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A MESSAGE

**From The Chief of the
CAP Chaplain Corps**

Chaplain (Colonel) Linda Pugsley

Greetings.

“The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you; and may the Lord turn His face toward you and give you peace” (Bible, Numbers 6:24-26). This isn’t just some blessing pronounced at a wedding by a Best Man, it is something I pray for us all.

We live in tumultuous times, and our work in the CAP Chaplain Corps is ever more important to our missions and our members. I can’t thank each one of you enough for your sacrifice of time, effort, money, training pursuits and mission accomplishment. Many are working full time and juggling these CAP items, as well as family, and all of life’s issues. You are a testament to what makes this country great. Servant hearts who are the heart of America.

The aforementioned would seem to be burdensome enough, but you have diligently slogged through the additional challenges of the ever-changing COVID world. And I would like you to remember that your life of steadfastness, in the face of such challenges, has been an example to those we serve, especially to our young cadets. They are our next set of leaders, of moms and dads and those who will influence our world. Knowing that, should encourage us to stay on the front lines of service.

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On another note, I want to remind us of our very important Chaplain Corps College and the courses available. Notice of upcoming courses will be sent out. Here is the reminder of what we present. Please take advantage of each and every one of the courses, as your time allows.

The Civil Air Patrol Chaplain Corps College

1. **The Military Honors Course**

This course trains chaplains to do Military Honors for funerals.

2. **The Auxiliary Chaplains Course**

This course comprises the full 24 hours given at the US Air Force Basic Chaplains Course at Maxwell AFB to all the incoming Air Force Chaplains.

3. **The Wing Chaplains Course**

This course deals with some basic skills needed to be a successful Wing Chaplain. Some of the topics covered are applications, mentoring, using WIMRS, religious accommodation, dealing with suicide in your wing etc. This course is open to all current Wing and Region Chaplains/CDIs, as well as anyone who may think they may want to be a Wing Chaplain one day.

4. **The Flight Chaplain Course**

This course will be for chaplains who are already a part of a flight crew (Mission Pilot, Mission Scanner etc) and will train in the unique ministry to those who are a part of the flying missions of Civil Air Patrol. Once you are flight crew rated you can apply for this course.

5. **The Advanced Character Course**

This course is open to both Chaplains and Character Development Instructors. Some of the courses will be advanced character development, advanced ethical leadership, and mentoring. These courses will assist us in the ongoing mission of developing both senior and cadet leaders who are resilient and successful in their missions.

So, as Spring springs forth, may we also, in newness of life and with a renewed vigor. Thank you again for your generous and loving service to both CAP and our nation. God is with us.

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Chief of Chaplains

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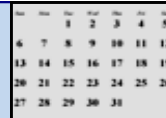
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OUR IDENTITY....

- We are representatives of America's religious community.
- We are CAP senior members.
- We are committed to the well-being of people within the missions of CAP

OUR VISION....

The CAP Chaplain Corps will become the model of excellence and effectiveness for the rest of Civil Air Patrol.

OUR MISSION....

The CAP Chaplain Corps will promote the role of CAP core values in all CAP activities through education, presence and advice.

OUR CORE VALUES....

- Integrity
- Volunteer Service
- Excellence
- Respect



2022 UPCOMING EVENTS

NEW!! CHAPLAIN CORPS GOOGLE CALENDAR

See link to list of all HC-NHQ Events

<https://calendar.google.com/calendar/u/o?cid=aGMuY2FwLmdvdI9zcGRkOGsxamt2ZTBubjcoCtcyNTMya2FvMEBncm91cozC5jYWxlbnRhci5nb29nbGUuY29t> Ch (Lt. Col.) Tim Miner)

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES FROM HC-NHQ

CAP CHAPLAIN CORPS COLLEGE 2022 SCHEDULE

See listing of courses on Page 7

2022 CHAPLAIN CORPS STAFF COLLEGES

NORTH CENTRAL REGION 25-28 April 2022

Columban Fathers Retreat Center, Bellevue, NE

Contact: NCR Chaplain Donald Mikitta

PACIFIC COAST REGION 1st 2 weeks of May

Edwards Air Force Base Focus on Air Force Resiliency Program

Contact: PCR Chaplain Richard Nelson

JOINT SER-NER REGIONS 9-11 May 2022 VIRTUAL

Contact: SER Chaplain Van Don Williams; NER Chaplain Adma Ross

SOUTHWEST REGION May 23-25

NM Wing HQ, Kirkland AFB, Albuquerque, NM

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GREAT LAKES REGION June 8-10

Wright State University/Wright Patterson AFB, Dayton, Ohio

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ROCKY MOUNTAIN REGION

Look for Announcement Contact: RMR Chaplain David Knight

2022 UPCOMING EVENTS (Continued)

CHAPLAIN CORPS EMERGENCY SERVICE SCHOOL (ChESS)

For Mission Chaplain Chaplain/Support Specialist (CSS) ratings

ChESS at NESA 2022

Basic CAP Support Course June 19-25

Advanced Disaster Support Course June 26-August 2

Online/Virtual Basic ChESS (CAP Support)

Fall date 02-27 October 2022 M, T & Th - Hours (PCT) TBA

2023: Spring and Fall courses will be offered

See the article reviewing the 2020 Alpha CAP Support Class ChESS Course by Maj. Jonathan Luysterborghs in the Summer 2020 issue of the Transmitter, p. 17.

https://capchaplain.com/downloads/Transmitter_Summer_2020.pdf

ChESS Directors: Chaplains Marcus Taylor (mtaylor@hc.cap.gov),
Van Don Williams (vwilliams@hc.cap.gov)

2022 ON-LINE TRAINING LEADERS OF CADETS (TLC)

Basic Course is offered quarterly by the RMR/NCR Chaplain Corps

Normally scheduled on the 3rd Saturday of the first month of each quarter

Upcoming Dates: April 23 (moved back a week because of Easter) July 16 October 15

Sunday session offered as needed

Registration opens some weeks before: <http://caphclub.us>.

