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Civil Air Patrol - Citizens Serving Communities: Above and Beyond

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WING TIPS

- As of 31 December 2011, the Civil Air Patrol had 60,750 members; 26,291 cadets and 34,459 senior members. Montana Wing ended the year with 319 members; 153 cadets and 166 senior members
- Montana Wing Public Affairs distributed the first of three CAP Public Service Announcements to select Montana radio stations on 12 January. These audio PSAs were produced by NHQ and sound terrific. The first PSA is about recruiting in general. The others, about emergency service and cadet programs, will be released in April and July. The PSAs are at www.capvolunteernow.com/multimedia_resources/videos/30_second_psas.cfm and can be listened to there and/or downloaded
- In the movie “Capt America – The First Avenger” the two ribbons on Captain America’s service coat are CAP ribbons. During the end credits two World War II era yellow CAP aircraft appear on the screen. These vintage aircraft fly by with the CAP symbol visible on the wings and, as the frame zooms out, the words “Civil Air Patrol” are visible. In addition, a WWII era CAP poster can also be seen
- NHQ/AE’s Aerospace Education Newsletter for Winter 2012 is now available on-line via eServices at: https://www.capnhq.gov/news/Documents/AE_Newsletter_Winter_2012.pdf
- Two articles, one on MTWG and one on CAP in general, were published in the January 2012 issue of “Montana and the Sky”, the monthly journal of the Montana Aviation Division. The MTWG article was on Lt Col Ebel’s Big Sky Density Flyers taking part in NSAS’s MicroGravity eXperience. The other article was about CAP’s safety education partnership with the FAA. Both articles were from the MTWG eNewsletter for December 2011-January 2012. This is a prime example of how disseminating our monthly Wing eNewsletter to an external audience can result in enhanced public awareness of Montana Wing and of CAP in general
- Montana Disaster and Emergency Services (MT-DES) conducted a reduction-in-force at the beginning of the year. Among the headquarters staff positions eliminated was the Public Information Officer. In the event of an emergency the PIO position will be filled on an "as needed" basis with FEMA-trained PIOs mobilized as required. Major Tim Crowe of the Montana National Guard has taken over MT-DES media duties. In Montana the Disaster and Emergency Services organization is under the state’s Department of Military Affairs
- A FEMA Communication Technician Course will be held February 13-17, 2012 at the Fort Harrison Regional Training Institute. Contact Mike Stapp (406) 324-4786 or mstapp@mt.gov for more information

- On 26 January, CAP NHQ announced that the U.S. Congress had fully restored the Civil Air Patrol's fiscal year 2012 budget. As a result, all flying operations are back to normal and more money is available in this year's budget for Air Force mission training and cadet orientation flights than CAP had last year. Units without sufficient funds for Air Force training or cadet orientation flights should contact the Montana Wing Commander for funds.

"This is an excellent opportunity to fly our cadets and take advantage of funded training opportunities. Cadet orientation flights are a very important activity and our cadet programs continue to grow, in part, due to the enthusiasm and excitement these flights instill in our cadets. Training is, of course, what keeps us relevant in this rapidly changing, technologically driven world. I hope the number of Air Force training events, as well as the number of participants, will be at an all-time high this year in response to this outstanding opportunity to increase our members' mission execution skills."

- CAP National Commander Maj Gen Chuck Carr -

- On 14 January, some 40 members of Montana Wing command and staff met at Fort Harrison in Helena for a leadership conference hosted by Wing Commander Colonel Herbert Cahalen and presided over by Vice Commander Chuck Lynch. Following the introduction of new staff officers and squadron commanders several of the principal Wing staff presented briefings on topics within their functional area followed by informative Q&A sessions. So many MTWG key players together was an added gain, as it engendered a lively exchange of ideas, proposals, comments and suggestions and fostered camaraderie and promoted a united spirit of purpose. So great was this synergy that it was decided to try to hold at least two such conferences each year. At the end of the conference Achievement Awards were presented to Lieutenant Kim Sloss for her work as Group II Administrative/Personnel Officer and to Major Pamela K. Lynch for her work as Group II Finance Officer

- A series of FEMA courses required for many CAP Emergency Services qualifications will be hosted by the REC Silicon Company in Butte. They are ICS-100 (Feb 28), ICS-200 (Feb 29) and ICS-300 (Mar 1-2). The specific location where each class will be taught is yet to be determined. For more information or to register contact Melissa Thompson (406) 496-9924 or Melissa.Thompson@recgroup.com

