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**Lt. Col. John P. Kay Named Interim NCWG Commander**

**Lt. Col. David E. Crawford Named NCWG Commander**

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Welcome to the North Carolina Wing Civil Air Patrol, the United States Air Force Auxiliary. North Carolina Wing prides itself in our execution of Civil Air Patrol's three missions: Emergency Services, Cadet Programs and Aerospace Education.

Each year, the more than 1500 members of North Carolina Wing provide search and rescue, disaster relief, emergency service, and homeland security missions. North Carolina members conduct approximately 75 Air Force assigned search and rescue missions each year, averaging one a week. North Carolina Wing maintains a post at the state's Emergency Operations Center to provide rapid response during natural disasters, and North Carolina members have been deployed to other states for assistance.

Our cadet program focuses on leadership skills, aerospace education, and physical fitness. North Carolina cadets are able to participate in a number of activities, both within the state and across the nation. North Carolina is home to the Middle East Region Cadet Leadership School. North Carolina Cadets participate in Blue Beret, Cadet Officer School, International Air Cadet Exchange, and many other national cadet special activities.

Aerospace Education is an integral part of Civil Air Patrol for both cadets and adult members. Members learn about the history of flight and discuss the future of air and space exploration. Cadets experience the thrill of flight through both powered and glider orientation rides where their "book" knowledge of aerodynamics is demonstrated in the air. North Carolina provides an excellent opportunity for members to visit some of the best aviation museums in the country as well as locations such as Kitty Hawk where the history of manned flight was written.

We are the North Carolina Wing Civil Air Patrol, providing missions for North Carolina and missions for America!

ROY W. DOUGLASS, Colonel, CAP

Chief of Staff, Middle East Region

(Former Commander, North Carolina Wing)

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**Happy 237th Birthday to the United States Army**

Happy Birthday to the United States Army, founded June 14, 1775. I am proud to have served 1987-1998. Thanking those soldiers who have served in times past and those who are serving today, here at home, around the world and down range in harms way.

Lt. Col. David E. Crawford

## NC Wing Commander Named Chief of Staff for Middle East Region, CAP

Region Commander, Col. Larry Ragland, Names Col. Roy Douglass to the Post

By Maj. Don Penven

NC WING PAO

5/15/2012—BURLINGTON, NC— Middle East Region (MER), Commander, Col. Larry Ragland, announced today that Col. Roy W. Douglass has been selected to fill the position of chief of staff, to become effective on June 9, 2012. In his announcement to members of the region, Col Ragland said, “Col. Douglass has served in CAP for many years and demonstrated his steady commitment to excellence and professionalism. He will step down as NC Wing Commander after having served in this post since January 2009.

Col. Douglass completed a career in the U. S. Army, and he retired from a second career in the telecommunications industry in 2003. He holds a Bachelor’s Degree in History from Florida International University and a Master's Degree in Business Management from Central Michigan University.

Col. Douglass assumed command in January 2009, succeeding Col. Ragland as NC Wing Commander after serving as the NC Wing Chief of Staff from 2005 through 2008. He joined Civil Air Patrol in August 1992 and served two 24-month tours as the San Angelo Composite Squadron Commander in the Texas Wing. After joining the Middle East Region (MER) in 1999, Col Douglass served as the Director of the MER Staff College from 2003 thru 2005.

The Vice Commander of the NC Wing, Lt. Col. John Kay, will fill the command position of the NC Wing until a permanent selection is made for Wing Commander. Col. Douglass will fill the position recently vacated by Lt. Col. Phyllis Griffin.

Col. Douglass and his wife, the former Gail Pleger, moved to North Carolina in 1999, where he continued

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## NC Wing Conducts Change of Command Ceremony

Lt Col John Kay is Interim NC Wing Commander

By Maj. Don Penven

NCWG PAO

BURLINGTON, NC—June 9, 2012

Before a record turnout of its membership, the NC Wing conducted a Change of Command Ceremony. Col. Roy Douglass has served the wing with honor and distinction for 3 ½ years and has accepted the recently vacated position of Chief of Staff for the Middle East Region (MER).

The ceremonies were opened by the cadet color guard from the Burlington Composite Squadron: C/2nd Lt Joshua Jordan, C/SrA Ian Shephard, C/Amn Kody Holmes and C/SrA Mary Puppo. Cadet Puppo was accompanied by C/Maj. Christina North in singing the National Anthem. Cadet North is now serving as a PFC in the U.S. Army.

Lt. Col. Max Benbow, serving as Master of Ceremonies, introduced the dignitaries assembled for this very special occasion. Attending were National CAP Vice Commander, Brig. Gen Joseph Vazquez and Middle East Region Commander. Col Larry Ragland.

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Former NC Wing Commanders present included: Col. “Tink” Schaeffer, Col. David Ellsworth and Col. Larry Ragland. Also present were MER Vice Commanders, Col. Rick Moseley and Col. Ray Lyon. Lt. Col. Dave Crawford and Lt. Col. John Kay, candidates for the position of NC Wing Commander were also introduced.