CAP NATIONAL CONFERENCE

August 25-27, 2022

Galt House Hotel





Civil Air Patrol Chaplain Corps College 2022 Calendar



Prepared by Chaplain (Lt. Col.) John Tillery
Director of CAP Chaplain Corps College

JANUARY

No Classes

FEBRUARY

No Classes

MARCH

Auxiliary Chaplain Course: Phase 1; 7th-21st (Military Honors)
Wing Chaplain Course (Live) 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th Graduation 31st

APRIL

Auxiliary Chaplain Course: Phase 2 21st-4th May (Pastoral 1)
Advanced Character Development, online April 4-18 with five 45 minute sessions

MAY

Crisis and Trauma (Live) 9th, 16th, 23rd

JUNE

Written Communications 6th-13th
Mentoring 20th-27th
CPE – Ch Maxey

JULY

Prepare/Enrich Certification 11th-15th Graduation 28th

AUGUST

Auxiliary Chaplain Course: Phase 2 8th-22nd (Pastoral 1)

SEPTEMBER

Auxiliary Chaplain Course: Phase 3 12th-26th (Pastoral 2)

OCTOBER

Auxiliary Chaplain Course: Phase 1 10th-24th (Military Honors)
**Region Chaplain Course (Live) 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th Graduation 27th

NOVEMBER

No Classes

DECEMBER

No Classes

Notes:

* CPE is anticipated as soon as practicable (each unit six mo.) - Other courses can be made available based upon curriculum alignment and instructor availability.

CHAPLAIN CORPS NEWS

VA Signs Memorandum of Understanding for CAP Chaplain Support For Veterans Burial Services¹



The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) announced the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding with the Civil Air Patrol Chaplain Corps in November 2021 to provide chaplain support at VA national cemeteries.

According to VA Chaplain Program Manager for Family Care and Bereavement Chad Maxey, the partnership arose in response to increased requests from family members asking for chaplain support at burial services at the VA's NCA [National Cemetery Administration] cemeteries. "Working with Civil Air Patrol expands our ability to provide trained chaplains, whether from VA or CAP to Veterans' families when they need it most."²

Family members of veterans may request chaplain support when scheduling a burial through their local VA Chaplain Service Office.

Present at the signing of the agreement, CAP National Commander Maj. Gen. Edward Phelka remarked, "Our chaplains stand ready to help families honor the memory and legacy of their loved ones. We look forward to working with VA in support of this noble mission."³

CAP Chaplains eligible for the program receive training equivalent to that of active service chaplains through courses offered by the CAP Chaplains College. (see 2022 schedule of courses on page 6).

¹https://www.facebook.com/groups/16639568303/?notif_t=group_r2j Chaplain Corps Facebook Page Nov 24, 2021.

²<https://www.cap.news>, VA Partners With CAP Chaplain Corps to Support Veteran's Families at National Cemeteries, Nov 24, 2021

³<https://www.va.gov/opa/pressrel/pressrelease.cfm?id=5754> VA Office of Public and Intergovernmental Affairs, Jan 13, 2022.

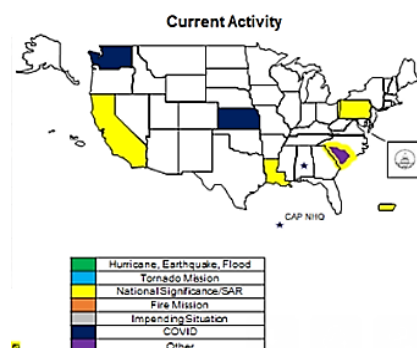
Chaplain Corps Provides Ministry Coverage for CAP Virtual Incident Command

Civil Air Patrol Chaplains now provide ministry support for the CAP National Headquarters vICP (Virtual Incident Command Post). The ICP, acting as U.S. Air Force Auxiliary, consolidates CAP's response for nationally significant missions.

Under the leadership of Lt. Col. Rick Woolfolk, CAP National Headquarter's vICP/SITREP Consolidation Coordinator, teams meet nightly (24-7) to produce consolidated mission summaries for ongoing activity. Three teams, "Red," "White," and "Blue," provide mission and research coverage, with Chaplain Corps' Tim Miner serving on the support team.

Beginning in November 2021, at the ICP's request, CAP chaplains have been providing an opening prayer and ongoing pastoral support (24/7) for the teams that produce their nightly SITREP consolidation. Chaplain, ChESS (Chaplain Emergency Services School) trained, serve for a week at a time. Qualified chaplains wishing to assist are encouraged to contact their region chaplains.

Chaplain coverage for ICP activity began in 2020 with Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Nancy Smalley's pastoral support for the COVID response mission. Deputy Chief of Chaplains (Lt. Col.) Gary Eno now coordinates chaplains scheduling for the mission, now expanded to cover disaster response, weather, fire, and other nationally significant situations.



