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August 10, 2006

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Training the Trainers C/Command Staff & Element Leaders 8/26

Training the Trainers FTX

C/Command Staff & Element Leaders 9/30-10/1

Rome/B-E Intensive Encampment 10/27-29

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COMMANDER'S CORNER

With Capt. Don Colson

Semper Vigilans means You are that select part always vigilant. This is of the community that the motto of the Civil Air is not Patrol. Webster tells us simply sit back and that to be vigilant means watch. You are more to be "alert or watchful than just to discover and avoid watchful; danger." Certainly the ready to go where you Civil Air Patrol safety are needed, when you pledge reminds us to be are needed the most. alert to danger; however,

CAP is involved in many many operational areas where commonly dangers to ourselves and income we earn or the the community must be things we own. It is not watched. CAP here in Georgia flew people that seem to several hundred hours last year in support of counter drug operations working with state and federal agencies.

CAP ground and air ability or opportunity teams have responded to natural disasters throughout the region, bringing relief and aid to others in need.

Why do we train in are training for air or Emergency Services? We train so that we will Cadets be ready and able to order out of the paper respond when the call work chaos, know that goes out for help.

The Senior and Cadet members of the Civil Air Patrol are a special group.

satisfied to you are

Success is measured in ways. Most the pilots hard to find unhappy have everything that anyone could hope for.

> What is missing? Significance. Significance is to positively impact the lives of others.

> This is what I find in CAP, and I hope you do too. Whether you ground teams, guiding or creating your work is important in the Squadron, the Wing and the Community.

SPONSOR MEMBERS ARE THE ANSWER Squadron Commander



Capt. Don Colson



Strength of the Nation by Dr. Ilana Mor

BARTOW-ETOWAH SQUADRON

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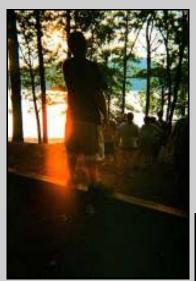
JULY 13TH GRILL OUT

In lieu of our regular meeting, Cadets, Senior Members, and Family Members met at Red Top Mountain, Pavilion #5, for a Squadron Grill-Out. It was a time of camaraderie, filled with good food and fun activities. The Cadets enjoyed swimming in the beautiful lake, as well as creating their own "aircraft" and participating in the Aerospace competitions led by Lt Col Jansson, the

Squadron's Aerospace Officer.

A good "Grill-Out" is an event worthy of attending., as was evidenced by the surprise appearance of Capt. Colson, our Squadron Commander, who had just gotten out of the hospital after gall bladder surgery. We were all delighted to see that, although weak, he was in good spirits and well enough to join us.

A fun time was had by all. This is an event that should definitely be repeated in the future.













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Group I SAREX

4-6 August 2006

FROM THE AIR WITH MAJOR TOM CALVANELLI

Our first Group I SAREX under our new Commander, Major Tonya Boylan, was a tremendous success. The number of Cadets and Seniors involved was really wonderful to see. It showed the commitment that the members of this group have toward training to become proficient ES personnel in order to accomplish any missions we are assigned.

The AIRSIDE of the SAREX involved three aircraft which flew 13 sorties on Saturday, with a total of 15 crewmembers. Many flew Scanner and Observer Training Missions which will qualify them as full crew members on actual missions. Group I is now in the process of having qualified crew members available from all Squadrons for missions, which is something that we were lacking in the past. Many of the actual missions are in the Group I area. Now we will have the qualified and available personnel who can be called out for those missions, instead calling other Groups who are farther away from the area. This will enable a much faster response time, which we all know is THE CRITICAL FACTOR for the survival of anyone down.

So, congratulations to all involved. If you missed it, you will have another chance. On September 8-10, we will have another Group SAREX so START YOUR TRAINING NOW!

AT THE FORWARD BASE WITH CAPTAIN HAYDEN COLLINS

This past weekend's survival training at Hudson Farm was held in conjunction with the Group I SAREX. Hudson Farm operated as the Forward Base for the Bartow-Etowah Composite Squadron. In this capacity, the Base Camp housed members of the ground team, as well as provided equipment and communications with the main command post in Rome.