NC State Senator Rick Gunn was on hand and he praised the tireless work completed by outgoing Wing Commander,

Col Roy Douglass. Col. Ragland passed the ceremonial banner from Col. Douglass to Lt. Col. John Kay, interim wing commander, who will serve until a permanent selection is made later this month. Lt. Col Kay has been serving as NCWG Vice Commander

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## MER Commander Announces New NC Wing Commander

### Lt. Col. David E. Crawford is Named to The Position

6/27/2012–BURLINGTON, NC–After extensive review of each candidate's qualifications, and after detailed interviews and vetting of the two candidates with an MER Selection Board consisting of an NC Wing member at large, a past NC Wing Commander, MER Staff, and an adjacent current Wing Commander, I have decided to appoint Col Select Dave Crawford as the next NC Wing Commander.

Both candidates are very well qualified and I very much appreciate the service of Lt Col John Kay to NC Wing as interim Wing Commander when Col Roy Douglass stepped into service as MER Chief of Staff. Lt Col Kay serves with distinction and remains a critical asset for NC Wing. His leadership within the Wing will continue to be a positive advancement for us all.

Col Select Dave Crawford has many years of experience and service to Civil Air Patrol, serving in numerous positions and at various levels within CAP. He is a former CAP cadet and has served in the US Army. His CAP operational experience will be of a great benefit to NC Wing's future. His leadership is expected to take NC Wing above and beyond an already impressive level of performance and accomplishments. Please join me in congratulating Col Select Crawford on this new phase of his CAP service.

Information will follow later on the effective date of command change and the particulars of when and where the change of command ceremony will take place.

Larry J. Ragland, Col, CAP MER/CC



### Address for Lt. Col. Al Therriault:

Lt Col Al Therriault, who was with NC Wing for many years, lost his father on Sunday, June 24th. His dad was suffering from Alzheimers and Lt Col Therriault had moved to Florida to take care of him. If you wish to send a card or note, the address is PO Box 1833, Titusville, FL 32781-1833.

Terri L. Zobel, Major, CAP  
DCC MER-NC-048

# Asheville Squadron Has 10 New CERT Members After Training

By: Capt. Clint Parker  
Public Affairs Officer  
Asheville Composite Squadron

Ten members of the Asheville Composite Squadron of the Civil Air Patrol completed Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT) training during the month of April.

The class was lead by CAP 1st Lt. Louis Toms, who is also the Western Representative on the NC CERT Committee and is a member of CAP.

The ten new graduates more doubles Asheville CERT members from nine to 19 giving them a greater advantage having members to help in time of disasters.

CERT training includes learning putting out small fires with a fire extinguisher, light search and rescue techniques, triage and first aid, family readiness along with the disaster relief training.

Toms said of the training, “It not only helps CAP members to assist in disaster relief, but it also help them prepare their families for future disasters.”



CAP 1st Lt. Louis Toms conducts CERT training.

## Seventy Years of Safe Flying Earns Pilot Prestigious FAA Award

Terri Richards, 2nd Lt, CAP,  
Asst. Public Affairs Officer, MER-NC-048

On a rainy Monday Evening in the General Aviation Terminal at the Raleigh Durham International Airport Mr. Clive Delmont Goodwin received the prestigious FAA Wright Brother's Master Pilot Award presented by Bob Sutherland of the FAA. This award has been presented to only 1600 pilots. It is earned by having a minimum of fifty years of civil flight time with no accidents. In some instances up to 20 years of military flight time can be substituted for part of the required time.

Mr. Goodwin began his career of flight in the fall of 1942 when he joined the Civil Air Patrol. Shortly thereafter, in 1943, he enlisted in the Army Air Corp and attended a 30 day basic training at Sheppard Field, Texas. During his training he was pulled aside to fly B-25 and B-29 bombers. Mr. Goodwin was attached to the training command at Lowry Air base in Colorado where he and his crew flew many hours in the B-29 bomber aircraft.

He was eventually assigned to the 500<sup>th</sup> Army Air Corp out of Saipan but the war ended before he deployed and he was discharged into the reserves as a private in 1946; his temporary rank of second lieutenant being part of a contract due to the need for pilots. Mr. Goodwin served the remainder of his 12 years in a reserve unit out of New York and left the service in 1955.

He has run a small airport in New Jersey, flown for the Coast Guard Auxiliary and aided the country of Trinidad with the development of an FAA like certification system for pilots and mechanics. Now in his late eighties, Mr. Goodwin has enjoyed over 70 years of flying and still enjoys soaring through the skies in light sport aircraft. He still serves in the Civil Air Patrol as a Major at the Franklin County Composite Squadron at the Franklin County Airport in Louisburg, NC



L-R: Bob Sutherland, FAA and Maj. Clive Goodwin, CAP - Photo By: 2nd Lt. Terri Richards

# MER News

## MER-INFO: New Director of Cadet Programs

Major Bob Midkiff has stepped down as the Middle East Region Director of Cadet Programs. Capt Alisha Christian will be taking his place. Capt Christian is a former Spaatz cadet from Maryland Wing where she was known as Alisha Cope. She has stayed active in CAP in both Florida and Nevada Wings as she moved with her job. She returned to Maryland about 18 months ago and became the Assistant Director of Cadet Programs for Middle East Region.

Please direct all inquires concerning cadet programs to Capt. Christian.