- Wing Vice-Commander Lt Col Lynch reports Lt Col Statum, Wing Professional Development Officer, informed him that there are 65 senior members in the Wing who need either the Squadron Leadership School (SLS) or the Corporate Learning Course (CLC) for growth in the CAP Professional Development Program. To that end MTWG is required to hold a SLS and CLC course each year to provide an opportunity for Wing senior members to take these course(s) needed for advancement. In 2012, MTWG plans to hold two courses, one on each side of the mountains to ease the travel expenses for our members. The SLS course will be held in Plains, MT on March 10 and 11 and the CLC course on March 17-18. Courses are being planned in Bozeman at a date to be announced. For the Plains courses, Maj Sharon Nichols will direct the SLS and Capt Dawn Lynch the CLC. The MTWG PDO will attend and assist with the programs. The courses will begin at 1000 and end at 1800 to allow (weather permitting) those who wish to travel home on Saturday evening and return Sunday morning, time to do so without exceeding the CAP duty day limits. For those wishing to stay in Plains Saturday night, lodging is available at a very reasonable cost. A home-cooked lunch and morning snacks will be provided on Saturday and Sunday at a very reasonable cost. Additional details and agendas will be provided to those who register for the courses. The registration deadline is 5 March 2012 so the directors can plan on the number of attendees for course materials and food. Those who wish to attend SLS please contact Maj Sharon Nichols at tkrdoc@msn.com and those wishing to attend CLC contact Capt Dawn Lynch at dawnlynch.cap@gmail.com. On the eastern side of the mountains, Capt Steve Potratz and Capt Tim Schober will plan and schedule the programs to be held in Bozeman at a date to be announced. If you are interested in attending their programs, please contact one of them to identify your interest

- As many of you may be aware, the Civil Air Patrol's 2012 National Legislative Day will be Thursday, March 1, just prior to the Winter National Board meeting in Washington, DC. That same day each Wing will present a flyer to the members of their congressional delegation that highlights their Wing's contribution to their

state the previous year. The flyers are printed at NHQ from information sent by each Wing via eServices. On 10 January Montana Wing submitted their input to NHQ. Our Wing Vice Commander and Government Relations Officer thought everyone should have a chance to see what we sent to NHQ and what we will present to our Montana senators and congressmen in March. Although MTWG had several events worthy of recognition, space constraints limited us to just one event - the statewide flooding that occurred in Spring/Summer of 2011. This item was chosen for its value-added contribution to our state as the 2013 Montana State Legislature will consider direct annual funding to MTWG for disaster and emergency services support. Fear not, the other events will be written up and submitted as an executive summary to Montana stakeholders as a separate Wing Public Affairs Bulletin shortly after Legislative Day.

The item sent to NHQ is below. The photo, taken by a MTWG aircrew 28 May 2011, can be found in WMIRS.



Photo Caption:

At the request of MT-DES, flying over the Town of Roundup, Montana Wing Aircrews provide aerial photography of flooding to identify the extent of damage, potential for evacuation, threats to human life and locate imperiled livestock.

Title:

MTWG - Meeting Big Sky Opportunities for Emergency Services, Cadet Programs and Aerospace Education

Text:

Across the Big Sky, CAP's Montana Wing (MTWG) carried out "Missions to Montana". Emergency Services aircrews assisted the flood stricken along Missouri river tributaries. Search and Rescue teams trained at Camp Castle Rock near Butte. Missoula cadets built robots for a Bioengineering competition and members supported their local community activities. Wing members flew, trained and gave their time to make a difference in the lives of Montana citizens.

The 2011 winter snowpack in Montana's mountains exceed 120% resulting in significant spring flooding. Following Gov. Schweitzer's February 17 Emergency Declaration, MT Disaster and Emergency Services tasked Montana Wing with conducting aerial surveys and photograph flooding along the Musselshell River north to the Ft. Peck Reservoir. Summer snowmelt added to the already swollen rivers. In May, MTWG aircrews surveyed the extent of flooding, helped ascertain need for evacuations, searched for threats to human life and property as well as located stranded livestock. The flooding peaked in June and MTWG aircrews again provided aerial photos of dams at risk and the potential of further flooding along the Missouri River tributaries. //END//

- In this era of fiscal constraints some Montana Wing units have turned to innovative ways to generate supplemental funds. One way often overlooked is to apply for grants. A recent issue of the Fire Service Training School Newsletter listed the following grant opportunity:

Farmers Insurance Group - Contributing to Our Communities Grant

Eligibility: Non-profit organizations

Application Due Date: Open Deadline.