Excerpt from Oct 23, 2021 SITREP

CHAPLAIN CORPS NEWS

NER Chaplain Corps Provides Refresher Emergency Services Training

by Major Jonathan Luysterborghs, CSS

On Wednesday, 27 October 2021, Northeast Region (NER) Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Adma Ross hosted a comprehensive virtual refresher training session for certified Mission Chaplains and Chaplain Support Specialists who provide Chaplain Corps support for NER Area command exercises and missions. Chaplain (Maj.) Chanoch Lebovic, NER Chaplain Corps Director for Area Command Support, conducted the first module of the five-part training session. "Sensitivity to Diversity During a Mission." Each of the five modules included ample time for student participation and questions.

Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Marcus Taylor, the Director of NESAs Chaplain Corps Emergency Services School (ChESS), commented that refresher training is essential to the success of the Chaplain Corps Emergency Services program. We cannot train once and expect to perform with excellence over time if we do not regularly update ourselves on appropriate practices and procedures. Taylor recommends scheduling refresher training throughout Civil Air Patrol's Chaplain Corps.

Additional modules included: "Dealing with Suicide" by Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Gary Eno, Great Lakes Region Chaplain and Deputy Chief of Chaplains for Plans and Programs; "Dealing with High-Stress Missions" by Southeast Region Chaplain and ChESS Registrar Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Van Don Williams; "Focusing on Spiritual & Emotional Needs of Our Airmen" by Chaplain Corps Emergency Services/ChESS Director Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Marcus Taylor; and "Update on CAPF-34" by NY Wing Chaplain (Maj.) Jay Hill. Chaplain (Maj.) Aharon Cohn led the attendees in a closing prayer.

NER Chaplains and Chaplain Support Specialists (CSS) with Basic ChESS certification provide support for all CAP missions. Those with Advanced Disaster Support training at NESAs are further qualified to respond to large-scale, long-term, sustained missions.

Missouri Synod Lutheran Chaplains Attend Annual Training with Active Duty

by Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Jeff Williams

Four CAP Chaplains endorsed by the Missouri Synod Lutheran Church (LCMS) joined their active duty, reserve, and guard compatriots in attending Armed Forces annual professional development training held at NAS North Island, San Diego, on January 24-28, 2022. Along with many denominations, the LCMS requires annual training to continue serving in the military.



The CAP chaplains attending this training included (left to right): Chaplain (Capt.) Ronald Martin (CAWG), Chaplain (Capt.) Larry Beane (LAWG), Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Jeff Williams (IAWG), and Chaplain (Capt.) David Doellinger (MNWG). In May, the LCMS will be offering similar training on the east coast at NAS Jacksonville, Florida, for the chaplains who did not travel to San Diego.

The gathered chaplains had the pleasure of hearing Rev. Dr. Carl Fickenscher, Ph.D., a professor of homiletics at the Concordia Theological Seminary in Fort Wayne, Indiana. His presentation spoke of the proper distinction between law and Gospel in the Christian Bible and its practical application in military chaplaincy.

CHAPLAIN CORPS NEWS

CAP Chaplains serve as Honor Guard in Pearl Harbor Day Commemoration

by Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Marcus Taylor



Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Marcus Taylor (l.) and Chaplain (1st Lt.) Jason McCracken (r.) were privileged to serve as Honor Guard for Huntsville, Alabama's 80th Anniversary Pearl Harbor Day Commemoration Ceremony. Held on Tuesday morning, December 07, 2021, to mark the 80th anniversary of the Japanese attack, the Huntsville solemn ceremony recalled the national observance held at the Pearl Harbor site. The 2,400 American lives lost in the attack included several dozen Alabamians.¹



Chaplains Taylor and McCracken with Huntsville Pearl Harbor Commemoration Ceremony participants.

https://www.al.com/news/birmingham/2016/12/alabamians_who_died_at_pearl_h.html

Rocky Mountain/North Central Regions Offer Online Training Leaders of Cadets



by Chaplain,
(Lt. Col.)
Jeffrey Williams

The Rocky Mountain Region has been providing online Training Leaders of Cadet (TLC) for the CAP Chaplain Corps since October 2017. Over 700 graduates have received certificates.

TLC Basic classes usually run on the third Saturday of the first month of each quarter. We canceled the January 2022 session due to low response. Dates remaining in 2022 include April 23 (moved back a week because of Easter), July 16, and October 15. We schedule Sunday sessions as needed. In 2021, no one asked for this option.

Register at <http://caphclib.us> and click on "Event Registration." This link allows us to acknowledge our student registration, create the course in our Moodle learning management system, generate the CAPF 11, collect feedback for the report to National, and send out the graduation certificates.

Several members serve as facilitators. Major Keith Christian, Colorado Wing, has taught in every session since we started. Capt. Jessica Parsons serves on most sessions and runs our Sunday TLC. Her twin sister, Capt. Megan Parsons, and Capt. Christel Houston (COWG) taught in most sessions. NJ Wing Chaplain Rochelle Coles has been on the team for a year. Lt. Col. Shirley Rodriguiz, our National CDI, is part of the regular faculty.

We have had guest faculty for single sessions, including General Regina Aye, National Vice Commander, who renewed her 48 month TLC by teaching. We are always willing to help people if they need a teaching assignment for their Level IV and CDI senior ratings.

