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Commanders Notes:

My thanks go out to all who so selflessly contributed to the search mission over the holidays. We were unable to locate the missing Piper aircraft but your efforts were greatly appreciated. I am certain the family of the missing pilot also appreciated the valiant efforts that were undertaken.

During most of the mission period your Commander was with the drill team at the National Competition at Maxwell AFB. Our team conducted itself exceedingly well, in my opinion, showing great team spirit and exerting valiant effort. The team's only victory was a tie for second place in volley ball. It was a learning experience, however, and enjoyed by all as far as I could determine. My thanks to all for a great effort.

Florida Wing did excel in one important aspect, however. During the Awards Banquet General Anderson made formal presentation of five spats awards/ Three other Wings had one award each, but Florida had two - - Kendrick and Levy.

Great progress is being made with the CAP National reorganization. More details will be presented at the next combined Commander's Call and Staff Meeting. There are other changes in store for CAP. Stay tuned.

From the desk of CAP National Commander - General Anderson:

To all members of the Florida Wing Headquarters Staff - Congratulations on your fourth Unit Citation Award! You have excelled, and I salute all of you and Col. Pringle on your superb leadership.

Well done !

From the desk of CAP national Administrator - Col. Albano:

Effective 15 Jan 95 National Headquarters' area code will change from 205 to 334. Please change all your telephone and fax number's accordingly. All the Montgomery area will change to 334.

Cadet Programs:

CAP Family Fun Day at Walt Disney World will be on 11 March 95. Tickets will be \$25.00 per person with no limit on the number of tickets you can get. This event is open to all CAP members, family members and all non members. Over the past year Walt Disney and made many changes to the Magic Kingdom. One of those changes is a complete face lift of Tomorrowland with new attractions. Send request for tickets to:

LtC James Cline
8286 Madison St.
Brooksville, FL 34613
(904) 596-5156

Administration Officer:

Florida Wing has a full access Computer Bulletin Board. The number is: (813) 750-9051. There is not enough space in is bulletin to go over all the information and data that is out on this board. This board has access to all Wing, Regions, and National staff officers, along with the FAA plus lots more. Take some time and log in and see for yourself what is out there. If you have any questions please contact Maj. Mike McCormick at (813) 750-9051.

Public Affairs Officer: (Cpt. Pamela Ramieh)

I am still looking for Assistant PAOs. Please remember, the job will not entail a large amount of work. The individual will have just one section to take care of and the State will be divided into five different geographical sections. Group 1 and 2, will be Section A; Group 4 and 6 will be Section B; Group 3 & 7 will be Section C; Group 8 & 5 will be Section D and Group 9 & 10 will be Section E. By dividing into so many Sections, the Assistant PA will not have such a large geographical area of coverage. If you would like more information, please contact me at Wing HQ or if you would like to be considered, please send a resume.

All Squadron PAO reports and Newsletters should be sent directly to Wing Headquarters/PA. Send all Public Affairs materials to Wing Headquarters. It will be handled properly by the administrative assistant and I will see it on Tuesday when I am at Wing HQ.

The Wing "Cookbook" has received a few entries. One in particular, I have already tried and found it to be very easy and delicious. Please continue sending in your recipes into Wing.

Senior Programs Officer: (Cpt. Bob Ramieh)

As has been mentioned before, the zip code/shred of test control office number for ECI Form 23 is now 328275184-6. This number should be the only number used in Block 9 of ECI Form 23. Also, it is now required by CAPM 50-17 that the unit number be included with the signature and title of approving official in Block 11.

ECI has made a change in a Course Number. Squadron Officer School (SOS) formerly known by Course Number 00023 is now to be enrolled in as Course Number 00024. All Florida Wing Personnel enrolled in the old SOS program (00023) must complete the Program by 30 Oct, 1995. Effective immediately, all new enrollments for SOS must use the new Course Number 00024.

