



Squadron Update



Chaplain LtCol. Clint Grenz is in the hospital (St. Alexis, I think). Keep him in your thoughts and prayers.

KC135 orientation rides tentatively scheduled for 21 October have been cancelled by the Air Force due to "mission requirements". We will advise you of any reschedule date. Please be advised that we were allotted 10 seats; for any future dates, priority will be given to cadets first with a minimum of two (2) senior member escorts/chaparones.

If we do not have 8 cadets wanting to go, those remaining seats will be given to senior members, **with priority given to those senior members who complete the Aerospace Education for Senior Members written test, starting as of today.** Senior members will also need to have a current CAP Driver's License.

For a reschedule date, we will need: 1. Full name as shown on your membership card; 2. Social Security number; 3. Name and phone number of emergency contact; and 4. for cadets, a completed CAP Form 9 with parent's or guardian's signature, which must be presented to Air Force personnel on arrival in GFK AFB.

Emergency Service Questionnaire: For those who have not taken the new Questionnaire since this summer, you have until the end of November to take it, or your ES qualifications are suspended until you take it. You can take this questionnaire online at WWW.CAP.GOV; go to Member Services. Potentially, we could hold a group session to study for this questionnaire on a Saturday before the deadline.

Actual ELT located. At the request of the Bismarck Air Traffic Control and airport administration, 1Lt. Pete Korwin Col. Larry Ruebel, and LtCol. Cathy Ruebel located an ELT emanating on 243MHz on the Bismarck airport Monday, October 4. The ELT was located in a National Guard Blackhawk helicopter hangared in the Guard facility at the south end of the airport; CAP members instructed the deactivation of the ELT.

Pager Carriers Needed: January / February is Bismarck's turn again to carry the pager. We need to have pairs of Senior Members to carry the pager for a two-week period. You can be a pager carrier even if you are not a qualified Incident Commander, so long as you contact an IC in the event of actual ES call.

Cadets participated in some



local "no notice" **ground team training** on 5 October. Cadets were taken to General Sibley Park that Tuesday evening, and taught the techniques for making a campfire with materials available around them when nighttime was already upon them. Campfire building and extinguishing training is a requirement for Ground Team Member qualified. Supervising the training was Col. Larry Ruebel, Major Jim Boyd, Sm Bob Aisenbrey, and LtCol. Cathy Ruebel.

Cadet Program seeing fair number of new people interested in the program, including two transfers, one from Minot Squadron and another from Montana Wing. Assistance is needed on a periodic basis, so please step up to help.



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Staff Changes:

Col. Larry Ruebel has taken over as Deputy Commander for Cadets (DCC)

1Lt. Connie Nikiforoff has taken the position of Assistant Public Affairs Officer, helping 1Lt. Chris Brown.

SM Bob Aisenbrey is the Cadet Activities Officer and is in charge of planning of activities for the cadet program.

Senior Member
Staff Positions Needed

Aerospace Education: The minimum tasks for this staff position would be providing primarily internal AE training for the members, both Senior and Cadet training programs; can be incorporated into squadron meetings. Our squadron is at the bottom of the pile in AE accomplishments. Please contact Col. Larry Ruebel regarding this position.

Transportation: Duties of this position would be keeping track of vehicle maintenance, including scheduling oil changes, noting discrepancies, and completing vehicle inspection monthly and so noting the vehicle log. At the end of the month, the vehicle log is sent to

Wing HQ by the 5th of the following month. You are not required to drive the vehicle, however, to do so, you will need a CAP Driver's License. Please contact Maj. Jim Boyd for additional information about this position.

Administrative Officer: The minimum expected of this position would be the disseminating of the mail received to the appropriate staff positions, posting it on bulletin boards as appropriate, and seeing that no outdated materials remain on the bulletin board. Also needs to keep track of/order more forms as necessary and putting updates into the manuals as they are received. Follow up with staff positions to ensure reports are completed and submitted timely. Please contact LtCol. Cathy Ruebel if interested in this position.

Moral Leadership Officer: This position is a designation of the Wing chaplain and minimum qualifications (education and experience) apply. Assist the squadron chaplains and the commander in implementing an effective moral leadership program within the squadron. Most likely it will involve planning and leading discussions

within the Cadet Program once a month. Please contact LtCol. Cathy Ruebel if interested in this position.

Cadet Leadership Officer: Duties of this position would include assisting the Deputy Commander for Cadets with a meaningful Leadership program. Primarily, it will be guiding cadets in proper military bearing and technique, protocol, and drill movements, as needed. While prior military experience will be very helpful, it is not required. You can expect to come to at least one cadet meeting per month, which are the 1st, 2nd, and 4th Tuesday nights. Please contact Col. Larry Ruebel regarding this position.

Ground Team Members: Senior members are needed to train as ground team members. Training involves ground search techniques, including electronic searches, first aid training, and communications. Recommended for aircrew members, to have a good understanding of what can be done on the ground and an effective interface. Please contact LtCol. Cathy Ruebel if interested in this position, or as a trainer.



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