Phyllis Griffin, Lt Col, CAP  
MER Chief of Staff

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## Middle East Region Drill Team Competition

I would like to extend a BIG thank you and congratulations to the Maryland Wing and National Capital Wing Cadets for doing an outstanding job representing Middle East Region at National competition. The team earned Second Place standing overall. Their outstanding efforts and hard training are very much appreciated. Great Job for Delaware Wing and Middle East Region!!!

**Larry J. Ragland, Col, CAP MER/CC**

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## Orange County Comp Sq (MER-NC-150): Squadron Commander Pete Wehr Promoted

Gregory Ernandes, 2nd Lt  
MER-NC-150, CDC, SLO, Asst PAO

Hillsborough, N.C. - On June 5, 2012 the cadets, officers, and senior members of the Orange County Composite Squadron (MER-NC-150) as well as officers from the NC Wing located in Burlington, N.C. celebrated as Squadron Commander Peter Wehr was promoted to Captain.

Peter Wehr replaced Major Eileen Kong in June 2011, who resigned her position to pursue a medical career.

Captain Wehr will continue in his position as Squadron Commander, as well as continue serving as Disaster Preparedness Officer, Logistics Officer, and Search and Rescue Officer. Wehr's vision for the Orange County Squadron is serving the community in the realm of emergency services, including search and rescue, emergency supply POD (point of distribution), and CERT (community emergency response team). To that end, he has already seen to it that squadron members have gotten CPR and First Aid training, as well as coordinating a practice search and rescue operation with Cpl. Scott Foster and his K9 partner Talon, of the Hillsborough Police K9 Unit back in April 2012.

Wehr is enjoying retirement in Orange County, after 20 years serving with the Fanwood, NJ Police Department. He also holds a BS degree in Forestry from Arkansas State University



Capt. Wehr receives Oath of Office from Col. Roy Douglass

# 2012 Annual Conference & National Board

August 2012  
21 & 22 Workshops  
23 - 25 Conference

Dear CAP Member

The 2012 Annual Conference is fast approaching; I would like to take a moment to remind you to register as soon as possible if you haven't already done so. This year's conference will be held in Baltimore, Maryland August 23-25, 2012 at the Baltimore Marriott Waterfront located on the water's edge of the beautiful Inner Harbor. **Don't forget to register by midnight June 10<sup>th</sup> to take advantage of the discounted Early Conference Registration Rate of \$99 or the Special Early Combo Conference/Banquet Registration Rate of \$160.** Online registration after midnight June 10th through midnight August 5th will increase to \$130 for Conference Registration and the Combo Conference/Banquet Registration Rate will increase to \$200. Not only are you saving money by registering early, but you will have the opportunity to win a free iPad to be given away at the conference.

Also, the Baltimore Marriott Waterfront is offering a special **CAP room rate of \$144.** This room rate will **only** be offered through midnight July 29; rooms are limited so don't miss out.

We have an exciting conference planned for you in Baltimore this year. With 10 pre-conference workshops and over 50 learning labs, we are sure you will find sessions to meet all of your individual needs. The pre-conference workshops have limited availability so don't hesitate; register now! I would also like to remind you again, about the special **Cadet Day** program on Saturday, August 25<sup>th</sup>. Designed just for cadets, this program is a must for those cadets wanting to gain more knowledge of the cadet program. The registration fee is **ONLY** \$35 for this one-day event and lunch is included in the cost of the registration. If you are a cadet registered for the full conference this event is included with your registration.

I look forward to seeing you at the conference!

Sincerely,

Charles L. Carr, Jr.  
Maj Gen, CAP  
National Commander



*North Carolina Wing  
Civil Air Patrol*



*Requests the honor of your presence at the*

*CHANGE OF COMMAND CEREMONY*

*Lieutenant Colonel John P. Kay  
(Outgoing (Interim) Wing Commander)*

*Welcoming  
Colonel (Select) David E. Crawford  
(Incoming Wing Commander)*

*Saturday  
The fourteenth day of July, two thousand and twelve  
10:00 am  
NC Wing Headquarters  
3520 Alamance Road  
Burlington, NC 27215*

*Reception immediately following ceremony.*

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Service Dress  
CAP Blazer Combination  
Appropriate Civilian Attire*

# Encampment Oflights - 2012

Tim Tessin, Maj, CAP

NCWG Cadet Orientation Program Coordinator

As in the past 2 years, this past week the NCWG conducted a major Air Operation to fly Cadet Orientation flights during encampment week. This year we raised the bar once again.

| Year | Total O-Rides | 1 <sup>st</sup> Cadet O-Rides |
|------|---------------|-------------------------------|
| 2012 | 67            | 33                            |
| 2011 | 63            | 23                            |
| 2010 | 56            | 18                            |

16 orientation pilots from 2 wings, flew **93.1** total hours in support of orides, and we had a full team of flight-line marshallers to support us. Tuesday, we had 8 CAP and one personal aircraft on the ramp and Wednesday we had 7 CAP aircraft in operation. Just to give you a sense of scale, a weekend wing-wide Sarex may involve 25-35 Air Sorties. In the 2 days, including ferry sorties, we flew **98** sorties. Oh yeah, we spent over \$4000 for fuel. It took me another 5 hours on Thursday and Saturday doing the sortie accounting. I still have 33 First Flight Certificates to prepare...

This year we were back at the Oxford-Henderson Airport, the scene of our 2010 debut. We got outstanding support from Mike Kellogg, the airport manager. Our hats are off to the staff at KHNZ for their assistance.

