



The *Transmitter*

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From the Chief of Chaplains.....

Frustrated????

This *final* lesson is given to those of you who have known the stinging barbs of defeat, fear, disappointment, disgust, trepidation and the old fashioned 'blues'. Trying to find relief for despair is one of the hardest things I find to accomplish. Have you ever felt so down-hearted until you felt as if someone was sitting on your chest, choking the breath out of you? But in the middle of that despair you manage to keep some semblance of sanity and maintain some measure of hope.

If someone was to ask you how you came out of it and, exactly, when you came out of it; you really couldn't tell them! Often you're not real about certain when the condition arrived and you can't tell them when things lifted enough for you to go ahead and function again.

I am not the psychology major in my family, nor do I profess any credential for diagnosing your conditions. My wife and our daughter may do so, but I don't hold those credentials. As a matter of fact, I am of the old school: "pray and cast the devil out, in The Name!" If he doesn't come out soon, I'll recommend therapy by the professionals. If you refuse that and start manifesting at me, I'm dialing "911" to **call the police!** That may sound carnal and some of you may snigger at the thought but there are greater issues here and there are other people who really want deliverance from those things that ail them; than for me to stand here fooling around with folk who don't want deliverance but just a platform to clown.

From what I could glean, frustration is: *"the act of bringing to naught, nothing, or to bring efforts to nothing; to make good attempts vain, to become frustrated because efforts are hampered or blocked."* (Webster's Unabridged Dictionary) There was another consideration that I wanted to mention as I move through this witness. Frustration is said to have two compartments:

Minor Frustration is stress we encounter in our daily lives, and it might include irritations such as waiting in traffic or not being able to get some information at the library. *Minor frustrations* may try our patience and usually are not the cause of our problems. They are short-lived, but if we don't have a healthy outlet for such frustrations they will build up and begin to control us.



Ch, Col J. Delano Ellis II

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Another is **Forecasting**. This comes from constantly worrying about the future and wasting time and energy on the “*what ifs?*” Worrying over things like aliens, boogie-men and the end of the universe can become physically and emotionally draining and even debilitating. *Forecasting* very quickly becomes long-term stress when you keep your mind and body in a fearful, anxious state. Learn how to identify those areas that you have no control over and stop worrying about them. That’s the key to eliminating stress from forecasting.

Finally, there is **Residual Stress**. This is stress carried over from previous stressful situations that we refused to “*let go.*” Minor frustrations can become residual stress if we continue to rehash them over and over again. Carrying grudges and old hurts, or anger from our past will keep you in a constant state of stress: an old boyfriend or girlfriend quit you. You’re hurt (at first) but as time goes along you become angry or downright mad. If you don’t handle that matter early on, by releasing them and yourself, every time thereafter, whenever their name comes up, or you think about them, you’ll be mad all over again as if it happened this morning!

Let me apply some medicine to these thoughts.

Job was a rich Arab. Born and raised in Arabia, he had all of the comforts of life. But the stock-market crashed in a day and he lost it all in one rain storm. Job had all of the symptoms of a stressed-out man. He bordered on depression because the stresses were agitated by his friends and his well-meaning, only living relative. He lost his possessions, his children and household all in one day. Then to add insult to injury, he lost his only means for re-acquiring his wealth and possible family; **he lost his health!**

If there is anything that can bend your face to the ground it is sickness. I’m not talking about a common cold or the sniffles. I’m not even talking about a toe-ache caused by an untrimmed corn. I’m talking about sick and can’t do anything about it. Sick and can’t get up. Sick and can’t go get a glass of water. So sick until when someone brings the water you waste it on yourself trying to practice the independence you once had....**sick!** Too sick to get to the toilet and you have to lay there and depend on someone to come and get you out of the mess you’re in! **SICK y’all!** Job had done pretty well with his stresses. He was able to rebuff his friends and gainsayers with pretty good responses. As a matter of fact when he first received the bad news of his children’s death (**Job 1:20**) “*Then Job arose and tore his robe and shaved his head and fell on the ground and worshiped*”. Job used his best weapon! He knew the power of worship and he maintained his faith despite all (**V. 13:15**) “*Though he slay me, I will hope in him; yet I will argue my ways to his face.*”

But there came that time when Job had not processed all of his frustrations. It seems that something slipped through the cracks. And that’s when you are more than tested! Your faith is put to the test and your confidence can almost be shaken if you haven’t learned to blindly believe God.

