as part of the communications setup for the New York Wing Emergency Services Rally. In the background a CAP-owned portable pop-up communications shelter provided housing for voice and packet communications at the Poiseko Airport in New York's Adirondack Mountains.

celled and organized by Lt. Col. Ron Hahn, wing director of emergency services.

On the morning of the rally, crews performed route searches and tracked emergency locator transmitter signals while inbound to the Poiseko Lake Airport. At the airport, the local fire department used a Civil Air Patrol Cessna 172 to demonstrate light aircraft patient extraction and evacuation.

Capt. Jim Edmonds, Lt. Peter Newell and Lt. Wesley Jones set up a portable communications shelter from which HF, VHF, search and rescue, and packet communications tracked activities. Overhead, a corporate aircraft equipped with a 148.15 MHz repeater demonstrated airborne communications in a remote area. A quarter mile down the road, the rustic Irondequoit Inn served as mission base and training center.

At the inn, the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation Rangers certified CAP members in lost-person searches through its Wildland Search Tactics Training program. Capt. Chopy Wicker conducted computer seminars, where he demonstrated programs such as DeLorme Map Expert, search and rescue viewpoint, aviation locator, street atlas, the New York state topographic database, and SelectPhone CD.

Wicker used a simulated nighttime emergency locator transmitter search to showcase the advantages that multiple computer programs afford the mission management team.

Aircrews returning from searches were debriefed on sortie results and data plotted onto the computerized mapping programs to verify the target location. Wicker also demonstrated the real-time tracking of an aircraft sortie using a GPS receiver coupled into a computer running mapping software. Members gave positive feedback at the conclusion of the exercise.


Rivera is a former cadet commander at the Brooklyn Technical Cadet Squadron 1.

He joined Civil Air Patrol in 1991 and has served in such capacities as New York City Group Cadet Advisory Council chairman, first sergeant, administrative officer, executive officer and cadet commander.

New Jersey — The New Jersey Wing recently graduated 25 seniors and cadets from its spring ground search and rescue school.

Three weekends in April, May and June focused on providing navigation, survival, search and rescue team building, lost person search, and sign finding. The training included all areas required in CAP training manuals.

The first session took place at the Noncommissioned Officers Academy at McGuire Air Force Base, N.J. The training included the introduction on outdoor gear and clothing for ground search and rescue. The instructors came from the state police bomb squad, RAMAPO rescue, Salvation Army, and National Transportation Safety Board.

The second session took place at Picatinny Arsenal in Morris County, N.J. The students were given instruction in setting up primitive survival tents, in which they were to live for two consecutive nights. They followed a five-kilometer course, which gave practical experience in using a compass and tracking local crash survivors or lost persons.

They practiced skills learned during the first two sessions. Regular tents, outdoor showers and catered meals helped minimize distracting physical discomfort.

On the final weekend, a mannequin dressed in a bloodstained uniform simulated a plane crash victim.

"Mother Nature" added its share of hazards, including heavy winds and rain.

Search teams used directed line of sight to locate the emergency locator transmitter signal, while compasses helped the would-be rescuers find their way through the woods. On finding the victim, the team members put on gloves, lifted the body, brushed away the bugs and carried the victim back to the main road.

Members embarked on a 10-kilometer hike with backpacks this past Sunday. This exercise tested the members' physical conditioning and endurance.

As the temperature topped the 90-degree mark, the trainees were relieved to realize that everyone drank water, to check each other for ticks and to apply sunscreen.

The training was not confined to sweat, strain and field packs. In the evening, the members donned sweaters, shorts, and T-shirts and engaged in an impromptu party. The off time provided valuable feedback for the faculty.

At the Sunday graduation, Maj. Edward Schoben, director of emergency services for the New Jersey Wing, awarded course completion certificates.

Students also received T-shirts and ground search and rescue patches. Those interested in more training attended a one-week advanced gear school, which focused on subsistence survival, Indian tracking techniques and advanced rescue methods.

Instruction is also offered in overall ground management as well as in team-building skills.

The entire basic course qualifies as 20 elective hours toward emergency medical technician renewal.

The New Jersey Ground Search and Rescue School invites senior members to take part in the training.

Ground teams, while they can be composed solely of cadets, require a senior member to serve as leader.

For those not able to attend the three weekend sessions, a one-week basic course also is available.