I want to thank all those who contributed to the success of this year's encampment Oflights!

### Pilots:

DeFoore, C – VAWG  
Ragland, L - MER  
Dawson, C  
McCoury, M  
Eldredge, F  
Tessin, T  
Viventi, D  
Bailey, C  
Mason, R  
Wilbanks, R  
Laviano, R  
McComas, S  
Williams, D  
Jones, R  
Green, A  
Byerly, W

### Flight Line:

Douglass, R and Crew  
**Logistics and  
Coordination:**  
Nelson, D and Drivers  
Wiggs, A and Staff

### Air Ops:

Tessin, T  
Bailey, T  
Viventi, D  
McComas, S



# Shelby Squadron Cadets participate with The US Military All Stars for presentation of the Ground Zero Flag

Friday 22 June Cadets from the Shelby Squadron Color Guard were proud to be a part of such an incredible ceremony. Cadet Major Westmoreland, Cadet Airman Webb and Cadet Airman Edlund presented the US Colors for a team of American Hero's many of whom are scheduled to redeploy over the next few months. The Ceremony lasted a little over 20 minutes and culminated with the singing of our National Anthem and presentation of colors.

The US Military All Stars were founded in 1990; during a visit to the Naval Aviation Museum, President H.W. Bush discussed the positive impact baseball had on morale during WWII. His comments initiated the development of military baseball in the modern era. Over two decades later, we are the only program in history to wear camouflage uniforms with historical references to represent all branches of the military and first responders on one team.

Since 1990, more than 25,000 armed forces personnel have represented their service while paying their own expenses with a philosophy of HUSTLE, THINK, WIN! They are the "Globetrotters" of baseball. As the largest, fastest growing and most successful barnstorming team ever created, delivering competitive, exciting "must see" patriotic entertainment enjoyed by millions visiting over 45 states and 8 countries while competing against the some of the finest organizations in the world including the Boston Red Sox.

As part of the Red, White, and Blue tour the team conducts the "Passing the Flag" and "Walk of Honor" ceremonies both of which our Cadets were able to be a part of. The Ground Zero Flag was passed before the Color Guard while the words to I am Old Glory were read. The Flag was then presented to a Michael Osbourne of Asheville, NC. After the walk of honor where the flag is carried by from the mound to home plate Our National Anthem was sang by Sarah Johnson an incredible young lady who father is an Air Force Officer currently serving his 7<sup>th</sup> combat tour.

For more information about the US Military All Star and to possibly help preform at an event local to you please visit <http://www.usmilitaryallstars.us/>

Tony Bradley, SM, CAP  
Public Affairs Officer/Information Technology Officer  
MER-NC-050  
Shelby Composite Squadron



*Promotional poster for the Forest City Owls featuring The Shelby Composite Squadron Color Guard. GRAPHICS BY Forest City Owls Baseball*



*Shelby Squadron Color Guard Cadets in the Background during the "Passing the Flag" ceremony. PHOTO BY Kimberly McDonald, SM, CAP*

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The "Walk of Honor" with the Ground Zero Flag being carried by Michael Osbourne of Asheville, NC, flanked by the US Military All Stars and the Forest City Owls. Behind are Left to right Cadet Airman Edlund, Cadet Major Westmoreland, and Cadet Airman Webb. *PHOTO BY Kimberly McDonald, SM, CAP*



The Singing the National Anthem with Michael Osbourne, Navy LCDR Crash Allvord (Ground 0), and Sarah Johnson (singer) *PHOTO BY Kimberly McDonald, SM, CAP*

# Salisbury Cadets Assist Placing Flags at Salisbury VA Cemetery

Here are a few photos of cadets from NC-162 along with Col Williams placing flags on approximately 20,000 graves at Salisbury National VA Cemetery for Memorial Day.



Photo of Lt. Col. Jim Williams with one of his former CAP cadets from the 1960's along with a fellow WWII Veteran.

Photos by: Kristin Osborne 2d Lt, CAP  
MER-NC-162 Public Affairs



# Historically Speaking

Lt. Col. Phil Saleet, Historian

This article will take some of us back to what I like to think of as the good old days. We old timers have a tendency to think of our past years in our lives as the good old days, and we do this even for our past years in Civil Air Patrol.

One thing about the past though is we generally only think of the best of times, not any of the bad stuff that happens to us. As for CAPR 77-1 Civil Air Patrol Vehicles, dated 31 January 1983, when we look at it we think of the good times with Buses, Tractor Trailers, Ambulances, Pickup Trucks, Station Wagons, Sedans, Vans and Real Military Jeeps.

I belonged to a Squadron that had a Tractor/Trailer set up as a Field Headquarters, an Ambulance, Pickups, Staff Car, Van, Stake Body Truck, and a Real Military Jeep. I even knew of one Squadron that had a Weapons Carrier. With all these vehicles, we really looked great in the field.

