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# **MAINE WING CONFERENCE 2005 A HUGE SUCCESS!**

(CALAIS, ME) - The 2005 Civil Air Patrol Maine Wing Conference was held this past April 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> in

beautiful Calais, Maine. Over 114

Wing members and guests, including over 45 Cadets, attended the two-day event. Guest speakers included The Honorable Vinton Cassidy, Mayor of Calais, Col. Ray Bean, CAPNHQ. Col. Richard Greenhut, Commander CAPNER. Lt. Col. Goodlin, Liaison CAPNER, Maj. Derik Day, USAF Guard Liaison. Ed Statham of the Canadian Royal Air Cadets,

Mr. Paul Thompson, director of the

Washington County MEMA, and Mr. Michael Sawver. Safety Coordinator of the Maine State Warden Service. With the Commander's Call out of the way and a Pool / Pizza party for Cadets held on Friday night, everyone was ready for the Opening Ceremony and General Assembly on Saturday morning. After a Safety

Briefing by 1Lt. Peter Goss, attendees were informed and entertained by quest speakers, with Maj. Chris Havden as Master of Ceremonies. Morning Awards included Commander's Commendations presented

> Capt. Dale Fellows, TFO Nathan Fellows, 1Lt. Robert Baker. Capt. Marc Brunelle, Capt. Don Saucier. 1Lt. Richard Saucier, and 1Lt. Peter

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their abilities. Then the conference divided into workshops, which included Incident Command, Critical Stress Management, Communications. Orientation Flights (for pilots). and the SDIS in Florida. Cadets were kept very busy with a workshop on Cadet Opportunities and a Scuba



Cadet Honor Guard demonstrated





Class in the swimming pool. When

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## **Former Cadet Continues** To Serve His Country

Flight Officer Shelby Bright of the Machias Valley Composite Squadron, left May 11, 2005 for Army Basic Training at Fort Jackson, S.C. Because of his receiving the Gen. Billy Mitchell Award, He was able to enter the Army as an E-3, he is sure glad he was in Civil Air Patrol. He will be going Airborne as is his brother.

Maj. Wayne Merritt

#### **Maine Wing Received** Community **Heroes Award**

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On May 12, 2005, Maine Wing Civil Air Patrol was honored by the Southern Maine Chapter of the American Red Cross at their annual Community Heroes Breakfast. Capt Paul Connors, Capt Douglas Grosso and myself accepted the award following a three minute video presentation highlighting our work as Maine Wing and showing us in action.

The highlight of the morning came when Maj Gen Libby, the Maine Na-



Chris Hayden.

Shown accepting the 'Heroes" award on behalf of Maine Wing. **CAP** is Capt Paul Connors and Mai Congratulations Maine Wing.... this is our award thanks to your effort and support.

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Maj Chris Hayden CAP

Paul Connors assumed command of the Cumberland County Composite Squadron on May 26, 2005. Col Mitch Sammons presented the Change of Command. Congratulations Capt Connors -Editor

## **Coin Update**

I made a change in the coin per a recommendation from Col. Treadwell, it will now have the MEWING Patch on one side and the MEWING Encampment Logo on the other. This makes the coin more unique to Maine than using the National Cadet Programs Patch.

Capt Ted Kryzak, DCP

tional Guard Adjacent General came up to use and gave us the warmest handshake we have experienced from any high ranking individual. He was sincerely impressed with our achievement. We hope you were able to watch (and record) the local news that evening on WGME. WGME was responsible for the video segment shown at the breakfast and will be the lead news station covering the story.

