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## WING COMMANDER ENDORSES PROGRAM

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## COMMAND COMMENT

Col. Richard Leighton  
Wing Commander

The biggest issue I see facing us, and not just in the Florida Wing, is that the Civil Air Patrol is the best kept secret in the world. We fail to make known what we are doing so no one is aware that we really exist. For the most part we even fail to tell each other what we are doing.

The solution to this problem is quite simple. Tell everyone what you are doing. Make sure that your squadron or group activities are no secret. Make an effort to inform the press and media of every upcoming event. Tell friends, neighbors, and those you go to school or work with. If you let others know what's coming up they may wish to visit or even decide to join us.

Next thing you can do is advise the Wing of your upcoming activities. Often I hear of events after they happened. At that point I and my staff are unable to help you with resources, manpower, ideas or whatever it takes to make the event a success. Give us enough time to help you with your activities. With better planning we will do better work.

I am making 1989 in the Florida Wing "THE YEAR OF COMMUNICATIONS". If any unit or any member does anything worth noting, tell us. It makes us all feel good to know our people are doing great.

### Gator CAPers

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## PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Cpt. Jean Stockton

It has certainly was a very busy 3rd quarter and now we are in the thick of the last quarter! Happy Holidays to all of you in Florida Wing. The Fl Wing Staff wish you hope and health for the future...and a sublime '89!

Certainly we have had our ups and downs when it comes to Public Affairs: concerns about local press covering the events; waiting for the display National loans out to us; setting up meetings to share the CAP story. But whatever beset us before, taught us and probably won't get us again. Plans are being made to create a short VHS cassette for PAOs to view. It will be about the materials and courses we have available to us to do our job. This should assist the new Public Affairs Officers in getting started.

PAOs, as soon as you receive media coverage, send the information - newspaper clippings - immediately to National Headquarters/PAIN. They also report every 2 weeks on what coverage CAP is receiving. Keep a copy to send with your quarterly report to me, and put a copy in your unit scrap book. Speaking of which, you should all be getting your scrapbooks in top notch order for the Wing Conference in the spring. The requirements are: size not to exceed 14" x 17"; items should be for calendar years only (1988s will be judged in 1989, the one you begin in January will be for 1989 only, judged in 1990..). The books will be judged on content (does it show activity by cadets and seniors, many different activities, media coverage, appreciation letters etc!) Also it will be judged on continuity of photos and stories (is there some theme, or basic organization to your book? This could be done in many ways, just do it. Your unit's number, name, the year it covers, list of PAOs, COs, unit staff and some stats on the unit should be divided between the cover and first page or two of the book. If we have to hunt for basic information, it decreases your score. Make sure all items show proper, approved uniforming, activities etc. Be as neat as possible, no extra glue smeared, jagged edged newspaper clippings or photographs, etc.

Up to twenty-five points are given in each area: proper size and basic information; content; continuity; overall quality.

MISSION PAOs, when you are on a downed/missing aircraft mission, I SHOULD BE called as soon as you have the Public Information Flash (PIF) completed. Please request a FL WG Mission PAO Kit from me if you are active in SARs. Use the kit to complete the report you send to National within 2 days of the mission, and send a copy to me.

ANOTHER item I am compiling is a MEDIA CONTACT book. Send me the data of YOUR local radio & tv stations, and the newspaper clipping (or data) that tells who to contact at the paper. This way when a PAO is on a mission, or when we have a special event in YOUR area, we can supply media contact info.

NEEDED: Current 2a on each unit PAO.

GREETINGS!

### COVER STORY:

Col. R. Leighton, Fl Wg Commander, complies with the new Civil Air Patrol Cadet Protection Program. The program is set out in Chapter I, Sections B & C of CAP Manual 50-16, dated 1 Apr 1988 and a new CAP Regulation 35-7, dated 1 Jul 1988. There is an April 1988 version of CAP Pamphlet 50-6, Cadet Protection Policy and Program for Parents and Leaders.

The cadet protection program requires CAP Senior Members who "work with cadets" to be "screened" and in possession of a Cadet Leader Identification Card issued by C.A.P. National Headquarters no later than January 1, 1989.

# HISTORIAN

## LC. Lib Sedita

Below is a list of individuals who received the Spaatz award and an indication of those who received the Falcon award are in bold print. If you know of anyone else who received the Falcon and when please notify the F1 Wing Historian by postcard.