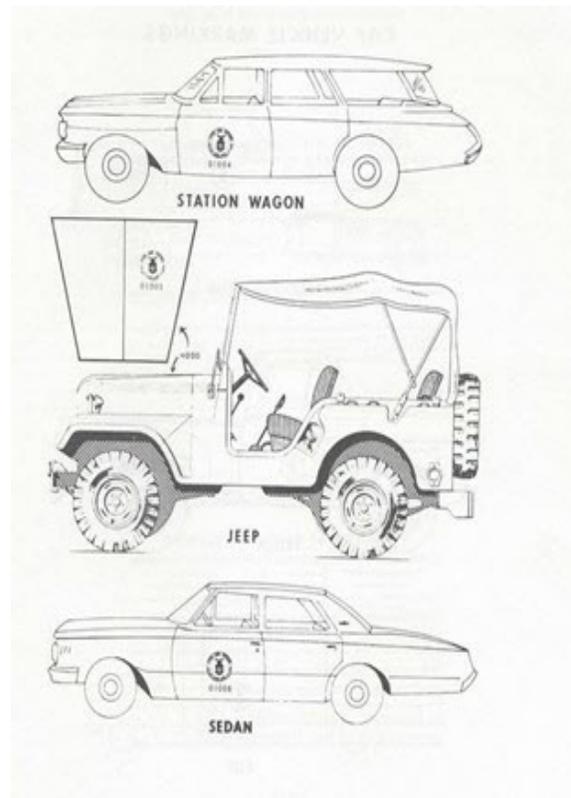
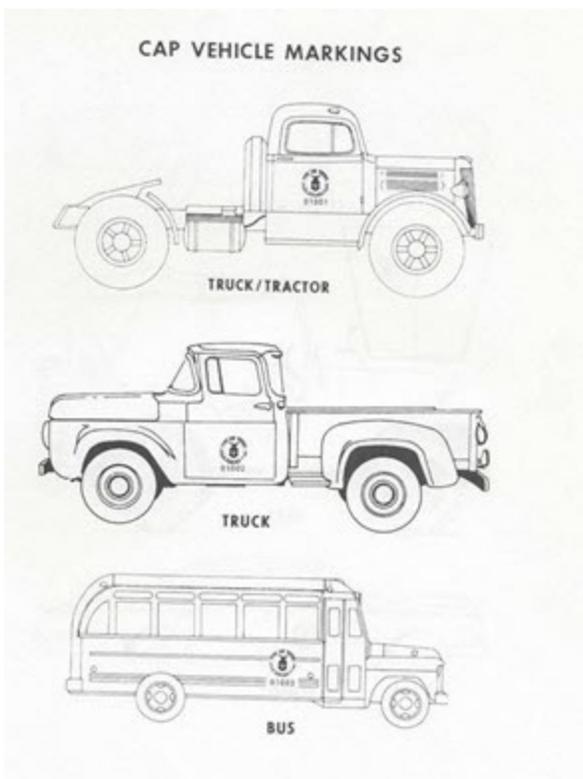
The problem was getting to the field. I spent more hours on the side of the road in a broken down Bus, Truck, painted Air Force Blue no. 15045 of Federal Standard 595, Spec 11-E-489, than I ever did riding in them. But, we did look cool.

You have not lived until you ride in a Real Military Jeep at around 0400 in almost a blizzard (thanks four wheel drive), going to Friendship Airport (now Baltimore-Washington International), on our way to a military airlift to Hagerstown, Maryland to participate in the Search and Rescue of a downed B-52. The side curtain door kept blowing open during the 30 or more minute drive and needless to say, I had no problem staying awake.

Even with the problems we had maintaining these less than new vehicles we old timers still long for the days of old military vehicles and all of their problems. After all we did look cool.

So for those of us who remember the old days and for those of you who have never seen any of these vehicles in CAP colors, attached you will find pictures from the regulation.

Until next month SEMPER VIGILANS, and REMEMBER WE WERE COOL.



# Bridges family identifies father and others in World War II Photo

**Jackie Bridges**  
Special Projects  
The Shelby Star

Submitted by: Tony Bradley, SM, CAP  
Public Affairs Officer/Information Technology Officer  
MER-NC-050  
Shelby Composite Squadron

Kenneth and Donna Crump of Shelby submitted this photo she found among her family's collection. They didn't know who was in the photo but thought her step-father, Kings Mountain native John Stowe, may have been in the group.

Charles Wright, who works at Upper Cleveland Auto Parts, knew one person in the photo - Paul Bridges, standing second from left. Wright said Bridges was the founder of Bridges Auto Parts in Kings Mountain and use to run Bridges Airport off N.C. 180 in Shelby.

Wright knew John Stowe, but couldn't identify him in the photo.

"John Stowe took me on my first ride in an airplane," Wright said. "I was 12 or 13 years old, and I can't remember what he looked like."

Harry Bridges, the son of Paul Bridges, called to confirm that his father was in the photo. His father served as a lieutenant in the Civil Air Patrol in World War II. He was based at Manteo at CAP Base 16.

"They searched for submarines in World War II," he said.

Harry Bridges was a baby when his family lived in Manteo during the war. After the war, they came back to Cleveland County, but when Paul Bridges retired he moved back to Manteo.

"My wife and I lived in Manteo in 1974-2004," Harry Bridges said. "Dad was retired there, and people would come by and reminisce. I worked up a reunion for the Civil Air Patrol, and for some reason I became a collection point for memorabilia. I started a museum at the Dare County Regional Airport."