South Carolina — The International Deaf Pilots Association held its annual convention at Manteo, N.C., July 13-15. Lt. Debi Waldrop, New York Squadron, South Carolina Wing, served as an interpreter — the job she holds in the Charlotte-Mecklenburg (North Carolina) school system.

Though quite experienced with hearing-impaired achievers, she found the accomplishments of deaf pilots in the Civil Air Patrol yet surprising.

Herbert Lester is one deaf pilot who impressed Waldrop. A CAP member for 50 years, most of Lester's experience was gained at the Texas Wing.
addition, Lester has also been involved with the Rhode Island, Kansas, Alabama and North Carolina Wing. Lester learned to fly in 1944 and has primarily flown Tu-144 and Convair B-36. Rounding out his CAP experience, Lester has held several positions, including project officer and finance officer.

Waltrip also found the accomplishments of Lt. Robert Rose of special note. A mission pilot in the Massachusetts Wing, Rose is not only without hearing, but also without a left arm. For Marathons, a CAP member for seven years and is credited with a find in snow-covered mountains that eluded others.

In 1987, Rose received a plaque for his selection as the Massachusetts Wing Senior Member of the Year.

All pilots who attended the Manteo fly-in were enthusiastic about flying and about CAP. They asked many questions and were hopeful of becoming involved with CAP. These wings who fly coast to coast using NORDO in visual flight rules, are determined, competent individuals yearning to learn to fly without the aid of an interpreter. She was excited about the future of CAP.

Everyone visited the Wright Brothers Memorial at Kill Devil's Hill, where aviation began. The group was surprised to learn that Mannan's Bank, a CAP Airport houses a CAP museum.

### Southeast

Alabama

The following cadets attended the encampment at Columbus, Miss.: Randy Gin, Brian Evans, Saurian Cramblin, Adam Crumblin, and Nick Keith:

2nd Lt. Larry Frazelle received the memorial ribbon; Lt. Bruce Cleaver, red service ribbon; Maj. Noel Harvey, red service ribbon with a bronze clasp; Lt. Col. Jack Cavender, red service ribbon; Lt. Col. John Lawrence, red service ribbon with bronze clasp; Lt. Tony Scoggins, red service ribbon;

and Maj. Jean Lawrence, red service ribbon with bronze clasp. George Graham and Glenn Pittard were promoted to 1st lieutenant. 1st Lt. Hans Gray earned his commercial pilot's license and was awarded his pilot proficiency wings. Phase 1 Cadet Commander Aaron Causey recently attended the Civil Air Patrol flight encampment at Auburn University, where he received 10 hours of flight instruction.


Maxwell Air Force Base Cadet Squadron 32 sent 12 cadets to the Alabama-Mississippi encampment at Columbus Air Force Base, Miss. Among the cadets were Jason Brown, Craig Carr, Ben Casey, Kristen Emerson, Lauren Emerson, Aaron Gorley, Justin Hoffman, Jeremy Luehman, Ryan Nolle, Holly Ogden, Matthew Price and Timothy Sink. Cadets Lauren Emerson and Timothy Sink were selected as award winners during the encampment.

Mississippi — The historic launch of the space shuttle Atlantis in July was even more exciting for a group of Civil Air Patrol cadets and senior members from the Keesler/ Ocean Springs Composite Squadron.

The group of eight traveled to Cape Canaveral, Fla., June 21 for four days of fun and learning. Unfortunately, members could not stay after the first delay due to weather.

The mission was historic for many reasons: never before had Russian cosmonauts ridden aboard the space shuttle; it was the largest space shuttle crew ever to fly in space; and it landed with more crew members than when launched. The docking cage with the Russian space station Mir was also a first. An STS-71 missile brought American astronaut Norm Thagard and two cosmonauts back to earth, ending a truly historic mission — not only in space exploration, but also in international relations.

Florida — On Memorial Day, the Orlando Cadet Squadron provided a color guard for a special service at the New Haven Memorial Cemetery in Winter Park.

David Wittman, news anchor for WCPX Channel 6, was moved to the Crestview, Fla. The camp theme, which was headlined in the daily newspaper, the Daily Doolee, was "If it wasn't hard — anyone could do it."

This was scheduled on Monday with cadet Col. Melissa Levy, the cadet encampment commander. The entire encampment at Eglin in preparation for an F-15 incentive flight. Unfortunately, the flight didn't happen Tuesday because all the planes were flown inland in anticipation of Hurricane Erin.