Farmers, founded in 1928, has been committed to improving the communities where our customers, agents and employees live and work. Farmers continues to invest considerable resources in programs that improve safety, enhance educational opportunity, and increase civic participation in communities across America.

More Information: http://www.farmers.com/what_we_believe.html

- The Central Montana Flight at Lewistown has been temporarily deactivated and its members and assets placed under the control of the Beartooth Composite Squadron. MT-008 will track these members and assets separately so that once they have recruited enough members they can be reactivated as a flight. Even as a flight they will remain under MT-008 for administrative purposes. The reactivation will most likely not occur until after August 2012

- Course Reminder: a Regional Cadet Leadership School will be held February 24-26 at Ft. Harrison, a “Training Leaders of Cadets” course will be held February 25-26 also at Ft. Harrison

- An “Inland Search and Rescue Planning Course” will be held May 14-18 at Ft. Harrison. The deadline for applications is April 2. There is no tuition, but attendees are responsible for travel, lodging and meal costs. This is a management-level course intended for experienced SAR Planners, Incident Commanders, and other decision-makers. It’s not intended for entry-level responders. Read the course announcement for the application process. Information on the course is at: <http://www.uscg.mil/tcyorktown/Ops/SAR/Inland/inland.asp>. Contact Marschal Rothe at (406) 324-4776 or mrothe@mt.gov for more information

- The February 2012 “Safety Beacon”, the official safety newsletter of the Civil Air Patrol is now available on-line at http://capmembers.com/media/cms/Safety_Beacon_February_2012_299EB9581D9FC.pdf

- Wing Director of Operations Lt Col Pete Graf advises it’s time to begin planning for a full-up SAREX (not a TTX as originally thought) 10-12 February in Helena. The IAPP in WMIRS for REQ 12-1771 (but no mission number assigned yet) lists only a few members on the IC staff. Please let him know what positions you or your squadron members might like to fill. Flying is planned to/from and during the SAREX and there will be Ground Team operations. The January SAREX was cancelled due to weather so let’s support this SAREX fully

- Maj Al Nash, Rocky Mountain Region Director of Public Affairs reports: Don't know how closely any of you have been following the effort behind the CAP Congressional Gold Medal, intended to honor both CAP and individual CAP members for contributions during World War II. NHQ has scheduled a conference call with Region PAOs Monday morning seeking updates on efforts to secure additional co-sponsors for the bill in both the House and Senate. I'm pleased to report Rocky Mountain Region leads all others, with 71% of the Members of Congress representing our 5 states already signed on as co-sponsors. All the members of the Colorado and Montana delegations have signed on. We still have opportunities to sign on Senators and/or Representatives from Idaho, Utah, and Wyoming. NHQ is also asking each Wing to "work" the list of Gold Medal Candidates from their respective states to help confirm eligibility. Any updated info you might have or might be able to gather on your respective Wing's recent efforts on this matter which I could share on the Monday call would be appreciated. Contact him at 406-223-7158 or al.nash@rmr-cap.us

STAFF NOTES



From Mr. Joseph Macklin, Montana State Director: Reshaping CAP-USAFA
Note: This information is not to be released outside of Montana Wing

As many of you are aware, Congress is seeking ways to reduce our nation’s deficit and reduce federal spending. One of the ways is through a “sequestration mechanism” of budget cuts to begin in FY 2013. The Defense Department, in addition to an immediate budget reduction of \$450 billion, will see a reduction of nearly a half trillion dollars over the next ten years.

Among proposed military budget cuts for FY 2013, the Air Force is expected to eliminate 4,500 civilian jobs, on top of 4,500 positions terminated in FY 2012. CAP-USAFA, the organization with oversight responsibilities of the Civil Air Patrol, is not exempt from this restructuring.

The reductions at Maxwell AFB imposed by budget cuts will result in a CAP-USAF loss of 22 civilian “State Director” positions by 30 September. These personnel reductions will result in a leaner CAP-USAF force and will require re-tooling CAP-USAF responsibilities and duties. The 16 remaining positions will be reclassified as “Region Advisors” reporting to the commanders of “Liaison Regions” that will be distributed geographically so as to minimize the cost of doing business. The “State Director” function that CAP and CAP-USAF have valued for so long will no longer exist ... these members will now be an extension of the Liaison Region.