To All: MEWING Cadet Programs has ordered MEWING Cadet Program Coins as a fund raiser. (see enclosure) We will be selling the coins for \$5.00 each and are taking orders now. These coins have become very popular throughout the branches of the military and have become collectors items. If you would like to start your own collection we will have them available shortly. Ted Kryzak Capt, CAP

**DCP MEWING** 

## Maine Wing Over

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All letters raised, coin in colored, clear coated

# Civil Air Patrol On Display For Maine's Heroes Parade

It was billed as a parade to beat all parades, and by most measurements,



"Check Your Six"
A US Navy P-3 Orion performs a
fly-by over the Maine Heroes Parade as photographed by a Maine
wing Aerial Reconnaissance aircraft (Maine Wing Photo)

it lived up to the expectations. Estimates of between 30,000 to 40,000 people lined the parade route and cheered out of office buildings in Portland, Maine on Friday, April 8th to salute Maine's soldiers, sailors, airmen and Coast Guardsmen from all wars past and present. The event also recognized home front first responders: firefighters, EMTs, police, and auxiliaries such as Civil Air Patrol and the US Coast Guard Auxiliary. While the color quard, marchers and vehicles from the Civil Air Patrol Cumberland County Composite Squadron and Machias Valley Composite Squadron marched smartly down the parade route, one of 2 Maine Wing Civil Air Patrol aircraft participated in the numerous fly-bys which included 2 US Army Blackhawk helicopters, a US Navy P-3 Orion, a USCG HU-60 Jayhawk Helicopter, and a USCG HU-25 Falcon Jet patrol aircraft, CAP's participation didn't end there though, as the local squadron was tasked with providing another aircraft to give aerial reconnaissance of the entire parade route, major highways, and intersections for security and traffic control purposes. Using the latest Satellite Digital Imaging System technology,

images were sent directly to the city's Incident Command Center. The working relationship between the City of Portland has strengthened over the last year partially due to CAP's participation during the visit of the Queen Mary 2 to Portland Harbor last year when CAP planes flew continual surveillance over the controlled airspace and waters in cooperation with state and local officials and the US Coast Guard.

#### **2LT Frank Curran, PAO**

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attendees were not in a workshop, they could be seen in the display area admiring the Cadets' rocketry

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exhibits from Bangor, Machias, St. Croix and Sundown Squadrons. Also available were displays on Drug Demand Reduction by Capt. Paul Connors and Civil Air Patrol History by Lt. Col. Helen Cantor. The Banquet began with the posting of Colors and the Missing Man Ceremony, both aptly dispatched by the Maine Wing Honor Guard. Special Awards presented by Wing Commander Col. Mitch Sammons included a Certificate of Appreciation presented to Morrill Worcester for his donation and transportation

of over 5000 Christmas wreaths to Arlington National Cemetery. Machias Valley Composite Squadron won the rocketry display award. Mai. Wayne Merritt of Machias Squadron was named Commander of the Year. Kristen Kilcollins was named Cadet of the Year; 1Lt. Charles **Brown** was named Senior Member of the Year: 1Lt. Karen Varian was given the Gannett Public Affairs Award: 1Lt. Richard Saucier was presented the Cantor Service Award: Communicator of the Year was awarded to TFO Nathan Fellows, who was also presented, along with Capt. Dale Fellows, the Emergency Services Award; 1Lt. Wayne Kilcollins was named Safety Officer of the Year; Lt. Col. Jim Greenlaw was awarded Profes-

> sional Development Officer of the Year: the award for Exceptional Service was presented to the Florida Hurricane Aircrew of Col. Jim Linker, Maj. Chris Hayden, and Capt. Doug Grosso; Maj. Joe Quinn was awarded the Wing Staff Member of the Year; Machias Valley Composite Squadron was named Squadron of Merit: and Capt. Dennis Murray, commander of St. Croix Squadron, was presented with the Eagle Award, Sustained Excellence Awards were pre-

sented to Lt. Col. Rich Grover, Capt. Ramona Grover, Col. Craig Treadwell, Capt. Merrie Knightly, and Lt. Col. Bill Hawksley. After the presentations, we were entertained by Chris Hayden's Year in Review, an assemblage of photos and video set to Elton John's Space Cowboys. All attendees agreed the conference was a great success, and we look forward to meeting in Bangor for the 2006 Maine Wing Conference next year.

1Lt. Karen Varian 2005 Conference PAO

## County **Composite Squadron**

County Composite Squadron is proud to present three Cadets that have received

promo-



Left to right: Airman Richard Deschenes. Cadet Master Sgt Kristen Kilcollins, and Airman 1st Class Levi Swan

tions in the month of May 2005. If you see these Cadets, please congratulate them on their hard work. County Composite Squadron is proud to post the following three awards:

Maj. Thomas Goetz received the Commander's Commendation Award for his outstanding service to Maine Wing during his time as County Composite Squadron's Commander. Congratulations Tom!