CHAPLAIN CORPS NEWS (continued)

CAP Chaplain Corps and Edwards AFB 412th Test Wing Announce Partnership¹

The 412th Test Wing at Edwards Air Force Base and the CAP Chaplain Corps announced a partnership to augment chaplain coverage at the base. Chief of Chaplains Emeritus Chaplain (Col.) John Murdoch (left in photo) met on September 10, 2021, with Col. Randel Gordon, 412th Test Wing Vice Commander (right).¹



The meeting also provided National and CA Wing chaplains the opportunity to test a new virtual reality-based counseling program now available at Edwards.³ "It's human design we haven't done before," remarked Chaplain (Maj.) Michael Morison, CA Wing Chaplain, "multiple chaplains embedded in a Religious Support Plan, bringing a new pastoral software into it." The software platform from Even Health is called "Third Room," a virtual space reality providing spiritual and non-spiritual counseling experience in prayer, meditation, and mental resilience.

Also present at the Edwards AFB meeting, Chaplain (Capt.) Anna Mae Taubeneck (CAWG), remarked, "They wanted to bring in this new initiative, and launch something new, and test it. Being part of this is exciting . . . This is the testing ground for all of the Air Force, this is the place to be."



Major Antony Davies is Recipient of National Commander's Commendation

Major Antony Davies, the founder and first coordinator of the Chaplain Corps Intercessory Prayer Team, was awarded a National



Commander's Commendation. Davies established the team in 2019 to provide spiritual support to CAP members with interfaith prayers directed to members' needs during difficult times.

Davies (right in photo) could not attend the national award ceremony. The Most Reverend Peter D. Robinson (left), Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church of North America presented the Commander's Commendation certificate to him at the Waynesboro, Virginia Good Shepherd Anglican Church. On July 11, 2021, Davies was ordained a Deacon at the Good Shepherd Anglican Church, where he now serves.

(continued from column 1)

¹ <https://www.wpafb.af.mil/News/Article-Display/Article/2776878/edwards-afb-chaplains-to-test-cap-partnership-virtual-services/>, Wright-Patterson AFB, Sept 15, 2021 by Giancarlo Casem, 412th Test Wing.

² Air Force photos by Katherine Franco

³ <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H7-hF7opbPs>

See also <https://www.cap.news/calif-wing-chaplains-to-assist-at-edwards-afb/> CAP News, Sept. 16, 2021.

THE CAP CORE VALUES – RESPECT

By Colonel James Ridley, Sr.



Col James A. Ridley, Sr., the Northeast Region Chief of Staff, has long contributed to the Transmitter on various subjects and their relevance to command and leadership. In a series of articles, Col Ridley will break down each of the CAP Core Values and what it should mean to the volunteer Airman of the Civil Air Patrol, including this one regarding the fourth Core Value of Respect.

"But when you are invited, go and sit in the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher.' Then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at table with you." – Luke 14:10

This CAP core value, I feel, is one of the least understood. We all want and feel we deserve respect. But how often do we expect it and not realize we aren't giving it? As people climb up the 'corporate ladder' or, as leaders in CAP, rise up in the chain of command, how often do we reflect on where we came from? To assist us on our journey? Do we remember how others either helped us or looked the other way when we walked by and how that made us feel?

When I was new to CAP, and the Group Commander came to visit our squadron, the squadron commander had us prepare for the visit. He was proud of the unit and couldn't wait to tell the group commander all about us. To his credit, the group commander listened intently and thanked the squadron commander for the overview. When asked if he wanted to go out for a bite to eat, the group commander said, "No, thank you, I really want to meet and talk with the seniors and cadets in your unit, especially the new ones." That left a great impression on me. This leader respected everyone, their role, and position even if they were brand new.



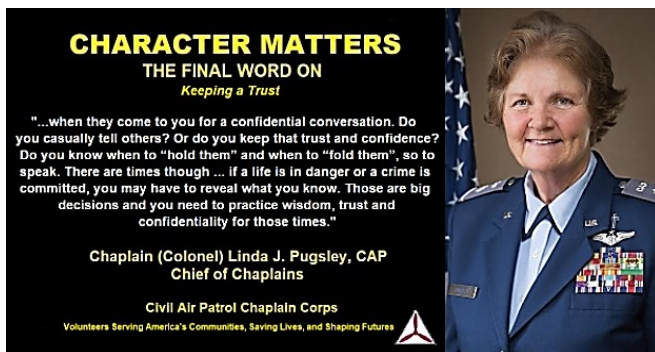
Over my many years in CAP and business, I have seen those who give much respect to others and those who give precious little. One of my oldest friends, a retired Major General from the active-duty Army, who had a storied career, rose up the ranks quickly and finished his career in the Pentagon. He was a respected and important person. But one lesson he told me and others many times is that he never lost sight of what was important, important to him and the Army. It was, he told me, "The soldier." The general took the time to learn all the first names of those he worked with and as much of what was going on in their lives as he could. When he came into the office, he could greet them cordially, ask about their sick mother or congratulate them on the birth of their child. This did not go unnoticed by those he led.

They respected him and he, them. Taking the time to listen, acknowledge people, or simply show an interest, demonstrates more respect than you can ever imagine. Here is a story that resonates with that statement more than I ever could.

There once was a person studying nursing in school. One day the professor gave a pop quiz, and the last question on the quiz caught them by surprise, "What is the first name of the person who cleans the school?" Certainly, they thought, this was some joke, they had seen the janitor several times, they could even describe him. But how, they thought, would they know the name? The students handed in their quiz, leaving the last question blank. Just before class ended, one student asked if the last question would count towards our quiz grade. "Absolutely," said the professor, and the professor added the following. "In your careers, you will meet many people. All are significant. They deserve your attention and care, even if all you do is smile and say 'hello.'" That says it all!