While the ground teams went out for missions, the Forward Base Operations Group manned the Squadron radio and monitored communications of the ongoing operation. In the evening after operations were completed, survival training started. This year's subject was modified meals.

Cadets, improvised a trap for fresh water crawdads and managed to capture several. Food preparation followed the Boy Scouts of America Cooking Merit Badge guidelines. For example, clean your hands prior and after food preparation, etc. A small fire was started which was just big enough to boil the water needed for the initial preparation. After several minutes, the crawdads were added to the water. For this exercise, only the tail sections were prepared.

The class involved the cooking and cleaning, along with the proper precautions for field preparation of meals. Oh, by the way, the crawdads were added to some MRE rice with hot sauce and just a bit of hot water to give it a soup texture. Well, let's just say, umm umm good!

Our special guest for the weekend was Cadet LTC Davila. He was the Cadet Encampment Commander for the 2006 GAWG Encampment at Ft. Benning. You can find his comments at http://s15.invisionfree.com/GAWG Cadets/index.php? which is otherwise known as The Cadet Forum.

ON THE GROUND WITH CAPTAIN DON COLSON

This past weekend, members of the Bartow-Etowah Composite Squadron participated in a Search and Rescue Exercise (SAREX). The ground team I led included Cadets Matt Roberson, Dillon Davidson and Dwayne Collins. Our mission sounded simple at first, but this SAREX added a new dimension to the scenario that we had not experienced before.

Our task was a UDF mission to locate a transponder that was transmitting an emergency signal. We were given general coordinates as a starting point from which we had to follow the radio signals. When we located the transponder, it was in the wreckage of a helicopter. The new and surprising element of the exercise was discovered when we walked up to the wreck, a survivor! When we had rendered aid to the victim, we learned that she was a student pilot who had made an emergency landing. The instructor pilot who was injured and bleeding had started walking through the woods. Our mission now changed to a missing person search. A brief search located the missing pilot, and he was assisted back to the wreckage. The additional elements added to the realism of the training and gave each of us opportunities to use more of our training.

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Field Operations August 2006

With Captain Hayden Collins, ES Officer

WARNING ORDER (COVERED BRIDGE) 21072006-01

> Copy 1 of 1 Copies BE Squadron Civil Air Patrol Cartersville GA

Reference: FM 22-55, FM 22-100 and Unit SOP

1. Situation

Threat level Is Yellow

- A. Enemy:
 - 1. Disruptive crowds and individuals
- B. Friendly:
 - 1. Euharlee Covered Bridge Support Group
 - 2. Rome City P D/F D
- C. Attachments: none

2. Mission:

BE Squadron will provide area security for CBF (Covered Bridge Festival) to be held at the Covered Bridge in Euharlee GA.

3. Execution:

- A. Concept Of Operations: BE personnel will provide site security starting Saturday September 23 and will continue security until event ends at 1200 on Sunday June 24th.
- B. Subunits: none

4. Service Support:

Cots and sleeping bags, mats will be provided for those staying overnight. Meals will be provided for overnight staff. Drinks and light snacks will be provided all on duty.

- 5. Command and Signal:
 - A. Command

1. OIC: 2LT J Freeze

2. COIC: TBA

B. Signal:

1. Personal to bring FRS radios to mission

2. Frequencies: FRS channel 9 Alt channel 13

3. Call Signs: TBD

Commander: CPT Don Colson

OFFICAL DISTRIBUTION: All HANDS

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CAP WEBSITES THAT YOU NEED TO HAVE ON YOUR COMPUTER

National CAP Web Page www.cap.gov

Georgia Wing CAP www.gawg.cap.gov

Bartow Etowah Sq www.gawg.cap.gov/GA129

Vanguard www.vanguardmil.com/store/store.php?at_id=103

CAP e-services www.capnhq.gov/default.aspx

CAP Forms http://level2.cap.gov/index.cfm?nodeID=5464 CAP Regs http://level2.cap.gov/indes.cfm?nodeID=5285

CAP SQTRs https://cap.af.mil/es/sqtrs/sqtrs.cfm

CAP ES Tests http://level2.cap.gov/index.cfm?nodeID=5591

CAP SE Region http://ser.cap.gov

IN ORDER TO FUNCTION WELL IN CAP, YOU MUST DO THE FOLLOWING:

Go to the GA Wing website and select VIPERS. Sign up for it and the AEGES email net. This will get you all the Wing emails to stay informed.