As per CAPM 50-17, bearing the date 2 March 1992, "The student will immediately inform the unit senior programs officer of CE results. Unit senior program officer will notify wing senior program officer of CE results to clear wing suspense." If no copy of a Form 9 is on file with Wing for the completion of your outstanding course, you will not be allowed to enroll in another ECI course until such copy of Form 9 has been received and recorded. If you are unsure, whether a copy of your Form 9 has been sent to Wing, check with your unit senior program officer.

Director Senior Programs/TTN is looking for an individual to fill the position of Deputy Director Senior Programs/TTN. Individuals who apply should have a background in Senior Programs; be able to come to Wing on a frequent and regular basis to perform the position. They will need to be able to attend regularly scheduled Wing Staff meetings and be willing to learn. If you wish to apply, please send a resume to Director Senior Programs/TTN at Wing.

1995 Wing Conference: (Cpt. Pamela Ramieh & Cpt. Bob Ramieh)

The Wing Conference is officially booked. It will be held at the Holiday Inn Crowne Plaza in Tampa, Fl. The date for the conference is May 12, 13 & 14th, 1995. Reservations can be made by calling 1-800-866-7666. Don't forget to tell them you are with the Civil Air Patrol.

We plan to have a Hospitality/Cash Bar Friday evening and night during and after registration. The Sarasota/Bradenton Composite Squadron will be our host for the Hospitality/Cash Bar.

We are receiving requests from Cadets who want to be runners for our Guest Speaker, Wing Commander and other Dignitaries, if you are interested, please let me know.

Should you have any ideas for the "Roundtable Seminars", please contact the Ramiehs at Wing HQ and the ideas will be given due consideration.

Lt. Col. Barineau (Aerospace Education) intends to use one of the Roundtable Seminar time to review Aerospace Ed and give the Yeager Test.

If you have any questions, please contact either Capt. Robert Ramieh or Capt. Pamela Ramieh for information.

Logistics:

New uniform chits will be forwarded to units with Cadet members in the next several weeks. These are for brand new complete uniforms sets of shirt, slacks and shoes, over \$80.00 value each. They are for uniforms that will be shipped in 1995. Please read and follow directions which will be included with each package. Any chits not received returned by 30 April 95 will be reassigned to another unit. If we can get 100% returned in February, hopefully we will received that merchandise sooner. Please do not delay action on this item.

We are still waiting return of SIGNED S-3 and S-8 reports from Group 11 HQ 08410, Tyndal Cadet Squadron 08435 and Miami University Cadet Squadron 08117. These were due last July. These three units reports are holding up all the other 79 reports from units throughout the Wing. I cannot turn in this S-3, SA packages until I have 100% reporting. It is ashamed that the other units/Groups, that respond on time, along with the Wing HQ report, must be delayed 6 months in getting to National HQ. You must relay the negative impact this has on National concept of the Florida Wing. We all suffer because of a few.

Emergency Services:

On behalf of LtC Warren Bemsten (D/ES), I want to thank each person who attended our E.S. meeting in December at the Wing Commander Call. We would like to make this a regular meeting of E.S. personnel... we will meet in conjunction with the Wing Commander's Call every two months at Wing HQ. The purpose is to get input, hear from our E.S. working study groups, attend to problems, complaints, gripes and suggestions. This last is mandatory. DO NOT come to us with a problem and expect us to solve it for you. That's not our job... our job is to assist you in doing your job. We can only recommend changes to the Wing Commander.

We are suggesting to each Group E.S. Officer that a Memorandum of Understanding be prepared between your group and the local law enforcement and fire agencies. This will give you more missions and will assist you on the local level in getting community support. At the next Commander's Call (February), we will have several samples available to you to look at. Remember: MOU's can only be signed by the Wing Commander and must be reviewed by the Wing legal officer. Funding for these local missions is available to the local agency through LEAA, DEA (if drug related), local and state funding. The agency will probably be aware of funding sources.

We want to put the word emergency back into Emergency Services. We desperately need to upgrade our training and preparedness levels. This will be an ongoing mission for all of us. One critical shortage in this area is in the realm of Ground Teams. Please stress to all your personnel that, on most missions, only one flight crew is used. So the opportunity to participate is usually limited to Ground Teams. Please volunteer for Ground Team work and get trained...its a lot less boring than sitting in a plane for hours making circles around an EPIRB.

