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- Dec. 14 WAA Arlington National Cemetery

For More Info:

Mt. Airy Composite Squadron
at <http://mtairy-cap.org/>

Middle East Region at
<http://www.mer.cap.gov/>

National Headquarters at
<http://www.capmembers.com/>

Useful Websites:

Cadet Programs Library
*Cadet Programs resources
and links to online training
materials*

eServices at
<http://www.capnhq.gov/>

Successful Wing Conference

The Maryland Wing Civil Air Patrol held a successful Wing Conference on November 8-10 at Turf Valley in Ellicott City. The conference began with a Hollywood themed dance on Friday evening sponsored by the Cadet Advisory Council (CAC). The event gave cadets all over Maryland Wing an opportunity to meet their fellow wing members.

Cadet leaders under the Cadet Advisory Council designed and facilitated all of the cadet conference classes. Mount Airy participants were C/1stLt Melissa Weinhold, CAP MD wing vice chair and C/Lt Col Noah Myers. They ran both the Introduction to Color Guard and Drill Team as well as Activity Coordination.

The Mount Airy squadron is extremely proud of all their award recipients. C/Col Chris LaPointe was awarded the General Carl A. Spaatz Award. This award is Civil Air Patrol's highest cadet honor. It is presented to cadets who have demonstrated excellence in leadership, character, fitness, and aerospace education. The Spaatz Award is named in honor of Carl "Tooey" Spaatz, the first Chief of Staff of the United States Air Force.

The Junior Officer of The Year award is the second highest award a cadet can receive at the Wing level. Mount Airy is proud to announce that C/1st Lt Melissa Weinhold is the recipient of this award for 2013.

Our Senior members were also given recognized.. Capt Bob Dickey was awarded The Brig Gen Charles "Chuck" Yeager award for Aerospace Education Achievement.

1st Lt Ron Long was presented with a certificate of appreciation from MDWG for his help with the national conference. Major Grace Stapf was given a meritorious service award by Col. John Knowles for her dedicated support of Cadet programs. Major Stapf distinguished herself beyond the call of normal duty in a position of great responsibility as Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff, Director of Cadet Programs, Maryland Wing Headquarters. Lt. Col. Mike Miller was awarded a 50 year plaque. During his 50+ years in CAP, Lt. Col. Miller has filled many duty positions at the unit, Wing and Region level including Squadron Commander, Director of Personnel, Director of Plans & Programs, Chief of Staff, and Vice Commander in MDWG and Advisor to the Cadet Advisory Council in Middle East Region. Lt Col Miller completed his cadet career as a C/Lt Col and was awarded his Gill Robb Wilson Award in 1984.

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Wreaths Across America

The Mount Airy Composite Squadron of the Civil Air Patrol is seeking sponsorships for Wreaths Across America. The Wreaths Across America program places a wreath on the graves of fallen soldiers. Lt. Lohoefer handed sponsorship packets to all members to generate support for this program. Your effort in handing these packets out not only honors a soldier they help fund our squadron including gas for the van, uniforms, awards 5th night fun and our annual award banquet.

You may also go to <http://give.wreathscrossamerica.org/goto/MDCAP091>. For every wreath sponsored the wreath company will donate \$5-00 to our squadron.

On Saturday December 14th will be caravanning to join all those honoring our fallen soldiers. We will leave Mt Airy Senior center at 0600 and return by 1330. Everyone is welcome to this event but only CAP members may ride in the van.

Fall Festival a Success



Mount Airy Civil Air Patrol Promotes Drug Demand Reduction at Fall Festival
By 1st Lt. Sherrie Weinhold, CAP
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October 5-6 2013 Mount Airy MD

Visitors to the annual Fall Festival in Mount Airy MD were greeted by Civil Air Patrol's Cappy the Eagle. Cappy is the mascot for Civil Air Patrol's Drug Demand Reduction Program (DDR). The squadron had the opportunity to share with visitors to the Civil Air Patrol booth interactive games and an opportunity to experience the Fatal Vision Goggles. These popular hands-on prevention tools are used to educate people of all ages about the consequences of alcohol misuse and abuse. Fatal Vision® Goggles use special lens technology that allows the wearer

to experience a realistic simulation of impairment. Wing Cadet Program DDR Officer Maj Rose Reeder guided cadets and senior members of the squadron in ways to interact to with visitors to spread the mission of DDR. The program focuses on drug abuse education, prevention and awareness. The program promotes Civil Air Patrol as a positive community service lifestyle, encourages youth to remain in school and provides positive activities as an alternative to drugs and gang violence.

Cadet Advisory Council Plans Wing Activities in the Wing

On December 12 the Toastmasters will be visiting the squadron to present an overview of the upcoming Cadet Speak Off held on the 15th of February. They will be providing tips and ideas on how to present a stellar and well rounded speech at the competition.
