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Nebraska Wing Newsletter

Darrell Nelson, Colonel, Nebraska Wing Commander

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Joint Nebraska Wing/North Central Region Conference

Online registration can be found at:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/civil-air-patrol-north-central-region-conference-tickets-31174411504?aff=es2>

Highlight the above address, right click and copy, then paste in web browser bar.

If this link does not get you to the website, use www.eventbrite.com and click on Find an Event. You may have to type in North Central Region Conference or Nebraska Wing Conference to get to the registration page.

The deadline to register is 16 March 2017.

A block of rooms is being held at the Courtyard by Marriott until 22 Feb to reserve a room with the block rate of \$89.99 plus tax. Please indicate your reservation is part of the block reserved for the Nebraska Civil Air Patrol.

The event will take place at the Courtyard by Marriott in Bellevue NE located at 3730 Raynor Parkway in Bellevue, NE.

The phone number is 402-287-7300.

Rooms for Friday and/or Saturday are available.

The guest speaker for the banquet is Brig Gen Richard Anderson, former Nebraska Wing Commander, NCR Commander and National Commander.

More information to come...

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New wing staff directories and unit commander directories dated 10 Feb 2017 are being distributed to all wing staff members and unit commanders. Please disseminate as you feel is necessary but protect the PII per CAPR 1-2.



If you have any questions or concerns or if you would like to add articles or events to the newsletter or receive it by email please email me with your info/email address and I will add it/you to the newsletter/list! tara7pavelka@gmail.com





NE CAP News...

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2017 Nebraska Wing Cadet Encampment Needs our Members Help...

The 2017 Nebraska Wing Cadet Encampment needs your help. Without senior member participation from the wing and squadrons, the encampment cannot happen.

The 2017 Nebraska Encampment is now accepting applications for the 9-15 July 2017, Nebraska Wing Encampment to be held at Camp Ashland Nebraska. To be eligible to attend, senior members **must** have completed level one training.

An encampment can be the most significant and worthwhile training experience of a CAP cadet's membership. However, that experience cannot happen without adults helping out with the encampment.

Please go to the encampment website at <http://encampment.nebraskacivilairpatrol.org/> for details about how to apply. The application deadline for cadet and senior staff members is 16 April 2017. Training for all cadet and senior staff members will be 21-23 April 2017 at Camp Ashland. There will be **no cost** this year for Senior Members as long as they stay at encampment for at least four days. Application deadline is 16 April 2017.

Please apply for an encampment staff position to support the Nebraska Wing Cadet program and help shape the future of our organization.

DO NOT MAIL TO National HQ, Region, or Wing mailing address. This will delay processing the application and could result in losing a slot for the activity. Also, all applications must be mailed and not e-mailed to the encampment staff.

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Congrats to Col. Ward Shires....

Colonel Ward Shires, NEWG Safety Officer recently was awarded the Master Safety rating by George Vogt, Chief of Safety at National HQ's. Congratulations! "The Master rating reflects great dedication to learning and serving in Civil Air Patrol's Safety program. Thank you for all of your hard work over the years!"

Colonel Nelson sent Congratulations on achieving a Master rating in safety. "This is a major accomplishment given the hoops that one has to go through to achieve the rating. Awarding the Master rating is a testimony to all your efforts to improve the safety culture within NEWG."

Congratulations and best wishes!



Unit Commanders Course

The Nebraska Wing will be conducting a Unit Commanders Course (UCC) on February 25th and 26th at the Grand Island Police Department which is at 111 Public Safety Drive. This is just off Highway 30 on the east side of Grand Island. The course will begin at 0800 on Saturday and end for the day around 1600 hours. We will then start the class at 0700 and plan to conclude the course at 1200. To successfully complete the course you must be there both days.

This is the new UCC course that was completely re-written last year and was released January 1 of this year. It is in the process of being tested as an on-line course requiring 6-8 months to complete. Numerous squadron, wing and region commanders helped re-write this course to make it much more productive for new and prospective unit commanders. If you are a current unit commander, are considering being a unit commander in the future or want to learn more about the functions of a squadron this will benefit you greatly. Unit commanders are asked to pass this information along to all the members of their unit. Wing staff members are also invited to attend.

Any CAP member wishing to attend the course must complete a CAPF 17 and forward it to Colonel Nelson for his approval. Those who have already submitted a CAPF 17 for the course do not need to submit another form. There will be some assigned materials prior to the course and you will be provided that in several weeks. There is no charge for the course. Snacks and refreshments will be provided.