Cadet Staff Sqt. Kristen Kilcollins received the Air Force Sergeants Association Award for her efforts during 2004 and Cadet Senior Airman Kristopher Jandreau received the Air Force Association Award for his efforts during 2004. All three awards were presented by Col. Mitchell Sammons during the County Composite Squadron Change of Command Ceremony.

1Lt. Wavne Kilcollins Commander

## **Bangor Brewer** Composite Squadron

The Bangor Brewer Composite Squadron is pleased to announce that Special Soldier we have moved into our new facilities. We would all wish to send a big thank-you to the Bangor Air National

Guard for their kindness and generos- day March 26. Their last stop left just ity. The cadets were very busy working on completing stage one of the new model rocketry program and preparing for the competition. The following cadets have promoted during the last quarter: Cadet Rhyne promoted to Cadet Airman, Cadet Hall promoted to Cadet Airman, Cadet Slininger promoted to Cadet Sr. Airman, Cadet Parks promoted to Sr. Master Sergeant and Cadet Hanson promoted to Sr. Master Sergeant. Congratulations to all for a job well done. We are proud to announce that Cadet Staff Sergeant Griffin attended the Honor Guard Academy in April



Starting with the left front we have Cadet Hall and then Cadet Slininger. Left rear is Cadet Rhyne, Cadet Parks and Cadet Hanson.

and is now joining Cadet Sr. Staff Sergeant Parks as the second member from our squadron to be on the Honor Guard team. The following cadets attended the Airman Academy: Cadet Hall, Cadet Richards, Cadet Slininger and Cadet Graham.

2Lt. Cathie Spaulding, PAO **Bangor Brewer Comp. Squadron** 

# **Cumberland County Composite Squadron**

# **Cumberland County** Squadron Rolls Out The **Welcome Mat For One**

The tired soldiers from the 133<sup>rd</sup> Engineering Battalion slowly made their way to 2 other Armories early Satur-

3 troopers on the bus and they were a bit overwhelmed at the disproportionate size of their welcome since over 150 friends and family had come to welcome them to the Stevens Avenue Armory in Portland. Also on hand was the Cadet Honor Guard from Cumberland County Composite Squadron and other Senior and Cadet members; but one special nervous well wisher was C/A1C Eric Madore



**Cumberland County Composite** Honor Guard, MSG Madore, C/A1C Madore and brother.

whose Dad was among the 3 soldiers returning. While in Iraq, Master Sergeant Greg Madore's unit was involved in building and repairing schools, repairing roads, and restoring electricity and gas lines. Wife Linda, and the entire family were beaming for photos but the Master Sergeant said really just "wanted to go home and find that couch!" Wing Visitors Present Mitchell Award



Left to right: CAPT Ted Kryzak, **DCP Maine Wing, LT Steve Higgins Squadron Deputy Cadet Com**mander, COL Mitch Sammons, Maine Wing Commander, C2LT Knight, MAJ Jeff Weinstein, Squadron Commander, MAJ Chris Hayden Deputy Maine Wing Commander.

Civil Air Patrol Cadet Second Lieutenant Katherine Knight from Cumberland County Composite Squadron re-

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ceived the General Billy Mitchell Award from Col. Mitchell Sammons and other Wing and Squadron Staff at the Squadron's Headquarters on April 7th. She is the daughter of Thomas and Ellen Knight of Raymond who also attended. Cadet Second Lieutenant Knight attends North Yarmouth Academy in Yarmouth, Maine. Her hobbies include hunting, track and the Scarborough Police Explorers. C2LT Knight's post-high school plans include attending either West Point, Air Force Academy, or a civilian university

**2LT Frank Curran, PAO** 

# Machias Valley Composite Squadron

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Machias Valley Composite Squadron is pleased to announce that **C/2d Lt** 





C/2ndLt Brent Mathews

and Dustin Turner to the rank of Cadet Airman. Congratulations to all of these cadets. Cadet



**Brent Matthews** 

mander. We also

promoted Cadets

has been ap-

Cadet Com-

Jasper Gray.