People of all ages, genders, cultures, academic and occupational levels should be treated with respect. We will meet, encounter, and interact with many people throughout our lives. I have heard some people demand respect but never demonstrate it to others. That lesson, as well as the one shown by the general, has never left me, and as a human being, I am guilty at times of not practicing what I preach. We all are. But if we are aware of that fact, if we strive to improve ourselves each day and work at practicing what we preach, living the core values, then we are on a successful path of our journey. In his book, *'The Hero Code,'* retired Admiral William H. McRaven, USN, wrote, *"I will be kind and compassionate to at least one person every single day and expect nothing in return."* How true that is and is the first step on the path to gaining the respect of others – start by giving it.

A Word from the Chief of Chaplains on Keeping a Trust



"What do we do when someone entrusts us with a personal secret? When they come to you for a confidential conversation. Do you casually tell others? Or do you keep that trust and confidence? Do you know when to "hold them" and when to "fold them," so to speak? There are times, though, when you receive information, that the confidence may not be held. If a life is in danger or a crime is committed, you may have to reveal what you know. Those are big decisions, and you need to practice wisdom, trust, and confidentiality for those times.

From #The Final Word

https://www.facebook.com/hashtag/thefinalword?_gid=16639568303

Chaplain Corps Facebook page Jan 31, 2022 post:

https://www.facebook.com/groups/16639568303/?notif_t=group_r2j

CAP Chaplains Attend Aleph National Conference



CAP Chaplains (Maj.) Jacob Hill (NYWG, l.) and (Capt.) Dovid Grossman (ILWG, r) attended the Aleph National Conference on 09 Feb 2022 in Surfside, FL. Aleph is a military endorser. Hill and Grossman met informally with USAF and US Space Force Chief of Chaplains Maj. Gen. Randall E. Kitchens (c) to speak of ongoing and pending joint initiatives.

CDI CORNER: WHAT CADETS (& SENIOR MEMBERS) NEED FROM CHAPLAINS AND CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT OFFICERS

Adapted from Chaplain (Capt.) Frank Gough, Florida Wing¹

1. **Attention** – They need to know we're physically and emotionally available to them. It's important to them to have our immediate and undivided attention. Whenever we really listen we affirm that what they have to say is important and that we take them seriously.
2. **A Consistent Model** – People see in us what it means to be committed and faithful; our approach to our relationships, our faith, and our duty. They need to see how we live out all of the Core Values. Whether we are consistent, whether we are ethical. Cadets see and take note of these things.
3. **Acceptance** – Cadets particularly need adults who are accepting and forgiving. Let's face it, kids make a lot of mistakes. They let us down. They don't always keep their commitments. They do things that are thoughtless and sometimes cruel. We need to make allowance for the fact that they are kids. They need to make a mistake or fail – and still know that we care for them and support them.
4. **Flexibility** – Adults who are too rigid don't work well with cadets. To work with these kids we need to be enormously flexible. We need to thrive in the midst of the messiness of working with people who are not yet fully mature and still be able to point out the way to mature leadership.
5. **Positive Attitude** – Cadets are constantly bombarded with negative messages. They need to have a positive attitude. That doesn't mean we ignore negative situations. That means we accentuate the positive around them, reminding them that failure is not a measure of their worth, but an opportunity for a new start.
6. **Genuine Interest** – Cadets need to know without any doubt that we care about the things that are important to them. If they are involved in any extracurricular activities, it's important that we show an interest in that which they are involved. What happens outside of CAP has an enormous impact on their involvement in CAP. Best ministry happens when we enter their world in the name of God.
7. **Low Pressure** – Cadets are already under a lot of pressure from parents, school, and peers. They don't want or need to be overly pressured by adults who work with them in CAP. We need to set age and developmentally cognitive appropriate standards. People respond well to relationships that are caring and encouraging, but also don't put unrealistic expectations on them.
8. **Clearly Defined Boundaries** – We all thrive when we have appropriate behavioral limits clearly spelled out. Generally, people push until they find the boundary. Cadets need to know what is acceptable and what's not. No one should be guessing at what is or isn't allowed. If the boundaries are fair, clearly defined, and have some flexibility, people welcome them.

9. **Love** – Members, and especially cadets, need to know that we like them and care about them, no strings attached. They need to love, and they need to be loved. This is not emotional and warm fuzziness but genuine care for their well-being and growth unhidden by a facade. They need to know that we are for them, not against them.

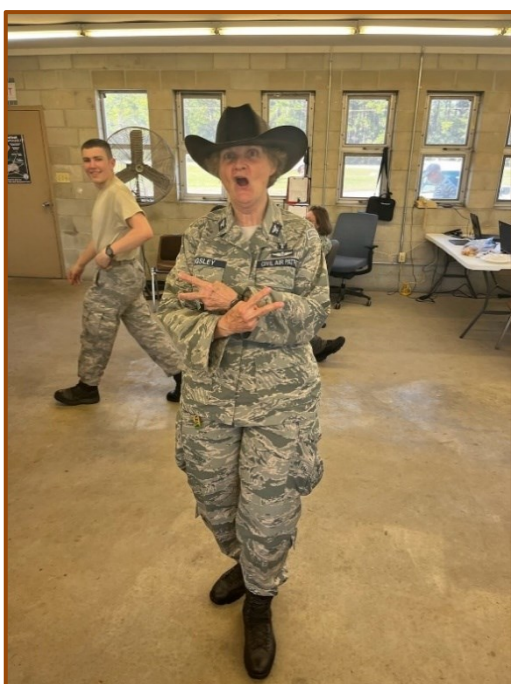
10. **A Role Model** – We can't choose whether to be a role model, we already are. But we can choose what kind of a role model we'll be. Will we model positive qualities or negative qualities? Both are equally powerful. Kids are far more affected by what they see us do than by what they hear us say.