SPAATZ									
	#								
1.	2	Kenneth D. Kelly	08093	Jun 65	31.	306	Randall J. Cason	08160	30 Dec 74
2.	17	<b>Mark D. Haffey</b>	08017	23 Jun 66	32.	307	Jacqueline M. Pearson	08160	30 Dec 74
3.	23	<b>Robert E. Martin</b>	08002	15 Sep 66	33.	309	Sandra L. Graham	08160	30 Dec 74
4.	32	<b>Kevin M. Frye</b>	08178	9 Dec 66	34.	317	Erik L. Whitehead	08293	25 Mar 78
5.	35	<b>George M. Mead</b>	08023	15 Mar 67	35.	318	<b>Eric G. Haertel</b>	08066	25 Mar 75
6.	49	Frederic G. Winter, Jr.	08023	18 Sep 67	36.	340	Karen L. Krna	08237	4 Aug 75
7.	51	<b>David C. Greeson</b> (Killed in action, Vietnam, 7 Nov 69)	08123	22 Sep 67	37.	341	<b>Susan A. Mundy</b>	08116	15 Aug 75
8.	56	Richard L. Davis	08126	22 Dec 67	38.	345	Lathan H. Collins	08432	29 Aug 75
9.	61	Gary E. Buker	08021	4 May 68	39.	371	Timothy D. Watkins	08133	23 Jan 76
10.	71	<b>Glen R. Morris</b>	08002	22 Nov 68	40.	372	Orlando H. Rosado	08204	23 Jan 76
11.	78	<b>Mary S. Ruzycski</b>	08002	22 Nov 68	41.	384	Erik T. Feyer	08160	6 May 76
12.	110	Patricia A. Petruff	08100	23 Mar 70	42.	385	<b>Monte E. Delote</b>	08204	17 May 76
13.	112	Douglas A. Walker	08274	3 Apr 70	43.	394	Rhuett K. Atherton	08432	9 Aug 76
14.	114	Charles A. Pfeiffer	08116	30 Apr 70	44.	395	David A. Pattillo	08227	9 Aug 76
15.	115	<b>Mike A. Murphy</b>	08130	14 May 70	45.	407	George D. Navarini	08286	4 Oct 76
16.	118	Lily T. Howard	08218	7 Aug 70	46.	426	James J. Drew	08160	31 Mar 77
17.	122	Douglas R. Maymon	08160	28 Aug 70	47.	444	Edward A. McLuckie	08103	14 Oct 77
18.	126	James T. Walker	08274	30 Sep 70	48.	478	<b>Kenneth A. Devall</b>	08303	30 Jul 78
19.	127	Barbara J. Reschke	08020	15 Oct 70	49.	496	Jeremy Pearson	08160	2 Jan 79
20.	187	<b>Montgomery Broward</b>	08029	24 Oct 72	50.	505	Carlos A. Puentas	08318	9 Mar 79
21.	188	James K. Massey	08159	24 Oct 72	51.	556	Jay J. Warwick	08128	16 Sep 80
22.	189	James W. Reagan	08090	3 Nov 72	52.	616	John R. O'Neill	08293	19 Jul 82
23.	191	Andre M. Dallau	08090	Dec 72	53.	637	Theodore J. Deringer	08380	15 Apr 83
24.	200	Susan J. Redding	08050	Jan 73	54.	650	Lester E. Preston	08089	18 Jul 83
25.	201	<b>Jerry A. Layshock</b>	08050	10 Jan 73	55.	661	Janon D. Ellis	08319	8 Sep 83
26.	203	Kitty S. Hannon	08090	1 Feb 73	56.	672	David A. Horowitz	08355	28 Nov 83
27.	251	Barbara A. Stack	08160	21 Dec 73	57.	673	Ivan Suarez (Died April 1987, cancer)	08318	28 Nov 83
28.	259	George PL Nelson	08133	30 Jan 74	58.	676	John W. McCoy	08001	15 Dec 83
29.	270	David K. Graham	08160	21 May 74	59.	676	Pedro J. Attencio	08039	3 Jan 84
30.	295	Jose R. Carrizales	08090	7 Oct 74	60.	680	Donald E. Robinson	08090	27 Jan 84
					61.	728	John McDermott	08089	3 Jan 85
					62.	755	Michael J. Woehlert	08089	23 Oct 85
					63.	786	Bruce L. Lovins	08317	28 Feb 86
					64.	793	Wayne D. Kostzy	08176	11 Apr 86
					65.	795	Vincent W. Mayfield	08423	17 Apr 86
					66.	802	Joseph J. Martin	08117	12 May 86
					67.	830	Darrom W. Wargacki	08116	17 Feb 87
					68.	831	Eric Espino	08319	17 Feb 87
					69.	855	Kevin R. Gendrom	08355	11 Aug 87
					70.	886	Troy Lanich	08030	6 Jun 88
					71.	903	Eugene V. Becker	08033	6 Sep 88

# COMMUNICATIONS

*LiC. Ross Sedita*

## FLORIDA WING, CIVIL AIR PATROL

**Daily VHF Group Net Schedule**  
(Start time/30 min. duration)

**Assigned Primary Frequency 148.150 Mhz.**

LOCAL	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
0715	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
0830	8	8	8	8	8	8	8
1830	4		4		4		
1900	3		3		3		
1930			2**				
1945			5				
2000	9*	7,9*	9*	7,9*	7,9*	9*	9*
2100	6						

\* 149.925 Mhz and presently runs Sun, Tue, & Thu.  
\*\* Jacksonville area only.