This Arab had reached the point where he was now ready to take on the Almighty, El-Shaddai, Himself. Look into (**V. 23:8 – 9**) “*Behold, I go forward, but he is not there, and backward, but I do*

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not perceive him;” V9 “on the left hand when he is working, I do not behold him; he turns to the right hand, but I do not see him.” In other words: “Where is God?!”

This is the perennial mouse in the maze. This man has nowhere to go but up, but he doesn't see his own resource and potential. Earlier in the chapter he wanted to have a discussion (argument) with God about his situation but as the monologue moves on, faith is increased. Let me begin to close with this observation.

Stop allowing the Satan to make you keep quiet! Some talking (out loud) is good for the soul. You need to hear yourself talk about yourself and your God. You need to know just how much you do know. The longer I talk to God and the more I complain, the better the talk gets. My talking changes into praise before I know it because “I am a praise” in the earth.

As Job talks, his faith level rises and he finds himself affirming God and God's ability to see, know and care. Look at the Text: (V. 23:10) *“But he knows the way that I take; when he has tried me, I shall come out as gold.”*

That's it for this Article! Hold to the Faith even when you're frustrated!

I once my congregation to “Look Up” even though they might feel shut-in with the rains falling on the outside. I told them, and I'll tell you, there is always that ray of hope shining through the window in the top of your Ark. Today, I want to acknowledge that there may be frustrations in your travels to that beautiful City of God, but the only thing that will allow you sanity in this insane world is the Faith once delivered to the Saints. Hold to it Beloveds: He knows the way that you take.....and all of this is only a test!

As a little boy in Philadelphia we used to have Air Raid Drills. The loud siren would blast for thirty seconds or so, and all of the children would have to gather under our desks or go into the hallways and crouch, face-down, on the hallway floor. In the meanwhile, my grandmother heard the same siren and she had to get away from the windows and keep the radio tuned to that station where there was a long-sustained whistle blast.

When the blast was over, there came a voice over the radio and the announcer would say *“this was a test.....this was only a test; and now we return you to our regularly scheduled program, already in progress.”*

Hey People of God: *This was a test.....whatever it was that you've had to face over the past year, was only a test.* But I hear Heaven saying; *“Now, we return you to the regularly scheduled program, already in progress!”* In other words: nothing has changed. He is still the same, yesterday, today and forever more. All that other noise was only a test. That uncertain, irritating, frustrating blast was only a test! Now let's get back to the regularly scheduled program!

Let's get back to recruiting men and women of Faith who qualify and have a desire to help us as we improve a generation in this organization. Let's give up the frustration of careerism and move this cruise liner along the waters of life and excellence in ministry.

Your Chief-servant,

J. DELANO ELLIS, II
CHAPLAIN, COLONEL, CAP
CHIEF OF CHAPLAINS

Changes in the Chaplaincy of CAP

During our most recent National Conference (formerly known as the National Boards) the Chief of Chaplains made vanguard changes in the Upper Leadership of the Corps. In an effort to give other senior chaplains an opportunity to share in managing the program of the Chaplains Corps, Chaplain Ellis relieved Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Kenneth Van Loon of his position as “Deputy Chief of Chaplains – Administration” and replaced him with Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Van Don Williams. Chaplain Williams is a veteran in our Corps and has served the New York Wing as Chaplain and extended terms as Northeast Region Chaplain with distinction.



Chaplain Ellis also relieved Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Kenneth Colton of his role as “Deputy Chief of Chaplains” – Development and Dean of Staff Colleges. Chaplain Colton has the distinction of having served many years with CAP. His earlier assignments include his tenure as “National Staff Chaplain,” serving from the CAP-USAF side of our organization. Chaplain Colton appointed Chaplain Ellis to the Chaplain Service in 1990. After retiring from the Air Force in recent years, Chaplain Colton accepted appointment to CAP’s Chaplains Corps and was appointed Deputy Chief by the man he appointed more than two decades earlier.

To replace Chaplain Colton, Chaplain Ellis appointed Chaplain (Col.) James Hughes to serve as “Deputy Chief of Chaplains,” – Development and Dean of Staff Colleges. Chaplain Hughes had been a chaplain in his earlier career with Civil Air Patrol but resigned the Corps to accept assignment for a term as Georgia Wing Commander. When that tenure expired, Chaplain Hughes re-applied for appointment as a chaplain and was welcomed with commendation. His presence and diligent work earned him the respect of his fellows and the complete trust of his chief.