After talking with his brothers, Tom and Dick, Harry Bridges was able to identify a few more people in the photo:

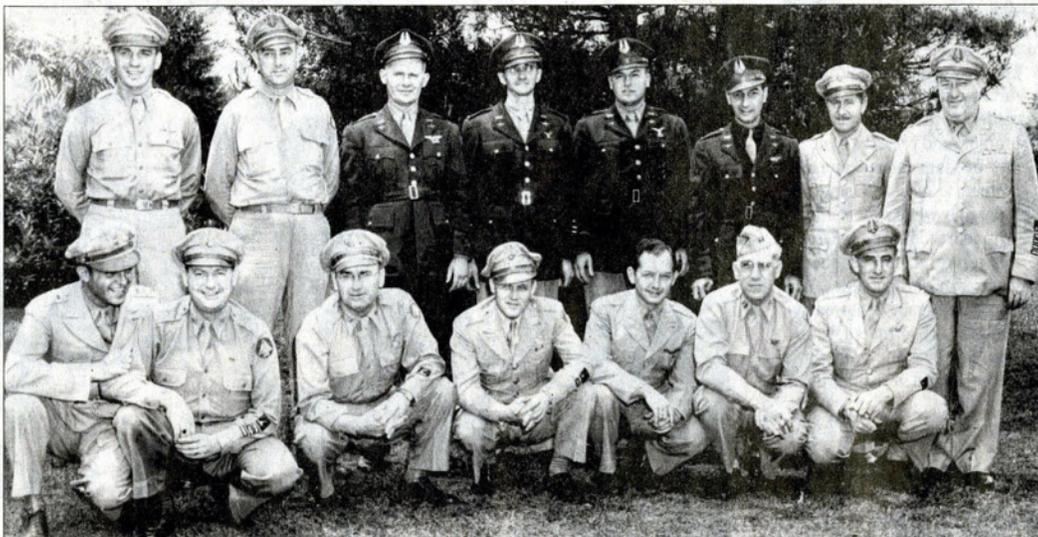
\*Standing extreme right on end is Major Frank Dawson. Dawson was the first CAP Wing Commander of North Carolina and was Base Commander of CAP Base 21 at Morehead City.

\*Next to him with the mustache is Clay S. Swaim of Salisbury. Swaim was an Airport Operator.

\*Third from left kneeling is George Washburn of Shelby. Washburn served at CAP Base 16 at Manteo.

Cora Gettys Lookadoo of Shelby also called and said the man kneeling on the far right looks like her brother, Henry Gettys, who served in the Army Air Forces in World War II.

If you know anyone in the photograph please contact the Shelby Squadron PAO at [publicaffairs@capshelby.com](mailto:publicaffairs@capshelby.com) or Jackie Bridges at [jbridges@shelbystar.com](mailto:jbridges@shelbystar.com)



# Raleigh-Wake Comp. Summer 2012 Airman School

C/SSgt Nick Romanoski, CAP

Public Affairs

Raleigh Wake Composite Squadron

During the Memorial Day weekend the cadets of Raleigh-Wake Composite Squadron conducted their summer Airman School. The Airman School was hosted at 2nd Lt. Duncan's house who was kind enough to allow the squadron to use his property. The cadets that had received staff jobs were eager to prove themselves.

The staff arrived around 4:30 and started getting admin check in set up for the basics and logistics lists for cadets who needed items for their camps. The basics started arriving at 5:30 and the staff went through the routine of getting the basics checked in, checking their bags for contraband, and assigning them to Alpha, Bravo, or Charlie flight.

The flight staff then marched the basics out to their camp sites to set up the GP smalls that they would be staying in. After the GP's were set up C/Lt. Col. Kyle Zobel gave his safety briefing for the weekend's activities. Kitchen staff started on dinner soon after, the basics were fed and then marched down to the GP's. Staff started campfires and assigned fire watch to the basics.

When reveille sounded the next morning the staff got to work getting the basics out of the tents and into formations for PT. PT lasted about an hour, with the cadets running the mile, doing pushups, and so forth. The cadets then marched back to the house for breakfast.

Lt. Duncan gave his rifle safety class shortly after breakfast to the first group while the other cadets did drill then the two groups switched. Staff then gave classes on customs and courtesies, drill, and uniforms. Lt. Col. Zobel gave a motivational speech to the basics about advancing in the program and all the benefits of CAP to get them interested in all the program has to offer.

After the classes the basics were told to meet back at the GP's for motivational PT, which to their surprise was a game of capture the flag using the flights' guidons. Rules were given and the game started, the game was a break from the wear and tear of the airman school giving the cadets a chance to relax and have a good time. After the game everyone was called up to the house for a briefing on an activity that would happen later in the night.

The briefing was about an activity that Lt. Duncan had done a few times with other youth groups were the cadets make an escape plan from an "armed stranger" almost like the lockdowns at school. Cadets discussed what would be a good way to get out if an unknown person who was armed came on the property; call signs were given named after the cadet commander to each place that the stranger may come from. For instance if the stranger came from the hill that Bravo flight was on the call sign was "Captain Hunneycutt is on the mountain" and so on.

The flights started on their jodies which they would sing during Pass-And-Review the next day. When it began to get dark the cadets marched back to their tents and got ready for the armed stranger drill. To make sure everyone was clear on where to go staff went over the plan of action with the flights. The flights gathered by their GP's and waited for the call to move to their designated safe zone. Thirty minutes later, Lt. Duncan called everyone to the staff camp site and discussed what went on. He hadn't actually gone through with putting a person out there to be the stranger because it was better to have us come up with a plan just in case of this type of emergency.

