



15 December 95

Commanders Notes:

The Commanders Call and Staff Meeting at MacDill the weekend of Dec. 8-9 provided an opportunity for everyone to hear what others were doing. I am sure it was enlightening for many to learn about the activities of their compatriots, including Wing Staff. There was far too much material presented to reproduce here.

I arrived at MacDill early Friday afternoon in order to give members a chance to speak with me one-on-one if they wished. I plan to do this at every such Commanders Call; but I ask if you have special ideas, proposals or concerns that you also reduce them to writing so that I may study them later and give them the consideration they deserve. The one-on-one discussions must necessarily be brief since many Commanders and Staff also wish to discuss items of one kind and another. Incidentally, Friday evening was (and will be) devoted to socializing. We don't really have much opportunity to get to know one another as individuals. My room at MacDill cost \$8.00 - - so come early next time and spend the night. (Watch for details about how to have you name added to the MSA, about a week before the event, so you'll be able to get a room.)

In addition to a number of recent Staff changes, we have several outgoing Group Commanders. These individual have my admiration and heartfelt thanks for the jobs they have done and the things they have accomplished. It takes a special dedication to be a Group Commander, a sometimes thankless task and oft-times onerous burden. So it is with my sincere appreciation that these men take a little breather. As previously announced on the HF net, LtC. Chick Svoboda has moved to Wing Staff as our main point of contact and unofficial liaison with MacDill AFB. (Our LO, LtC. Mark Lee is, of course, our official liaison.) LtC. Larry Upham has assumed command of Group 4. Shortly after the first of the year Maj. Arnie Glauser will step down. Capt. Bob Ashman will assume command of Group 3. Also early in 1996, LtC. Dave LaMontagne will be able to devote full time to his Wing Staff job of MSI (former called Administration). 1/Lt. Rodney Noren, a former Cadet, will assume command of Group 6. LtC. Rich Gasparian of Group 11 will also be taking a breather. Major John Kiger will be taking over there. Again, my thanks to all these outgoing Commanders and a warm welcome to their successors.

LTC Jim Spieth would also like to take a break from his position as Group 8 Commander. All candidates for the position, please send me your application and a short resume and synopsis of what you would like to accomplish.

Administration: (LtC. David LaMontagne - [AirDavid@IX.Netcom.Com](mailto:AirDavid@IX.Netcom.Com))

Florida Wing E-Mail is now back in service. There new E-Mail ID is :  
[FLWing@SCFN.THPL.LIB.FL.US](mailto:FLWing@SCFN.THPL.LIB.FL.US)

Cadet Programs: (LtC. Fred Swearnigen)

Time is running out. Those of you cadet officers who would like to be Encampment Commander or on the Exec Staff for either MacDill or Eglin Encampments need to complete the following:

1. Write a letter on why you should be Encampment Commander
2. Send in your CAP Résumé

You should send in your papers to: LtC David LaMontagne  
3931 Magnolia Lake Lane  
Orlando, FL 32810

Deadline for papers is 31 Dec 95.

**Cadet Competition:**

This year's Cadet Competition will be held at MacDill AFB on 23-24 April 96. The cost will be \$50.00 per team. Please make check out to FL Wing. Any team that would like to compete in this years competition needs to send a letter of intent with the following items:

- » Team Name
- » Team Cadet Captain Name
- » Team Senior Member Project Officer Name
- » Project Officer's Phone numbers and Address

Send the letter of intent and the check for \$50.00 to: LtC David LaMontagne  
3931 Magnolia Lake Lane  
Orlando, FL 32810

Deadline for papers is 15 Feb 96.

**Changes to CAPM 39-1 / Shoulder Cords:**

December brings changes for cadets that are eligible to wear cords. CAPM 39-1 has been supplemented with the following changes.

Wing Cadet of the Year	Green Cord
Group / Squadron Cadet of the Year	Green / White
Wing CAC Chairperson	Red
Wing CAC Vice Chairperson	Red / White
Wing CAC Recorder	Red / White
Group CAC Chairperson	White
Cadets on Wing Staff	Red / White
<i>(These cadets are appointed by the DCP)</i>	
Recipients of the Spaatz Awards	Red / White
Florida Wing Drill Team members	Blue / Red
Active Color Guard members	Blue / White

Only one cord will be worn at a time, and cadets with more than one cord will wear the appropriate cord for the activity they are attending.