This loss is significant not only for CAP-USAF, but also for CAP. State Directors have been an integral part of the team often acting as the go-to-person for problem resolution in the field. As CAP-USAF restructures itself, it is going to present unique challenges to both CAP and CAP-USAF never experienced before. I am extremely fortunate and very grateful to be included in the restructuring as one of the remaining 16 “Region Advisor” duty positions. I ask for your continued support in the months ahead.



ASK THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

Lt Col Karen Semple, CAP, MTWG/IG

February 2012

Q: “What’s the big deal with ‘compliance’? We’re just volunteers. I think you’re expecting too much.”

A: I must begin with the second part of your question first: “We’re just volunteers. I think you’re expecting too much.”

Everyone is entitled to their opinion; however, I must say I disagree with this one. The Inspector General (IG) Program is not “expecting too much” from any CAP member when it comes to ensuring regulatory compliance and here’s why: When someone joins CAP, they willingly took an Oath to comply. They did it willingly – and even paid for the privilege with dues. Then each year thereafter, when senior members renew their membership, they’re required to reaffirm their Membership Oath before the renewal can be processed.

All senior members pledge to “...agree to be guided by CAP Core Values, Ethics Policies, Constitution and Bylaws, Regulations and Federal, State, and Local laws...” They also affirm that they “...fully understand this Oath of Membership is an integral part of this application for senior membership in the Civil Air Patrol and that my signature on the form constitutes evidence of that *understanding and agreement to comply* with all contents.” (The *italics* is my emphasis.)

One of the many Wing IG tasks is to remind members of their responsibilities to CAP – that means reminding commanders to enforce compliance and to ensure compliance through implementing a wing inspection program. Members have a responsibility to the IG Program, as per CAPR 123-3, to cooperate and participate in unit inspections at any level to which they are assigned.

It all goes back to the oath members willingly take each year to comply with the regulations combined with one’s own personal integrity.

How compliant are you? What are you doing to encourage compliance in your unit and among those with whom you come in contact while participating in CAP activities?

Montana Wing can once again become the best wing in the Rocky Mountain Region with full compliance (and beyond, as we strive for Excellence) in every area of the wing – from individual members to wing staff.

We’re not professional volunteers – **we’re volunteer professionals!** There’s a huge difference between the two.

The great news is this: As Wing IG, I've seen a significant upswing in the past six months in the desire among members at all levels of the Wing for regulatory compliance in addition to the active pursuit of Excellence through compliance by many in Montana Wing that is very, very encouraging!

If you have any questions on how to comply with regulations pertaining to your assigned duties, please contact me at IG@mtwg-cap.us and I'll be more than happy to discuss them with you.

I believe that by working together to become compliant with all regulations, policies and procedures, while pursuing Excellence in the process, we can once again be recognized as the Outstanding Wing in Rocky Mountain Region. Let's do it!



WING MEDICAL OFFICER'S NEWSLETTER

Dr. Sharon Nichols, Maj, CAP, MTWG/HS

February 2012

February is the Beginning of Cold and Flu Season

There are many simple things you can do to avoid catching and spreading these illnesses. The most important preventative measure is simple - *Hand Washing*. But, do you really know how to wash your hands properly? The simple steps are clear in the diagram. 40 seconds will do it. It takes 20 seconds to sing Happy Birthday two times so feel free to sing out loud to entertain others and get interesting comments from those around you.



Remember to wash your hands before and after eating, after sneezing or coughing, after using the restroom and most importantly after being around anyone who appears ill. It is also a good idea to wash your hands frequently when in public areas especially when you have been touching handrails, shopping cart handles and elevator buttons. Germs hide everywhere!

Lastly, it is not necessary to use antibacterial soap. The Mayo Clinic studied these soaps and found that using them may cause the over population of resistant strains of bacteria. The portable alcohol solutions are better

than nothing but do not kill as many germs as good old soap and water when proper hand washing techniques are utilized.

On a final note, Happy Heart Month from your favorite Cardiologist in the Montana Wing!