Reminder: 143.750 and 149.925 Mhz will not be used in aircraft. 143.9 and 143.750 are the input frequencies for the Wing Repeater. Use of 143.90 by aircraft is discouraged.

## SOUTHEAST REGION SIDEBAND SCHEDULE

**ASSIGNED FREQUENCY: 4467.5 KHz**

LOCAL	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
0730	FL	FL	FL	FL	FL	FL	FL
0800							TN
0830							SER**
0930		AL					
1800	GA	GA	GA	GA	GA	GA	GA****
1830		MS*		AL*			
1900		AL	AL	AL	AL	AL	AL
1930	MS	MS	MS	MS	MS	MS	MS
2000		SER	GA	SER	SER***	SER	SER
2030	FL	FL	FL	FL	FL	FL	FL
2100	TN	TN	TN	TN	TN	TN	TN
213#	GA	GA	GA	GA	GA	GA	GA*****

\*CADET NET  
\*\*SER CHAPLAIN'S NET  
\*\*\*GULF COAST HURRICANE NET  
\*\*\*\*USED ON EASTERN STANDARD TIME ONLY  
\*\*\*\*\*USED ON DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ONLY

REMINDER: 4582 KHz should be used on all missions

### BASE AUTHORIZATION EXPIRATIONS

Sparrow 173	Brugman, D.	30 Jan 89
Sparrow 224	Herman, B.	30 Jan 89
Sparrow 07	Kline, H	28 Feb 89
Sparrow 146	Houge, D.	28 Feb 89
Sparrow 407	Hameroff, S.	28 Feb 89
Sparrow 1732	Holzapfel, W.	28 Feb 89
Sparrow 618	Davis, A.	28 Mar 89

### GRATEFUL NOTE

Those involved in the search for the experimental midget mustang and pilot Bruce Balkum might take note of the quiet thank you from the family. In the obituary notice they suggested that donations be sent to Civil Air Patrol.

## REMEMBER!

**Public Affairs Officers:** Your quarterly reports are due in my hands by **JANUARY 5th**. Some groups ask that you send it to them, and then fail to forward it. Perhaps you should send me an informational copy, until I receive the one filed through chain of command.

Only one unit from Group 1, none from Group 3, four from Group 4, one from Group 9, and one from Group 10; Groups 2 and 8 were 100% reporting with Groups 5, 6, 7, missing a few unit's reports.

If you need to compile one each month - for your records - and then draw from that information for the quarterly, do so. Copies of media coverage not previously sent to me, photos of current activity ect, are all welcomed back-up material. Any thing that is pertinent is sent on to the Wing Historian.

**COMMANDING OFFICERS:** if you do not have a good PAO assigned it makes the job harder on you, if you have no PAO, then YOU are the responsible party. Let me know how I can help you in your unit.

## GROUP 1

**08434 HQ** Welcomes three new staff members: Cpts B. Smathers, B. Gray, and D. Powers. This unit provided several airlifts for the American Red Cross during this last quarter!

**08432 Tallahassee Composite-** Participated in a quarter scale model plane meet. Jaime Rogers selected as the Unit Cadet of the Quarter!

## GROUP 2

**08029 Riverview** Frank Shearer, Sr. is new PAO. Conducted membership with media via base "Falcon Fox."

**08323 Joe Ross Senior** Performs consistent weekend Sundown patrols. Holds training at the end of each meeting!

**08352 Cedar Key Composite** Held Level One training, participated in communication and emergency services seminars and a nuclear disaster exercise.

**08361 Marion County Composite** Fairly new squadron with good pa effort by 2Lt Westbrook despite his intense effort in his own new business. Had a paper and aluminum can pick-up and assisted in parking for a local event.

**08383 Jacksonville Composite** Had a 1/2 hour tv show aired - a few times! Plans for a unit newsletter...

## GROUP 4

**08153 HQ** Sponsored Standard 1st Aid course with 53 cadets and seniors attending. Majors S. Cloutier, R. Dixon, and 1Lt R. Cloutier became MCs after attending the latest MC update!

**08066 St. Petersburg Cadet** Toured St. Petersburg control tower and its operation. Trained at SAR picnic with 2 seniors and 9 cadets.

**08182 Pinellas Senior** boasts two new private pilots: Jim Hensel, Dan Chesnut. Working on Pilot Proficiency: LtCs R. Hubert, W. Hubert, Maj Trenque, Cpt Davidson, 1Lts Easom, Scott. Completed Phase IV: Maj A. Parker, Cpt M. Fletcher. Unit also held a recruiting event.

**08327 Tarpon Springs** PAO Cpt Rasmussen and cadet son presented the CAP story in NC!

## GROUP 5

**08020 HQ** Held SAREX. Also published an event filled newsletter boasting to open house recruitings.

# ACROSS THE WING



**08024 Stuart Cadet** assisted in both 4-1778 epirb hunt and 4-1792 elt mission.

**08047 Palm Beach Senior** Participated in the open house. Many assisted in the mission 04-1796A. Lauds Col. Jack Moore.