11. **Challenge** – Cadets want and need to be challenged. They want to be encouraged to grow. New experiences and new ideas excite them. They'll usually surprise us with how much they can accomplish given the opportunity.

12. **Mature Leaders** – Cadets need their Chaplains and CDIs to be cooperatively active in their lives. They need the maturity, depth, and experience our additional years of living can bring in the context of cooperation. And adults who work with kids **MUST** be able to play and have fun, as well as act as an authority.

¹Handout for "Installing Character in Cadets and Senior Members," 2018 Florida Wing Conference, Civil Air Patrol. Adapted from "Youth Ministry Boot Camp: A Basic Training adventure in Youth Ministry," ©1994 by Frank Gough. Resource provided by Chief of Chaplains (Col.) Linda Pugsley.

NEWS FROM THE JANUARY 2022 FLWG ENCAMPMENT



HAVING A LITTLE ENCAMPMENT FUN

“CAP Chaplains and CDIs, if you aren't out providing ministry of presence, you're not only missing out on what God has called you to do...you're missing out on more fun than you can know. Our cadets and seniors are the heart of America!! God bless us all.”¹

Chaplain (Col.) Linda Pugsley
at the January 2022 FLWG Encampment

¹ Chaplain Corps Facebook page Jan 18, 2022
<https://www.facebook.com/photo/?fbid=10227171030526827&set=a.10208585694865051>

CDI CORNER: CD MINIS

Series by Major Olga Simoncelli

MINI #1 Get Vaccinated

CAP National Commander Major General Phelka recommends the following regarding vaccinations in his holiday message dated Dec 22, 2021:



"If you are able, get vaccinated and a booster as soon as you're eligible for it. Vaccination provides the best protection against COVID-19."

By getting vaccinated, you will support all five
Pillars of Wellness and Resilience
(Mind, Body, Relationships, Spirit, Family), briefly:

- Mind** – show awareness of facts and good decision-making
- Body** – protect your health
- Relationships** – enable safe gatherings
- Spirit** – define your values
- Family** – protect your family

You will also honor at least the following **Core Values**:

- Respect** – for your body and the health of all around you
- Service** – serving ALL with whom you interact by trying to stay healthy
- Excellence** – be your best by showing a good example and striving to contain the pandemic.

Mini #2 Don't be afraid to go outside in the winter!



All you need to do is dress appropriately, or bundle up against the weather, then enjoy! Especially now when Covid is driving us out of public places, explore outdoor activities with your friends and family, or take your pooch for a walk. Definitely wear a hat to keep your head warm, a neck gaiter or scarf would help too as well as sensible shoes and gloves. I grew up in Western Siberia, where we loved the outdoors year-round, even in minus-degree temperatures.

Pillars of Wellness and Resilience you might accomplish:

Mind – clear your mind in fresh air

Body – enjoy recreation, exercise

Relationships –

connect with friends or family outside when not able to indoors

Spirit – conquer the outdoors, don't be afraid of the cold, enjoy nature

Family – stay happy, not grumpy or bored



2021 PACIFIC COAST REGION CHAPLAIN CORPS STAFF COLLEGE

PCR REGION CHAPLAIN (LT. COL.) RICHARD NELSON
California Wing Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Michael Morison

The 2021 Pacific Coast Region Chaplain Corps Staff College (PCRCCRSC) was held Sept 20-23 at the Ellis Island Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada, and Creech AFB.



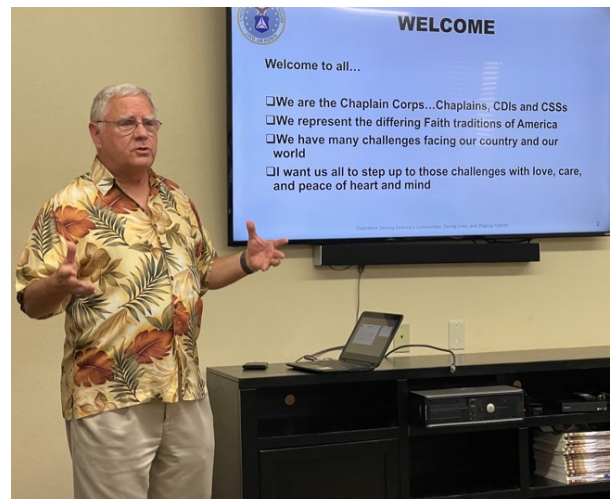
Attendees: (l. to r.) Ch. (Lt. Col.) Richard Nelson, Ch. (Maj.) Michael Morison, Ch. (Maj.) Matthew Mendenhall, Ch. (Col.) Kenneth Parris, Lt. Col. Dave Snyder, Ch. (Col.) John Murdoch, Ch. (Lt. Col.) Gary Dickey, Julie Wilbanks (Edwards AFB), Lt. Col. Steven Dolgin, Ch. (Capt.) Ronald Martin, Aircrew Lt. Col. Tony Hamill, Air Crew Lt. Col. Nancy Nelson. Attending but not in the picture: Lt. Col. Carolyn Irby, Capt. Anita Berro.