The vacancy left by Chaplain Van Don Williams’ promotion will be filled in the early part of the new year. In the meanwhile, Chaplain Williams will work the double shift as Second Deputy Chief for Administration and as Special Assistant to the Chief for Recruitment and Stress Management. The cooperation of each member of the Chaplains Corps will be appreciated as these Staff Members assist our Chief in shaping the Corps into the Pastoral Care Team envisioned by our National Commander.

(Photos by Susan Schneider, NHQ. See the new Deputies’ Bios on the following two pages)

MEET CH, COL JAMES "JAY" HUGHES

Deputy Chief of Chaplains

Chaplain, Col James "Jay" Hughes is Advisor to Georgia Wing Commander, Georgia Wing Director of Recruiting and Retention, and had served as the Deputy Assistant to the Chief of Chaplains for Chaplain and CDI Appointments and Publishing Character Development Lessons until his recent appointment.

A son of an Army helicopter pilot, Chaplain Hughes has continued to be involved in the aviation community as a private pilot and as a member of Civil Air Patrol since 1993.

He is the former Commander and Vice Commander of Georgia Wing. Chaplain Hughes has served at every level of the Civil Air Patrol Chaplain Corps, including Squadron Chaplain, group Chaplain, Georgia Wing Chaplain, Southeast Deputy Region Chaplain, Secretary of the Chaplain Corps Advisory Council. As both a contributing writer and an editor of "Flight Time: Values for Living", Chaplain Hughes has joined with others to bring a new approach to character development for young people. Through the use of case studies, cadets, between the ages of 12 and 19, can reflect and discuss recognizable situations and learn how to make moral choices.

He holds qualifications as a mission observer, Counterdrug observer and cadet orientation pilot, along with master ratings in the Aerospace Education, Administration and Chaplain specialty tracks

Chaplain Hughes' contributions to the Civil Air Patrol have been recognized with receiving the following awards: Georgia Wing Chaplain of the Year; Southeast Region Chaplain of the Year; Georgia Squadron Chaplain of the Year; Military Chaplains Association Distinguished Service Award; and a Commendation by the Governor of the State of Georgia (for service as Georgia Wing Commander).

His Civil Air Patrol decorations include (partial list): Distinguished Service Award Exceptional Service Award with three bronze clasps; Meritorious Service Award with one silver and two bronze clasps; Commanders Commendation with two bronze clasps; National Commander's Unit Citation; Gill Robb Wilson Award; A Scott Crossfield Aerospace Education Award; Command Service Ribbon with silver star; International Air Cadet Exchange Cadet Special Activity Ribbon; and Senior Recruiter Ribbon.

Chaplain Hughes and his wife, Anne, have been married 33 years. They have two adult daughters and two grand-children



Ch, Col Jay Hughes

**The latest release of "FLIGHT TIME: Values for Living"
can be found at:**

http://www.capmembers.com/media/cms/P265_002_91CF616EC6FAD.pdf

This issue contains 75 lessons.

MEET CH, LT COL VAN DON WILLIAMS

Deputy Chief of Chaplains

Chaplain Lt. Col Van Don Williams has served Civil Air Patrol for 28 years. A respected clergyman and honored survivor of 9-11, Chaplain Williams has dedicated his life to service in the local and military community. As a first responder during the World Trade Center attack on September 11, Williams spent countless days in the recovery effort. His experience was documented in the “Everyday Heroes” national CAP video feature. His 20 years experience, as an FDNY Emergency First Responder and Battalion Firefighter to all types of disasters in this urban city, has fostered his interest in Critical Incident Stress Management and Disaster Preparedness.

In October 2001, he was promoted to Wing Chaplain and after the events of 9-11, implemented a program for New York Wing, which fulfilled the CISM requirement, including training and formation of its first Wing CISM team. During his tenure, Chaplain Williams also recruited and trained more than 10 Chaplains and 20 Moral Leadership Officers for the wing.



Ch, Lt Col Van Don Williams

Chaplain Williams also served as encampment chaplain for New York Wing from 2000 – 2002. In 2002, Williams became the first CAP Chaplain to graduate from a USAF sponsored Ethical Leadership course at Maxwell AFB, AL. In June 2003, Ch, Williams became the Protestant Chaplain for the 106th ANG Rescue Wing, in Westhampton, NY, providing Protestant services on base until March 2005.