Go to the e-services website and sign up for e-services access.

You must do this to function in CAP.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- Deep Heat SAREX in Macon August 26-27
- The Wing USAF-guided SAREX has been rescheduled for Sept 9-10.

The Tunnel Hill reenactment is the same weekend

- There is another funded Group 1 SAREX on Sept 23-24.
- Cadet Command Staff & Element Leaders Training Aug 26th
- Bartow-Etowah Composite Squadron Leadership Encampment Training the Trainers September 30—October 1 Cadet Command Staff & Element Leaders Only
- The big airshow at Russell Field is probably the weekend of Oct. 21
- Intensive Cadet Encampment October 27—29

With Rome & Bartow-Etowah Composite Squadrons All Group I Squadrons have been invited.

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Tales From A Life Traveler

With Dr. Ilana Mor, Moral Leadership Officer

Walking Into Unknown Waters

How does one deal with uncertainty, with entering *unknown waters?*

UNCERTAINTY is all about predictions of future events and the unknown. Our BELIEFS influence our EXPECTATIONS which influences our PERCEPTIONS.

For example, if you meet someone for the first time, and if you <u>believe</u> that the world is a hostile place, you will undoubtedly <u>expect</u> and be prepared for an angry threatening person, one who you <u>perceive</u> you can not trust.

On the other hand, if you say that your belief is that the world is generally a loving place and that most people are of good nature, you will expect that person you meet to be friendly, and you perceive that if you smile warmly, and say hello that greeting will be returned.

When I was asked to be the GAWG Encampment Chaplain, I was very apprehensive. I didn't know what would be expected of me, and I was concerned that it might be beyond my physical capabilities. I was told that I would be dealing with "homesick" Cadets and that I would be conducting Moral Leadership Classes. The following is how I dealt with these unknown waters, in order to affect a positive outcome:

- 1. Since it was my first Encampment, I spoke with the Encampment Commander and verified the proper protocol.
- 2. I corresponded with Wing Chaplain Staff to inquire about Moral Leadership Classes at Encampment.
- 3. I thoroughly prepared for the Moral Leadership Class, the topic was *Selfless Leadership*.
- 4. I carefully packed my bags, following the lists provided by Encampment Staff.

5. I spoke extensively with my friend and colleague, Capt. Hayden Collins, who was also on Staff, about the upcoming experience. He assured me that "I was up to the challenge" and that in the end, I would be very pleased that I accepted the position.

(He was absolutely right! I loved it!)

When I arrived at Encampment, I was greeted warmly by Encampment Staff. By the second day, I was completely immersed.

I was frequently called upon to deal with Cadets who were having difficulty adapting to their surroundings and to the expectations which were placed upon them.

Quickly, I became a part of the team and felt accepted by everyone. The feedback that I received about the way I helped both Cadets and Senior Members, as well as how I conducted the Moral Leadership Classes was extremely positive.

By the end of my Encampment experience, I felt that I had triumphed over adversity. I felt that I had dealt with the *unknown* waters of Encampment in a very positive and productive way.

I had the opportunity to plant many *Seeds* of Friendship, I learned a lot, and I felt accepted by and respected by all of the Senior Members and Cadets.

I had a wonderful time at Encampment, even though my first reaction was one of uncertainty and apprehension. It's amazing how a positive outlook and adequate preparation were the keys to making my unknown future joyous.

I look forward to returning next year to experience all the challenges that next year's Encampment will bring.

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At this month's Moral Leadership Session, Cadets and Senior Members enjoyed the 2006 GAWG Encampment DVD.

Many Cadets and Senior Members shouted AIRBORNE as they jumped from the 34 foot tower.

According to Webster's Dictionary, the term airborne refers not only to military ground forces who care carried in airplanes or gliders. It also means "carried by the air, together on Saturday, July 29th for the first in the series in flight, aloft.

negativity. Soar into a positive tomorrow. As you go into the unknown waters of the future, be sure to:

Always remember that Whether you are on the ground or in the air... Be sure to Take off in flight. Take the many steps which enable your flight to occur. Then, enjoy the results of those steps in action.