On Sunday, the last day of the Airman school, the cadets were woken up again and marched out to do PT and breakfast. Lt. Duncan gave the last part of his rifle safety class before the basics had to take down their tents and get packed up. Jodies were practiced a few more times before the parents arrived for Pass In Review.

Flights were formed up and the staff got ready for Pass In Review. C/Capt. Hunneycutt told the parents what had gone on during the Airman School and gave a brief summary of what the cadets would be showing them. Pass In Review started with inspections of the flights, followed by a drill down, and finally the jodies by each of the flights. Honors were awarded and then the squadron was dismissed.

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## US Coast Guard Requests Help with Locating an EPIRB

On June 27, NC Wing was notified of an Emergency Position-Indicating Radio Beacon (EPIRB) in Dare County that the US Coast Guard was working and requested our help. Response to the alerts was quick by Capt Rick Laviano, MP of NC-048 and Major Chris Bailey, MO of NC-022 to crew N963CP out of Raleigh. They had to make arrangements to get off work.

They got airborne quickly and headed for Manteo. Phone contact was made with the Coast Guard and frequencies determined to enable direct comm with them from the aircraft. Continuous comm was established between the IC and the aircraft using repeaters and viper radios. The Coast Guard was working the search on the ground and with a helicopter as we flew to the scene.

The EPIRB was found by USCG in a small boat on a trailer in Manteo. It was a very old unit with expired battery date and was full of water probably from recent rains. It was silenced just as 963 was arriving in the area. We had picked up the signal 30 minutes out. Our response was appreciated by the USCG even though they found it themselves.

Our DF equipment and skills are respected by them as is the professionalism of our crews. Thanks also to Capt Dave Nelson of NC-079 Pitt-Greenville who was working on possible UDF support on the ground and Cadet Ethan Jacquin of that squadron who volunteered by himself but wasn't used this time. It is important to remember that we need senior support when cadets are involved and both seniors and cadets must keep their qualifications current in the system to take part in missions. Renewal of qualifications does not happen automatically.

Bill Hawke, Lt Col, CAP  
Incident Commander

## Fund Raising Pays off for Brunswick Co. Squadron

By: William J. Sullivan, 1st Lt., CAP, PAO. MER-NC-170

In less than the three years since it was organized, the Brunswick County Composite Squadron (MER-NC-170) has been very successful in conducting fund raising activities. Their latest effort paid off recently when the squadron applied for and received a \$500 Community Grant for 2012 from Brunswick Electric Membership Corporation (BEMC). Now in its tenth year, the BEMC program provides grants to groups that provide family services programs, cultural and arts programs, emergency services or community development activities.

The funds from the 2012 BEMC Community Grant will be used by the squadron to enhance emergency preparedness in Brunswick County. How this will be done was detailed in the squadron's grant application, which was submitted early this year. Many Brunswick County non-profit organizations apply for these grants each year, with less than one-fourth of them receiving any funding.

A CAP Certificate of Appreciation plaque was presented to officials at BEMC headquarters in Supply, NC on 19 June to thank them for selecting NC-170 as a recipient for one of their 2012 Community Grants.

Other successful fund raising activities in which the squadron has participated since 2009 include Wreaths Across America; sales of Attractions Dining and Value Guides; Belk Charity Sale Events in November and April of each year; coffee sales; and "burger-burns" conducted by NC-170 members at the Cape Fear Regional Jetport in conjunction with events held at the airport for the public.

Left to right; Chip Leavitt, CEO and President of BEMC; Hubert Brittain, President of the Board of Directors of BEMC; Lt. Col. Dennis Faver, Commander, MER-NC-170; 1st Lt. Richard Hart, Deputy Commander, MER-NC-170  
Photo by 1st Lt. William Sullivan



# Shelby Squadron host its first NWS Skywarn Class

Thursday 28 June marked another step forward for the Shelby Squadron with the successful completion of our First Community National Weather Service (NWS) Skywarn Class. 12 CAP Senior Members along with 17 citizens of Cleveland and Rutherford Counties received their Skywarn Basic Certification. The class was a mixed group of CAP, US Army, Ham Radio Operators, IT Directors, First Responders, Firefighters, Boy Scouts, and citizens active in the community.

Since the program started in the 1970s, the information provided by SKYWARN® spotters, coupled with Doppler radar technology, improved satellite and other data, has enabled NWS to issue more timely and accurate warnings for tornadoes, severe thunderstorms and flash floods.

SKYWARN® storm spotters are part of the ranks of citizens who form the Nation's first line of defense against severe weather. There can be no finer reward than to know that their efforts have given communities the precious gift of time—seconds and minutes that can help save lives.

Although SKYWARN® spotters provide essential information for all types of weather hazards, the main responsibility of a SKYWARN® spotter is to identify and describe severe local storms. In the average year, 10,000 severe thunderstorms, 5,000 floods and more than 1,000 tornadoes occur across the United States. These events threatened lives and property.

We would like to thank Tony Sturey from Greenville-Spartanburg National Weather Service Forecast Office coming out and teaching such an informative class.