**David Candee** 

pointed as our

C/Amn David Candee



**C/Amn Justin Turner** 

not present for pictures.

Jasper was

Maj Wayne Merritt, Commander

The primal principle of democracy is the worth and dignity of the individual. --Edward Bellamy

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# St Croix Composite Squadron

The St Croix Composite Squadron, CAP is pleased to announce the promotions of four Cadets. Receiving



Shown holding their individual promotions are C/Amn Jordan Hopkins, C/Amn Mark Sartell, C/A1C Felicia Vincent and C/A1C Patrick Lappin.

promotions to Cadet Airman First Class were Cadet Patrick Lappin, Calais and Cadet Felicia Vincent, Waite. Promotions to Cadet Airman were Jordan Hopkins, Calais and Mark Sartell, Calais. After the promotions, a brief "Pinning Ceremony" was held where the family participated in pinning the new rank on the cadets. Congratulations to cadets Lappin, Vincent, Hopkins and Sartell on your well earned promotions. We are all proud of you.

Capt Judy Murray, PAO



Cadet Steven Oliver promoted to Cadet Master Sergeant. Shown at the "pinning" ceremony is C/MSqt

Todd Clark attaching the new rank to C/MSgt Oliver. Congratulations C/MSgt Oliver on your well deserved promotion.-Editor

C/2ndLt Tyler Croman awarded the Air Force Association Citation & Medal. May nineteen's meeting was highlighted by promotions and a special surprise presentation to C/2ndLt Tyler Croman. Croman received the Air Force Association's AFA Citation

"In Recognition of Outstanding Achievement in Leadership and Academic Standing in the Civil Air



Shown are Lori Croman (proud mother) and C/2ndLt Tyler Croman

Patrol." The Air force Association through their Air Force Aerospace Foundation awards medals and citations to cadets who achieve certain goals in Aerospace Educa-

tion and Leadership in Civil air Patrol. As the previous Cadet Commander, Croman has mentored many cadets in achieving the Aerospace Education Excellence Award during the last four years and is continuing to mentor cadets today. This is the first time in this squadron's history that the award has been received by a local Cadet. Congratulations to C/2ndLt Tyler Croman on your Citation. –Editor

### **Honor Guard NEWS**

CD1LT Dillingham, CD2LT McCarthy & I did a flag folding ceremony with the United Arms Forces Honor Guard in Eastport Maine on Saturday May 20<sup>th</sup> for Mr. George Scott Cadet McCarthy's uncle who was a Vietnam veteran. The ceremony went very well and was greatly appreciated by both the Honor Guard from Eastport as well as the family members.

Michael C. McCray

# Sundown Composite Squadron

Congratulations goes to Commander **Mary Eastman** who promoted from Captain to Major on May 18, 2005. We appreciate all that she does for Sundown and Maine Wing.

2nd Lt Barbara Arsenault

### **Downeast Patrol**

**NO Report** 

#### SANFORD-SPRINGVALE SQ. Lt Sylvia Feeney PIO

Senior members of the Sanford-Springvale Squadron have been meeting on Monday evenings at the Sanford Airport Summer Headquarters; here the members spend time putting the building into shape for the cadets' activities. The seniors also work on the radio communications. keep the L-4 flyable, do some flying before darkness and attend staff meetings under the command of Capt Charles Cleaves, assisted by his staff. Many new members have signed up with the Squadron, and some of them come from as far away as Eliot. Kittery, West Buxton, and there have been some visitors from Dover, New Hampshire. The new members are interested in either the communications or the flying part of the senior program. The cadet program has been picking up interest, with more seniors becoming interested to serve as instructors for the cadets. Sanford Squadron cadets, under the leadership Lt Clyde Holbrook, USARes and assisted by S/Sqt Joe Goodness are planning a Rescue group made up of cadets who are presently receiving instruction in map reading for ground use.



Cadets being briefed by Lt Romeo Bachand of the Saco Squadron prior to operation Little Orbit.