**08159 North Palm Beach Composite** (former Palm Beach Cadet) has a new HQ. Participated in ground activities of SAREX in September. Held a recruiting drive and Chamber Air Show.

**08078 Treasure Coast Composite** (Ft. Pierce and Vero Beach merged) has a new newsletter: The Squadron Rocket and it's a dandy. Cpts. Mike Young and Jack Mintern attended the National Board Meeting. Unit toured tower at St. Lucie County AP.

**08015 Okeechobee Composite** Lauds Ken Null as the 1st Gen. Billy Mitchell recipient from the unit!

## GROUP 6

**08019 HQ** Members toured the new control tower at Daytona Beach Regional Airport.

**08021 Lake Composite** Attended County Aviation Assoc. meeting and also spoke to the local Kiwanis. They had a recruiting drive with the aircraft in a shopping center.

**08549 Daytona Beach Composite** Held a free car wash, fundraiser, recruiting drive! On top of that, they received local media coverage for it.

**08133 Orlando Cadet** Held workday to improve meeting place. Also had a mini fly-day at Orlando. State Representative LtC Art Grindle was one of the 3 pilots: Colonels Casenove, Spieker assisted.

**08210 Ormond Beach** Media coverage from Daytona Beach Sunday News Journal regarding airport day and speedway PR.

**08362 Osceola Composite** Discussed SAR, missing persons etc. availability with the local 911 authorities.

**08378 New Smyrna Beach Composite** Held a car wash fundraiser with good attempt for media coverage too.

**08060 Deland Composite** Has a new PAO Sr Member Wm. Kuykendall. This is another mission active unit, and one that produces a newsletter too.

**08116 Seminole Cadet** had several cadets staff positions at the ground ops seminar and practice mission. C/Major Frank Lawson soloed. Congratulations!

## GROUP 7

**08272 HQ** Publishes a newsletter that includes a lists of things to do, extra good information too.

**08267 Toured Patrick AFB; F16 simulator at Daytona Beach.** The unit also assisted in Valkaria SAR.

**08293 Patrick Composite** Advertises CAP at the local bank, newspaper. Participated in departure ceremony of the 549 CAMS at Patrick AFB.

## GROUP 8

**08370 HQ** Had 100% in Real Property reports! Hosted SAR evaluation in Sebring, twice. Report in next issue.

**08023 Naples Senior** The local USCG unit received the CAP story and current SAR activities from this unit. "We" received good PR via Naples Daily.

**08051 PAO Maj Dever** is recovering from a broken hip. Get well soon!

**08376 Marco Island Senior** Has received great publicity for CAP. The new CO is 1Lt N. Ehrmann.

## GROUP 9

**08016 Coral Springs Cadet** Enthusiastic PAO A. Pucci sends 1/2" thick report each time. Dedication ceremonies, photos, stories: all of activities of the unit, active donation lists JCPenney, Motorola, Honda Classic, WRMF PSAs, tours made.

## GROUP 10

**08076 Miami Senior #1** Held flight clinic and also a mission preparedness class. New PAO Norm Smith is a columnist with Mooney AC owners magazine. Unit still needs donations for purchase of DF equipment.

**08279 Homestead AFB Cadet** aided the annual Thunderbirds Air Show, provided communications and assisted Group with traffic control.

## CADET PROGRAMS

LtC. Henry Prine

### CADET COMPETITION 1989

Now's the time to start planning for the 1989 season.

The 88 season isn't over for Florida Wing just yet; as we plan to go to the National Competition in December. Florida Wing won the Southeast Region Cadet Competition in August and now must represent the Region at the National Level. Your teams could be next!

The Florida Wing Cadet Competition will be held 21-23 April 1989 at Navy Training Center in Orlando.

All information about competitions is outlined in CAPM 50-16. So get your 16 best cadets together and start practicing NOW!

The cost of the activity is \$20 per cadet and \$10 per senior. Every cadet attending must complete two (2) copies of CAPF 31 which are hand carried to the activity.

A letter of intent along with a check for \$25 is all that is required to register your teams. Deadline for registration is 1 April 1989.

Any question concerning this activity can be directed to the project officer: LtC Dennis McCoy, 6333 99th Street East, Bradenton, Fl. 34202 or phone (813) 756-6331.

Let's have a great turn out this year and beat our own record! See you there!

### OUTSTANDING CADET AND ALICE HOLMES AWARDS

Florida Wing will again recognize the Outstanding Cadets of the Year and the Alice Holmes Award at Special Acts. Plaques will be presented and the Outstanding Cadet (Phase IV) will be submitted to SER for consideration for the National Cadet of the Year. Awards will be made in the following categories: (Outstanding Cadet Award recipients must attend Special Acts and appear before both Special Acts Board and Cadet Review Board.)