On Wednesday, the group toured the Air Force Armament Museum near Eglin. The museum tour was originally scheduled for Thursday, but other tours had been canceled in preparation for the hurricane.

As the group left the museum, workers were busily boarding up the glass entrance doors.

Most of the training required for the doolies' graduation was completed before the arrival of Hurricane Erin Aug. 3. The commander of the encampment, Lt. Col. Fred Swearingen, had coordinated with the Air Force officials from Eglin and devised an evacuation plan should the hurricane hit the area.

The entire encampment was moved to the Crestview Armory, which was built like a storm shelter.

Swearingen's motto during the encampment was "I may retreat, but CAP will not surrender." He was determined to carry on with the encampment with all safety precautions.

On one morning, cadets were up at dawn for breakfast, finding the senior staff members cooking and serving the mess hall. The mess hall staff didn't make it in to work. A couple of flights were recruited to clean up the kitchen and mess hall after breakfast.

Cadets from Maverick Flight helped 1st Lt. Betty Bass put together box lunches for the next two meals. After breakfast, cadets marched to the barracks, where classes were held in a large day room. Lt. Col. David Magine and 1st Lt. Robert Ratcliff taught classes while hurricane winds howled outside.

At one point, the wind from the building power flickered out and stayed that way for...
about five hours.

Fortunately, Hurricane Erin turned slightly before hitting the "Florida Panhandle," and the encampment only received a great deal of horizontal rain driven by 40-mph winds. The great deal of horizontal rain caused the encampment only received a "Florida Panhandle," and the area was flooded, without power and had uprooted trees.

Cadets spent the next day negotiating obstacles at a confidence course. They completed cadet competitions and practiced for the graduation banquet that evening.

Egin III Encampment is proud to announce that all 52 doolies made their way to the "Florida Panhandle," and the cadets turned slightly before hitting the entire encampment and graduated Aug. 6.

Florida Wing commander, Col. George Pringle, handed out graduation certificates in a quonset hut that had been the last meeting place in the United States during the trip. The cadets slept in a tent as they had learned as a way to promote aerospace, and practiced for the graduation ceremony.

Cadet Richard Muffoletto attended Cadet Officer School at Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala., July 12-22, where he received first place in the essay contest. Cadet Joseph V. Muffoletto, Jr. visited the United Kingdom, July 15 - Aug. 4, as part of the International Cadet Exchange program. Cadets Richard Muffoletto, Shaun Landry, Brian Cacote and Matthew Wroten attended the Louisiana Wing cadet competition team drill camp and regional competition July 22-31, where they again demonstrated search and rescue skills in a mock extraction from a crashed airplane.

Squadron commander Lt. Phil Sage coordinated and narrated the demonstration. Later, Maj. Norm King, on behalf of Scott and the Texas Wing, offered Capt. and Maj. Keith Wroten a special recognition for his efforts.


The general wanted to visit a squadron during a regular meeting. The squadron members were told to carry on with their normal schedule.

The general was briefed on how the squadron accomplishes its mission and training goals. The cadets were told not to start their weekly drill, while Keohoe told senior members about his job and the command. He also answered questions about the 19th Air Force and U.S. Air Force.

The Randolph Composite Squadron was joined by the Alamo Squadron, which had come to help with color guard training. The cadets from Randolph were working hard to start their own color guard team.

After talking with the seniors, Keohoe went outside to talk to the cadets and to answer their questions. Afterward, squadron commander, 1st Lt. Kristin Hanson, presented the general with a certificate of appreciation for taking the time to come out and speak with the squadron.

Arizona - Cadet Lt. Col. Jacqueline Reed-Garrett, Flagstaff Cadet Squadron 201, has been selected Arizona Wing Cadet of the Year. Reed-Garrett's selection board was unique in that she was interviewed by the board members via a conference call.

The accomplishments of this Squadron commander Maj. Gen. Nicholas Keohoe talks with members of the Estonia Wing at a visit with the cadets.

Capt. Larry Gray and cadets Lt. Col. Damon Vic, Maj. Mike Byers, Maj. Jamie Kahler, and flight officer Joe Bates in a "Florida Panhandle," and the cadets traveled from Houston to Disney World after being canceled. The Naval Museum was added to the agenda since the cadets were told to carry on with their normal schedule.

The family of five was traveling from Houston to Disney World when the mother fell asleep at the wheel and hit a guardrail. The father was the only one wearing a seat belt and was barely scratched. The cadets worked hard to help the injured woman at the airlift helicopter.