In October 2005, Chaplain Williams became the Northeast Region Chaplain and Northeast Region Director of Critical Incident Stress Management. Chaplain Williams also served CAP in the capacity as Chaplain at the National Staff College from 2008-2010. Chaplain Williams completed his six-year term as Region Chaplain in 2011 and became the Special Assistant to the Chief of Chaplains for Recruitment and Stress Management.

Chaplain Williams has completed all levels in the senior member training program and earned the Gill Robb Wilson Award (2170) in 2002. Chaplain Williams' numerous CAP awards include: Life Saving Award with Silver Star, Recruitment Ribbon Award, NYWG Senior Chaplain of the Year, Northeast Region Senior Chaplain of the Year, External Video Program-Lantern Award: “Everyday Heroes”, Exceptional Service Award (3 clasps), Chuck Yeager Aerospace Achievement Award for Senior Members, and Commanders Commendation (with clasp).

Chaplain Williams is also a member of the International Critical Incident Stress Foundation (ICISF) where he is a National Approved Instructor for several CISM courses: Pastoral Crisis Intervention (I & II); Individual Crisis Intervention and Peer Support; Basic Group Crisis Intervention; The Changing Face of Crisis & Disaster Mental Health Intervention, Suicide Awareness for the Non-Mental Health Professional, and Grief Following Trauma. Chaplain Williams also holds Certificates in Specialized Training from the ICISF in Mass Disasters and Terrorism, Spiritual Care in Crisis Intervention, and Schools & Children Crisis Response.

Chaplain Williams is a native New Yorker, hailing from the borough of Brooklyn. He holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Sociology/Anthropology from Colgate University, a Master's of Science degree in Fire Protection Management from John Jay College of Criminal Justice, and a Master's of Divinity degree from Mother Theresa of Calcutta Orthodox Catholic Seminary. He retired from the FDNY Bureau of Operations' Strategic Planning and Terrorism Task Force unit. Chaplain Williams and his wife, Sharon, have six adult children and one adult grandson.

AWARD WINNERS 2013 NATIONAL CONFERENCE

(all photos on this page were submitted by Susan Schneider, NHQ)



**Chaplain, Lt Col Gregory Hill
(MER/SCWG)**
Senior Chaplain of the Year



**Chaplain, Lt Col Charlie Sattgast
(PCR/ORWG)**
Squadron Chaplain of the Year



**Lt Col Brent Bracewell
(SER/GAWG)**
Character Development Instructor
of the Year

***Congratulations to our award winners for their outstanding
accomplishments and contributions to CAP and to the CAP Chaplain Corps !!!***



Attendees of CCAC meeting: front row , l to r: Rita LaBarre (NHQ HCA), Ch Jim Howell (SER HC), Ch Jim Sickmeyer (CAP HCA), Ch J. Delano Ellis (CAP HC) , Ch Ken Van Loon (former HCD), Ch Alma Ross (CTWG) **2nd row , l to r:** Ch Barbara Williams (NYWG), Ch Steven Thomas (GLR HC), Ch John Murdoch (IDWG HC), Ch Barbara Williams-Harris (NYWG) **3rd row , l to r:** Ch Charlie Sattgast (PCR HC), Ch Ronny Whitt (SER HC), Ch Gene Packer (RMR HC), Ch Van Don Williams (CAP HCD) **back row, l to r:** Ch Daniel Miles (NJWG HC), Ch Ron Tottingham (NCR HC), Ch Whit Woodard (CAP HC emeritus), Ch Jay Hughes (CAP HCD).

CHAPLAINS COLTON AND VAN LOON RECEIVE AWARD



During the CCAC meeting, Chaplain Ellis presented Awards of Appreciation to Ch, Lt Col Ken Van Loon and Ch, Lt Col Ken Colton for their “exceptional service to us and to the Corps for the year 2011 through 2013” as Deputy Chiefs.

Chaplain Colton was unable to attend the CCAC meeting and is not pictured.

PAINLESS FORM 34s

Contributed by Ch, Lt Col Charlie Sattgast (PCR HC)

Let me begin by saying that the new online Form 34 is your friend. Maybe you are more organized than the average bear, but I have distinct memories of rolling up on each and every semi-annual Form 34 report period and having to go fishing in my calendar and mileage log book to reconstruct my activities for the past six months. Then I would painstakingly make sure all the entries on the old-style form were correct in Microsoft Excel. I looked forward to it about as much as a visit to the dentist.

When the new online form became available my life improved significantly along with my reporting habits. Now when Form 34 report time rolls around I'm already done. All I have to do is smile and remember the pain of the old days. I'd like to share how you can make your Form 34 reporting that easy too.