*(Attachment skywarn\_1.jpg cutline:) The Skywarn class paying close attention. PHOTO BY Tony Bradley, SM, CAP*



The Skywarn class paying close attention. PHOTO BY Tony Bradley, SM, CAP



Instructor Tony Sturey from the NWS. PHOTO By Tony Bradley, SM, CAP

# NESA Training Offered

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The 2012 NESA is less than 2 months away now, but it's not too late if you are interested in attending as there are still slots to fill in several courses. Applications will be accepted through the end of June for courses being held during our two session weeks at Camp Atterbury in Edinburgh, Indiana (approximately 35 miles south of Indianapolis) from the 21st of July through the 4th of August 2012. There are courses for all members interested in emergency services, and this is a great opportunity for new members as well as long time members to come train with hundreds of other personnel from across the country that have already signed up to attend. Slots are filling up fast though.

There are a few programs and courses that we would like to highlight that still have slots:

- The Basic and Advanced Ground Search And Rescue School programs always have a lot of cadet participation, and there are still slots in each of these courses. There is a basic and advanced course run during each session week, so personnel can come to take one course or can take the basic program and roll right into the advanced program on site in order to become ground team qualified or earn a higher qualification.
- There are still slots in each of the Incident Command System School courses. ICS 300 and 400 training as well as branch director, public information officer, and mission safety officer training will be run in short courses during the first session week as well as week-long courses for communications personnel. The second session week is focused on advanced training for incident commanders, section chiefs, public information officers, and mission safety officers.
- The Mission Aircrew School has openings in the short courses for mission scanners, airborne photographers, GIIEP operators, and ARCHER refresher training. There are also still a few openings in intermediate and advanced training for mission pilots and mission observers as well as the full ARCHER course.

Register for NESA online or download an offline application at: <http://www.nesa.cap.gov/register.htm>. Slots will be filled on a first come first served basis through June. Personnel are encouraged to apply soon to get into the course or courses they desire. Some courses only have a few slots left. Do not assume you are accepted or make non-refundable travel arrangements until acceptance is noted online or you are notified by the NESA Admin Staff; personnel will not be accepted until we receive approval from your wing for you to attend. When you apply online, if a course you meet the pre-requisite requirements for is not listed, that is because all slots for that course have been filled and it is now closed.

Participants can register to take multiple courses back to back, but not at the same time. Please note though that both short courses and traditional session week courses have been set up for personnel to have the flexibility to take training in several different schools over the two weeks of NESA.

Additional information about NESA and the courses available this year can be found at: <http://nesa.cap.gov/>.

We know some cadets need to attend encampment as well. Indiana Wing will conduct their annual Cadet Summer Encampment from the 15th to the 21st of July at Camp Atterbury as well. The encampment graduation will conclude in time to in-process for NESA Session one in the same location for a seamless training experience. Cadets may register for Basic or Advanced Training. A Regional Cadet Leadership School will be conducted concurrent with encampment. The cost for all cadets is \$125 until Noon EDT Friday 15 June, after which the cost goes to \$150. Encampment registrations received after 1 July may need to be declined due to space restrictions. For more information and registration instructions, visit the Indiana Wing Encampment website at <https://sites.google.com/site/inwgenccampment/> or contact Maj Frank E. Merrill, Encampment Commander, at [fmerrill@inwg.cap.gov](mailto:fmerrill@inwg.cap.gov).

Most critical staff positions have been filled, but there still some support staff positions available. Generally those selected to serve on the NESA staff are prior graduates, but some exceptions may be made by the NESA Director to ensure the best qualified personnel are selected.

The current fee to attend NESA is \$100 for short courses or \$200 for full courses. This includes, meals, lodging on site, printed training materials and aircraft and ground vehicle sortie costs for training on site. Participants are responsible for their own transportation to and from NESA, though many personnel are able to travel in corporate vehicles and aircraft as they are needed on site for training.

If you have any additional questions please direct them to the NESA staff at [NESA-ADMIN@nesa.cap.gov](mailto:NESA-ADMIN@nesa.cap.gov) or call 1-888-211-1812 extension 323.

We look forward to seeing you at the 2012 NESA!

## Cape Fear Composite Squadron - Flight on National Guard C-130

It is a pleasure to report 9 Cadets and 1 Senior Member were taken by the NC National Guard on a flight in a C-130, arranged by Brigadier General D. Todd Kelly and Lt Col Jerry West. The aircraft arrived at Wilmington International Airport at 1230 hrs. with a crew of 15 officers and enlisted personnel. Prior to the outbound flight, the National Guard crew gave 2 briefings, one on General Safety and the one on Medical Safety. The CAP members were loaded on the C-130 and the aircraft took off at 1250 hrs, for a 2 hour flight with a turnaround at Charleston, SC and return to ILM. The aircraft arrived back at ILM at 1350 hrs and all CAP personnel deplaned safe and sound. All totally enjoyed the experience.

The National Guard personnel were very accommodating, polite, professional and courteous. Most important to us, our CAP Senior Member and Cadets were all sharply dressed in BDU's and they conducted themselves in an exemplary manner. Lt Col West, 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt Inabinet and I were extremely proud of all.

John Kay, Lt Col, CAP  
Vice Commander,  
North Carolina Wing