At the upcoming wing conference, we would like to have a series of mim-lectures/demonstrations on various E.S. duties and functions, as well as training techniques. We need several volunteers to present these. If you have an idea to show and demonstrate and can do so in about 15 minutes, please contact us ASAP so that we can plan accordingly. ideally, we would like to see 4 to 6 such presentations, and they will be repeated over the course of a morning or afternoon so that attendance can be had by all in E.S.

Suggested topics: simulated injuries for realistic first aid training; EPIRB developments and problems; reemphasize of Radiological Monitoring in CAP; ect. Suggestions for other topics are requested.

In order to assist our MC's do their jobs better and more efficiently, we are requesting that each Group ES officer prepare a list of specialized assets that exist in their group. Give a description, location, contact name and telephone number. This info will be collated and provided to all the MC's and the Group ES offices (example: dog teams, swamp buggies, four-wheel drive vehicles, communications vans, ranger teams, tents, generators, etc.--both corporate and privately owned). We would also appreciate a list of Ground Team Leaders, their locations and contact numbers so that MC's can access this vital asset easier. Please get this information's in as soon as possible.

One final word on the new 101-card system: the issuance of 101 cards is a serious matter...the continuance of the new programs will hinge on the results we obtain. If the programs is abused, we will go back to the old way, and you all know what that means! Insuring that the recipient is qualified is up to the Squadron and Group Commanders as well as the Group ES offices who signs the card. "Pencil whipping" the requirements is fast, easy and ILLEGAL. Do Not abuse the trust the Wing Commander has placed in you.
Maj. Alex Kaplan, DD/ES



FLORIDA WING CALENDAR

1 JAN 95

- 5 Jan. Applications for Cadet Encampment Commander due to Wing HQ
(Contact: LtC Jim Cline)
- 7 Jan. Applications for Special Acts due at LtC. James Cline (904) 596-5156
(Send CAPF 31 to: 8286 Madison St. Brookville, FL 34613)
- 13-14 Jan. Belleview Squadron having a Bivouac
- 14 Jan. Wing Cadet Programs meeting (Brookville 0900 - LtC. Jim Cline)
- 14 Jan. Group 10 Awards Banquet. (Airport Hilton Hotel in Miami. Cost \$25.00,
Mail check to: Cpt. Anthony Lima, Miami Springs Optimist Cadet Sqn
P.O. Box 660695, Miami Springs, FL 33266, due by Jan 2, 1995)
- 14 Jan. Group 7 Awards Banquet
- 14 Jan. Flight Clinic at North Perry Airport (HWO) Ground Phase
(Group 9 HQ 7499 Pembroke Rd Pembroke Pines, FL)
(Contact: Maj. Michael R. Brown Group 9 Commander)
- 15 Jan. Flight Clinic continues for Flight phase
- 20 Jan. Group 5 Awards Banquet
- 21 Jan. Group 3 Awards Banquet
- 28 Jan. Group 1 Awards Banquet
- 4 Feb. Group 6 Awards Banquet. (Orlando NTC Officer Club Cost \$20.00, Due by 25 Jan 95
Mail check to: Group 6 HQ P.O. Box 691676, Orlando FL 32869-1676)
(Contact: LtC. David LaMontagne, Group 6 Commander)
- 11 Feb. Special Acts (U of South Fl / St. Pete)
- 19 & 26 Feb. CLC (Boca Senior Host - Schulman / two consecutive Sundays)
- 4 Mar. Wing Cadet Programs meeting (Brookville 0900 - LtC. Jim Cline)
- 11 Mar. CAP Family Fun Day at Walt Disney World (\$25.00 per person
Contact: LtC. Jim Cline for tickets: (904) 596-5156
8286 Madison St. Brookville, FL 34613)
- 19 & 26 Mar. SLS (Boca Senior Host - Schulman / two consecutive Sundays)
- 8 Apr. Cadet Drill Comp (Kissimmee - \$25.00 per team.
Project Officer: LtC. David LaMontagne Group 6 Commander (407) 294-8320)