Courses offered at the college included a visit to Creech Air Force Base and eight hours of classroom time devoted to the Air Force Resiliency Program from Air University. The base visit included a briefing by the Creech Wing Commander, an informal briefing on the Reaper MQ-9 UAV, and a session with the Reaper training simulator. Designed by the US Air Force, the Resiliency Program supports the Air Force's four pillars of resiliency and wellness. Eight interrelated topics provided a holistic approach to the development of resiliency.



(l) demonstrating the Reaper simulator

(r) Chief of Chaplains Emeritus (Col.) John Murdoch provided the welcoming address.



**NEW CDI APPOINTMENTS
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AWARDS
October 2021- January 2022**



Level 5 – Gill Robb Wilson

**Chaplain (Maj.) James Law – CTWG
Lt. Col. Catherine Spaulding – MEWG**



Level 4 – Paul Garber

**Capt. Gary Reckart – KYWG
Lt. Col. George Stanley – SCWG**



Level 3 – Grover Loening

**Capt. Cassie Arles – MDWG
Capt. Kristie Morris – VAWG
Lt. Col. Lance Clark – TXWG**



Level 2 – Benjamin O. Davis

**Chaplain (2nd Lt.) Gary Abney – ALWG
Chaplain (Capt.) Clark Brown – MIWG
1st Lt James Robertson – COWG
1st Lt Eric Seaman – SCWG
1st Lt. Sierra Zaborowski – PAWG**

NEW CDI APPOINTMENTS

**1st Lt. Rachel Ambrose (MAR/NDWG)
2nd Lt. Diane Reardon (SWR/TXWG)
Maj. Gen. Mark Smith (NHQ)
Lt. Col. Joseph Stanko (SWR/TXWG)**

NEW CHAPLAIN APPOINTMENTS

Chaplain (1st Lt.) Christopher Logan (NER/MAWG)

NEW ASSIGNMENTS

Congratulations

on the following appointments:

Capt. Charles Blome

Rocky Mountain Region CDI

Chaplain (Maj.) Rochelle Coles

New Jersey Wing Chaplain

Col Bryan Cooper

Northeast Region CDI

Chaplain (Capt.) Larry Beane

Louisiana Wing Chaplain

Chaplain (Capt.) Phineas Jacobus

Texas Wing Chaplain

Captain John Minasian

CT Wing CDI

NO RELIGION IS AN ISLAND

by Chaplain (Major) Gary Atkins, NH Wing Chaplain

I remember with reverence those teachers who inspired in me a love of my religion. It's been 50 years since my Seminary days, but especially on the occasion of the anniversary of their deaths, I reflect on what I learned from them. One of the most well-known was Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel. His activity in interfaith work and promoting mutual respect between religions has been part of my life ever since... and especially relevant to working as a chaplain. Below is a reading inspired by his teachings... I think it is a good way to start the year 2022....

NO RELIGION IS AN ISLAND

No religion is an island;
There is no monopoly on holiness.
We are companions of all who revere Him.
We rejoice when His name is praised.
No religion is an island;
We share the kinship of humanity
The capacity for compassion.
The hand of God is extended to all who seek Him.
He is near to all who call upon Him in truth.
God's spirit rests upon all, Jew or Gentile,
Man or woman, in consonance with their deeds.
The creation of one Adam promotes peace.
No one can claim: 'my ancestry is nobler than yours.'
There is no monopoly on holiness;
There is no truth without humility.
We are diverse in our devotion and commitment.
We must unite in working now for the kingship of God.
He is near to all who call upon Him in truth.
There can be disagreement without disrespect.
Let us help one another overcome hardness of heart,
Opening minds to the challenges of faith.
Should we hope for each other's failure?
Or should we pray for each other's welfare?
Let mutual concern replace remnants of mutual contempt,
As we share the precarious position of being human.
Have we not all one Father? Are we all not His children?
Let us not be guided by ignorance or disdain.
Let lives of holiness illumine all our paths.
The hand of God is extended to all who seek Him.
Let your deeds reflect that we share the image of God.
Let those who revere the Lord speak to one another,
Leading everyone to acknowledge the splendor of God.

INTERFAITH CALENDAR

February 2022 – May 2022

February 2022

- 1 **Lunar New Year** – Confucian, Daoist, Buddhist
- 5 **Vasant Panchami** – Hindu
- 6 **Four Chaplains Sunday** – *Interfaith*
- 15 **Nirvana Day** – Jain, Buddhist
- 18 **Mahayana Buddhist** – Buddhist
- 25–March 1 **Intercalary Days** – Baha'i

April 2022

- 2 **Ramadan begins** (in evening of) – Islam
- 4 **CAP Chaplain Corps Birthday**
- 10 **Palm Sunday** – Christian
- 14 **Mahavir Janyanti** – Jain
- 14 **Holy Thursday** – Christian
- 15 **Good Friday** – Christian
- 15–23 **Passover (Pesach)** – Jewish* ***
- 16 **Theravadin New Year** – Buddhist
- 17 **Easter** – Christian
- 22 **Hindu New Year** – Hindu
- 20–March 1 **Ridvan** – Baha'i
- 21 **Holy Thursday** – Eastern Orthodox
- 22 **Good Friday** – Eastern Orthodox
- 23 **Feast of St George** – Christian
- 24 **Easter** – Eastern Orthodox
- 27 **Yom Hashoah** – Jewish
- 29 **Lailat al Qadr** – Islam