NUTS & BOLTS

Training the Trainers Training the Trainers 8/26 Training the Trainers FTX 9/30 & 10/1



With 2dLt David Maney Leadership & Activities Officer

Cadet Command Staff and Element Leaders gathered Training the Trainers led by 2Lt Dave Maney, the Leadership Officer. Most of group were holding their posi-In other words, don't get bogged down in tions for the first time. The intent of Training the Trainer instruction is to hone their leadership skills, as well as to create a unified command team which can create and help implement "hands on" activities in the Cadet Program.

> There was an intensive discussion about Understanding Human Behavior, one of the topics covered in Chapter 6 of the Leadership Booklet, The Doolittle Achieve-

> To be a good leader, one must learn about the way people act. A leader must learn about human behavior and individual differences, and how these factors bear upon the efficiency of a unit. Defense Mechanisms are frequently used to soften both internal and external ures so that a person can feel worthwhile and ade-

> The following Defense Mechanisms were discussed: Rationalization-fooling yourself by twisted logic that your behavior is rational, justifiable, and acceptable. Repression-Denying certain painful facts actually exist Projection-unaware that you are fulfilling your needs through other people

> Displacement-shifting emotions, attitudes, or fantasies to a person or object that is more socially acceptable. Compensation-overcoming a shortcoming by trying real hard to excel in another field.

> After discussing the multiple defense mechanisms, the Cadets formed teams and each team acted out an ample of a particular behavior. A group analysis followed the skits.

> With the motto Cadets Lead The Way in mind, time was allotted to the Command Staff and Element Leaders to formulate plans to "spice up" areas of Cadet instruction. Working together as a unified team, a lesson plan to enhance map reading began to emerge.

> Lt Maney instructed the group to contact one another by e-mail and telephone in order to finish, and then to send copies of the completed lesson plan to himself and to Dr. Mor, the DCC. After checking the validity of the lesson plan, the ES Officer will be asked to peruse the plan to see how it can be used during class.

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FROM THE SUPPLY ROOM

With Major George Geiger

SUMMER!!!!!! HOT!!!!!!!! STEAMY!!!!!!! TOO HOT TO WORK ON THE COMPLEX PROJECTS!!!!!.

Well, we will wait until it cools off to start the clean-up projects, plus school will start soon, and all will be home on the weekends.

I appreciate the Cadets who wanted to pressure wash the trailers, but that would have peeled the paint right off of them. We have to do it the hard way. Wet down, soap and water with soft brushes and rinse. That will do fine. Maybe a little paint touch up here and there.

Will probably get a new air conditioner for Capt. Collins by Fall or Winter. Also need one for the uniform shed.

DR.MOR...Don't know when power will be restored to your office. You might speak to Lt. Maney about that.

REPORT ALL ROOF LEAKS TO ME.

I understand that groups of Cadets have been assigned to each trailer to clean-up and remove trash after each meeting. Hope I get to see that soon.

The refrigerator was supposed to have been cleaned out and moved to the other end of the Cadet trailer so power could be restored to it to keep your PT water supply cold. Hope that got done.

Don't know if the grass cutting crew has been able to cut the grass or not.

TOO HOT!!

Each Cadet group is also responsible for pulling the weeds out of the flower beds.

Still TOO HOT for that!

I'll bring some Round up for you guys to spray the weeds that are growing up between the cracks in the decking.

We will need to repair and paint the decking again early this Fall. Sounds like a Saturday iob to me.

Hope everyone is staying cool and drinking plenty of water. Don't be like me and forget, and then get heat exhaustion.

Hope things went well with the FTX and the SAREX. No one called me in to help, so I guess that is good news.

I have not been to a couple of meetings, but hopefully I will start showing up for about an hour at each meeting. So, if you have field gear or uniform needs, see me then or see Capt. Collins.

