

Civil Air Patrol Lebanon Composite Squadron

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Squadron Newsletter

Reaching New heights for the New Year

It is a new year and with it comes the time to set goals and think about your future in the CAP cadet program. What do you hope to accomplish as a CAP cadet in the coming year? What goals would you set for the squadron? Think about these goals and write them down. Bring a copy of what you have written to be filed in your cadet records. You should have your goals in to the squadron by the last meeting of January.

There are some other things I would like each of you to think about; questions such as Why am I in CAP? What makes me stay in the program? What suggestions would I make to further improve the squadron's cadet program? Am I doing all I can do to present a positive image of myself and the cadet program? What additional training do I need to become a better cadet?

Basic Training Class 06-1 will begin on 9 January. The program has been evaluated, updated and improved by c/SSgt. Mather, c/SSgt. Filiano and I. As with the last basic training class, c/SSgt. Filiano will be the flight sergeant and c/SSgt. Mather is the Alpha flight sergeant. Sergeant Filiano will be assisted by c/Amn Garcia as the Bravo flight guide. I am looking to the members of the basic training class which graduated in November to step up their efforts in developing their individual leadership capabilities to become a part of the cadet cadre and aid Sergeants Mather and Filiano in training the cadet corp. Your development will take time; but those who are motivated, dedicated and show strong leadership potential will earn the privilege of being leaders in the squadron. I wish to thank cadet airmen Cohen and Sorenson for maintaining their high degree of attendance and effort with the squadron since their graduation from basic training. I am looking to their colleagues in Alpha flight to demonstrate a positive example for the basic training class in customs and courtesies, wear of the uniform, military bearing and all the other aspects of being a cadet.

I have mailed a letter to the cadet corps early this month. Make sure all of you read it and think about the points it raises, both positive and negative. Remember the cadet program at Lebanon is working through a transition and all of you who are members now are the tip of the arrow leading the squadron into the future.

I hope you have all enjoyed the holiday season and taken some time to focus on your future and goals in CAP. This squadron has the potential for an excellent year and the squadron staff is excited to realize that potential. I hope you are ready to accept the challenges the coming year will present us and help move the squadron to the next level.

Happy New Year and Semper Vigilans!

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A Holiday full of Precious Moments

On November 14th at 10:08 p.m. the Keen Family was blessed with a precious little girl "Piper Josephine". She was 6lbs 12.7 oz and 18" long.



Christmas brought The Freeman family a "Double Blessing" all the way from Russia

Stasik (Brendan Stansislav Freeman) is 3 and Lisa (Elizabeth Aine Freeman) is 20 months.



Holiday's packed with the most precious miracles, what more could anyone ask for?

Congratulations to Bravo Flight

You should all be very proud, as your hard work and commitment has taken you through the first step. This is a HUGE accomplishment. Keep up the good work, and soon you'll be marching through your next achievement.

Congratulations to Filiano for his promotion to Tech Sargent. He has worked hard and shown true commitment, a true leader in the making.

Spotlighted Moments

On December 10th C/am Roy and Jenny Collier (Daughter of Sm. Ernie Collier) danced through the "Sound of Music" part of Dancers Inc. At the Newport Opera House during the Christmas Recital. I will be forwarding a copy of their dance to Capt. Keen to put on our website.

C/am Garcia will be featured in "The Girls Life Magazine". This is a huge step for us, as this is a National Magazine. Not only will it highlight all of C/am Garcia's achievement in and out of the CAP, but it could mean recruitment for all wings and squadrons nationally.

New Website

The squadron's web site has moved to its own server and is now available at www.LebanonCAP.org. This gives us a URL that is easier to remember and communicate to new members. It also gives us the ability to set up our own mailing lists and provide e-mail accounts for all our members both seniors and cadets. Your e-mail account will be your first initial and last name and the default password is your CAPID. Currently most of the accounts are set up to forward to your current e-mail address on file in e-Services. You can log into your account at webmail.lebanoncap.org to change your password, forwarding address, or read your e-mail. We'll also be setting up mailing lists to replace the Yahoo groups. We'll announce more information on the mailing lists in the near future. If you have any questions or suggestions about the web site, please contact webmaster@lebanoncap.org.

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UPCOMING SAREX

February 18th - Lebanon Squadron will be hosting the upcoming SAREX mission. I hear through the grape vine that it is going to be one challenging and exciting training mission.

In order to participate you need to make sure that you have:

CAP ID Card

101 Card

24 hour pack (containing)

flashlight

orange vest

raingear

first aid kit

rope

duct tape

mirror

compass

gloves

whistle

x-tra socks

canteen

leatherman (Swiss Army, Gerber)

Do plan on dressing for the weather, especially if you are intending on being part of grounds team.

We do hope to see our ENTIRE squadron participate. It's very important to show your support and dedication.

BDU CHANGES

There is a new patch that will need to be added to your BDU's. This patch will go on your RT shoulder.

Please see your Commanding Officer for more details.

Flight Hours

We are lacking in flight hours, it is very important that we build them up, starting this month. It's time to get your orientation hours in. The more flight hours the better.

UPCOMING CPR & FIRST AID CLASS

We are looking at possibly holding a CPR & First Aid Class in February. If your present card is expired or if you have never had a card, here is a wonderful opportunity for you. Watch your emails to exact dates.

BCUT CLASS

We will be holding a BCUT class on the last Monday of the month, January 30th. ACUT will done done as well providing time allowed.

New Meeting Place COMING SOON

We have made contact with the Lebanon National Guard Armory. They have given us permission to use their space during our meetings, once all the paper work is done. So far, it looks like we are starting off the new year with some very exciting changes.

The Lebanon Composite Squadron is off to a wonderful New Year!!!!