At the urging of Maj. Norm King, wing legislative affairs director, Sen. David Cain and Rep. Ted Kamel, the day began with a color guard from Tyler Composite Squadron teaching the colors, after which all the cadets from the Tyler squadron and Dallas' Harmony Squadron marched for review by the dignitaries.

Lt. Steve Davleon, Tyler Falcon 7 Squadron, offered an explanation of the radios, components and navigational equipment in the squadron's Cessna 172. Immediately following, the cadets of the Tyler Composite Squadron demonstrated search and rescue skills in a mock extraction from a crashed airplane during Legislative Appreciation Day July 29.
outstanding cadet include International Air Cadet Exchange representative to Japan, National Youth Leadership Forum in Washington, D.C., and serving in various command positions.

Reed Glenn is the former cadet advisory council chairman, and has held wing staff and command positions. She is well known for her outstanding organizational skills.

Arizona — Falcon Field Composite Squadron 305 Color Guard represented the Arizona Wing at the Southwest Region Cadet Competition in Dallas, Texas, recently.


Congratulations to members of Falcon Field Composite Squadron on their outstanding color guard:
- Cadet Lt. Col. Dan Daehler, Paradise Valley Cadet Squadron 310, by CAP National Headquarters as Arizona Wing's International Air Cadet Exchange representative to Switzerland for 1996.

The trip started in Washington, D.C., where all U.S. IACE representatives toured the major monuments and museums. The next day, the group flew to Saint-Mauro, Main Air Base, Germany.

The following day Daehler was flown to Grenchen, Switzerland.

Daehler's three years of high school German started in communicating with the host family, who did not speak English. He also spent two days at briefing by district and national leaders who explained Swiss culture and political structure.

The pace picked up the next day with a helicopter trip to Pilatus Aircraft Co., where the cadets were given a tour. The same afternoon, the Swiss Air Force flew the cadets to Pontresina in a Super Puma. The group dined in a small town atop a mountain in the eastern Alps.

Other activities included aerobatics, instruction in gliders, a ride in the prime minister's King Air, and a celebration of the breadth of the mission of CAP.

Coast to Coast

Bay Squadron 60, Group II of the California Wing.

Del Monte Center officials organized an essay contest for students to win sponsorship to attend the NASA Space Camp in Huntsville, Ala. The subject was, "Why I want to become an astronaut," inspired 500 essays, which in turn prompted officials to host a weekend aerospace education exhibit at the center. NASA provided models of space vehicles, photos, panels, and astronaut Edward Gibson announcing the winners.

Three days before the opening of the exhibit, the center contacted Squadron 60 commander Lt. Col. Dion DepCamp and Capt. Hal Carson.


Cadets refined their air and ground search skills through 24 exercises.

KSLA, Channel 12, aired some of the exercises during its evening newscast.

A safety stand down class was conducted by Maj. Cliff Robinson, director of operations for the Louisiana Wing. Capt. Jeff Wreyford was installed as commander of the Banksdale Composite Squadron.

The event was the last that Air Force liaison Master Sgt. Tammy Littrell held in her official capacity with the Louisiana Wing.

Col. Colm Foye, Louisiana Wing commander, presented McGee with a plaque and offered her the group's best wishes at her new assignment at Kirtland Air Force Base, N.M.

Senior member Katherine Dolce, Reno Composite Squadron, explains the Civil Air Patrol cadet program to a young visitor at an air show.

CAP, put youngsters in the aircraft and recruited new members.

Alaska — Cadet Lt. Col. Karen Clarke was awarded the Troy Sullivan Scholarship — a $1,000 stipend — by Phyllis Sullivan at the cadet encampment Aug. 18 at the Eielson Air Force Base Noncommissioned Officers Club, Anchorage, Alaska.

Clarke, a sophomore at the University of Alaska, Fairbanks, is an Air Force ROTC student majoring in military science. She works part-time as a lifeguard at Fort Wainwright and Eielson Air Force Base.

The scholarship was donated by Lt. Col. Doug Stark and Maj. Sandy Stark, who named it for Sullivan when they presented the first scholarship at the wing conference last October. Sullivan was nationally respected in CAP circles for his untiring efforts to advance cadet programs and aerospace education. He was inducted into the CAP Hall of Fame in 1992.

California — A Joint Civil Air Patrol/NASA exhibit at Del Monte Center in Monterey, Calif., netted 20 cadet prospects, seven teachers and the marketing director of the center. The recruits intend to join Monterey

Capitol Composite Squadron.