March 2022

- 1 **Shrove Tuesday** – Christian
- 1 **Lailat al Miraj** – Islam
- 2 **Ash Wednesday, Lent Begins** – Christian
- 7 **Clean Monday, Lent begins** – Orth. Christian
- 17 **Purim** – Jewish*
- 17 **St Patrick's Day** – Christian
- 18 **Lailat al Bara'ah** – Islam*
- 20 **Naw Ruz** – Baha'i; **Nowooz** – Zoroastrian
- 25 **Feast of the Annunciation** – Christian

May 2022

- 2 **Eid al Fidr; Ramadan ends** – Islam
- 5 **National Day of Prayer** – US Federal
- 21 **Armed Forces Day** – US Federal
- 23 **Declaration of the Bab** – Baha'i
- 26 **Ascension of the Lord** – Christian
- 29 **Ascension of the Bada'u'llah** – Baha'i

June 2022

- 5–6 **Shavuot** (2 days) – Jewish* ***

See articles in past issues of the Transmitter

- **Shavuot** on page 19 of the Spring 2020 issue by Chaplain (Capt.) Gary Atkins, https://capchaplain.com/downloads/Transmitter_Spring_2020.pdf
- **Minor Jewish Holidays**, by Lt Col Karen Semple (CDI) and
- **Messiah in the Passover** by Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Mark Shulman, http://capchaplain.com/downloads/Transmitter_Winter_2018.pdf:

* Holy days always begin the previous sundown

*** Those observing these holidays refrain from participation in non-religious activities or travel. In Judaism this also applies from twilight Friday through nighttime Saturday (Shabbat)

This list is intended to be a general guide drawn from the following sources and is not intended as an inclusive list of special holy days recognized by all religious bodies:

Harvard Divinity School: <http://hds.harvard.edu/life-at-hds/religious-and-spiritual-life/multifaith-calendar>. [Useful description of holidays.](#)

Hebcal: <https://www.hebcal.com/holidays/>. [Useful description and listing of major and modern Jewish holidays.](#)

SOME USEFUL ITEMS FOR THE CHAPLAIN CORPS “TOOL BOX”

The Chaplain Corps National HQ Site <https://capchaplain.com/>
past Transmitter issues and other resources

Chaplain Corps Blog <https://capchaplain.com/blog/>

The Chaplain Corps on Twitter <https://www.twitter.com/CAPChaplains>

Chaplain Corps Internal Facebook Page (Closed Group)
<https://www.facebook.com/CAPchaplains>

CAP Chaplain Corps Library <http://caphclib.us/wordpress/>
Chaplain Corps resources, event registration

Chaplain Corps Prayer Team Email requests to chapel@capchaplain.org

The Transmitter Newsletter Issues
<https://capchaplain.com/transmitter-newsletter/>

CAP Mission Chaplain Training Program
<https://capchaplain.com/mission-chaplain-program/>

CAPR 80-1 The Civil Air Patrol Chaplain Corps
https://www.gocivilairpatrol.com/media/cms/R_801_CA6C805D5EB06.pdf

CAPP 40-80 Chaplain Corps Handbook and Specialty Track Guide 25 Aug 2021
https://www.gocivilairpatrol.com/media/cms/P_4080_3652571731F14.pdf

CAPP 80-3 The New Senior Member Character Development Curriculum 7 Oct 2019
https://www.gocivilairpatrol.com/media/cms/CAPP080_003_7_October_2019_Core_Va_oD2A2FF3A1D38.pdf

CAPP 80-4 Wellness and Resilience: Handbook for the Five Pillars of Wellness and Resilience
https://www.gocivilairpatrol.com/media/cms/CAPP_804_58A6566D3AF9D.pdf

CAPF 80-1 Chaplain application
https://www.gocivilairpatrol.com/media/cms/CAPF_801_fillable_CC209B0591559.pdf

CAPF 80-2 CDI application
https://www.gocivilairpatrol.com/media/cms/CAPF_802_fillable_FC81A9E2086EE.pdf

Values for Living 2.0 Lessons. <https://www.gocivilairpatrol.com/programs/cadets/library/character>
or on the AXIS Learning Management System through E-Services; → Online Learning → Learning Management System → AXIS. Access to copyrighted videos is limited to chaplains, CDIs, and commanders.

Values for Living 2.0 Facilitator Training Course
<https://www.capnhq.gov/CAP.LMS.Web/Default.aspx>

CAP Chaplain Corps 2022 Google Calendar
<https://calendar.google.com/calendar/u/o/r?cid=aGMuY2FwLmdvdld9zcGRkOGsxamt2ZTBubjcocTcyNTMya2FvMBncm91cC5jYWxlbnRhci5nb29nbGUuY29t>

CAP CISM Wellness and Resilience Training <https://www.gocivilairpatrol.com/programs/emergency-services/critical-incident-stress-management-cism--resiliency>

CAP Chaplain Corps and Air Force Chaplain Corps Book of Prayer
https://www.gocivilairpatrol.com/media/cms/BookOfPrayers_093F10A091CAE.pdf

Armed Forces Chaplain Board (AFCB) List of Ecclesiastical Endorsers
Ecclesiastical endorsers meeting requirements for chaplain appointment under CAPR 265-1 § B.6.b
<http://prhome.defense.gov/M-RA/MPP/AFCB/Endorsements/>

Department of Defense Official Database for Education
Updated U.S. Department of Defense database of accredited institutions
<https://ope.ed.gov/dapip/#/home>