SQUADRON HIGHLIGHTS

BEARTOOTH COMPOSITE SQUADRON (MT-008, BILLINGS)

(Items submitted by 2d Lt Dana Lariviere and Capt Bruce Kipp, clip-art by Capt Kipp)

- Welcome to our newest member, Senior Member Rebecca Bledsoe!
- Check out our new Squadron Website at: <http://www.rmrmt008.org>
- Captain Kipp went to the “Focus on Safety 2012” Conference on 1-2 February at the Crowne Plaza in Billings. The conference was a consortium of local and county government, emergency services organizations, institutions of higher education, business, industry and public outreach community service organizations and groups. Specifically, he attended FEMA’s MGT-386, Advanced Crisis Communications Strategies for Public Safety Communications Supervisors” course on 2 February. Montana Wing thanks the First Interstate Bank for their generosity in sponsoring him for this course
- On 3 February, Capt Kipp participated in “Communicating with Vulnerable Populations,” a tabletop exercise (TTX) hosted by Yellowstone County’s Riverstone Health in Billings. The TTX brought together county government, emergency services organizations, educational institutions, and public outreach and non-profit community service organizations and groups. Capt Kipp briefed the participants on CAP, its capabilities and how it can assist them in providing emergency services

CADET NONCOMMISSIONED OFFICER PROMOTIONS:



Congratulations to Cadet Eric Mitchell on his promotion to the rank of Cadet Technical Sergeant and receipt of the Rickenbacker Award



Congratulations to Cadet Samuel Bochy on his promotion to the rank of Cadet Staff Sergeant and receipt of the Wright Brothers Award



CADET AIRMAN PROMOTIONS:



Congratulations to Cadet Ian Novasio on his promotion to the rank of Cadet Senior Airman and receipt of the Feik Award



Congratulations to Cadets Leilahni Kay and Robert Parker on their promotion to the rank of Cadet Airman and receipt of the Curry Award



MALMSTROM COMPOSITE SQUADRON (MT-012, GREAT FALLS)

(No Items Submitted)

MISSOULA COMPOSITE SQUADRON (MT-018, MISSOULA)

(Items submitted by Lt Col Kaye Ebelt, introductory comment by Capt Bruce Kipp)

[The “Big Sky Density Flyers,” are a team of teachers from western Montana led by Montana Wing Director of Aerospace Education, Lt Col Kaye Ebelt. They will travel to NASA’s Space Center in Houston 5-11 February to participate in the “Teaching from Space - MicroGravity eXperience.” They will conduct physics experiments studying the properties of liquids with different densities in a near zero gravity (microgravity) environment.]

- The Big Sky Density Flyers are a week out from our trip to Houston. We want to share our site for video and photographs we’ll be sharing with our students: Google - [Big Sky Liquid Layers](#) (video). We will send highlights of each day’s activity via email if you request them. The video clips of our microgravity flights will be available Thursday by 3:00pm and on Friday by 3:00pm. If we have any difficulty loading the videos we’ll let you know. Right now our schedule from 6-11 February is:

Mon: Physiological Training (Hyperbolic Chamber)

Tue: Test Readiness Review & Load Experiments on the Boeing 727 / Professional Development

Wed: Anti-Motion Sickness Briefing / Flight Suits / Safety Briefing / JSC Tour

Thu: Flight One: Kaye Ebelt, Sandy Murphy (8:30 - 10:30 Houston) Preflight / Debrief / Present Data

Fri: Flight Two: Jann Clouse, Carol Morgan (8:30 - 10:30 Houston) Preflight / Debrief / Present Data

Sat: Flight Day - Make up for bad weather

BUTTE COMPOSITE SQUADRON (MT-031, BUTTE)

(Items, photo and graphics submitted by Lt Col Bill Bowden, clip-art by Capt Kipp)

- Butte Cadets At Bull Riding Finals: The semi-finals for the National Bull Riding Championship were held in Butte at the Civic Center. Butte cadets, C/TSgt William Link, C/TSgt Eric Eichner, and C/SrA Travis Tenold participated in the color guard during opening ceremonies both days of the competition. The color guard also included SSgt Padgett, an Air Force recruiter, and a Petty Officer, Navy Recruiter. During the intermission, the cadets assisted the recruiters to throw Air Force and Navy water bottles and tee shirts to the crowd

- Color Guard Training: Interested cadets attended color guard training. Lt Col Paul Goedert and C/TSgt Eric Eichner taught them how to present the colors and included the applicable portions of the manual of arms. Following the color guard activity, the cadets increased their first aid knowledge with additional training in bleeding control and bandaging



Butte Composite Squadron members attended an American Heart Association CPR and basic first aid training course at the Home Atherton Fire Hall. The seven hour class included use of resuscitation mannequins and an automated external defibrillator (AED). The squadron expresses its sincere appreciation to the NorthWestern Energy Company for providing the course materials, the practice AED, and mannequins. In the photograph, C/SrA Amanda Page practices CPR and the use of an AED