PHASE II Cadets must NOT have earned the Mitchell Award

PHASE III: Cadets must have earned the Mitchell.

PHASE IV: Cadets must have earned the Earhart.

### SPECIAL ACTIVITY . SELECTION BOARD (Special Acts.)

WHERE: NAVY TRAINING CENTER, ORLANDO, FL

WHEN: 3,4 & 5 MARCH 1989

COST: \$25 (includes meals, billets, and banquet.)

WHO: ANY CADET IN THE FLORIDA WING

HOW: COMPLETE THREE (3) CAPF 31'S WITH PICTURES. INCLUDE CHECK PAYABLE TO FLWG/CAP. MAIL TO: FLWG/TTH 1004 67TH STREET, N.W. BRADENTON, FL 33529

DEADLINE: 1 FEBRUARY 1989.

#### ACTIVITIES:

NATIONAL - SEE DECEMBER 1988 CAP NEWS FOR REQUIREMENTS.

1. INTERNATIONAL AIR CADET EXCHANGE. (IACE)
2. CADET OFFICERS' SCHOOL. (COS)
3. AIR TRAFFIC COMMAND FAMILIARIZATION COURSE. (AFTFC)
4. PARARESCUE ORIENTATION COURSE. (PJOC)
5. AIR FORCE COMPUTER ORIENTATION PROGRAM. (AFCOP)
6. BLUE BERET ENCAMPMENT. (BBE)
7. SEN. JENNINGS RANDOLPH SOARING SCHOOL

#### FLORIDA WING:

1. ON-THE-JOB TRAINING, (OJT) MacDill AFB & HOMESTEAD AFB REQUIREMENTS
  - a. must be a member in good standing.
  - b. must have attended encampment
  - c. must attend Special Acts.
  - d. must be 15 yrs old at time of activity.
2. WATER SURVIVAL TRAINING, (WST) HAFB SAME AS ABOVE BUT MUST BE 16.

### ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

1. The Navy Training Center is a military base and all cadet and senior members will report to the activity in uniform (1550s) and will remain in uniform during the weekend, sign out and leave the base in uniform. No personnel will be permitted in any of the buildings in civilian attire.

2. All areas will be inspected by CAP personnel and the Navy before anyone can sign out. The areas will be clean and all trash will be carried to the dumpsters, all bedding will be returned to a designated area, and the grounds around the building will be clean.

3. If awarded an activity, do not expect AIR LIFT. Transportation to and from activities awarded will be at cadet's expense and will not be Civil Air Patrol's responsibility.

4. All cadets awarded an activity will be responsible for responding to any notices received from Project Officers. Failure to comply will result in the loss of the activity. Wing activities will require a deposit and failure to respond to deadlines will result in loss of deposit unless Project Officer is notified at least 7 days before the activity starts. NOTE: A number of slots at MacDill and Homestead were lost because cadets did not respond to letters sent by the Project Officer. A deposit and a suspense date will be made and failure to respond will be cause for losing the activity.

### ALICE HOLMES:

*Awarded to an Outstanding female in the FL Wing in ANY phase, and must be for outstanding work in the unit regardless of rank. NOTE: A female cadet submitted for this award may also be submitted for Outstanding Cadet of the Year in the proper phase.*

All cadets submitted for the above awards will be submitted on CAPF 58s (three -3- copies), 201 files will not be required or used, and awards will be made in accordance with scores made on the Special Acts Selection Board, the Cadet Review Board and information submitted on the CAPF 58. Refer to CAPR 39-3, Sect G, Para 23, AWARDS OF CAP MEDALS, RIBBONS, and CERTIFICATES for further information on the Cadet of the Year Award.

If you have any questions concerning the above, please call: Florida Wing DCP: LtC Henry Prine (813) 792-7185 SP 19 Activities Officer: LtC Tom Welch (305) 941-1552 SP 27



# SENIOR PROGRAMS

1. Of the 2,570 Senior Members in the FI Wing, 440 or 17% are classified as sustaining members on the SMTLR.

2. Level 1 orientation course completions continue to increase, about 81% of the total FI Senior Members have now completed Level 1 training. FI Wing HQ is awarding a certificate of completion to all new members completing Level 1.

3. ECI participation in Florida and nationally is picking up speed with lots of activity in the 2130 scanner, mission observer, and emergency services series.

4. Our goal as established by National HQ for National Staff College attendance this year was three (3) and we had ten (10) Senior Members complete the college at Maxwell AFB.

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**Copy Deadlines**  
**5 Jan 5 Mar**

## CAP OFFICER AWARDED MEDAL

by *Cpt. E. B. Bergman, PAO*

At a recent CAP Group Staff meeting, Col. Jack Moore was an honored recipient of a medal that expresses our country's high regard for its servicemen. Struck just recently, it is in silver and bears an eagle. Military persons who were interned by the enemy (POWs) are presently being awarded this much deserved decoration.