**Wing HQ new hours:**

Florida Wing HQ, Glenn Hendricks will be available from Tuesday thru Saturday 0900-1700.  
Our new address is: Headquarters, Florida Wing Phone: (813) 828-4300  
Civil Air Patrol Fax: (813) 828-4429  
2700 Eagle Staff Court  
MacDill AFB, FL 33621-5000

**Safety Officer: (Maj. Roger Thomas)**

What has your Safety Officer done for you recently? Who is your Safety Officer? How are you working to improve your personal safety? When have you last had a safety briefing?

The Safety program has more questions than answers. Answers about the adequacy of the safety program can only be judged when "NEVER" is the answer to the question "When will the next accident happen"?

**Safety Officer Needed:**

Professional or want to be Professional for position needs eager beaver, wants to be Safety Officer for the Wing or SER. Incumbent will train until all are ready for the responsibility. Present position descriptions reads as Safety Officer would like a generalist safety Officer in all areas. A person in south Florida would be appreciated

Chaplain:

This is to remind all units and Chaplains that the Chaplain's semi-annual report (CAPF 34) is due for the period ending 31 Dec 95. Reports must be sent to: 3714 E. Michigan St., Orlando, FL 32812-5170, to arrive no later than 5 Jan 96. DO NOT SEND TO WING HQ. If reports are sent to MacDill, they will not arrive in the Wing Chaplain's Office in time to be counted. Reports can be made after the last meeting in December.

We still need Chaplains and Moral Leadership Officers. MLOs must be ordained ministers, but they do not have to have a college degree or seminary training. Applications for MLOs must be made on CAPF 35 (Chaplain application) and processed in accordance with CAPR 265-1. Mark through "Chaplain" on the form, and write in "Moral Leadership Officer". MLOs must be approved, through not endorsed, by their denomination.

Please contact me if I can assist. CH. LtC Kermit Davis, Phone 407-898-8800 or SP5.

Public Affairs:

Our goal in the Florida Wing in 1996 is to eliminate the label of CAP being "the best kept secret". I encourage each squadron to take some simple steps immediately to promote CAP in each of your communities.

1. Call your local newspaper and speak with the editor for the events section. Inform the editor of your squadron and ask that the meeting might be a weekly feature in the newspaper's calendar. A brief write-up with activities and a contact name and phone number will keep your squadron's name continuously in the public eye. Fax or mail this to your contact as the newspaper immediately & follow up with a phone call.
2. Call your local radio station and talk to the marketing manager about your squadron and ask if the station will run a PSA (public service announcement) on the station.
3. Contact the local service organization and offer to be a speaker. These organizations have members in all walks of life who are movers and shakers. They open doors to events and projects that give great exposure to the CAP. Call me if you need guidance on presentation.

I'll be sharing more ideas from time to time and I welcome ideas that may help publicize CAP. National has produced a fine pamphlet which will help introduce the Civil Air Patrol to your community leaders and for prospective members. It is CAPM 50-2 and is available from the bookstore. The order number is HQCAP(95-0787) 16M.

Another excellent publication is a reprint of an article about CAP from the February issue of Private Pilot. It is also available from the bookstore with order number #HQCAP(95-0764) 115M.

Around the Region

In the new quarterly newsletter of the Southeast Region, Squadron and Group PAO's should submit articles and pictures of unit activities directly to "Around the Region" and the CAP NEWS. Copies should be sent to me.

As the new year begins we will be reviving Gator CAPers, newsletter of the Florida Wing. I'll be soliciting articles from units and feature columns from Groups & Wing Staff Members as well as information from Region and National.

Articles should be submitted to the following at appropriate echelons:

James A Tynan  
 CAP News  
 105 S. Hansell St.  
 Bldg. 714  
 Maxwell AFB

Melinda Lord  
 Around the Region  
 2640 Van Davis Rd., NW  
 Charleston, Tn 37310-5003  
 (423) 336-3509

Allan Rose  
 Gator CAPers  
 3508 Broken Woods Dr.  
 Coral Springs, FL 33065  
 (305) 755-8079

During the next year I will be available to visit Groups and Squadron to assist in raising the awareness of CAP in your communities. This will include workshops on the publication of newsletters, mission public affairs, and creating a relationship with the media and community officials.