- CAPF 17s must be received no later than February 15th.
- Any CAP uniform will be appropriate including polo shirt, corporate uniform, flight suits (only if you fly in), blues and BDU/ABUs.
- A CAP uniform is required as part of the class. Civilian attire (except for Otto) will not be allowed and you will not be given credit to complete the class.
- Hotel information is available on-line for the Grand Island area.

**DOES MY TEACHING
PHILOSOPHY, OR
PERSONAL CREED,
REFLECT MY AMBITION
AND DECISION TO BE A
TOUGH TEACHER?**

Emergency Services



EMERGENCY SERVICES FOCUS FOR 2017

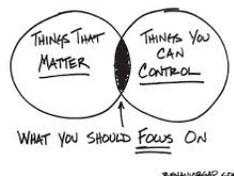
For a number of years the “bread and butter” of CAP was the search for ELTs. With the new generation ELT giving the information of location and owner, our ELT missions have dwindled rapidly. In 2016 we had two actual missions for missing aircraft early in the year. One of those missions for a missing aircraft involved an ELT while the other had to be spotted visually. Recently across the nation there have been a number of missing aircraft but with the help of cell phone forensics and radar teams, last known positions have been calculated and have aided CAP in finding those aircraft. In 2017 our aircrews and Incident Command teams need to focus on practice exercises plotting flight courses and using “data” from cell phone and radar to plot last known positions for air searches.

Ground teams will spend time on ELT searches also since the aircraft find in early 2016 was by ELT but in freezing fog after midnight which made an aircraft search impossible. There will always be weather days where ground teams can deploy but aircraft are grounded.

The 2017 Nebraska Ground Team Academy is slated for July 28, 29 and 30th in Fremont. There will be several areas of intense training this year. One will be ELT, the second will be GPS navigation but the real emphasis will be on map and compass, the third area will be missing person searches.

Missing person searches may become the primary mission in NEWG for the future. Late last year CAP was called upon to assist in the search for a missing elderly woman with early onset dementia. The CAP teams that responded asked the obvious questions that should be asked first including “is anyone at the missing person’s home”? Law enforcement (LE) hadn’t thought about that and ten minutes later the missing woman showed up at home after hitch hiking a ride. She called her husband, who was helping in the search, to find out where he was at.

NEWG will be sending contact information out to all LE and EMS agencies in Nebraska along with a resource guide of what NEWG CAP has and can do for them. We are hoping this will expand our visibility and usefulness by others in Nebraska. We will be asking all CAP units to make contact with police, sheriff and fire departments to ensure they have the contact information and guides.



Aerospace Education Corner News...



Look for more info next Issue...





& Dates

Unit Commanders Course

Location: Grand Island Police Department, NE
111 Public Safety Drive

Date: 25-26 February 2017

Contact: Col. Steve Kuddes
swkuddes@gmail.com

2017 National Staff College

Location: Maxwell AFB, AL

Date: 21-28 May 2017

Contact: https://www.capmembers.com/cap_university/level-v-executive/

National Flight Academy (NFAP-NCR)

Location: Fremont Airport, NE

Date: 15-29 June 2017

Contact: Col. David Plum
plumed@gmail.com

2017 Joint Dakota Cadet Leadership Encampment

Date: 8-16 July 2017

Contact: To apply email resume to
e.compton.cap@gmail.com &
capehret@gmail.com .

Also fill out a 2017 JDCLC Cadre Selection Survey, available
at the following link;

<https://goo.gl/forms/D6IKu9mIb1qjL8uH2>

2017 Nebraska Wing Cadet Encampment

Location: Camp Ashland, NE

Date: 9-15 July 2017

Contact: encampment.nebraskacivilairpatrol.org

February—

21 Feb—Wing Finance Committee & Staff Meeting =Fremont Extension Center

25 Feb—Unit Commanders Course in Grand Island, NE

March—

2-4 March—2017 Legislative Day & Command Council Mtg.=Crystal City Marriott Reagan Nat'l Airport

5 March—Aircraft logs due to DO & WA

10 March—Vehicle Reports due to ORMS

10 March—Member Proficiency Flying Invoices emailed to Pilots

21 March—Wing Finance Committee & Staff Mtg. =Offutt AFB Bldg. 525

24-26 March—Nebraska Wing/NCR Conference = Courtyard Marriott in Bellevue, NE

Future Dates:

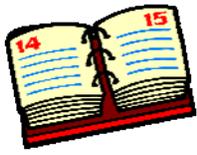
14 April—Deadline to apply for National Staff College

18 April—Wing Finance Committee & Staff Mtg. =Fremont Extension Center

21-28 May—National Staff College

15-29 June—National Flight Academy (NFAP-NCR) =Fremont Airport, Col. David Plum





Important Information & Announcements



⇒ Unit Commanders and Wing Staff,

The current supplement publications that have been published in the past are currently under review and will be re-published with the current format as stated in CAPR 1-2.