Retired Air Force Colonel Moore presently serves as Commander of the Palm Beach Senior Squadron, an all-adult unit of pilots and observers who fly search missions in South Florida.

*LtC. John Lehr*

### GILL ROBB WILSON AWARD

Maj D.E. Barineau 08025 29 Sep 88  
 Maj T.E. Davis 08368 08 Sep 88

### PAUL E. GARBER AWARD

Maj Clara E. Dever 08051 29 Sep 88  
 Maj Carl H. Peltzer 08370 15 Jul 88  
 Cpt Thomas B. Trammell 08335 24 Jun 88  
 1Lt Robert C. Pettigrew 08133 10 Jun 88

### GROVER LOENING AWARD

Cpt Eugene F. Dewitt 08029 15 Jul 88  
 Cpt Gustav O. Ehrman 08376 24 Jun 88  
 Cpt A.J. Eliopoulos 08023 14 Jul 88  
 Cpt W.R. Almsteadt 08352 03 Aug 88  
 Cpt Elmer E. Emrick 08336 17 Jun 88  
 Cpt Michael K. Hood 08435 05 Jul 88  
 Cpt Raymond Kokesh 08376 05 Jul 88  
 Cpt Robert W. Juback 08249 15 Jul 88  
 Cpt W. Jean Stockton 08001 24 Jun 88  
 1Lt Roger E. Cloutier 08153 15 Jul 88  
 1Lt R.W. Rasmussen 08327 15 Jul 88  
 1Lt R.P. Richardson 08015 15 Jul 88

### C.A.P. Membership Award:

(119 members from 35 squadrons completed Level One during May thru Oct 1988.)

### Squadron Leadership Schools Jun-Oct 88

25-26 Jun host: Group 10 at Pembroke Pines; Lt Col Patrick J. Mcgee  
 24-25 Sep host: Group 1 at Tyndall AFB; Maj Joan M. Thompson  
 1-2 Oct host: Group 9 at Hollywood Cpt Harold Cunningham  
 15-16 Oct host: Group 2 at Jacksonville; Maj Frederick W. Jones  
 22-23 Oct host: Group 6 at Kissimmee; Maj Claude Fillingham

**GROUP 3 HQ WILL HOST AN SLS AT MacDill AFB, FI ON 3-4 DEC 1988**

### Corporate Learning Courses Jul-Oct 88

23-24 Jul Host: Group 7 at Patrick AFB; Cpt Deborah A. Lewis  
 13-14 Aug Host: Group 5 at West Palm Beach; Cpt M.J. Shanahan  
 29-30 Oct Host: Group 4 at Clearwater; Maj Sandra Cloutier, PO

**GROUP 10 WILL HOST A CLC 3-4 DECEMBER AT MIAMI DADE JR COLLEGE, SOUTH CAMPUS**



Attendees of the 1988 SER take a photo break during the banquet. SER staff member LtC Frank White is on far left.

The following FL WG members attended Southeast Region Staff College 1988:

Bengele, Charles M. Jr	08153	Love, James H.	08376
Cadorete, Nancy C.	08051	Malouf, Waldense D.	08153
Cline, Connie J.	08153	Malouf, Jeanette	08153
Cline, James L.	08153	Mar, Jack E.	08328
Cloutier, Roger E.	08153	Paulsen, Linae E.	08317
Ehrman, Gustave O.	08376	Stockton, W. Jean	8001
Gallipo, Nancy F.G.	08249	Wright, Kevin D.	08317
Lauro, Bonaventure R.	08016	Ryals, Rodney J.	08030

## LETTER OF APPRECIATION



**TO:** Commander, Florida Wing

**VIA:** Commander, Pennsylvania Wing

**FROM:** Commander, Hawk Mtn Search & Rescue School

17 July 1988

As another successful Hawk Mtn Summer Search & Rescue School comes to a close, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Florida Wing for the continued support (in the way both cadets and seniors, students and staff) that you have provided over the years.

Since 1986, Florida Wing has sent a total of 13 members to our school. Those who attended have been quick to learn, and have conducted themselves with self-confidence and in a very professional manner. You have every reason to be proud of them, and we hope that you have been pleased with the results of the training that they have received at Hawk Mtn.

Again, thank you for your support. We hope to have the Florida Wing personnel at Hawk Mtn for many years to come.

William E. Gibbons

Major, CAP

School Commander

## NEWSLETTERS OF FL WG

The Wing PAO is currently receiving the following unit newsletters. If you are creating one, send it along to me!

- FLY PAPER
- CADRE
- WINDSOCK
- THE SQUADRON ROCKET
- PROP WASH
- AIRKNOCKERS
- DELAND UPDATE
- "BULLETIN"
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Plus four titled "NEWS LETTER"...