CADET NONCOMMISSIONED OFFICER PROMOTIONS:



Congratulations to Cadets William Cheman and William Link on their promotion to the rank of Cadet Technical Sergeant and receipt of the Rickenbacker Award



CADET AIRMAN PROMOTIONS:



Congratulations to Cadets Amanda Page and Travis Tenold on their promotion to the rank of Cadet Senior Airman and receipt of the Feik Award



Congratulations to Cadet Rachel Silva on her promotion to the rank of Cadet Airman and receipt of the Curry Award



BIG SKY COMPOSITE SQUADRON (MT-037, BOZEMAN)

(Item submitted by 1st Lt Spencer Gilchrist, clip-art by Capt Kipp)

If it Ain't Rainin' or Snowin', it Ain't Trainin

Come rain, then shine, followed by snow. In lieu of the cancellation of the January SARX Big Sky Composite Squadron hosted a local training event to help sharpen the skills of their Ground Team members and train the newest batch of recruits. The training focused on a refresher course for current members and an introduction to the newer members. The team practiced electronic location transmitter (ELT) locating and they also played a quick game of "fifty-four card pickup" line search style before beginning the search for a practice beacon.

When training exercise began the Ground Team members used standard triangulation to determine location of the beacon; determined to be just south of town in the foothills of the Gallatin Mountain Range just above the Hogman Horse Sanctuary. From there the Ground Team began to hike into the forest to locate the beacon.

During the exercise Cadet Captain Matthew Johnson ran the team, for his first time, under the supervision of a qualified Ground Team leader. The challenges presented to him were a first key lesson in his continued training as a Ground Team Leader. To get an idea of the challenges presented, Johnson explained the situation during the exercise, "We hiked up a really steep mountain, we started heading one way, following the DF signal...we split up [and] that team headed down to check if there is anything that way; looking for a stronger DF signal."

Just after the comment by C/Capt Johnson the ELT signal inexplicably disappeared, and a snowstorm began to move in on the Ground Team. Luckily, they were prepared with cold weather gear and were able to continue the search. They searched meticulously for the next few hours without hearing the beacon's signal. On reaching the top of the hill no signal was heard so the team began to track where they thought the beacon was located based on the map and prior triangulation.

The beacon was recovered and, after resetting the broadcast, the exercise was restarted. The team was relocated on the west side of the hill in order to be able to track the beacon. Unfortunately, the signal was only strong enough to travel a few hundred yards; a good example of how equipment failure could have been disastrous for the victims in a real-world mission. Given prevailing weather conditions the team could have faced potentially hypothermic victims. Through forethought the team brought a stretcher and had double checked their medical supplies prior to departure just as if they were on an actual mission. Though these supplies may not have been necessary the team takes their training very seriously, as true professionals should.

After the activity the team was lead through an after action review by Captain Tim Schober and First Lieutenant Spencer Gilchrist. Based on the National Wildfire Coordination Group's standard for after action reviews, it covered what was planned, what actually happened, why did it happen (factors leading to events) and what can we do next time to correct weaknesses and sustain strengths?

The Big Sky Composite Squadron currently has two qualified Ground Team Leaders and eight highly trained Ground Team members. They will be continuing a regular training program this spring in order to qualify more new team members and replace those who will soon be leaving the team.



SKYHAWKS SENIOR SQUADRON (MT-042, GREAT FALLS)

(No Items Submitted)

FLATHEAD COMPOSITE SQUADRON (MT-053, KALISPELL)

(Item and photo submitted by SM Dale Rodwick)



The Flathead Composite Squadron will be taking to the air! The long awaited Squadron aircraft should be safely parked at Kalispell City Airport by the time this month's issue is published. The wonderfully generous folks at Red Eagle Aviation graciously presented our squadron with an awesome, spacious hangar. Our members have been very busy preparing this space for our use. The hanger is a perfect venue for conducting hands-on Aerospace Education. Our intention is to conduct many of our classes and activities during the warmer months in this new environment. We would like to express our sincere appreciation to

everyone involved in this process; you are helping us in our mission to promote CAP as a positive force within our community. Visit us at <http://www.flatheadcompositesqdn.com>

LEWIS & CLARK COMPOSITE SQUADRON (MT-060, HELENA)

(No Items Submitted)

THUNDERBIRD MOUNTAIN COMPOSITE SQUADRON (MT-067, PLAINS)

(No Items Submitted)

Send me your input for the February - March 2012 Wing eNewsletter