Ch, Lt Col Charlie Sattgast

The biggest trick is simple. Do it now. In the old days I had to have an external way of tallying up my activities, hours, miles, and expenses for months running, but the new system keeps track of every entry I put in and adds up all the numbers for me as I go. That's worth throwing a party over twice a year! As long as I go in right away and make my entry after every event I can smile knowing I'm done.

Here's the key: If you don't do it **now** you'll lose all the benefit of the new system, and you'll be right back to the tedious record keeping of the old "paper" Form 34. Who needs that stress? If you will start to employ a simple two-step process that literally takes five minutes you'll never be fishing for data again.

Here's what I do. First, I write down all my CAP activities in my calendar. I keep mine in iCloud so I have access to it on my Mac and my iPhone (yes, I'm an Apple loyalist), but you could do the same thing on a paper calendar or whichever electronic calendar you use. When I am done with a CAP activity I sit down, log into eServices, and enter my data for that event. Then I go to my calendar and put a check mark (Mac: Option V) next to that event so I know I've already recorded it in eServices. Five minutes, Boom! Done. When I hit the 30th of June or the 31st of December I can just smile. So can you, and so will your Wing Chaplain.

If you need help using the new system there are instructions on the Pacific Region Chaplain Corps website (<http://hc.pcr.cap.gov>) under the **Resources and Downloads** button. Click the link that says, "How to use the Online Chaplain/CDI Form 34 Report System."



By the way, there's one big caveat regarding the new online Form 34. Once you reach January 1 or July 1 the form automatically switches to the new reporting period. If you try to enter data for the previous six months you'll be popping it into the new reporting period unless you scroll to the bottom

and change the reporting period from the drop-down menu. It's the single biggest mistake that happens with the new format, so please keep it in mind.

And one last thought. Why is all this reporting important in the first place? It's because Form 34 reporting is not only how we justify our funding for things like staff college, it's how we justify the existence of the Chaplain Corps itself. For an investment of five minutes per event you can help us stay strong and have funding for training so our colleges stay affordable. We all appreciate that!

CAP SABBATH/SUNDAY NOVEMBER 31-DECEMBER 1

"In 1972, the CAP National Board designated the first Sunday in December as CAP Sunday. Soon after that, the Saturday before was added to the celebration for those whose day of worship is Saturday. The week-end commemorates the fact that CAP was chartered by the U.S. Congress on December 1, 1941. CAP Sunday/Sabbath gives CAP Chaplains an opportunity to acquaint their churches with their ministry as CAP Chaplains. Sometimes units may choose to support their chaplains by all worshipping in the same place, and in uniform. Other units encourage members to attend the church or synagogue of their church in uniform. This is an excellent opportunity to take the message of aerospace to non-CAP members. For chaplains, it is also an excellent opening for telling their religious bodies about the importance of moral leadership in CAP."
(CAPP221A – Chapter 4, p. 18)

Each member of the Chaplain Corps, chaplain and CDI alike, as well as all CAP members, are encouraged to proudly wear their uniform to the worship service they attend on either 11/31 or 12/1 – be it the service dress, the corporate uniform or the blazer combo.

It is also noteworthy that Gill Robb Wilson, one of the founders of CAP, was an ordained Presbyterian Minister and is even called CAP's first "Chaplain" (CAP News, June 2000).



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MIWG

Chaplain, Maj Robert Rector
FLWG

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CAP CORE VALUES



-- Integrity

-- Volunteer Service

-- Excellence

-- Respect

*For more information on the Core Values
of the Civil Air Patrol, consult CAPP 50-2*

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AWARDS

These members of the CAP Chaplain Service attained the following awards in the Senior Member Professional Development Program. We are proud of their accomplishments.



Level 2 – Benjamin O. Davis

Ch, Capt Christian Bayles (OKWG)
 Capt Sharon Connolly (ARWG)
 Capt Lowell Kappmeyer (WAWG)
 1st Lt Robert McMillion (CAWG)
 Ch, Capt Robert Moskowitz (OHWG)



Level 3 – Grover Loening

Ch, Maj Robert Albert (SCWG)
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 Maj Edward Case (NHWG)
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 Capt Michael Peters (WIWG)
 Capt Robin Wojtcuk (CTWG)



Level 4 – Paul Garber

Maj Marion Goins (TXWG)
 Maj Jamie Henson (KYWG)
 Capt Preston Lawrence (NHWG)
 Maj Gerald Prior (WAWG)



Level 5 – Gill Robb Wilson

Ch, Lt Col William Adam III (WAWG)
 Ch, Lt Col Edco Bailey (MDWG)
 Lt Col Brent E. Bracewell (GAWG)
 Ch, Lt Col Norman W. Byerly (NCWG)
 Ch, Lt Col Linda J. Pugsley (FLWG)

***For guidance in pursuing your
 Professional Development,
 consult the CAPR 50-17***

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WELCOME ABOARD!!!!