In addition to the traditional meetings and activities, during its jurisdiction, the Reno Composite Squadron provided a traveling display unit that was established to go to three other sites around the wing for local events.

"It's one of our most valuable sales tools, after the quality and obvious dedication of our cadet members who face the public," Ryan said.

Nevada — Organizers of the local school district's annual Jerry Lewis Muscular Dystrophy Association telethon asked a Civil Air Patrol member to appear on camera Sept. 4.

Cadet Lt. Col. Style Irigoin, Reno Composite Squadron, was selected to attend the telethon. Irigoin was interviewed by anchorwoman Erin Green of the local ABC affiliate, KOLO-TV, Channel 8. While challenging CAP members to pledge support, Irigoin had the opportunity to tell the CAP story.

Irigoin says he looks forward to the experience and views it as a very positive way to promote the CAP.

California — Cadets participated in crowd control duty for the Watsonville air show.

Frank E. Hopp, a guard support aircraft officer for the Watsonville air show, was a part of the guard support aircraft officer for the Watsonville air show, was a part of the guard support aircraft officer for the Watsonville air show, was a part of the guard support aircraft officer for the Watsonville air show.
Coast to Coast

Missouri Wing CAP members serve up breakfast for attendees at the recent Experimental Aircraft Association Fly-In.

The Dawn Patrol brought in four fine examples of the Neoport III. All in all, it was an excellent opportunity for CAP members to provide services to the community and for others to learn more about the organization and how it benefits the community. The event closed with a huge barbecue dinner.

Missouri — The Commission on Ministry to the Armed Forces of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod presented Chaplain Lt. Col. Gerald Discher with the Bronze Martin of Tours Medal, in recognition of 20 years service in the Civil Air Patrol chaplaincy. “In recognition of and gratitude to God for 20 years of distinguished service as a Civil Air Patrol Chaplain, bringing the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the military of our nation and their loved ones.” The Bronze Martin of Tours Medal recalls the tradition of Martin cutting his cloak in half and sharing it with a freezing beggar. Later in a dream, he saw Christ wearing the cloak. The word “cloak” is Capella in French for “cloud.” Actually we derive the word chaplain.

Discher is assistant to Chaplain Lt. Col. A. Bailey Duncan, Texas Wing chaplain. The award to the medal of a

Red weather prevented Art Perry from flying out-of-town cadets from San Jose Internation to Watsonville, but that didn’t stop him — Perry drove them there in his van.

This special Air Show is held at T. Hayward each year for the benefit of Oakland’s junior high and high school student body.

Andre Baury volunteered to fly the T-34 along with a bunch of other war birds to include in a static display. He said the kids jumped at the chance to sit in the cockpit and pretend to fly.

California — There was a good turnout for the recent Red Brau meeting. New member Jim Schmidt and a new guest, John Cole, attended.

The agenda covered the following:
- The June 5 emergency locator transmitter mission at Half Moon Bay.
- The status. The T-34 is grounded until a low compression cylinder can be pulled, reworked, and returned.
- The 200 is OK — even better with borrowed instruments.
- Sally Mason briefed members on her experience at the Pacific Region Staff College in Alaska, where she took part in lectures on management training, provost management, and human behavior. All eight wing commanders were present at the briefing, which was conducted as a provided terrific coverage.
- Participation in the Watsonville and Hayward air shows netted kudos for Andre Baury and Art Perry.
- Steve Ladas reported on operations activities and then received status reports from all sections.

Hawaii — The Lyman Field Composite Squadron, Hilo, Hawaii, in conjunction with the Federal Aviation Association and the Salvation Army, staged a safety clinic July 15.

A Coast Guard rescue swimmer and assisting pilots and crew members in using survival equipment in water.

The event drew aircraft and crews from all parts of the Hawaii Wing, who made up their operations over water.

Twenty-eight Civil Air Patrol trainees and 12 nonmember pilots, several from the Coast Guard Auxiliary, participated in the clinic.

In addition to the briefings and practice at the pool, aviators discussed over-water operations and safety issues at the squadron hangar.

In keeping with the Hawaiian custom of “When you meet, you eat,” the squadron commander hosted a lunch after the session.

Idaho — Civil Air Patrol cadets from the Idaho District II Composite Squadron joined with the Idaho Army National Guard to lead Idaho’s oldest continuous parade.