As you were... Carry on... I'll be in the area! Major Geiger



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SAFE TIPS

With Lt. Mike Fouts, Squadron Safety Officer



HOW TO TAKE CARE OF YOUR BACK

- 1. Frequent causes of back pain:
 - Standing or sitting too long, especially without changing position
 - Lifting or carrying something that is too heavy and/or awkward
 - Lifting things using an incorrect technique, with your back in the wrong position
 - Sleeping in the wrong position or on a bad mattress
- 2. Several symptoms can warn you that your back is injured. See a doctor if you notice:
 - Sore or stiff muscles
 - Numbness
 - Tingling or burning sensations
 - Not being able to move your head, arms or legs as much as you used to
- 3. To review how to lift and carry things,
 - check the SafeTips on Lifting and Carrying Objects.
- 4. The key word for work shoes: <u>PRACTICAL</u>. They should be comfortable, stable and supportive. If you have to stand on steel or concrete, consider using a cushioned insole or getting rubber and/or padded matting to stand on.
- 5. Start a program of exercise and stretching to strengthen you back and to keep you limber. As few as a half-dozen exercises and an investment of just 10 minutes a day can work wonders.



FIt Operations August 2006

With Major Tom Calvanelli



Congratulations to Senior Member Jeff Johnson for successfully completing his initial Form 5 ride.

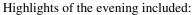
He is now a CAP pilot.

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CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR FRIENDS AT THE ROME COMPOSITE SQUADRON

By Dr. Ilana Mor, DCC

On July 25th, 2Lt Maney, C/2Lt Blake, Major Calvanelli, Lt Col Jansson, and I joined our friends from the Rome Squadron for their special Awards Ceremony.



- Presentation of the GAWG Unit Citation (1) by Major Boylan, the Group I Commander, to Capt. Shepherd, the Rome Squadron Commander, and C/2Lt Abbott, the Cadet Commander.
- <u>Change of Cadet Command (2)</u>—C/2Lt Matthew Abbott accepted the Leadership role as Cadet Commander, together with all of the duties and responsibilities inherent in that position.
- Presentation of GAWG Encampment Certificates and Ribbons to Cadets Aaron Collins, Christina Loudermilk, Michael Loudermilk, Grady Nall, Anthony Thacker, and Annalese Zusack
- Presentation of Certificates for Completion of Activities:

C2Lt Abbott Cadet Officer School
C/CMSgt Pearson Nat'l Flt Academy
C/CMSgt Thomas Nat'l Flt Academy

C/2Lt Abbott
C/SSgt Thacker

Nat'l Honor Guard Academy
USAF Space Command
Familiarization Course

- Presentation of the Cadet Recruiting Award to C/Amn Annalese Zusack for recruiting 2 + new CAP members.
- <u>Presentation of the Community Service Ribbon</u> to C/2Lt Matthew Abbott for 60+ hours of documented non-CAP community service.
- Recognition of Special Awards:

C/MSgt Loudermilk AF Assoc Cadet of the Year
C/CMSgt Pearson AF Sgts Assoc.C/NCO of the Year
C/2Lt Abbott Vet.ofForeignWars CadetoftheYear
C/CMSgt Thomas Vet.ofForeignWarsC/NCOoftheYear

PRESENTATION OF CADET PROMOTIONS

CURRY Cadets Galloway and Hand ARNOLD Cadet Zusack

MILESTONE AWARDS

WRIGHT Cadet Murphy

(3) MITCHELL C/2Lt Andrew Pearson C/2Lt Gabriel B. Thomas

THE GENERAL BILLY MITCHELL AWARDS WERE PRESENTED BY LT COL BARRY LOUDERMILK, GA STATE REPRESENTATIVE



LtoR Top: Maj Calvanelli, Maj Cataldo, C/2Lt Pearson, LtCol Jansson Bottom: 1Lt Boylan, C/2Lt Thomas, 1Lt Mor







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At the National Flight Academy-Gliders which just concluded in Rome

C/2nd Lt. Gabriel Thomas (Rome Comp. Sqdn.) - Soloed C/2nd Lt. Drew Pearson (Rome Comp. Sqdn.) - Pre-soloed

COMMUNICATIONS

With Major Keith Walker

GACAP 154



A VHF Net will be held on Thursday evenings beginning on 2-23-06, with the net starting at 20:30 hrs. local and ending at 20:45 hrs. local time on the â?~PBâ?T frequency (Repeater 2).