Chaplain and CDI Appointments

June-July 2013

CHAPLAIN APPOINTMENTS

Ch, Capt Alvin Chadwick – PCR/AKWG
Ch, Capt Tony Gibbs – MER /SCWG
Ch, Capt Mark Lenneville – NCR/MOWG
Ch, Capt 1st Lt Andre Martin – PCR/ORWG
Ch, Capt James Moser – MER/VAWG
Ch, Capt Randolph Nolen – SWR/NMWG
Ch, Lt Col John Reutemann II – MER/MDWG



**CAP fields the largest volunteer
Chaplain Corps in the world
numbering close to 900
chaplains and character development
instructors**

CDI APPOINTMENTS

Capt Mikell Admire – SER/FLWG
SMSgt Jeffrey Cummings – GLR/MIWG
2nd Lt Diane Edmondson – SER/TNWG
2nd Lt Constance Engelking – SWR/TXWG
2nd Lt Edwin Frazier – MER/NCWG
Maj Arleen Hoffmann – MER/WVWG
2nd Lt Leon Hoffman – SWR/TXWG
1st Lt Lana Holub – SWR/TXWG
Maj Shirley Kay – SWR/NMWG
Maj Carl Knox – PCR/ORWG
2nd Lt Rodney Knox – SER/GAWG
2nd Lt Gregory Matthews – NER/NYWG
1st Lt Patricia Miara – GLR/WIWG
Capt Douglas Plummer – SWR/LAWG
1st Lt Wayne Schneider – MER/VAWG
Capt William Stockham III – NER/NJWG
1st Lt Alfven Uy – SER/FLWG
2nd Lt Bridget Watson – MER/VAWG
1st Lt Timothy Ziesemer – PCR/WAWG

New Assignments

The following are recently assigned Wing HCs:

Ch, Maj Alvianette Kennedy – DEWG
Ch, Lt Col Joseph Moldon – FLWG
Ch, Lt Col Otto Zuckschewerdt – IDWG
Ch, Maj Paul Rech – NJWG
Ch, Capt Richard Gabbitas – UTWG

Keep these chaplains in prayer as they begin their new responsibilities.



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***"To truly grow you have to be willing at any moment to sacrifice
what you are for what you can be"***

-- Michael Josephson

The 2013 National Staff College Experience

Contributed by Ch, Lt Col Linda Pugsley (FLWG)

Arrival at Maxwell AFB was uneventful, but that is where “uneventful” ended. Nearly one hundred CAP Senior Members were scurrying around checking into the Air Force Inn, our quarters for the week. The travel weary participants were then herded over to registration and the late afternoon initial class session. I thought, “Oh, my, what have I gotten myself into?”

My fears were soon allayed after meeting the friendly and knowledgeable staff and the co-students who would be my companions for the next week of intensive seminars, classes and the compilation of the dreaded group practicum. But, much to our surprise, we were informed that it would be the plural, practical, and we would be tasked with completing three of the little monsters. It just seemed to be getting better each moment! Yeah, right!

I brought some foodstuffs with me, so I did not have to consume breakfast at the ungodly hour of 0600. Only birds eat at that time, but, as I was soon to find out, so did most of my seminar group! Our first seminar meeting proved that I had fallen into a dream of a situation. The members of my group were the finest, most knowledgeable, personable, hardworking and humorous people you could ever ask for...what treasures! Seminar 4 was the best ever! A bit rowdy at times, but we joked that must be why God assigned two chaplains to participate there.

We buckled down to tackle the serious issues and questions presented to us, played “move up a row” in seating each day at the general assembly, and settled into a routine that was challenging time wise as well as brain wise. Especially helpful was the Myers-Briggs personality and leadership style assessments where we learned a lot more about ourselves and others. It was an exciting week, a superb combination of learning, sharing, assessing, debating, co-operating and camaraderie extraordinaire. And, as frosting on the cake, we submitted well written, carefully assessed practicum...all three of them, turning them in early to boot. We were really flying high.