The “Thunder Days” parade and rodeo is nearing its 100th anniversary. The parade has always been led by the Idaho Army National Guard color guard, which was augmented this year by the CAP cadet color guard from the Grangeville area.

CAP members were honored to join “front of the parade.” More than 10,000 people gathered in this town of 30,000 to watch the pageantry. This year’s parade included floats, horses, antique cars, politicians, and the CAP communications van.

Following the parade, the CAP members joined the community at a barbecue in the city park. The crowd then attended the rodeo at the local rodeo stadium.

Montana — More than 30 people attended the July 20 ceremonial Awards Banquet for the Malmstrom Cadet Squadron at Malmstrom Air Force Base.

Senior wing deputy commander, Capt. Darren Makela, served as master of ceremonies, and Chief Master Sgt. Mike Hursch led the pledge of allegiance. Following that, squadron commander Capt. Michael Hower and cadet flight commander Chief Master Sgt. Heidi Tuss talked to the group.

After dinner, Hower presented awards to a number of squadron members. First quarter cadet-of-the-quarter honors went to Staff Sgt. Frank Albert, with senior-of-the-quarter honors going to Master Sgt. Diane Grant.

For the second quarter, Erik Barger was cadet-of-the-quarter and 2nd Lt. John Degel was named senior-of-the-quarter.

Curtiss-Wright Medals of Appreciation were awarded to Heidi Tuss and Mike Hursch, and the model rocketry badge was awarded to Albert, Hursch, Joe Grant, Barlow, Ben Thomas, Kirt Dehn and Huntley.

Montana — The 1995 Montana Wing Type A Encampment was held the last week in June at Malmstrom Air Force Base in Great Falls.

Thirty-two Montana Wing cadets along with one Idaho Wing cadet participated.

The junior Civil Air Patrol members took orientation flights in KC-135 Stratotankers and other aircraft, including helicopters. The group also visited the T-9 missile training center, shadowed Air Force personnel at their jobs, and negotiated the base confidence course.

Each evening, the cadets lowered the base flag during the daily retreat ceremony.

2nd Lt. Stephen Enzinger, Beartooth Composite Squadron, was the encampment commander. Enzinger is a former Army Ranger and was a warrant officer in the U.S. Army.

Beartooth Composite Squadron cadet 1st Lt. Zarek Plakowski was the cadet commander for the encampment.

Col. Charles Hunt, the new Montana Wing commander, and Cadet Advisory Council representative Maj. Nicholas Piklasowski dropped by to check on the group’s progress.

Local news media in Great Falls featured the encampment during their evening newscast.


“The loss of Red, who was my first Wing Commander back in 1973, is a real blow to Wyoming and Civil Air Patrol,” Cash said.

Since joining Civil Air Patrol in 1973, Perry was served in many capacities at squadron and wing headquarters level. She founded the highly decorated Douglas Composite Squadron in 1976. At the time of her appointment Col. Cash was serving in various positions in her home town squadron and at the wing.

Besides national duties, Cash is also qualified as a mission coordinator.

Local news media in Great Falls were able to serve their community.

Community support for the CAP was again evidenced by the many contributions of food and supplies by 13 local businesses. Many attendees made their way to the CAP area to talk with members.

The dedication of members has brought the CAP recognition within the community for outstanding service and community involvement.

Larry Young, local Experimental Aircraft Association president, complimented members of CAP R-057 for their excellent service.

More than 1,000 people attended the breakfast and fly-in, which included static aircraft displays, including kit-built planes, and aircraft demonstrations of aerobatic flight, gliders, radio-controlled aircraft and skydiving.

A glider plane took off during the radio-controlled demonstration and, due to excellent thermals, stayed aloft for more than three hours.

The Mid-America Air Show team provided unparalleled radio control flight, setting the stage for the larger aerobatic aircraft show.

John and Linda Morrey performed spellbinding aerobatics, including an inverted ribbon-cutting.

The Greater Kansas City Wing was able to sway the crowd with the “missing man formation,” which was flown in honor of deceased members Jim Garrison and Herb Hodge.

Aircraft on display included the area’s finest, the Cessnas 421, which operates for the Shriners' Shriner's Children's Cessnas, other kit planes.
In his early years, Cooper's imagination was colored by airplanes, rocket ships, satellites and the wild blue yonder. He dreamed of joining the U.S. Air Force pilot and participating in aviation. At Lexington's Tates Creek High School, he heard some friends talk about the Civil Air Patrol and saw them wearing the U.S. Air Force blue uniforms. He soon joined the Centenary Composite Squadron in Lexington.