# Lewiston-Auburn Composite

**No Report** 

# Cap Leads the World In Glider Education & Safety

In the past few years, CAP has focused on building mutually beneficial partnerships with organizations affiliated with our mission areas. One of the least known, but most successful partnerships is with the **Soaring Safety Foundation (SSF)**. Civil Air Patrol was instrumental in the development of many of the online educational and safety courses that reside on the SSF website: Http://www.soaringsafety.org/ Two of the most Widely used courses—



The Wing Runner Course and the Tow Pilot Course are an annual requirement in

many Soaring Society of America (SSA) clubs and other soaring clubs as far away as South America. Egypt and Japan. In fact, during the last three years, approximately 2,400 wing runners and 900 tow pilots have been trained. Now is a great time to review these courses so you'll be at the "top of your game" during your summer soaring activities. You can access these courses from both the CAP Glider WebPages: Http://ntc.cap.af.mil/ops/ dot/Glider/ or the SSF webpage: http://soaringsafetv.org/dl/index. html.

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# Waterville Composite Squadron

**NO Report** 

### MAXWELL AIR FORCE BASE, Ala. (AFPN) -- Civil Air Patrol's

national capital wing is helping the Air Force test its new visual warning system for pilots, a security measure set to become operational over the Washington, D.C., area on May 21, officials said. The system signals pilots who fly into the D.C. area's air defense identification zone with lowlevel laser beams in an alternating red-red-green light sequence to alert them they are flying without approval in designated airspace. Pilots who receive the warning must immediately contact local air traffic control and fly their aircraft out of the no-fly zone. The ground-based visual warning system was developed by the North American Aerospace Defense Command specialists in coordination with people at the Federal Aviation Administration and the Air Force Rapid Capabilities Office. The lasers are eye-safe and nonhazardous. CAP, the allvolunteer civilian auxiliary of the Air Force, is scheduled for missions May 21. CAP will use its low- and slow-flying aircraft to pose as intruders into no-fly zones near the nation's capital. Most of the aircraft in CAP's single-engine fleet of 550 are Cessna similar to the one that drifted into Washington's no-fly zone May 11 and spurred evacuations throughout the capital city. "This week we saw exactly what can happen when a pilot flies into an unauthorized zone in the D.C. area," said Maj. Gen. Dwight Wheless, CAP national commander. "Any such intrusion not only is a safety issue, but is also disruptive for thousands of people who live and work in the nation's capital," the general said. "This new visual warning system will give pilots immediate feedback when they are straying into a no-fly zone, and will be a valuable new tool in our country's homeland defense program." (Courtesy of CAP Public Affairs)

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## "Take on the Challenge" **Maine Wing Encampment** 2005

Dear Cadets:

The Maine Wing Encampment is the experience of a lifetime! With its hundreds of different activities, during your two weeks here you will achieve what you never thought you could do, learn what you never though you could know, and become what you never though you could be. Leaders are made, not born. The encampment is your first step on the path to leadership. The path will be challenging, physically and mentally. You will have to push yourself achieve, and the reward will be worthwhile! You are destined to the next generation of leaders in CAP and for the nation. Come and learn how to work as a part of a team. Learn the skills of leadership and followership. Meet new people, make new friends and learn new skills. While you are doing it, you will have a lot of fun! So come to the encampment. Learn the skills you need to succeed as a CAP cadet. Be part of dedicated team, a group of people dedicated and committed to improving themselves to be of service to the community, state and nation.

**C/Capt Nate McCray** C/2Lt Madison Dillingham Cadet Encampment CC & Cadet Deputy CC

#### **Basic Encampment**

If you have never attended an encampment, pay close attention. Let us tell you about what will become your greatest cadet experience! Maine Wing has the best to offer from in facilities, food, activities and leaders. We guarantee you will have a great time. The journey may be bumpy at times, but with the help of your friends and your team, you will pull through with flying colors! Maine Wing Encampment is held on the Bangor Air National Guard Base, home to the 101st Air Refueling Wing. You will see what it is like to live and work at a military base. You will stay