The many classes and lecture presentations were stimulating and informative. Most appreciated was the caliber of the presenters. Some of America’s finest military leaders, from all branches of the military and CAP shared their expertise and observations spanning their leadership careers. What an honor to be in the presence of and the recipient of such valuable assessments of local, national and international issues in dynamic leadership.



SEMINAR GROUP 4 with Ch, Lt Col Edco Bailey (2nd from the left) and Ch, Lt Col Linda Pugsley (center)

MEMBERS OF THE CHAPLAIN CORPS IN ATTENDANCE OF THE 2013 NSC:

**CH, Lt Col William Adam III (WAWG)
CH, Lt Col Edco Bailey (MDWG)
Lt Col Brent Bracewell (GAWG)
CH, Lt Col Wayne Byerly (NCWG)
CH, Maj Alvianette Kennedy (DEWG)
CH, Lt Col Linda Pugsley (FLAWG)**

A trip to the Tuskegee Airmen National Historic site, the famous BBQ social, meeting the National Commander, General Carr, touring National HQ and being face to face with the hard working National Staff and attending the Graduation Banquet rounded out a most fantastic week. I can enthusiastically recommend all CAP Senior Members to work toward their eligibility to attend National Staff College. You will never regret that decision.

And I special shout out to all my fellow Chaplains in CAP. For some reason, many in the Chaplain Corps often lag behind in professional development and CAP Level Achievement. How can this be? We are tasked with being the reminder of the Holy and the Ministry of Presence...and how can that happen if we are not present? I challenge you to consider working hard to complete at least Mission Chaplain Qualification as well as attain your Level 5. Do it not for yourself...do it for God and country!

GLR Chaplain Corps Staff College 2013

Contributed by Ch, Lt Col Steven Thomas (GLR HC/Director of CCRSC)

The Great Lakes Region Staff College was held at Volk Field in Wisconsin from June 30th through July 3rd. In attendance there were 21 Chaplains and Character Development Instructors (CDI's) and special guests to learn how Civil Air Patrol Operates, how to perform their jobs effectively and efficiently, how to become a Mission Chaplain and what CDI's roll is in missions. Also, two new appointments were made during the CCRSC: a new CDI and a new Chaplain.



GLR CCRSC Students and Staff

The special guest of honor was Chaplain, Colonel James Hughes who is the assistant to the National Chief of Chaplains for Appointment of Chaplains and CDI's and the publisher of "Flight Time Values for Living". "Flight Time Values for Living" is the character development lessons that are used for the one hour monthly requirement of the Cadet Civil Air Patrol Program.

The main focus over the week was to qualify Mission Chaplains. The Mission Chaplain's job in an emergency is to minister to the spiritual and emotional needs of the families that are

traumatized. They are the communication link between the family and the Incident Commander. They help families get connected with any spiritual leader that they may wish to talk with. The Chaplains job is to also help with any other needs that the family may need. Another important part of being a Mission Chaplain is to help any ground team members that are in a search mission that become traumatized for the mission. For the ground team members it is about Critical Incidence Stress Management, in that the Chaplains are to help mission staff with the high level of stress that they will encounter.

The first appointment was for 1st Lieutenant Glenda Garrison, who received her appointment as a Character Development Instructor. She is from the Kentucky Wing and will be working with her home squadron. The second appointment was to Chaplain Captain Robert Barnard who is the Deputy Chaplain of the Kentucky Wing and he received his appointment as a Chaplain. Chaplain Barnard is a retired Army Airborne/Air Assault veteran. Both received their first pins for their appointments.

The second part of the College was the familiarization to the world of cadet encampment. Former Chaplain Lt. Col. Peter Fabian brought up the question of what Chaplains and CDI's could support the encampment process both on the wing and national levels. Also, Beta testing was delegated to the Wisconsin Wing encampment for a new Cadet Encampment Curriculum, which utilized chaplains and CDI's in more than just Character Development Instruction. The college allowed for a low ratio of Chaplain Corps personnel to cadet, to receive interaction and feedback.



Volleyball game at WIWG Encampment

The most fun part that the Chaplains and CDIs had was when they played a game of volleyball against a group of Civil Air Patrol cadets also at Volk Field for the annual Wisconsin Wing Encampment. The surprising part was that the Chaplains and CDIs beat the cadets with a score of 21 to 14. Everyone had a great time and there was a challenge that next time they should play ultimate Frisbee. They did not have time for this, so possibly in the future.