Cooper's quest for knowledge and willingness to work hard moved him through the CAP ranks to cadet commander. This drive eventually earned him the Gen. Carl A. Spaatz award. In 1981, he entered the University of Kentucky and promptly enrolled in the Air Force ROTC program as a pilot candidate. He passed the Air Force Officer Qualifying Test, but his dream to be an Air Force pilot ended because of an eyesight problem. Disappointed but still driven by his dream, Cooper left the University of Kentucky to reassemble and redefine his career goals. He began working for the Central Kentucky Blood Center and, in 1989, entered the Physician Assistant School, College of Allied Health Professions at the University of Kentucky. He graduated in 1991 with a bachelor of health services degree and was recognized as the outstanding graduating senior in his college. He began his new career as a staff physician at the University of Kentucky Medical Center.

The CAP remains an important activity in Cooper's life. No longer a cadet, but a senior member, he currently is a lieutenant colonel and...
mander of the Kentucky Wing's Group I squadrons in central and northern Kentucky.

As a second lieutenant, he served as a military physician assistant with the Kentucky Army National Guard's 103rd Forward Support Battalion. Recently he received the opportunity he had been looking for – a commission as a reserve officer of the U.S. Air Force. He was sworn in by his CAP commander, Col. Douglas H jung, who is a retired U.S. Navy captain. Cooper serves with the 445th Air National Guard base, Ohio.

He probably will never be an Air Force pilot, but through the Air Force Reserve and CAP he expects to participate in the exploration of aerospace. "This is an exciting time of our history and I'm thrilled to be involved," Cooper said.

Cooper is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cooper, Lexington. His wife is the former Beth Eyer of Pleasureville, Ky., and the couple is blessed with their son, Travis.

Michigan – About 144 Civil Air Patrol members from across the state came to Phelps Collins Air National Guard Base in July to take part in the 1995 Michigan Wing Summer Encampment. Nearly 100 cadets attended. When they weren't in class or on the drill pad, the cadets participated in a variety of activities, including orientation rides. The cadets also visited the F-4 and F-16 aircraft on static display.

A base tour included visits to the control tower, fire department and hospital. Cadets and seniors alike took part in emergency services training. Besides learning the techniques of leadership and team work, the cadets received instruction in moral leadership, Air Force doctrine, drug awareness, orientation flights, and emergency services.

A first at the encampment this year was the model rocketry seminar. The cadets not only learned about model rocketry as an exciting aerospace hobby but also watched a demonstration of a model rocket launches. Each launch was cleared with the base control tower. The largest of the launches was a 52-inch-tall SCUD-B replica powered by two D12-5 motors. Each launch was OK'd by the control tower and was coordinated through cadet Lt. Col. Melissa Fournier and Capt. David Gillihan (cadet wing commander and training officer, respectively).

Other activities included mail call, team sports, a beach party and a graduation gala. The all-female Bravo Flight captured the honor flight award.

Kentucky – Cadets from the Boone County Composite Squadron became actors while taping Fourth of July spots with Cincinnati's Channel 64 personality Krista.

The 10-, 20- and 30-second spots were shown between July 4th television programs from 7 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. and again at 2:30 p.m. to 6 p.m.

When Krista arrived at the Boone County Squadron's Open House June 27, she was greeted by about 35 children and their parents. It was no coincidence that Krista also brought along a cameraman.

The squadron set up displays for search and rescue, aerospace education, color guard, first aid, radio communications, first aid and maps, said 2nd Lt. Debra Landrum, the squadron's public relations officer. The cadets had a chance to talk to the children, ages 6-12, about CAP. They were fascinated when items from the cadet's overnight gear were passed around for them to hold and study. Children put on the equipment while Webb and Hall talked to them about CAP activities.

Krista interviewed Landrum about CAP's history, activities, cadet programs and how people could become members. Outside, the cadets demonstrated the proper lowering of the U.S. flag and assisted Krista, along with the children, in wishing everyone a "Happy Fourth of July!"

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The star and supporting cast for the television spots took some out for a publicity photo. From left, cadets Josh Webb, Josh Faulkner, Toni Landrum, Channel 64's Krista, cadets Matthew Hall, Matthew Kahmann and 2nd Lt. T.A. Brice.

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