This will be a weekly VHF Net and Bartow-Etowah Composite Squadron (GACAP 150) will be the net control station. All VHF stations able to transmit and receive this repeater should try to check in to this net weekly to test equipment and keep Communication skills sharp.

This net control station will usually be manned by Cadets, but always supervised by Senior Members. For Composite or Cadet Squadrons, this is a great opportunity to get Cadets interested in Communications.

Please try to check in and pass some traffic on this net weekly.

Talk to you on the net.

REQUIREMENTS TO I

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S TDAINING

In response to my question "In order to participate in a Group I SAREX, what requirements must be met?" 1Lt Phil Boylan, the DCC from the Rome Composite Squadron offered this advice:

You must pass the online open-book tests for the ES-116 parts 1 and 2.

Take the ES116 part 1 and part 2 separately. Sometimes when you take the combined exam (parts 1 & 2) it doesn't record properly in MIMS that you've taken part 2 of the test.

https://tests.cap.af.mil/ops/tests/default.cfm?Message=Ok&grp=dos

98% of the questions are taken from material in <u>CAPR 60-3</u>, the regulation for <u>CAP Emergency Services Training and Operational Missions</u>. Here's the link to CAPR 60-3:

http://level2.cap.gov/documents/u 082503073358.pdf

A few questions in part 2 of the ES116 test are taken from the financial reimbursement regulations, CAPR 173-3, <u>Payment for Civil Air Patrol Support</u>.

http://level2.cap.gov/documents/u 082503080636.pdf

The link to all CAP Operational (ES) training is:

http://level2.cap.gov/visitors/programs/operations/ops online courses exams/

<u>Cadets need to know how to find it because it has the wing runner test and course links, as well</u> as the ES116 tests.

When you get the ES116 done you should be able to print out your CAPF-101 card and it will show "GES" as a listed qualification. That's your entry ticket to participate in SAREXs and to continue your training if you so desire.

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MEDAL OF HONOR

With Lt Col Bill Jansson, AE Officer



The Medal of Honor is the highest award for valor in action against an enemy force which can be bestowed upon an individual serving in the Armed Services of the United States. Generally presented to its recipient by the President of the United States of America in the name of Congress, it is often call the *Congressional Medal of Honor*.

There have been 3,461 Medals awarded since 1863. Today there are 113 living Recipients of the Medal of Honor. 47% of the living Recipients earned their Medals more than 50 years ago while serving in WWII and Korea. There are 60 living recipients who performed actions in Vietnam. The most recent Medal of Honor given was awarded posthumously to the family of Sgt. 1st Class Paul R. Smith for his actions in Iraq in 2003, and he is the only one so honored for actions there.

Henry E. Erwin

Staff Sgt, US ARMY AIR CORPS 52nd Bombardment Squadron, 29th Bombardment Group, 20th Air Force

The crew of *The City of Los Angeles* had completed eleven missions in the Pacific by the spring of 1945. At dawn on April 12, the B-29 took off from Iwo Jima as the lead bomber in the 52nd Bombardment Squadron's attack on Koriyama, Japan. Near the target, antiaircraft fire erupted from below, and Japanese fighter planes swooped down from above.

As the lead aircraft, The City of Los Angeles was responsible for signaling the squadron to assemble into attack formation. It was the job of Henry "Red" Erwin, the plane's radio operator, to drop a marker, a twenty pound white phosphorus canister with a six-second fuse, through a tube in the belly of the craft when the plane reached the assembly area over enemy territory. A gregarious Alabamian who had once hoped to fly fighter planes, Staff Sergeant Erwin positioned the canister in the launching chute, then pulled the pin at the pilot's orders. But either because of the flak from antiaircraft shells coming up from below or a faulty detonating device, the flare flew back up the tube. It exploded in Erwin's face and fell into the belly of the plane, spewing flames just feet away from the payload of tons of incendiary bombs.

Erwin felt his hair catch fire and the skin on his nose begin to melt. Billowing white smoke filled the aircraft. The pilot and copilot were momentary blinded, and the plane went into a steep dive.