## NEW TREASURE COAST COMPOSITE SQUADRON

The Vero Beach and Fort Pierce Squadrons were merged into one and named the Treasure Coast Composite Squadron. Commanding the new unit is Cpt. Michael J. Young, a Vero Beach resident. He is qualified as a SAR pilot. Cpt. Young brings many years of aviation experience to CAP: 13 years with the British Royal Air Force followed by 4 years service in the RAF Volunteer Reserve as commander of an Air Training Corp squadron.

As a composite squadron the unit, in addition to SAR duties, runs an active cadet program. Treasure Coast Composite Squadron meets at the St. Lucie County Airport.

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## Job Openings...

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### FLORIDA WING STAFF: (volunteer positions)

**AREA PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICERS** needed to assist in photographic coverage of events, writing of articles, speaking at meetings. Reports to FL WG Director of Public Affairs on monthly basis. Should be adept in at least one of the above areas with willingness to learn the others. Needs to know CAP and have a positive attitude.

Someone engrossed in unit work that they must continue will probably not have time to do this job effectively.

**EDITOR** for Gator CAPers needed. Should reside in South Florida area (Miami or South) to be able to work with printer in Homestead (and DPA.) Resume of previous experience, with backup material requested. Reports to DPA. Knowledge of current C.A.P. organization is imperative!

**SUPPLY OFFICER** Send resume to the Director of Logistics. Job requires attendance at Wing Headquarters each Tuesday work night.

**ASSIST. ADMINISTRATION OFFICER** Please contact FL WG Admin. Officer, Cpt Pete Mason. Resume requested.

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## "OUTSTANDING" SAYS AIR FORCE!

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The Florida Wing rated an overall outstanding for the annual SAR Evaluation held in November. Read all about it in the next issue of GC.

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**FUTURE ISSUES OF THE GATOR CAPERS** will be available for your business advertising. Limited space available. Ad size will be approximately 2" x 2" and will be on one of two pages of the Gator CAPers, not throughout the issue. Cost will be \$50.00 per ad, payable in advance. Printing run is 5000 copies with each Florida Wing member and many FBOs, along with State Government Representatives receiving a copy. Contact the Florida Wing Public Affairs Officer c/o FL WG Headquarters.

# GROUP 2 SAREX

by 2Lt Bill Westbrook, PAO

Group 2 began their SAREX at 0700 hours on a Saturday at the Gainesville Municipal Airport. Kenn-Air, the FBO, graciously afforded its passenger lounge for Mission Headquarters. The Gainesville Composite Squadron, being the host, is to be commended for securing such comfortable accommodations.

Major Joe Barron was Mission Coordinator and proved to all that he is a professional in every way. As scheduled, briefing was held early for the 92 participants of 52 seniors and 40 cadets. The information gained at the briefing was indeed sketchy. An aircraft was reported dropping off radar while flying at 6000 feet in the Alachua, High Springs, Florida area. While an aircraft was seen flying in this area, it was also reported that a Cessna 172 had been stolen from the Tallahassee Airport approximately one hour before the mystery aircraft had gone off the radar.

With the above information in hand, the first of 8 sorties was launched consisting of three aircraft each. The mystery aircraft was located at 1400 hours by Captain Haller, a mission pilot trainee. Its location was 1-1/2 miles west of Gainesville close to the intersection of I-75 and US 441. A ground team was sent to the area and reported no one was aboard the "found" aircraft. Shortly thereafter the Gainesville Police reported the arrest of an individual suspected to have stolen the aircraft.

Practice SAR TESTS are just what the name implies—practice with hypothetical situations and circumstances in order to iron out the "glitches" for when the real mission happens. Group 2 was not immune to the glitches: one aircraft developed radio problems and another ignition trouble. However, both these were corrected and the mission progressed smoothly.

During the conclusion of the mission, LtC Jeane Smith, the Air Force Observer stated that in all her experience as a participant and observer of Air Force Rescue Missions, Group 2 ranked with the very best. This proves that training and practice are essential in order to gain perfection.

Major Derryl Barineau, Group 2 Commander, praised all who participated and pointed out that during a mission, practice or otherwise, safety is and should be the by-word. Also, that he was delighted with the performance of all and that Group 2 could handle any mission assigned to it.

Special "THANKS" is given to the Gainesville Sun Newspaper and to Sue Ellen Vance and her camera operator from TV-20 News in Gainesville for their excellent coverage of our SAREX. TV-20 has supported Civil Air Patrol many times in the past and we appreciate it.

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# AEROSPACE EDUCATION

*LtC. Wilbert Williams*

The following persons have passed the Aerospace Education Examination:

LtCs	John Lehr	08001
	Claude Farmer	08323
Maj	James C. Howe	08434
Cpts	Ken Halsey	08347
	Thomas Trammell	08355
	Glen Outlaw	08029
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	Vincent Pickett	08347
	Robert Hoban	08054
	Richard Caplinger	08355
	Walter Grace	08033
	Deborah Romine	08033
	Erwin Moonay	08033
	Daniel Windtree	08033
	Dave Whitman	08033
	Howard Chipman	08029
	Frank Shear	08029



Florida Wing was well represented at National Staff College with the following students (all Majors) attending: Penelope Roberts, John Weidensall, Jr., Deryl Barineau, Fred Jones, Frank Ventimiglia, Joseph Barron, Jr., Ted Davis, E. C. Wolff. (Also shown is FL WG PAO who assisted staff with Public Affairs.)