in framed military tents and eat at the staff positions and the preferred (but base mess hall. You will get up early not mandatory) grade needed is as in the morning for PT. You will tour follows: the base facilities. You will even go Flight Sergeant- C/SSgt-C/CMSgt and visit the helicopters of the Maine Flight Commander- C/2LT and higher. Army National Guard. Your first few Squadron Commander-C/2LT and higher hours after you arrive will be filled with .Public Affairs and Admin Staff- any grade turmoil and excitement. You will be Our second option is to attend the at-"in-processed" and teamed up with tending Emergency Services training your flight. You will meet your flight program of the encampment. Here commander and flight sergeant, your you will receive the training needed to mother and father, big brother and obtain your Urban Direction Finding sister for the next two weeks. They and Ground Team Member qualificawill assign you to your bunk, where tion. Get your 101 card and become you will be staying, your "home away a part of our search and rescue team! from home". After the initial orienta- Finally, if you are really interested in tion to encampment and other activithe military as a career, why not ties you will be in bed by 2200 hours, spend a week job shadowing a memfor this night and every other night of ber of the Air National Guard. There the encampment. The next morning is no better way to learn what the milivou will be awakened early for PT on tary does then by doing it with them! the parade field. Here is the first place The encampment is the chance of a you will able to challenge yourself to lifetime. Don't let it pass you by. Be do more than you thought you could with us at Bangor from July 12-25 for do. After PT you will shower and get a time you will never forget! See your ready for the day. Next is formation, Squadron Commander for more dedon't be late. Then, off to breakfast tails and complete the CAPF 31. provided by the 101st Services Support Flight, the best cooks in the United States Air Force! After breakfast the daily schedule will begin with classes, teambuilding programs, drill, and other special activities. Then comes lunch, more fun, and finally dinner. Don't be late to your dinner formation. Your day will end with flight time or personal time to work with fellow flight members and to perfect your uniform and bunks. Finally, it's off to bed for some well-earned rest. You will do more in one day than your friends will do all summer.

#### **Second Year Encampment**

Have you already been to an encampment? Do we have the opportunities for you! You can serve on the encampment staff, participate in the Emergency Services Program, job shadow Air National Guard members. The best way to learn is to do – so the best way to learn leadership is serving as a cadet leader. Consider applying for a cadet staff position at the encampment. The following cadet

## **Model Rocketry** Still to take place.

Keep your rockets safe and ready to fly as the Maine wing Model rocketry contest is still going to take place. Cadets still have time to complete Phase



I and Phase II of the model rocketry program from National CAP. The contest will take place shortly, so watch the listserve for additional announcements from Maine Wing. We

look forward to seeing you there. Lt Col Lindon Christie, AE Maine Wing, CAP





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## **Commander's Corner**



Maine Wing I am very pleased and
proud to report that Maine Wing received a rating of **OUTSTANDING** for
the second time in a row this past
weekend. The IC team headed by **Major Tom Goetz** was superlative in
all aspects. All those who participated
in the evaluation performed in a man-

ner that brought numerous compliments from the USAF Evaluators.

I thank each and every one of you for the role you played in this very important inspection. The depth of Maine Wing talent was demonstrated by not only their managing the various tasks and problems brought to the IC Staff by the evaluators with skill, but also by the now consistent coincidence of there being an actual mission taking place while the simulations were underway.

Captain Merrie Knightly deserves much praise for her ability to handle so many tasks so well under pressure. The hosting squadron, the County Composite Squadron, again out-did itself in its hospitality and attention to details. Thank you, Lt. Wayne Kilcollins and your members for being such kind and considerate hosts. You have a fantastic group of people and their hard work helped make the success of this

evaluation. In order to receive the highest rating of **OUTSTANDING**, it is clear that a collaboration of trained, talented, and skilled people is necessary.

Thank you all very much to all for your cooperation and contribution. There were no small deeds...all contributions added up to this success. To add to the sweetness of this mission, when I opened my e-mail this morning, I received a note from CAP National Headquarters telling me that they have come up with additional funds that can be used for training. I am sure it won't be a bonanza, but it will allow us to preserve our financial well-being and some small training events.

Again...thank you all Maine Wing... you are all truly **OUTSTANDING**.

Mitch Sammons Col. CAP Commander - Maine Wing