



SCHWEIKER

Jack Schweiker Composite Squadron
New Jersey Wing, the Civil Air Patrol

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Commander's Corner

Lt. Col. Dennis Walton

Summer always brings changes. School is done for the year; families go on vacation, and some members move on to better things.

Every year, Schweiker Squadron loses a few cadets to college or the military. Every year, we send a new batch of cadets off to Basic Encampment and every year, they come back with 'war stories' about their experiences. Every year, the number of cadets that attend meetings dwindles during the summer while the hard-core seniors take this time to organize and prepare for the fall, when everything starts all over again.

This year, squadron members are being recognized for their achievements. Cadet Lt Col. David Maver is Civil Air Patrol's Cadet of the Year. He will be traveling to Reno, Nev., to accept this award from the national commander. I have been named Northeast Region's Senior Member of the Year.

Last year, many of our seniors attended the Northeast Region Staff Collage. This year, I'm proud to say that some will return as staff at that prestigious school -- one that has the reputation of being the best that CAP



Dennis D. Walton, Lt. Col.
Squadron Commander

has to offer.

These accomplishments are all due to your efforts at maintaining a quality composite squadron and for creating a reputation of excellence. It reflects well on our squadron to be selected for these honors. It can truly be said that every echelon of Civil Air Patrol knows of your hard work and achievements.

For those of you who go on to better things, the best of wishes go with you. For those of you who stay with us, I thank you for your efforts.

Let's get ready for another great year serving our state and nation, "that others may live."



Pride on Parade

LOOKIN' GOOD: The squadron looked great in blue and bright sun in Haddonfield's Memorial Day parade, with help from the Air Victory Museum Squadron. Thanks to everyone who turned out, like cadets Kennedy, Jennings and Maver, above, and seniors, below.



See our website at schweiker.njwg.cap.gov

Cadet Stuff

*The Monthly Schedule
and Notes from Maj. Rudolph*

05 JUN 06

Uniform: Blues

1900 – 1910 Opening Formation
1910 – 1930 Mentoring & Study Time
1930 – 2000 Testing
1930 – 1955 Drill Practice
1955 – 2000 Break
2000 – 2050 Aerospace Education Class
2050 – 2100 Closing Formation & Promotions

12 JUN 06

Uniform – BDUs or PT

1900 – 1910 Opening Formation
1910 – 1930 Flight & Admin Time (sign-ups, supplies, forms, etc.)
1930 – 2000 Leadership Lab
2000 – 2005 Break
2005 – 2100 Emergency Services Class (or PT Test)
2050 – 2100 Closing Formation

19 JUN 06

Uniform – Blues

1900 – 1910 Opening Formation
1910 – 1930 Mentoring & Study Time
1930 – 2000 Testing
1930 – 1955 Drill Practice
1955 – 2000 Break
2000 – 2050 Character Development Lab
2050 – 2100 Closing Formation & Promotions

26 JUN 06 – No Cadet Meeting

If you need to take the PT test this month for promotion, make sure you are prepared to test on 12 Jun 06. *Seniors are expected to meet for an easy week.*

Dates to Remember

14 Jun 06: Flag Day

24 Jun to 02 Jul 06: Tri-Wing Encampment.
Good Luck to Cadets Comas, Dasher, Greening, Groff, Jennings N., Markovchick, McClure, Ozer, Sanchez, and Smith. Go get 'em!

24 Jun to 02 Jul 06: NCO Academy. Good Luck to our NCOs!

23 Jun 06 = Basic ROA Class, Lakehurst NAS

24-25 Jun 06 = UDF Training, Lakehurst NAS

Sign Up Now for NJWG Summer Encampment

For cadets, their parents and some seniors, it's a Civil Air Patrol rite of passage and good way to blow a week of vacation. It's a heck of a lot of fun, too, which is why cadets who complete NJWG Encampment often come back to work as staff alongside seniors who do it year after year.

An encampment can be the most significant and worthwhile training experience of a CAP cadet's career. Training is what encampment is all about. New Jersey Wing encampments are unique that they are run by cadets for cadets.

Cadets must attend an encampment to become officers and receive the Billy Mitchell Award, which is the mid-point in the progression through the cadet program.

Right now, registration is open for the 2006 encampment, scheduled for July 23-30 at Fort Dix. Staff includes cadet Zach Thibault and seniors Maj. Bob Eboch and 2Lt. Mark Swanson. Maj. Eboch will oversee communications at encampment while 2Lt. Swanson will be working with cadets on public affairs. Thibault has been assigned to the logistics area.

Already this spring, our squadron's representatives have spent a weekend at

McGuire AFB in training for the encampment; they are scheduled to spend a third day at McGuire for final planning and training.

Cadets who attend summer encampment can expect plenty of training – orientation flights, challenge courses, drill and ceremony and probably some tours of the base and aircraft. The encampment schedule and offerings vary each year.

Lists of what cadets need for encampment are available, but the biggest item is three BDU uniforms (you'll get dirty) and one complete blue uniform. Be sure that your uniform is correct before you head to encampment.

The cost of summer encampment is \$200. To apply, a cadet must complete the Curry achievement by June 1. Cadets who have never attended the encampment before have priority to attend.

To apply, cadets must send in a CAPF 31 (application for encampment) and CAPF 60 (health/info form), along with a check or money order made out to 'NJ Wing, CAP.' The application deadline is June 30. Forms and checks should be sent to: HQ NJ Wing CAP/CP, ATTN: Encampment 2006, PO Box 16099, McGuire AFB, NJ 08641-6099.

Summer Trainin', Havin' a Blast

Trainin'

June 24-25 Group 224
Ground Team Training,
Lakewood.

July 7-9, July 14-16 NJWG
SAREXs, north and south.

Sept. 9, Level I for new
seniors, Group 223.

Havin' a Blast

Working an air show is some of the most fun you can have in CAP. The Millville Air Show is scheduled for June 24 and 25. Standby one for details on a tent encampment.

Send submissions to 2Lt. Swanson at mswanson@comcast.net