Erwin dropped to his hands and knees, feeling for the canister. Although it was burning at thirteen hundred degrees Fahrenheit, he picked it up and cradled it to his body with his forearm, then crawled toward the cockpit. His entire upper body burning, Erwin groped his way forward to the cockpit. He yelled to the copilot to open the window and threw the burning flare out into the sky.

OVER JAPAN 1945 ABOARD THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES

Then he fell back, his clothing on fire, and his face charred beyond recognition. After the pilot pulled the plane out if its dive, the crew turned the fire extinguisher on Erwin and began to feed plasma into his arm.

When the B-29 landed, Erwin's body was so rigid that the side of the plane had to be dismantled to get him out. The doctors, sure he was going to die, had him transferred to a hospital on Guam where Air Corps Major General Curtis LeMay arranged to fly Erwin's brother, a Marine, to be with him.

LeMay recommended Erwin for the Medal of Honor and got authorities in Washington to expedite the award so it could be presented before he died, however, there was only one medal in the Pacific, on display in a locked glass case in Honolulu. On the morning of April 18th, an officer there, not able to find the key, smashed the case, grabbed the medal, and hustled it onto a plane. The next day, just one week after the attack on Koriyama, General LeMay presented it to Erwin at a bedside ceremony with the crew of *The City of Los Angeles* standing by.

Erwin surprised his doctors by surviving. A few weeks after receiving the medal, he was flown home to Alabama, where he was hospitalized for two and a half years, undergoing repeated reconstructive operations, learning to use what was left of his hands again, and to deal with his badly disfigured face.

In 1948, not long after he was finally released from the hospital, Erwin and his wife were flown to the SAC air base in Omaha to attend the premier of *The Wild Blue Yonder*, a film about the air war in the Pacific that dramatized his determined struggle to save his plane that April morning in the skies over Japan.

Henry Erwin passed away January 16, 2002 at the age of 80.

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CHANGE OF COMMAND CEREMONY

On Thursday, July 27th, after opening formation (2), the retiring Cadet Commander C/CMSgt Jonathon Posada passed the responsibility of Cadet leadership to the Cadet Commander Designee, C/2Lt Alex Blake.

The Squadron Guidon carried by 1st Sgt Matt Roberson was handed to C/CMSgt Posada (3) who relinquished his command to the Squadron Commander, Capt. Don Colson.

C/2Lt Blake accepted the position of Cadet Commander, willing to carry out all the duties and responsibilities that the position requires (4).

Both C/CMSgt Posada and C/2Lt Blake (5,6) addressed the Cadets, Senior Members, and guests. The new Cadet Commander expressed optimism for a successful new year, and introduced the new C/Command Staff and Element Leaders. The former Cadet Commander wrapped up the ceremony with the powerful words "I love you all!" CONGRATULATIONS! (1)



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CADET CAPERS

BARTOW-ETOWAH CADETS ARE



CADET ADVISORY COUNCIL

Representatives from the Bartow-Etowah Composite Squadron:

C/2Lt Alex Blake, Cadet Commander (Primary Representative)
C/MSgt Matt Roberson, 1st Sgt (Secondary Representative)

Dr. Ilana Mor, Deputy Commander for Cadets

The CAC will be the primary advice council to the Commander on the Cadet program and along with the CDR/DCC will be having a summit to get organized and plan the activities that the Georgia Wing will provide to the Cadet program in the coming year. That meeting is planned for a Saturday sometime in September and will be at a central location if possible. We are now operating on a budget and all money that will be used for the Cadet program must be planned for, based on what the Cadets and Senior Members involved in the Cadet program want.

DCP GAWG William Higgins, Lt Col CAP



Present and Past Cadet Commanders: (L to R)
Alex Blake, Jonathon Posada,
Jonathan Calvanelli, and Shawn Long

Congratulations
On Your Promotions!