SWR Chaplain Corps Staff College 2013

Contributed by Ch, Lt Col Ron Whitt (SWR HC)



SWR CCRSC students and staff

Fifteen chaplains and CDIs gathered from the 8th to the 11th of July for the Southwest Region CCSC at Naval Air Station-Joint Reserve Base, Fort Worth TX to increase their ability to provide quality support during times of crisis. Lt Col Sam Bernard, CAP National CISM Team Leader, taught the Grief Following Trauma. Chaplain, Lt Col Nancy Smalley, IC3, conducted Mission Chaplain training allowing Chaplains to qualify/requalify as mission chaplains. Two attendees completed the requirements for RSC.

In addition to the emergency service training, sessions dealing with, F34 reporting, recruiting and retention, AE, protocol, and personal spiritual development were provided by Ch, Major Dale Climie, Major Jeffery Leskowat, Ch, Lt Col Alexander Alvarez and Chaplain, Lt Col Ron Whitt.

Ch, Lt Col Ken Van Loon was the keynote speaker for the Award Banquet. The following SWR Chaplain Corps personnel were recognized with awards for their contributions during the past year: Ch, Lt Col Ronny Whitt—Exceptional Service ; Ch, Lt Col Nancy Smalley—

Meritorious Service; Commander's Commendation Award - Ch, Lt Col Robert Whitley; Ch, Lt Col Alexander Alvarez; Ch, Major Dale Climie; Capt Roger Courtney. Also, Lt Col Nathan Healy, CAP-USAFA; Col Joe Smith, CAP SWR DCS, Operations gave remarks during the Banquet. The Color Guard was provided by Maj Graylin Conely and cadets from SWR-TX 154.

Pastor Also Serves as Chaplain of LA Skies

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LOUISIANA –

Enlistment in Civil Air Patrol went far beyond Chaplain Maj. Donald R. Hoy's original intentions. Hoy, who spoke at Thursday's meeting of the Denham Springs Kiwanis Club, joined the CAP to become a chaplain. He chose to spread his wings not long after his enlistment.

Hoy, pastor of Southside Baptist Church, soon developed a love for aviation. He has since undergone the steps to qualify for a private pilot certificate, which he will receive upon his check ride.

Learn more about Chaplain Hoy and his decision to join CAP in this article in the Livingston Parish News:

http://livingstonparishnews.com/news/article_37ade102-0552-11e3-82ce-0019bb2963f4.html



Ch, Maj Don Hoy

Boonton resident serving the Wing with a prayer

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On Sept. 10, Boonton resident Paul Rech officially started serving as New Jersey Wing Chaplain with U.S. Air Force Auxiliary - Civil Air Patrol. Of this he said, "It will be a large responsibility, but also a great honor to be able to serve the state of New Jersey and my country following the CAP core values: Integrity, Volunteer Service, Excellence, and Respect."

Paul Rech now serves as New Jersey Wing Chaplain with the U.S. Air Force Auxiliary – Civil Air Patrol.

A chaplain since 1999, Rech joined the Civil Air Patrol as a chaplain in 2008. Always eager to help others, Rech was able to do so as he served in various capacities, first as the Somerset Senior Squadron Chaplain for about one year before moving up to the Group level where he was the Chaplain in charge of Group 223 and then Group 221.



Ch, Maj Paul Rech

He has also served as global president for the International Chaplains Association, an organization that prepares chaplains for mission qualification, such as First Aid-CPR-AED, Emergency Radio Communication, Shelter administration, Search & Rescue and counseling. It has representations in the U.S., Europe and South America.

Rech does not have a particular pulpit of his own, rather as he said, "My efforts are aimed at supporting various different churches and community centers."

Rech said as Wing Chaplain, his duties include "providing consultation to the N.J. Wing Commander, other N.J. Wing Chaplains, and the N.J. Wing Character Development Instructors (CDIs). I am also in charge of some administrative duties such as creating N.J. Wing Chaplain activity reports and ensuring the N.J. Wing Chaplains and CDIs are keeping up with their professional development training. Ultimately, it is my responsibility to represent the N.J. Wing of the Civil Air Patrol as the N.J. Wing Chaplain at public events."

The timing of starting this new job is rather significant.

Rech said, "Twelve years ago, on Sept. 11, 2001, I was able to serve my country in a way that has truly impacted me to this day, and has founded in me the motivation to continuously have myself in a position to assist those around me."

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