Photograph taken of presentation to Vice-Captain Richard Siedenbug, USCG Auxiliary of Palm Harbor. Shown are (l-r): CAP PAO Cpt R. W. Rasmussen, Vice Captain, 1Lt H. Schaefer, CAP, Maj D. Rennie, CAP

# A SAFETY NOTE...

*by Col. Sam Spieker*

## THOSE MAGNIFICENT MEN IN THEIR FLYING MACHINES.

All of us are guilty of being complacent whether it is at home, in a car, or when flying. We've all rushed out and jumped in our cars without so much as making sure all four tires are inflated -they were ok last time- right?

Then we have those magnificent men/women in their flying machines. Most pilots make an honest effort to do a good preflight inspection for the first flight of the day. After that though, many pilots (not CAP of course) forget what they were taught early in their aviation careers: know your airplane. After all, it flew in so it should fly out.

The majority of the airplanes we operate are 4 place, however under most situations, they are not true four place aircraft. Pilots should be ever mindful to know the payload authorized and the actual payload (people, equipment). That, along with the fuel load (especially with full fuel) could easily overload the aircraft. Because you can "stuff it in" doesn't mean the plane can lift it, especially on hot days and at anything other than a sealevel airport.

Preflights do not end with a check of the controls, fuel, etc. Pilots should review emergency procedures pertinent to the aircraft so responses can be second nature. A true emergency (like smoke in the cockpit) is not the time to read the manual on what to do. You might not be able to see it. Other crew members should review the manual for the airplane, too.

Avoid the "Complacency Bug" and hopefully avoid a serious situation. It makes sense to: know your limits; preplan flight; use checklists; preflight aircraft; know aircraft's systems, limits, and emergency actions.

## TARPON SPRINGS CADETS TAKE WATER SAFETY

*by Cpt. Roland Rasmussen, PAO*

The Safety Officer, Maj. David S. Rennie, realizing we are a section of the country surrounded by water of all kinds and that we are a water oriented group asked the U.S.C.G. Auxiliary to give us a hand. The safety officer holds a monthly safety lecture on a timely subject. So he went to the experts and they provided Division Vice Captain of District Seven, Richard Siedenbug.

We, the Tarpon Springs Cadet Squadron, Group 4, found the lecture so informative that he was awarded a citation by the C.A.P. in a small ceremony in the Tarpon Springs Middle School, where the squadron meets each Tuesday night. When asked by the Coast Guard what the Squadron does, he was told that the Civil Air Patrol provides a volunteer flying force to assist in air search and rescue, local and national emergencies, civil defense and aerospace education.

# HAPPY 47TH BIRTHDAY CIVIL AIR PATROL!!!

by Cpt. Jean Stockton, PAO

THE DATE WAS 1 DECEMBER 1941. That's when the Director of Civilian Defense, Mr. LaGuardia signed a formal order creating the Civil Air Patrol. The 8th day December 1941, the day after the attack on Pearl Harbor by the Imperial Japanese Naval Air Forces, Director LaGuardia published Administration Order 9. This order outlined the proposed organization of the Civil Air Patrol and designated as its commander Major General John F. Curry, U.S. Army Air Corps. Mr. Gill Robb Wilson officially became the executive officer. Under the wise leadership of these two men and others like them, the Civil Air Patrol began a period of tremendous growth and development in the service of our nation. (CAPM 50-1,pg 3)

The Civil Air Patrol is organized geographically with eight regions divided into 52 wings. There is one Wing for each state, Puerto Rico, and the District of Columbia. Wings are divided into groups, squadrons, and sometimes flights. There are some 1900 individual units. With more than 72,000 volunteer members, which includes 30,000 teenage cadets and 42,000 adult senior members, C.A.P. continues to grow.

THE FLORIDA WING of the Civil Air Patrol is divided into 10 groups and has 105 individual squadrons/flights. Membership stands at just under 4,500 with 1885 cadets and 2470 senior members.

OUR ORGANIZATION today may not patrol the coastlines for German U-boats, or perform cargo or courier flying in wartime, we do still have Search and Rescue activities and since 1942 have maintained a cadet program for youth. Emergency Services, Aerospace Education, and Cadet and Senior Programs are very much a part of the current Civil Air Patrol.

AS WE CELEBRATE our 47th birthday, let's remember the great men and women who helped us organize and develop through the years...and let's remember the U.S. Air Force, who continues to support us as their official USAF Auxiliary!

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