The Nebraska Wing Supplement 4 to CAPR 60-1 is hereby rescinded and no longer valid. Please remove it from the wing publications. This is not the regulation as published by National, just the wing supplement that is being rescinded.

Capt. Amanda Peters

⇒ Unit Commanders,

The following information is being forwarded to you to pass along to your unit personnel officers and your members per Major Martin Neal, NEWG Inspector General, Lt Col Jeffrey Morris, NCR Inspector General and Col Sheila Waldorf, Assistant Inspector General - Inspections at National Headquarters:

Col Waldorf states: "During SUIs and CIs, inspectors often hear Personnel/Administrative/Professional Development Officers state that personnel records are no longer kept due to e-Services having "everything"."

In the new CAPR 39-2, 1.7 Active Records. states:

"Many achievements/training are recorded in the member's online membership record available for review through the e-Services section of the CAP website. Units may use this information to supplement the information maintained in the local file at the unit level.

At this time, the e-Services online record cannot be used as the only personnel file since all information concerning the member is not currently tracked online. Those items recorded in e-Services are not required to be entered in the local personnel file. Any items not recorded in e-Services or additional information pertaining to the member's service and performance that should be retained should be made a part of the local personnel records."

As a note: In the past, it has been recommended the member report from the online e-Services should be printed out and placed in the member's personnel file (of which I hope each unit keeps one on their members) and then updated quarterly. This will reflect the current achievements of the member along with the added information recorded in their personnel file, and will satisfy the above requirement.

Madeline

Reminder: PLEASE, PLEASE change your email if it is not correct in eServices!!!
It is very important to keep your email address updated in eServices. To check or update your info, go to the "Review/Edit my Info" link at the top of the eServices homepage.

Please keep physical address updated also.



January & February Birthdays

January

- Lt Col Eugene Saunders
- Capt Lynn Miller
- Lt Col Barry Taylor
- 1Lt David Zichok
- Lt Col Roxanne Sykora

February

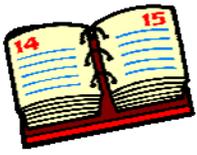
- 1Lt Rick Robinson
- Maj Justin Ingersoll
- Lt Col Bev Talbott
- Maj Steve Sutton



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CAP Policy of Non-Discrimination:

It is Civil Air Patrol policy that no member shall be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or subjected to discrimination in any CAP program or activity on the basis of race, sex, age, color, religion, national origin, or disability (formerly handicap). It is CAP policy that no applicant meeting the CAP's minimum age requirements will be denied membership in CAP on the basis of race, sex, age, color, religion, national origin, or disability (formerly handicap).



Important Information & Announcements



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⇒ I am thanking Tom Pflug for the great job that he did as the Director of Operations. Tom could always be counted on to put forth terrific efforts to make training and operations within NEWG both successful and top notch. We are fortunate that Tom will continue to provide leadership for operations as Assistant DO.

I also want to thank Dan Peterson and Whit Bonifant for agreeing to assume increased responsibility and leadership within the Operations Section. We all look forward to the new programs and initiatives that will come from the reorganized Operations Section.

Col. Darrell Nelson

⇒ Recent changes include Capt Charles Moe as the new commander of the Sandhills Comp. Sq. replacing Lt Col Les Olsen. Lt Col Olsen has transferred to wing headquarters and has been assigned the wing transportation officer.

1Lt Mike Sterling has been assigned as the wing assistant director of logistics.

Major Harry Gillway has been assigned as the wing homeland security officer.

Major Dave Zimmerman is the wing aircraft maintenance officer.

Dan Peterson

⇒ The wing disbanded two units, the Gage County Composite Squadron (1Lt Mike Sterling) and Kimball County Squadron (Capt Brandon Loy). Please remove these two unit commanders from your email address list of unit commanders.

⇒ The wing is currently looking for the following positions to be filled on wing staff:

Red Cloud News Editor

Public Affairs Officer

Webmaster

If there is anyone interested in inquiring as to the duty position description for any of the above positions, contact Col Darrell Nelson or Lt Col Darrell McMillan. The wing chief of staff is currently unavailable for any email messages or phone calls for an undetermined amount of time.

Thank you. Madeline

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Lt. Col Les Olsen—Email: noele10@hotmail.com—Home Phone: 402-966-2132

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