C/TSgt Blake Collins
C/SMSgt Dwayne Collins
C/MSgt Zane Collins

MARK YOUR CALENDARS 2nd Thursday of every month @ 1800 sharp

Cadet Command Meeting in the Cadet Trailer

CAP Cadets can apply for one of two FULL SCHOLARSHIPS to the EAA Aeroscholars on-line Aviation Science Course. The deadline to apply in August 21st. The Brewer family is providing the funds to sponsor an eligible cadet, in memory of Robert Rice Brewer If you have any questions, please contact Judy Rice at jrice@cap.gov, or toll-free at 888.211.1812, ext. 371.

The GEORGIA WING NATIONAL CADET COMPETITION will be held on 24 and 25 February 2007 at the Museum of Aviation located near Robins AFB.

The Wing Competition will be open to one team per group in both the Drill Team and Color Guard competitions. There will be funds to help group winners move onto the Wing Level and for Wing Champions to go on to the Region meet.

The goals of Col Heredia, GAWG Commander, and Event POC Lt Col Higgins, DCP GAWG are to pick the best teams for the Region Competition and to support them in their efforts to win.

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CADET CHRONICLES

With C/ MSgt Zane Collins, C/PAO NCOIC



As the days go by, so do our Cadets. Two of our own, Amanda Nestor and Jonathon Posada, will be shipping off to college very soon. Both Shawn Long and Jonathan Calvanelli, two former Cadet Commanders, have been recently visiting with us, and will be returning to their University studies as well.

So with the new vacancies, that means **New Staff Positions!** For this coming year, the new Cadet Commander is C/2Lt Alex Blake, and the. Flight Commanders consist of C/MSgt Mathew Mathias (Alpha), C/MSgt John Williams (Bravo), and C/2Lt Sam Raybon (Charlie). The new Flight Sergeants are C/SSgt Kathryn Colson ((Alpha), C/MSgt Zane Collins (Bravo), and C/MSgt Allison Way (Charlie).

As you all know, with new change comes more change. As of July 27th many things have changed. There will be more drilling, more testing, and better attitudes.

The Flight Sergeants will be expecting perfection and will not settle for less. The Flight Commanders will be expecting the Flight Sergeants to perform above and beyond the call of duty, and, the Cadet Commander expects every one of us Cadets to promote

Personally, I expect great things from the new Command Staff and from the non-staff members. I hope you all agree.

As the Cadet NCOIC (Non-Commissioned Officer In Charge) of PAO (Public Affairs Office) I expect results and feedback from everybody. I want thoughts and remarks on anything you liked, disliked, or did not even care for. I want to hear what you want more and or less of.

What I do not want to hear is:

More Cook-outs, Less PT

OR

No more PT.

CADET COMMAND STAFF AND ELEMENT LEADERS

C/Commander C/2Lt Alex Blake 1st Sgt C/MSgt Matt Roberson

Alpha Flt Commander
C/MSgt Matt Mathias
C/MSgt John Williams
Flt Sgt C/SSgt Katie Colson
C/MSgt Zane Collins
C/MSgt Allison Way

Element Leaders

A-1 CA1C Derek Mentzer
B-1 CSMSgt Dwayne Collins
A-2 CSSgt Corey Collins
B-2 C/SrA Justin Maney
A-3 C/TSgt Blake Collins
B-3 C/SrA Dillon Davidson

American Red Cross First Aid and CPR Training

August 19, 2006 09:30 hours—16:00 hours @ The Rome Composite Squadron's HQ RSVP by 8/15, ONLY 20 STUDENTS PER CLASS

Uniform: BDUs with CAP-ID Class Fee: \$10

Bring: A bag lunch or money for local fast food or the Prop Stop Deli.

If you desire First Aid task signoffs, bring your SQTR.

RSVP: 1Lt Shepherd :trionmed@alltel.net 706-859-0017/706-734-2003 or TFO Boylan @touchbase.com 706-378-9899/706-766-5293 Non-Rome cadets should be escorted by a Senior Member from their home Squadron.

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Civil Air Patrol, the official U.S. Air Force Auxiliary, is a nonprofit organization that performs 95 percent of continental U.S. inland search and rescue missions as tasked by the Air Force Rescue Coordination Center. Volunteers also perform homeland security, disaster relief and counterdrug missions at the request of federal, state and local agencies. The members play a leading role in Aerospace Education and serve as mentors to the 23,000 young people currently participating in CAP Cadet programs.

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