Please feel free to call to discuss this information or for support in you PAO efforts.

Radio Notice:

If you left a radio with LtC Ross Sedita for repair, and have not gotten it back, contact Ralph Gwinn, 1821 Britt Rd, Cocoa, FL 32926-3452 and identify the radio.

### Frank G. Brewer-Civil Air Patrol Memorial Aerospace Awards:

The Brewer awards are given in recognition to individuals and organizations who have made outstanding contributions, out of selfless devotion, to the advancement of youth in aerospace activities in five categories (CAPR 280-2). The deadline for nominations is February 15, 1996. Categories are as follows:

1. CAP Cadet
2. CAP Senior member
3. Individual - Educators, state aviation officials, fixed base operators, state superintendents of public instruction, members of the armed forces, members of Congress, or other individuals who have performed a noteworthy aerospace achievement over a continuous period of up to ten years.
4. Organization - Schools, colleges, airlines, aircraft industries, flying schools governmental agencies, associations, or other organizations which have contributed significantly to the aerospace field over a continuous period of up to ten years.
5. Anniversary Awards - Performance of noteworthy aerospace achievements for a period of more than twenty years. This award category is presented every five years. See CAPR 280-2.

You may nominate any Cadet, Senior member, individual or organization who you believe is worthy of any of the above awards. Submit nominations on the form that is attachment 2, of CAPR 280-2 or request a nomination form from FL Wing DAE. (1Lt. Eugene L. Olson)

### National Congress on Aviation and Space Education (NCASE):

You are encouraged to attend the National Congress on Aviation and Space Education 10-13 April 96. Airlift is being planned from MacDill AFB to Little Rock, Arkansas on 10 April 96.

#### Who should attend?

1. Aerospace Education Officers, senior members and cadets.
2. School teachers. Talk to your local teachers. If you have difficulty approaching your school principals, teachers, and/or counselors, notify me for assistance. Document your efforts with contact person's name, date and results. Teachers may contact me for airlift registration. Communicate with teachers as soon as possible. School districts may have funds available for educational conferences if application is made early. Also, Pinellas County gives re-certifications points to elementary science teachers who attend the NCASE. Other districts may have similar programs.

#### Why should you attend?

The NCASE is a conference made up of general assemblies and workshops on aviation and space education. Learn hands-on techniques to use for your local recruiting and education presentations.

Why Cadets? Cadets can encourage their teachers to become CAP Aerospace Education Members who, in turn, will influence students to become CAP cadets. Chuck Yaeger is one of the regular attendees and is an invited speaker at the 1996 Congress. Meet General Yaeger and have your picture taken with this famous pioneer. NCASE is an exciting educational conference for all CAP members.

If your squadron has not received the NCASE brochure from National HQ, contact me by mail or radio. We need to know if you are not on the mailing list.

Send all airlift request to: Eugene L. Olson, 1Lt.  
4590 Shore Acres Blvd.  
St. Petersburg, FL 33703  
(813) 522-0593 or Sparrow 25

#### Personnel: (LtC. Connie Cline)

I am forming a new awards committee and need the names of two people who would be willing to serve on such committee. It entails reading Commanders Commendations, Meritorious Awards and Lifesaving Awards and helping myself form an opinion if they are eligible.

The following wing staff members have been promoted:

Connie Cline to LtC  
Jim Elston to Maj  
Alice Davis to 1Lt.

Mission Paperwork still Outstanding:

<u>Mission No.</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Hrs flown</u>	<u>Information Missing</u>	<u>MC Name</u>
95M0109	19 Jan 95	2.2	Empty Folder	
95M0387	05 Mar 95	2.3	Empty Folder	
95M0450	13 Mar 95	2.5	#108 Pilot Newmark + #108 & Vehicle fuel receipts for Chitwood & Roberts	Nelson
95M0628	04 Apr 95	1.0	No #108 on Pilot ?	Dixon
95M0681	11 Apr 95	2.2	No #108 on Pilot Lawson	Webster
95M0845	30 Apr 95	1.0	No #108 on Pilot Snodgras	Brown
95M0869	04 May 95	3.5	Empty Folder	
95M1168	04 Jun 95	1.0	#108 Pilot Unknown - Aircraft Naples	
95M1173A	05 Jun 95	0.8	#108 Pilot Forrest	Mikelson
95M1196	08 Jun 95	1.9	Empty Folder	
95M1277	17 Jun 95	1.3	#108 Pilot Forrest	Herlihy
95M1348	27 Jun 95	2.1	Empty Folder	
95M1378	30 Jun 95	1.8	Empty Folder	
95M1398	03 Jul 95	1.7	#108 Pilot Lawson	Lawson
95M1406	03 Jul 95	1.0	Empty Folder	
95M1411	05 Jul 95	1.9	Empty Folder	
95M1506	18 Jul 95	1.1	Empty Folder	
95M1559	24 Jul 95	1.5	#108 Pilot ?	Kaplan
95M1764	15 Aug 95	4.9	Empty Folder	
95M1864	27 Aug 95	2.2	#108 Pilot Cole	Webster
95M2048	16 Sep 95	1.2	#108 Pilot Ashman	Webster
95M2097	22 Sep 95	1.5	#108 Pilot Kingsley	Webster
95M2185A	03 Oct 95	2.5	#108 Pilot ?	Mikelson
95M2377	28 Oct 95	2.3	Empty Folder	

Late breaking news (by Col. Pringle):

Bob Ebaugh has created, and we are now testing, a mailing list on the Internet. Items sent to [capfl@mailhost.net](mailto:capfl@mailhost.net) will be automatically forwarded to everyone who has signed on (subscribed) to the mailing list. To sign on, send to [capfl@mailhost.net](mailto:capfl@mailhost.net) with the words *subscribe capfl* as the subject. (Don't make the mistake so many of us have made by putting those words as the message; they should be sent as the subject. The message can be left blank.) To get off the list, send a message with *unsubscribe capfl* as the subject.

We have several new cadet flights being formed. The first one, in a Miami area middle school, has over 30 cadets signed up already. These are being started as "flights" with the expectation they'll become "squadrons" later on.

LtC. Frank Stephens has told me he will be heavily engaged in his campaign for County School Superintendent for several months, until the election. He has graciously offered to step aside so that I can choose someone else to help build and improve Florida Wing. He'll get back into harness when he again has the time to devote to Civil Air Patrol. As this is written my choice for a new Vice Commander is pending Col. Bowling's approval.

# FLORIDA WING CALENDAR 15 DEC 95



- 5 Jan 96 Chaplains semi-annual Report due to Wing
- 6 Jan Group 5 Banquet
- 6 Jan Group 6 Banquet (Orlando NTC Officer Club 1830-2200)
- 15 Jan Nominations for Safety Officer of the Year due to Wing
- 20 Jan Cadet Programs Meeting (Coral Springs Cadet Sqnd Bldg)
- 25 Jan Articles due for Wing bulletin
- 31 Jan Nominations for Cadet of the Year due to Wing
- 5 Feb Vehicle Insurance due to Wing
- 10 Feb Cadet Special Acts (Central FL, at Seminole Community College, Lake Mary Project Officer Maj. Jenny Wertz)
- 15 Feb Nominations for Brewer Award due to Wing
- 15 Feb Deadline for paperwork for Cadet Competition (Send to: LtC David LaMontagne 3931 Magnolia Lake Lane, Orlando, FL 32810 (407) 294-8320 Cost: \$50.00 make check payable to FL Wing CAP)
- 17 Feb Cadet Special Acts (South FL, at Coral Springs Cadet Sqnd Project Officer Cpt Rose)
- 24 Feb Cadet Special Acts (North FL, at Talahassee)
- 25 Feb Articles due for Wing bulletin
- 15 Mar SMTR due to Nati' HQ / TTN
- 23 - 24 Mar Cadet Competition (MacDill AFB - Project Officer LtC David LaMontagne)
- 25 Mar Articles due for Wing bulletin
- 5 Apr Public Affairs report due to Wing
- 26 - 28 Apr Wing Conf (Ocala Hilton - Project Officer: LtC Fred Sweanigen)



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